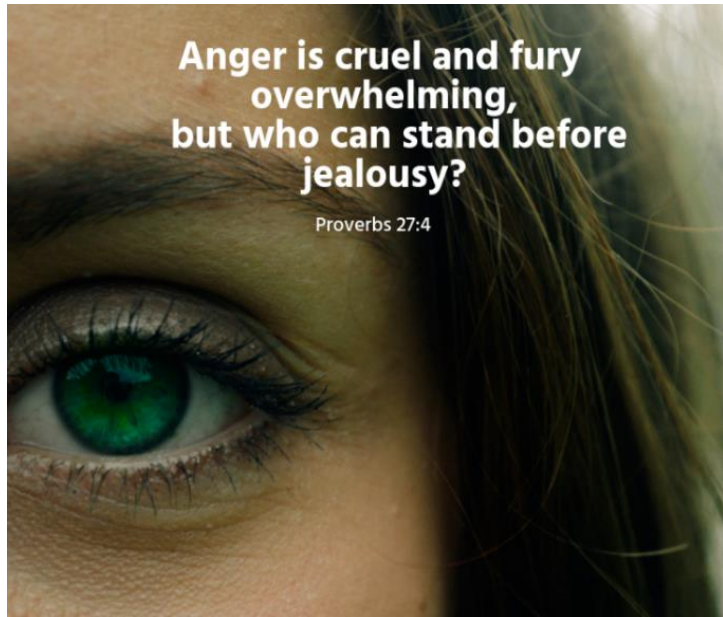


Theme

Anger is cruel and fury
overwhelming,
but who can stand before
jealousy?

Proverbs 27:4



Dear Parents/Carers,

As this half term draws to a close may I take this opportunity to thank you for your support of King's School over the past few months. It is so encouraging to know that many of you have recognised the strain the move to our permanent site has placed on the school and to know that you love the new facilities and are grateful for staff efforts. Thank you for your patience and support as we have been settling into our

new home. We do feel established here now and are looking forward to our first winter in these surroundings. I do hope that students have a good rest over half term – they have certainly earned it. Some Year 11s will be in school on Thursday and Friday for intervention sessions and all Year 11s should be doing some revision ahead of their first series of mock examinations. Their teachers will have given them guidance on what they can be doing and how to structure their work. It is important that they get some 'downtime' too and some proper relaxation and rest. An important date for your diary is our Carol Service which is being held on Tuesday 17th December, 6-7pm at Bishop Hannington Church. I am sure Christmas will be here before we know it! Have a great half term.

Mrs Price

Year 7 Tutors' Evening

Thank you to all Year 7 parents and carers who attended our Year 7 tutors' evening. We hope that you found your appointment with your child's tutor useful. We apologise that some tutors were overrunning on the evening and thank you for your patience in waiting for your appointment. We have considered the use of bells or similar at parents' evenings but are trying to avoid it

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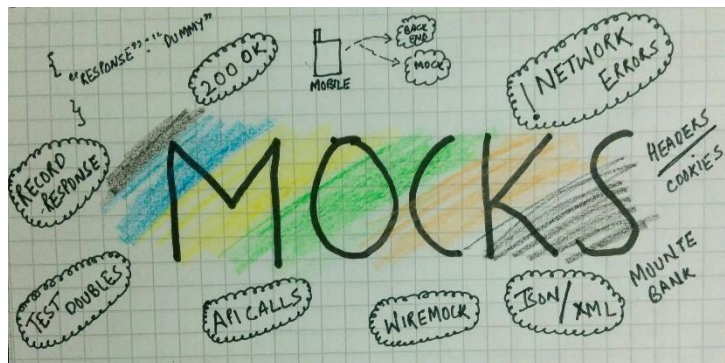
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Forthcoming Events

w/c 28th October	• Half term
7 th November	• Y8 Parents' Evening
4 th November	• Year 11 Drama practice evening
31 st October – 1 st November	• Year 11 Intervention Sessions (Invited students)
13 th -27 th November	• Year 11 Mock exams
17 th December	• Carol Service

for fear that it would ruin the atmosphere and spoil these important teacher/parent interactions. We will gather feedback on this at parents' events through the year for further consideration.

