

Theme of the week 'Parents/Guardians'



right between ensuring students' and staff safety and avoiding unnecessary disruption, in the midst of ever-changing forecasts and very challenging conditions. A number of you contacted the school to thank us for timely and clear communication; I am glad you feel that we got this right. Year 11 mocks were swiftly rescheduled and students have responded well to the need for amendments to the timetable. We are now able to look ahead to the spring, our Enrichment Day on 26th March, Easter worship and end of term assessments. We were pleased to announce news of Mr Bridges' promotion to an advisory role in the Trust this week; I will keep you updated on the recruitment of his successor.

Mrs Price



Dear Parents/Carers,

How wonderful it has been to see the sun this week! Thank you for your understanding and patience during the difficult weather last week. I do not take any decision to close the school lightly and I hope you feel we got the balance

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Forthcoming Events

23rd March	• DofE Silver Expedition
23rd March	• Year 9 Food Bank Trip
26th March	• Enrichment Day
29th March	• Last day of term

Student of the Week

This week's student of the week is awarded to Ruby in Year 8. She is so committed to extra-curricular sports activities and goes out of her way to encourage others in fitness activities. Well done Ruby! You



are a great inspiration. We also want to give a special mention to Phoebe in Year 11. Her encouragement of other students and leadership in revision is outstanding.



Parent Prayer

After National Offer Day, do be praying for the Year 6 students who will be joining us in September. Pray especially for those who might be feeling nervous because they are the only one from their primary school coming to King's. Please also pray for recruitment to our current vacancies, including the Deputy Head Teacher and Assistant Head Teacher positions.

Our Year 11s will be receiving mock results from next week so please pray for their teachers as they plan for intervention in the crucial period before the final exams. As we head towards Easter, be praying for our Easter celebration services in the last week of term. Pray for those who will be leading them, that they would be able to prepare well to share the amazing message of the cross.

Site Update

Kier are making good progress on our permanent site. We are having monthly update meetings with them and are being kept closely informed of their work in West Blatchington. Mrs Price and Mrs Laux (Chair of Governors) met with Brighton and Hove Buses last week to discuss routes to the new permanent site. As ever, Mr Best was very helpful and keen to ensure safe and efficient transport to the new site for our students.

Plans are being made to provide direct routes from our main admissions node to the new site and we will keep you informed as these plans progress.

National Offer Day

125 Year 6 students were offered places to join us in September 2018 on 1st March. We are delighted to welcome these new students and their families to the King's community! Welcome packs will be posted out in due course and induction events are being planned for the summer term. If you are disappointed not to have been successful in your application for a place for your child please contact us via admissions@kingschoolhove.org.uk

Website Focus

Please note that you can access Show My Homework from our website, through the curriculum link on the school drop down menu: <https://kingshove.showmyhomework.co.uk/school/homeworks/calendar>. You do not need log in details to access all the homework that has been set across the show and can filter from the Show My Homework home page to find specific homework set for year groups, classes and subjects.

Sporting Success

We are delighted to share the success of Ruby in Year 8 who represented the Sussex Team for cross country last weekend and won the Regional Inter County Middle Distance Final. Ruby is an accomplished sportswoman with a great attitude to competition. Well done Ruby – we are proud of you!



Enrichment Day

On Monday the 26th March, we will be holding our second enrichment day this academic year. On this day, the following activities will take place:

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Year 7 – Students will either be visiting the Globe Theatre in London or joining Shakespeare workshops at school.

Year 8 – Students will be either going on a History trip to Bodiam Castle, or on a Geography trip to Birling Gap.

Year 9 – Students will either be on the History residential trip to Ypres or taking part on a drug awareness day on the school site.

Year 10 – Students will be focusing on the best way to study and revise ready for their GCSE exams next year. We will also be telling the students about GCSE Pod, a revision help website

Year 11 – Will be focusing on Mathematics, Drama, Computer Science and English Literature as we enter the last few weeks before their examinations.

If you have any queries about the activity your child is taking please contact the front office via the admin@kingschoolhove.org.uk email address.

Students on the school site will be finishing lessons at 14:10 on this day and there will be no extra-curricular clubs running. Please see individual letters and trip information about the end of the day for those not on the school site.

Year 11 Update

Our Year 11 students continue to show fantastic focus and application during their mock exams, which have had to be extended due to the snow. These exams will conclude with Chemistry and Geography on Monday and English Literature on Tuesday. Students who were absent through illness for some exams may have catch-up exams on these days too.

Looking to next week, we start back with Period 7 intervention sessions and we are focusing on the following subjects:

12th March No Period 7 intervention/
Music Department open

13th March Science (for Triple Scientists)
3.15 – 4.30pm, History, Business Studies

14th March DT/Drama (groups to arrange
rehearsals with Mrs Grosvenor)

15th March History, Business Studies,
Drama (groups to arrange rehearsals with Mrs
Grosvenor)

16th March History, Drama (groups to
arrange rehearsals with Mrs Grosvenor) / Music
Department open

Students will be informed if they are targeted for these sessions.

