

Theme of the week 'Role Models'

In the same way,
LET YOUR LIGHT
SHINE
BEFORE OTHERS,
that they may see
your good deeds
AND GLORIFY YOUR
FATHER IN HEAVEN.

MATTHEW 5:16

activities for the students in recent weeks. Mrs Grosvenor is now running a lunchtime knitting club for our senior girls and Miss Staples has put together a whole 'Get Active' scheme designed for our Key Stage 3 students to encourage them to engage in exercise in the month of February. Our PE staff continue to ensure that our students never miss out on opportunities to compete across the city and beyond, and our Christian leaders continue to bring in thought provoking external speakers to run assemblies and our Christian Unions. There is a wealth of talent in our staff team and our students are the deserving beneficiaries of their skilled work. Thank you for all you do as parents and carers to encourage your children to make the very most of all the opportunities school offers them; their teenage years are precious and fleeting.

Mrs Price



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been inspiring to see many of our staff members volunteer their own time and energies to set up enrichment

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Forthcoming Events

5th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 English & Maths Evening for parents 6-7pm
8th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 Parents' Evening
22nd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 Parents' Evening
26th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start of Year 11 Mocks
8th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Parents' Evening
26th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichment Day

Year 11 Half Term Intervention

There will be a variety of sessions running between Monday 12th February and Wednesday 14th February for our Year 11 students. These sessions are group interventions focused on skills or on a specific aspect of the course. Teachers have identified those students (or groups) who need additional support from the school's Y11 mock exam analysis and the work they have been doing in lessons. Intervention sessions are run by King's School staff and Russell Education Trust Advisors. All parents will receive a letter outlining the sessions their child is expected to attend early next week.

King's School staff will be doing everything possible to support your son/daughter to achieve well next summer and this support is one key strand of the Year 11 curriculum. This type of focused intervention is proven to support students in improving their exam grades and it is used effectively in both Russell Education Trust schools and local schools.

For these sessions, students do not have to wear uniform, but their attire needs to be suitable. All sessions are in the morning and will finish so that students can have lunch after they leave site as our dining room will not be open. Please could you ensure that your child has a drink and a snack for these morning sessions. Please contact Mrs Orford-Kemmish, our Head of Year 11, if you have any questions regarding these intervention sessions.

Year 11 Mock Timetable

Regardless of whether students have been targeted to attend the intervention sessions above, the half term is a great time to revise for the second set of mocks, which start on Monday 26th February and will run until Friday 9th March. The normal timetable for students will be suspended and the exam sessions and briefings will give a further opportunity for students to practise exam techniques and demonstrate – to themselves more than anyone else – how far they have progressed since December. We have every faith that they will do well. Individual timetables will be sent out to parents for each child.

Student of the Week

Student of the week this week goes to George in 8P. George has been nominated because of his kindness and consideration towards a new student, as recognised by his Head of Year, Miss Wood. Thank you George!



Parent Prayer

We would love our praying parents to join with us in giving thanks for the two new appointments made this week, a Head of English and a Teaching Assistant. We would also like to give thanks for the affiliation with the Church of England Chichester Diocese and the opportunities that this will bring our school. Please also be praying for our Year 11 students as they deal with the preparations of their GCSEs. As we approach half term, please pray that God would continue to sustain both students and staff in their tiredness.

Attendance

A year is made up of 365 days. Students are in school for 185 days this year. That means they have 177 days for shopping, hanging out with their friends and family, and relaxing. Every school day matters and every day students miss will affect their learning and the grades they achieve. They should be aiming for above 96% attendance. Students below this level will miss at least 56 lessons, which will have a significant impact on their progress and is likely to limit their performance in school.

'Girls Do Stem' Conference

The science department took a group of Year 8 girls to the inaugural 'Albion in the Community' 'Girls do Stem Conference' at the AMEX stadium this week which was designed to increase the number of girls choosing STEM courses and eventually careers. They had a great time chatting with over 30 successful women from across the county in a "speed dating" format and came away with

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a new understanding of the career opportunities that are open to them. The girls were a great credit to King's and represented the school incredibly well, asking mature questions and listening politely throughout.

Website Focus

Our 'News' page contains a round-up of all our recent news and copies of letters recently sent to parents: <https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/news.php> Please check it regularly to ensure you are up to date on everything 'King's!' If you don't already follow us on Twitter we would encourage you to start! We can be found @kingschoolhove.

February 'Get Active' Challenge

Throughout the month of February, Miss Staples is setting our Key Stage 3 students the challenge of becoming more active everyday. Activities can include: walking/cycling to school; skateboarding; swimming; playing for their sports teams; taking part in their PE lessons; attending an extra-curricular club etc – the aim is to be creative and active. Enjoyment is the key to staying active! For more information, please see the letter on the News section of our school website. <https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/news.php>

U13 Cricket Tournament

Our U13 cricketers took part in the district round of the Schools' Indoor Tournament last Tuesday. King's won their first game against PACA, scoring over 60 runs with great shots from Sienna, George and Joel. The second game saw King's put in a good bowling performance against Blatchington Mill, restricting them to 40 runs with excellent fielding and bowling from Sam, Elliot, Femi and Sienna bowling at the death. However, Blatchington Mill's bowlers bowled well in the second innings, restricting King's scoring, meaning we came up 10 runs short after the 6 overs. Fantastic performance by all 6 of the players and look forward to more cricket in the summer. Team: Elliot White, Sam Pierce, Sienna Balmont, George Richardson, Femi Ofei-Kwatia and Joel Coates.

Optional Communion Service – 8th February

On Thursday next week students have the opportunity to attend an optional Communion Service. Our Communion Services give students the opportunity to reflect on Jesus' death on the cross for us and the new life we have been given in him. Services will be held in the drama studio, during tutor times. This week we will be welcoming Father Daniel Smith, from St Peter's West Blatchington, as he leads our services.

Dyslexia & Literacy Difficulties Open Evening

Brighton & Hove Inclusion Support Service are holding a parents' information evening on Dyslexia and Literacy Difficulties on Thursday 8th February 2018. The evening will be held at Cardinal Newman School from 6:00-7:30pm and is a free event for any parent looking for guidance in this field. If you are interested in attending, please email jackie.vidler@brighton-hove.gov.uk.

Year 10 Boys' Football vs. Varndean

The Year 10 boys lost to Varndean 4-1 last Monday. After a sloppy start going 1-0 down, King's increased their possession and dominance in the game. However, Varndean broke away from a King's corner and made it 2-0. Just before half-time, Joe Green beat 2 players and then scored a wonder goal with his left foot from 25 yards away from goal. The second half was more of an end to end affair, with chances at both ends, however the King's defence tired and got stretched looking for a winner, eventually conceding a couple of late goals to give Varndean the advantage.

Extra Curricular Cancellations

	On	Not Running	Not Running
Monday 5 th Feb		KS3 Drama Club	
Friday 9 th Feb	Hockey		
Half Term			
Friday 23 rd Feb		Gymnastics	Hockey
Friday 2 nd March	Gymnastics	Hockey	

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Friday 9th March	Gymnastics	Hockey	
Friday 16th March	Hockey	Gymnastics	
Friday 23rd March	Gymnastics		
Monday 25th March		KS3 Drama Club	