Year 11 Mocks



These things always seem to come around so quickly. It's time to start thinking about year 11 mocks already! The first sat exam will be on the 13th of November although drama and language students will have exam components beforehand. We are just finalising the timetable and hope to have this out to parents and students by the start of half term. This year we will be able to conduct our exams in our own school and will no longer need to take students off site to do them which means our logistics are much simpler. Students will be guided on revision for the October break by their subject teachers and for many the school VLE will be the first point of call. Students can access this through the school website using their usual computer access username and password. On the VLE each subject has made available revision guidance, resources and past papers so students should check here first. It is important that students do take the opportunity to revise fully and correctly so that they can start to develop their revision materials for the final exams as well as practice the skill of revision.

Mr Cooke

Dare to Dream

On Wednesday Jack Hayes (aka Jack the Lad, previously from Heart Sussex radio) came to speak to Year 9 pupils about his life story and his desire to see young people aspire for their future. It was a captivating talk which had the students gripped by both his stories of celebrity

encounters as well as his struggles in early life to find his place and identity. He inspired our students by asking them to have a dream and to work to see it achieved. He reminded them that being who they are is more important than being who others expect you to be and encouraged them to set aside negative distractions in the desire to become the best version of themselves. We at Kings echo this ambition and would always remind pupils that we seek for them develop wisdom in their journey through education so that through wisdom they can make good choices for their life ahead. We are grateful to both Jack and also the organisers at Love Local Jobs who brought this opportunity about.

Student of the week

My SOTW is Daisy Fox for a brilliant first few weeks at our new site where she has shown a renewed work ethic and received high praise from Music, Spanish, Geography and Computing over the last week!

Changes to free school meals spending

Students eligible for free school meals are currently allowed to spend their £2.25 allowance at lunch time only. The thinking behind this is that students will always be able to buy a full meal at lunchtime with the funding. Feedback from students and parents, however, is that they would like more flexibility as to when this money can be spent so that students to have the option to purchase a snack at break time and take more responsibility over their purchases. **After half term, therefore, students in receipt of free school meals will be able to use their allowance at morning break.** Students will need to manage their spending to ensure that they have enough money available to buy lunch, and as with all students will not be allowed to go overdrawn if they have spent all of their funds.

All parents/carers are reminded to check their child's dinner money balance regularly, and to ensure that their child has enough funds on their account to purchase food if they will be eating from the canteen.

Open Evening

Thank you to all parents and carers who attended our current parents and residents' Open Evening on Thursday this week. We experienced a high number of visitors and are aware that not all parents who wanted to visit were able to secure a booking. We do apologise for any disappointment here. As you will appreciate, we are trying to strike a balance between keeping the school running smoothly and ensuring no dip in standards of teaching and learning, and enabling large number of visitors to view the new site; it's not an easy balance to strike! Current parents who haven't yet viewed the site will of course be able to look round when coming to the school for parents' evenings/information evenings/school events later in the year.

From Monday 4th November we will be trialling a Meat Free Monday in our new 3 weekly menus that can now be found on the school's web page.

We hope your young people will support us and enjoy our new recipes.

Gilly Minall - Catering Manager

PTA Notice



We will shortly be re-launching the King's School PTA. If you would like to help our PTA please contact Mrs Price via head@kingsschoolhove.org.uk so that you can be informed of opportunities to support.

Introducing Meat Free Mondays

Meat Free Monday is simple, effective and fun way to become more responsible global citizens. It's about coming together as a school community to help the planet and promote healthy food.

Having a meat free day every week is now recommended in the government's School Food Standards guidance and an increasing number of schools are looking at ways to become greener.

Harrison Catering at King's School want to do our bit to encourage a meat free day and support those students who support environmental issues.



Dear Parents/Carers,

Do you have a child or young person at school in Brighton & Hove?

If you have any concerns about their Emotional Mental Health and Wellbeing you are invited to talk to a Primary Mental Health Worker from the Schools Wellbeing Service.

- Telephone consultations are available during the Half Term holidays on:

01273 293331

A Primary Mental Health Worker will be available between
10am -4pm.

- **Monday 28th October**
- **Tuesday 29th October**
- **Wednesday 30th October**
- **Thursday 31st October**
- **Friday 1st November**