

Theme of the week: Fresh Starts



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has certainly felt as though we have turned the corner into spring this week. Just in time for our second Enrichment Day! Our staff work really hard to ensure that our Enrichment Days offer students interesting and varied experiences outside of their usual classrooms routines. We are also very mindful of the need to keep trips affordable and accessible. On Monday morning it was wonderful to

see students heading off to Shakespeare's Globe, Stanmer Park and Portsmouth and to receive updates on our group abroad in Ypres for their battlefields tour. In school Year 9 students were learning about the dangers of illegal drugs; Year 10 were receiving study skills help and support from the National Citizen Service and Year 11 were engaged in Maths intervention sessions and a final revision support session with the inspirational Elevate. Read on in this newsletter for full reports from each year group. I'm pleased to report that work on our permanent site continues on schedule.

We are now discussing the finer details of the decant and move of our legacy furniture and ICT equipment and it very much feels as though we are on the home straight in terms of getting this school into its permanent home. What a joyful day that will be!

If you the parent/carer of a Year 11 student please ensure you are aware of their timetable for holiday intervention sessions. We look forward to seeing you next Wednesday 3rd April for our final parents' information evening.

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Forthcoming Events

2nd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Lewes Geography trip (rescheduled)
3rd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 Information Evening
5th April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Last Day of Term
23rd April	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> INSET Day

Student of the Week

Aimee Howell is Student of the Week for **Year 7**. Aimee has worked so incredibly hard to improve her attendance and has received positive feedback from teachers as to how well she is doing in Maths and PE. Well done Aimee!

Chosen as **Year 8** Student of the Week is Monica Salip Ghobrial for excellent focus and outstanding work in a grammar languages lesson, as well as being praised for being very helpful in a cover lesson this week!

Year 9 SotW is Chloe Bexhall. Chloe is a hard working student who truly embodies our school values. She is kind and welcoming and is a great friend to many. Thank you Chloe!

Sophie Larter has been chosen as **Year 10** SotW for a great attitude and dedication leading up to exams and art mocks.

Student of the Week for **Year 11** is Oak Harris for receiving multiple reports from members of staff regarding a change of attitude in lessons.

Last Day of Term & INSET

Our last day of term is Friday 5th April. All students should arrive as normal for 8:30am on this date. They will attend three lessons and also have a tutor time and a celebration assembly. A full brunch service will be available in the Dome Diner at break time. **All students will be dismissed from school at 12:40pm on this date.**

Year 11 will be set extensive holiday work and revision tasks for this break – when we return they have only two and a half weeks until their first GCSE exam. Tuesday 23rd April is an INSET day and the school will be closed to students on this date (some Year 11 students may be invited in for intervention – further details to follow). All students should return for the summer term for an 8:30am lesson start as usual on Wednesday 24th April.

Year 11 Update

Mock results are all in and students are now working hard towards those final exams. We are really pleased

with how things are shaping up and it has been really encouraging to see so many students so positive about their mock results. We look forward to welcoming all Year 11 parents to our revision guidance evening on Wednesday 3rd April which starts at 6pm. Our heads of English and Maths will both be sharing their final advice on how to maximise the final stages of revision and Mr Cooke, Deputy Head will be speaking on revision skills and managing the final stages of preparation.

We also have out Easter revision sessions coming up and we will be contacting parents in the coming days with information on the students we're recommending attend the Easter revision sessions. We've also launched with our students our "40 days" plan as it will be 40 days until the first exam from the 4th of April. In the Bible 40 days is often a significant time of testing and trial, for year 11 students this will certainly resonate. It is diligence, discipline and faith that sustains in these times though so we'll be encouraging students to endure the trial through revision discipline, looking after themselves well and having a view to the purpose of the trial, visualising the positive outcome they intend. It is only a season of their life, it may feel like a wilderness experience, but on the other side of this is, if done well, is an experience that will stand them in good stead for a great future. Do keep them in your prayers at this time.

Year 11 Photo

Year 11 will be having a year group photo on Monday 1st April at 9am. This will be taken by our professional school photographers and will be made available for sale to the year group afterwards through the photographers. We will take one 'formal' shot and one 'informal' shot. Students should ensure that they are fully dressed in correct uniform on this date to enable them to participate.

