

NEWS

Framlingham College marks century of rugby

Framlingham College is celebrating a historic sporting milestone this year, marking 100 years of rugby being played at the school.

Rugby replaced football at the college in 1924 after the headmaster at the time, Francis Wilfrid Stocks, declared that he was “absolutely unrepentant” in making his students switch to a sport that he considered “would be most useful to them in the future.”

To mark this historic occasion, a special centenary match will take place on Sunday, September 22, on the college’s iconic rugby pitch, Lords.

The match will replicate the very first rugby fixture played at the college exactly 100 years ago, in which Framlingham College was defeated by Ipswich Rugby Club, 22–8, on Saturday, October 11, 1924.

The current 1st XV is hoping to reverse the result from the 1920s.

In conjunction with this centenary year, the college welcomed Will Cotterill as its

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new Head of Rugby at the start of the 2024/25 season.

Will joined the college after a distinguished playing and coaching career, following his most recent position as Director of Rugby at Shelford RFC.

Mr Cotterill said: “It is an absolute privilege to join Framlingham College and contribute to this historic celebration of rugby.

“To coach at a school with such deep roots in the sport is truly special.

“We expect a big crowd - the boys deserve that - and we will aim to continue our streak of three wins on the bounce.”

He continued: “It’s a great commitment for



The first XV team in 1924

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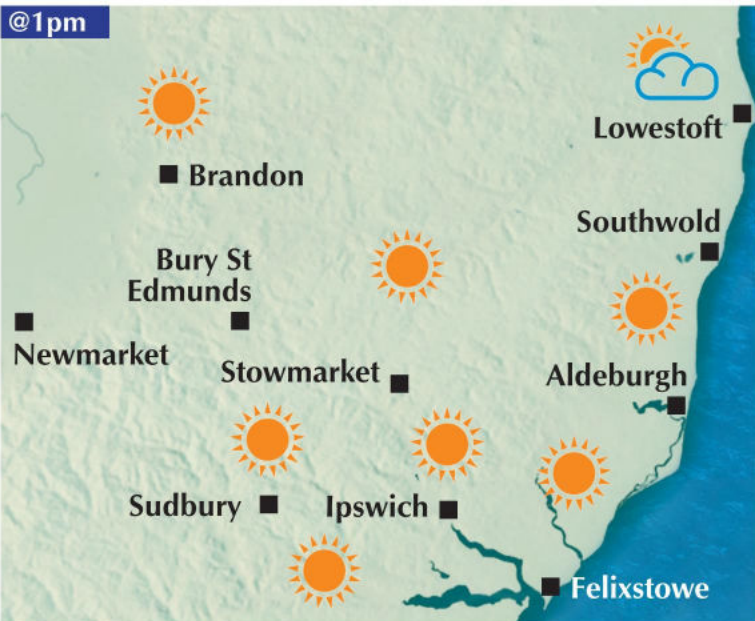


the college to have kept rugby on the sporting programme for 100 years, and for the pupils to continue to get

involved and contribute to the sport across the decades. It’s a great game. It’s faced some pressures recently around the

contact element, but we need to work through that and make it a safe game for everyone to enjoy.”

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Weather Watch Suffolk

TODAY'S REGIONAL SUMMARY

Low cloud will soon break up to give some bright or warm sunny spells during the day. Chance of further heavy and thundery showers breaking out in the afternoon. Breezy.

SUNRISE/SUNSET

Sunrise Time: 6.39am
Sunset Time: 6.57pm

5 DAY FORECAST

TEMPERATURES (°C)

10:00		19
13:00		20
16:00		20
19:00		18

		Max	Min
Friday		22	15
Saturday		23	16
Sunday		22	14
Monday		19	11
Tuesday		18	12

HIGH TIDES

	Time	Height (m)	Time	Height (m)
King's Lynn	08:20	7.6m	20:46	7.1m
Cromer	08:26	5.7m	21:13	5.2m
Gt Yarmouth	10:23	3.0m	23:04	2.7m
Lowestoft	11:25	2.9m	—	—

	Time	Height (m)	Time	Height (m)
Southwold	00:32	2.6m	12:30	2.9m
Felixstowe	01:37	4.1m	13:47	4.1m
Harwich	01:47	4.3m	13:57	4.3m
West Mersea	02:14	5.7m	14:30	5.8m

COASTAL WATERS

Easterly or northeasterly 3 to 5.

SEA STATE

Slight or moderate, smooth or slight later.

TOMORROW

Brighter but an increasing risk of heavy showers, perhaps thundery. Gentle northeasterly breeze with fresh gusts.

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