

Theme of the week SERVICE

Serve one
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in love

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Dear Parents/Carers,

What a beautiful week it's been! It has been lovely to see students enjoying the sunshine after such a long winter. The Year 7s and 8s who went on the Surf Life Saving day had a fantastic time and we have enjoyed welcoming more Year 6s to school for the second of our two transition afternoons, prior to the Induction Day next Friday 6th July. Staff are busy making final arrangements for Sports Day, Enrichment Days, our first Awards' Evening, our first whole school outdoor Holy Communion Service, and our Summer Showcase - all

coming up over the next three weeks. Year 9 parents will have had letters this week regarding a Theatre in Education performance next week and arrangements for tutor groups in the next academic year – please ensure you have read and digested these. We look forward to rounding off the year in style over the coming packed three weeks.

Mrs Price



Parent Pay Update

Parents/carers who have not yet activated their ParentPay accounts are asked to do so as soon as possible and are reminded that **ParentPay is now the only way to top up your child's dinner money.**

All families should have received an email with information on how to set up an account. Please note that these came direct from ParentPay (and not from the school) and may have made their way into spam/junk folders. If you have not received information on setting up ParentPay, please contact the Finance

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Forthcoming Events

3 rd July	• Year 5 Taster Afternoon
5 th July	• Matilda Trip
6 th July	• Year 6 Induction Day - INSET
11 th July	• Sports Day

office via finance@kingschoolhove.org.uk or by selecting option 2 when calling the school.

Students of the Week



Our Key Stage 3 student of the week is Luke in Year 8, for having an outstanding term in PE. This term, Luke has been more focused, engaged and taking on leadership roles within lessons. Miss Staples says that Luke “taught me how to play 'three sticks' and led a game for the class during his athletics lesson. I shall be stealing the idea for my long jump lessons in the future!”

Our Key Stage 4 student of the week is Daniel in Year 11. Daniel showed excellent leadership skills during his Silver Duke of Edinburgh expedition last week; keeping his team motivated and on track. Thank you and well done, Daniel!



Surf Life Saving Day

30 students took part in a Surf Life Saving Trip organised by Brighton and Hove Surf Life Saving in association with Paddle Round the Pier this week. Students spent the first session taking part in beach lifeguard games and learning more about what a lifeguard does and wears (see photo!).

The second session involved students learning how to perform CPR and basic first aid that a lifeguard may come across. Students then had a real lifeguard come and assess which of them had put on the perfect bandage! After lunch, the group got into their wetsuits and spent time in the water learning how to swim



someone out of the water, how to use flotation devices and how to travel on a rescue board. Students had to ‘save’ each other from the water and drag each other on to their board creating an amusing scene in the water.

Overall, students came away knowing more about what the purpose and job role of a lifeguard is and learnt some really important life saving techniques that may come in useful in the future.

Duke of Edinburgh Silver Award

Last weekend saw the final Duke of Edinburgh expedition for our Year 11 students, which culminated in ten students achieving a Silver Award for completing the 3 day expedition.

There were high spirits throughout and great team bonding from 5am when the tents started to get hot, until 11pm when students (and staff) were toasting marshmallows! All students showed great determination and dedication to complete the 45km walk with all their kit in their rucksacks (from tents, to Frisbees, and the odd pot noodle)!

It was hot but refreshing on the walk from East Hoathly all the way to Birling Gap where students camped in the beautiful surroundings of Alfriston. The scenery was beautiful and students even managed to rescue an injured Great Tit chick and take it to the wild life emergency clinic!

Well done to all our students who achieved the Silver Award! Certificates will be given later on in the year when all participants on all levels have completed their sections of the Duke of Edinburgh Award. We hope that the Bronze Award students do well in their expedition this weekend.

Year 8 Reports

Year 8 reports will be distributed to families next week (commencing 2nd July). Please accept our apologies for the delay.

Year 10 English Speaking & Listening

A reminder that on 12th July, as part of our Enrichment day, Year 10 students will be completing the compulsory GCSE Speaking assessment.

This involves delivering a speech lasting between 4 - 6 minutes and answering questions. Students have been put into small groups and will spend time preparing with their groups, delivering their speech to their group and a teacher and completing two additional sessions which will feed into their GCSE studies.

Students will have staggered start and finish times, so will not be in school for the whole day. Parents will receive a timetable of when their child will be expected to be in school by the end of Friday 6th July.

