

Theme: Anger



futsal tournament, in our new sports hall this week; it was great to welcome Year 10 students and their parents and carers for an information evening on Thursday; and Year 7 enjoyed their theatre in education performance of 'Streetwise' – an interactive production which highlights the importance of pedestrian safety. As we move towards half term it is clear that the school has 'settled' in its permanent home. As the novelty of our surroundings has gradually worn off it has been replaced with a deep contentment and a sense that we are privileged up on this hill and grateful for what we have. Thank you to all parents, carers and friends of King's who have supported the school throughout our journey to this new permanent site.

Mrs Price

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have endured another week of poor weather but there has been much to keep up uplifted in school recently! Our PE department enjoyed hosting their first sporting event, a

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Forthcoming Events

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| 23rd October | • Y7 Tutor evening |
| 24th October | • Parents' open evening |
| w/c 28th October | • Half term |
| 8th November | • Y8 Parents' Evening |

Year 7 'Streetwise' Theatre Performance

Year 7 enjoyed a production of the play 'Streetwise' this week. The play was designed to highlight the importance of pedestrian safety. Statistics show that young people are most vulnerable to being involved in accidents with traffic during their first year at secondary school. This production brought the risks involved in pedestrian travel to them in a humorous and memorable way and highlighted strategies for keeping themselves safe on their journeys to and from school. As the winter starts to close in please remind your children of the importance of taking care when crossing roads and avoiding distractions which often come in the form of phones and headphones.

Year 10 Information Evening

It was great to welcome Year 10 students and their parents/carers into school this week for an information evening to set them up for the GCSE years ahead. Ms Lowney spoke about the pastoral support available in school and the importance of attendance; Ms Butcher, Mr Knowles and Ms Coles talked parents through the English, Maths and Science GCSE specifications and ways in which parents can support their children; and Mrs Price spoke about the role parents and carers can play in motivating and supporting their children through the stress of GCSEs. It was very pleasing to see such a good turnout for this event and we hope that those who came found it useful.

Copies of the slides from the evening are available from the 'news' section of our website.

School Opening Celebration Service

Parents and carers who follow our newsletter closely will have noted an opening celebration service scheduled for early November. With regret, this event will no longer be going ahead. We will be hosting an alternative thanksgiving event later in the year.

Year 7 Tutors' Evening

We are looking forward to our Year 7 pastoral evening next Wednesday 23rd September when Year 7 parents

and carers have the opportunity to meet their child's tutor to find out more about how their child is settling with us at King's. A reminder to please park considerately when attending this event and to use public transport where possible.

Parents' and Residents' Opening Evening

We are looking forward to the parents' and local residents' open evening on Thursday 24th September, 4-7pm. Booking for this event is now closed as all slots have been taken. There was very high demand for this event and we apologise if you were unable to make a booking. If you were not able to secure a booking please be reassured that you will be able to look around the school when you come in for parents' evenings later in the year.

Bike Safety

It is great to see the number of cyclists braving the hill up to our new site. We strongly encourage the use of bikes to improve fitness and wellbeing as well as a way to actively improve our local and global environment. Whilst the majority of our bike users use the roads sensibly there are some students who are putting themselves and others at risk with their actions. **Please remind your children that they should always have a helmet, ride carefully on the left side of the road and signal clearly at junctions.** In addition, as the days get shorter, it is important that students are seen. **As well as lights we would encourage the use of high vis jackets or vests.**

Enrichment Letters

Parents/carers have now been sent letters inviting them to choose their child's enrichment activities for the coming academic year. Please visit the enrichment page of our website to submit your choice. Final submissions must be made by 25th October.

<https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/enrichment-days.php>

Duke of Edinburgh Update

Thank you to parents/carers who attended our recent DofE evening; it was wonderful to see so many parents and students!

Unfortunately, we have had to postpone the upcoming DofE Silver practice expedition due to a shortage of available staff or volunteers. **Any parents/carers who would be interested in volunteering for the Duke of Edinburgh scheme**, please contact admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk.

Careers update

Our careers advisor was in school this week, and met with a number of Year 11 students to discuss options for life after King's.

We are keen to encourage all students, but particularly those in Year 11 to be thinking about what steps they want to take next. In future weeks, we will be publicising upcoming events of interest through this newsletter. Please find below an exciting (and free!) opportunity for students to who are interested in medicine.

BSMS Monthly Lecture Series: MALCOLM REED DEAN OF BSMS

A chance to chat to Malcolm Reed about his experience of nearly 40 years as a doctor

The first of Brighton and Sussex Medical Schools' monthly lecture series, designed with local secondary school students in mind. This lecture series, running from November through until July provides the unique opportunity to learn more about different aspects of medicine, career pathways, and how to get into medicine.

Wednesday 6 November 2019, 6-7pm
C122 Checkland Lecture Theatre, University of Brighton
Tickets are free but must be booked online at bit.ly/2AYAv19

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