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14<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Dear Families

### Year 7 Visits to Stowmarket Library

At Stowmarket High School we recognise the awesome power of reading. The evidence is clear: reading for pleasure helps teenagers with their mental wellbeing, widens their aspirations and improves their exam results.

Many of our students says that they enjoy reading but would like access to a wider selection of books. Suffolk Library Service is an excellent but often overlooked resource. Each library has an extensive collection of the latest titles, eBooks and audiobooks for teenagers. All FREE with a library card.

During the autumn term we shall be taking every Year 7 student to Stowmarket Library. There they will be introduced to the library's facilities, take part in a story telling activity and be issued their own library card enabling them to take a book of their choice straight away.

To enable your child to receive a library card, please complete the attached form by Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> September. (Students who already have their own library card should bring their card along on their visit day).

The schedule for the library visits is as follows:

7S Friday 14<sup>th</sup> October

7T Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October

7O Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

7W Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> October

7H Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September

7I Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> October

7G Friday 30<sup>th</sup> September

All visits will take place during the normal school day and will be weather dependant. Should a visit be proposed due to inclement weather, it will take place on either Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> or Friday 11<sup>th</sup> November 2022.

If you would like any further information about your child's visit, please contact [j.arnold@stowhigh.com](mailto:j.arnold@stowhigh.com). For more general information about the faculties offered at Suffolk Libraries please visit [www.suffolklibraries.co.uk](http://www.suffolklibraries.co.uk).

Yours faithfully

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