Year 10 Science Practicals

As part of the Year 10 enrichment days students will be completing three Science required practicals. These practicals are a compulsory element of the Science GCSE and 25% of their final exams in Year 11 will cover this practical element. It is therefore vital that Year 10 attend these days.

Year 10 Exam Results

Students in Year 10 have sat their end of year exams recently using the same procedure as they need to follow for their actual GCSE examinations next year. We have been impressed by how the majority in the year group have approached these exams and know that we have useful results to inform our planning for the Year 11 curriculum.

While subjects will be giving results back in lessons, there will be an interim report with all end of year grades coming out in the last few weeks of term.

If you have any questions about these reports or your child's results, please contact Mr Bridges via admin@kingschoolhove.org.uk.

Forthcoming Events

Please note that next **Friday 6th July is an INSET day**. Year 6 will be coming into school for their Induction Day but the school will be closed to all other students (bar those who have signed up to be student helpers for the day).

Sports Day is on the 11th July and all parents will have received a letter outlining arrangements for this.

July 12th and 13th are our summer Enrichment Days and students will be engaged in a variety of trips and activities in and out of school.

In the final week of term we have the **Year 11 parents' tea on the afternoon of Tuesday 17th July**; our first formal **Awards' Evening on the evening of Tuesday 17th July**; and our **Summer Showcase on the evening of Thursday 19th July**.

As usual our **last day of term** will be an early finish. Students will be dismissed from school for the summer break at **12:40pm on Friday 20th July**.

Letters Sent This Week

Year 7 Blackland Farm Itinerary

Families whose child is taking part in the Year 7 visit to Blackland farm over our July enrichment days were sent an itinerary and kit list for the trip.

'County Lines performance' for Year 9

There will be a performance of 'County Lines' for Year 9 students on Wednesday 4th July. This performance is funded by Sussex Police and Public Health, and deals with extremely important topics for our students.

Tutor group changes- Year 9 moving into Year 10

Families were sent a letter by email, informing them that students will be re-allocated tutor groups when they move into Year 10. More information will be provided before the end of term.

GCSE Results Day

Families of our current Year 11 students were sent a letter with information on GCSE results day. Students will be able to collect their results between 9.30 and 12.30 on Thursday 23rd August, and refreshments will be available. Further information, including arrangements for students who will not be able to collect their results on the day, can be found in Mrs Price's letter to parents.

A reminder that letters sent home are available via the 'news' section of our website. If you cannot find a copy of a letter, please email admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk.

Parent Prayer

Praise God for the sunshine and warm weather. Pray for safety for our students who will be taking part in enrichment activities and trips over the coming three weeks. Be praying for these activities to be good opportunities for students to develop strong, encouraging relationships with one another.

Be praying for our Year 10 students who are now the oldest year group in the school. Please pray they would show care and responsibility, role modelling our school values for our younger year groups. Also be praying that they would use their time at the end of this year wisely, preparing well for their final year.

Our new staff are joining us for the day on Monday 2nd July and our new Year 7s will be coming in for the day on Friday 6th July. Please be praying for a really positive start to their time at King's, both staff and students.

Summer Uniform

Thank you for supporting the school by ensuring that your child attends in correct uniform.

In this warmer weather Mrs Price makes a decision every morning regarding blazers. If it is a hot day Mrs Price will announce that blazers do not need to be worn.

Students are expected to wear other items of uniform correctly and keep shirts tucked in. Students should be in correct school shoes right up until the end of the year. A letter containing reminders on uniform will be sent to all parents with a summer mailing before the end of term.

Contact Information Updates

We will soon be sending home forms for families to check and update the information that we hold, including home and email addresses and emergency contact information. These will be sent home with students in the coming weeks, and we would ask families to return the forms by the end of term.

For more information on what data we hold on our pupils and their families, and how this data is handled, please see the privacy notice on the school's website.

End of Term Housekeeping

A reminder that students will need to clear their lockers before the end of term, and make sure that their padlock is removed. Any locks left on will be removed and property disposed of.

Please ask your child also to make sure they check the changing rooms, their tutor room and the lost property box for any items which belong to them. We have a large amount of unnamed school uniform and other clothing which remains unclaimed. Non-school uniform which is not claimed will be donated to charity over the summer break, and unnamed school uniform will be given to the PTA for second hand uniform sales.

Finally, please ensure that if your child has borrowed any property from the school (textbooks, equipment etc.) these are returned to the appropriate teacher before the summer break.