

PRESS RELEASE

Lessons return to the old school

Wormingford Community Education Centre is to expand its range of courses to include a Saturday School.

This beautiful old school on the edge of the Dedham Vale AONB closed down in 2011 and was taken over by a group of volunteers. The centre is now a charity and offers lifelong learning for all ages, with a wide range of classes and workshops from playgroups to Pilates.

The Saturday school project now expands what the centre offers to include more academic courses. There will be Mathematics at two levels for students following the GCSE course. There will be Science Courses, to include Chemistry, Physics and Biology at GCSE level and also English GCSE, although in the future it may be possible to offer all of the core subjects to A level.

The Saturday School courses will be carefully designed to include the central concepts and practices of the subject, taught in 2 hour sessions, with the GCSE courses lasting 5 weeks. These courses will support the work students do in school, helping them to understand concepts that they may not have mastered, or to ensure basic knowledge of the subject. Graham Leeks, course tutor says: 'The classes will be very small with a limit of 6 people so we can offer more individual attention. We aim to create a far less intimidating atmosphere than ordinary school because we find that people learn better that way.' Led by teachers with a wealth of experience who believe in a personal approach to learning, the intention is that the classes will be enjoyable for both teacher and pupil alike.

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Further Information

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Wormingford Community Education Centre

Following the closure of Wormingford St Andrews School in 2011, WCEC was set up by a group of volunteers who are keen to keep the site active and open for the benefit of the village and neighbouring community. It became a charity in 2015 and offers lifelong learning opportunities for all. For more details see www.wormingfordcec.org.uk.