

Friday 14 October 2019



It was wonderful to see so many parents, carers and students at the Open Evening on Thursday last week. Please **click here** to see a copy of the slides from the presentation at the end of the evening. This includes key dates for the application and the transition process. 2019. Please make contact with Mrs Norman [jnorman@debenhamhigh.co.uk](mailto:jnorman@debenhamhigh.co.uk) if you wish to log your interest in us (and you currently do not attend one of our catchment Primary Schools).

This week we invite our Year 7 and 8 Parents and Carers Learning Together evening. During this evening we will be offering Parents and Carers workshops which share our strategies and advice, based on research and evidenced work with other professionals, on E-safety, Learning to learn and Positive Mental Health.

On Wednesday this week students in Year 9 attend the Suffolk Skills Festival. This event allows students to look at the range of job opportunities in our local area and to understand the qualifications and knowledge needed for different roles in a range of industries. From land-based agriculture to off-shore energy, there is a wealth of different employment pathways for students. This forms the start of their information gathering to make informed choices for their GCSE studies later in the year.

This week students get creative in a range of activities for Big Draw Week. Mrs Carr and Miss Stratford have led assemblies and there will be lunchtime, tutor-time and take-away activities to get involved in. The focus this year is #DrawnToLife and focuses on the vital role of creativity for health and wellbeing. Creativity can be an great way to find some inner calm, whether that is through crafting or colouring, we can all benefit from activity which makes us slow down in our busy lives.

We wish Year 10 and 11 students “Buen viaje” as they head to Santander in Spain for their immersion trip, spending time in Spanish homes and with each other practising their linguistic skills.

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