Year 10 Work Experience Opportunity

Kier Construction who are building our new site are offering an exciting work experience opportunity for two year 10 students over the Easter break. There are two 10 day placements available over the upcoming

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Easter break, and students will gain excellent insight into Kier's work in construction, events, marketing and design. Students should submit a short letter of application if they wish to take part. The deadline for applications is **3pm Tuesday 2nd April** and successful applicants will be contacted on Wednesday 3rd. Please see Mr Cooke's recent letter to parents for more details.

In Case You Missed It...

Messages that were sent home via ParentPay this week were:

- Wicked theatre trip 'go-live' information
- GCSE art contributions requests
- GCSE Geog fieldtrip to Lewes reschedule confirmation (Now 2nd April)

Embrace "the positive body image movement"

King's held a screening of the Embrace documentary last week which was well attended by parents and students. It was a thought provoking film aimed at young people to love their bodies and who they are and to help them realise photos and images on social media are just that images. It was wonderful to see so many of our students there and an event that we will be running again when we move to our new site. If parents would like to know more about the documentary or would like a screening at your local Church or school, please contact finance@kingschoolhove.org.uk. Here is a link for further information:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ISHzzBGyt4g&ap=desktop>

Year 11 BHASVIC A Level Transition Session

BHASVIC have invited any King's students considering Maths A Level to attend an A Level transition session.

The aim of this session is to give students a taste of college life, to help them to get the grades they will need to study either maths A-level (grade 6) or double maths (grade 7), and to make the transition to A-level smoother. The session will be **4-5pm on Thursday 4th April in room 5** (staff will meet students from reception). The address is 205 Dyke Road, BN3 6EG. Please contact BHASVIC directly to inform them if your child/children would like to attend.

Globe Theatre Trip

The trip to Shakespeare's Globe Theatre was a rousing success, accompanied by some fantastic weather. We arrived in London in good time and the students began their day by listening to a guided tour from a professional Shakespearean actor. They were regaled with interesting historical facts about the Globe theatre and the types of people who would visit. Students asked lots of questions and enjoyed taking photos of the iconic setting.

After the tour, students took part in a lively workshop exploring a piece of text from *The Tempest* by William Shakespeare. They worked on their facial expressions and tone of voice to reenact arguments between characters. Students thoroughly enjoyed their time in London and it was finished off with a walk around the Tate Modern. We will look forward to going back next year!

Y11 Enrichment day

Monday saw year 11 spending their time on two activities. Firstly, they spent the day working with the Maths department on essential revision for the upcoming exams. While they may not have found it particularly enriching we certainly hope they see the richness in the upcoming Exam results. The students undertook the sessions with gusto though and it was excellent to see so many of them engaging with and excelling at the revision material that was delivered. The second activity of the day was our outside speaker, Oliver from Elevate. He came in to deliver a workshop on how to "Ace your exams". He was a very engaging speaker and he talked well about how to prepare and



excel in exams utilising the company's extensive research looking at what the most successful students do. The session was very well received by our students with over 97% saying they would "recommend it to a friend" which is praise indeed from a teenager! We thank all the parents who were able to contribute financially towards us being able to provide this opportunity. We certainly think it was money well invested.

Revision Tips

TOP REVISION TIPS



- 1 Start as early as you can**

Cramming at the last minute is stressful and has limited success.
- 2 Make a plan**

Work out how much time you have and how long you can spend on each subject.
- 3 Create a suitable space**

Find a quiet spot away from distractions and keep your things all in one place.
- 4 Use methods best for you**

Choose the most appropriate revision methods and try to use a mixture for best results.
- 5 Take regular breaks**

It is possible to work too hard! Your brain needs a rest to help it process information.
- 6 Revise with a friend**

Talking through what you've learned can help information stick.
- 7 Use past papers**

These are a great way of getting used to the exam format and testing what you've learned.
- 8 Eat healthily**

Certain foods boost your brainpower and will make you remember more.

See the pod at: <http://www.gcsepod.tv/revision-tips>



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Wednesday 3rd April

Pesto Chicken Pieces
Summer Vegetable Quiche
Scotch Egg
New Potatoes, Coleslaw & Salad
£2.00

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65p

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