Other key dates for Year 11 students are as follows:

19th March Period 7 sessions resume
with amended timetable and students will be informed
if they are expected to attend.

19th March Period 7 English feedback from
Language mocks/ History/ Spanish/ Music

20th March Period 7 English feedback from
Language mocks

21st March Period 7 Drama/Science/RP/DT

22nd March Period 7 Drama/ Maths/
Geography

23rd March Period 7 Drama/ Maths/ History/
Art/ Music

23rd – 25th March Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition

26th March Enrichment Day

Morning sessions: Maths revision

Afternoon session: English Literature Paper 2 mock

Period 7 Drama (final rehearsals)/ History/ Spanish/
Art/ Music

27th March Drama practical exam

Period 7 English

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28th March Musicians off-timetable (composition day)

Period 7 Science/DT/RP

29th March Musicians off-timetable (recording day)

No Period 7 intervention

So it is a packed schedule up until Easter and in subsequent newsletters, there will be information on revision sessions over the Easter holiday. Almost exclusively, these will be between 11th April – 13th April.

GCSE Pod still features heavily in successful student's revision time and over 2200 pods have been streamed or downloaded since its launch before the Christmas holiday. If you are a Year 11 parent and wish to access these resources, go to the following link: <https://www.gcsepod.com/parents/>

If you are a Year 11 parent, please congratulate your son/daughter for their efforts with the mocks exams. We are proud of them. Teachers are marking furiously so that they can get timely feedback to students and they can make improvements in their skills/knowledge. When you receive this newsletter there will 34 school days until the start of the GCSE exams! Full results from these mock exams will be with parents on 29th March when the Year 11 interim reports are issued.

Year 8 Girls' Indoor Athletics

On Thursday 8th March, our Year 8 girls took part in the indoor athletics Sussex finals. They were competing against schools from all over Sussex, and were representing Brighton and Hove. All six students competed in a range of track and field events, ranging from standing long and triple jump, speed bounce, vertical jump and shot put. We had many highlights from the competition, including Ruby winning her 6 lap individual race as well as her standing long jump and triple jump as well the 4x2 lap relay which the girls also won. Varndean, Dorothy Stinger and Longhill were also representing Brighton and Hove for different year groups, and it was an incredible afternoon of supporting the other Brighton Schools. King's came third out of ten

schools (third in Sussex), which is an outstanding result. Every girl competed to such a high standard and held their nerves. Well done girls – we are so incredibly proud of you! Well done Ruby, Molly, Isobel, Devina, Sienna and Carly.



U15 Girls' Sussex Cricket Final

Our U15 team played against 5 other schools in the Lady Taverner's Sussex final. King's narrowly their first game by a few runs, despite Emily and Olivia bowling well. King's then tied their second game 66 runs all, with excellent batting from Ruby and Vicky. King's then lost to eventual winners Bede's, however King's bowled them out for the lowest total of the day, with two great overs of swing bowling from Eloise, taking 4 wickets. King's then lost their 4th game by 1 run, with good bowling from Ruby and Ciara, along with solid batting from Skye and Sienna. In the last game, the moment of the day happened when Sienna took an unbelievable diving catch on the boundary to prevent a six which had both teams applauding. The girls continued to improve throughout the day and enjoyed their experience of being in a county final; they were a pleasure to take to represent King's.



Web Safety

Please read the following article explaining features of the social media app 'House Party'. <https://netsanity.net/what-is-house-party-app/> The app has become widely used in the last year and teenagers using it need to be made aware of safety features that can, and ought to, be activated. If you have any questions or concerns around this or any other social media use, please contact our Pastoral team via admin@kingschoolhove.org.uk

Year 7 Rugby vs. PACA

Our Year 7 rugby team took on PACA in their third match of the term and won by 8 tries to 3. King's showed their vast improvement as a team in the first half by scoring 4 tries. They improved their quickness in the ruck, their positional awareness and their passing down the line, using more of the space out wide. PACA made a good start in the second half and put the King's defence under pressure, scoring 3 tries. But King's showed great character and fought back, making big tackles, such as Archie and Cameron, and dominating the game through rucks and forward runs. There were 4 tries for Brandon, 2 for Sam and 1 a piece for Leon and Preston. Overall, a brilliant team performance which showed how much they have improved over the last few weeks.



Friday 23rd March	Gymnastics		
Monday 25th March		KS3 Drama Club	

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Extra Curricular Cancellations

	On	Not Running	Not Running
Friday 9th March	Gymnastics	Hockey	
Friday 16th March	Hockey	Gymnastics	