

Headteacher's Update

No 205 10th February 2023

Theme of the Week: Is anyone in charge?

Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst? 1 Corinthians 3:16

Dear Parents/Carers,

Half term has arrived, and students are looking forward to a well-deserved break! It has been a very busy end to this half term, especially for those involved in the school production, and I do hope that everyone can have a



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admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk good rest over half term and recharge their batteries ready for spring. I was privileged to watch two performances of 'Beauty and the Beast' this week. As ever, I am in awe of Mrs Grosvenor, Mrs Brennan and our wonderful team of arts teachers who manage to pull together a production on this scale every year. I was also so delighted to see so many of our talented students enjoying their time on stage or supporting the production backstage. They will have made memories for life and the friendships that come from these whole school productions are very special to see. I am grateful to all of you who bought tickets to make this experience possible for our students. I will be holding a celebration breakfast for all those involved in the production shortly after half term and I look forward to celebrating their achievements with them then.

Meanwhile I wish you all a very restful and enjoyable half term week.

Mrs Price

This Week's Theme: Is anyone in charge?

This week in our worship times we have been considering the question 'Is there anyone in charge?'. In our tutor times students have been considering worldly

Forthcoming Events

Monday 13 th – Friday 17 th February	Half Term Year 11 intervention on 16 th and 17 th February
Monday 20 th February	First day of new Half Term First day of Year 11 mocks

leaders and the qualities that make a leader successful and respected. Students also watched a video looking at the ultimate example of leadership in Jesus Christ. They considered what it means to be a 'servant leader'. They also watched a video clip of American preacher and church leader Tony Evans explaining how he views God as being in control and how we all fit into His overall plan. As ever, students also considered Bible verses on this theme, this week from Psalms, Proverbs and Mark's Gospel. Our assembly this week was a filmed assembly from Assistant Headteacher Mrs Vincent on the topic of Safer Internet Day which is marked worldwide on 7th February. Mrs Vincent's assembly asked students to consider their own internet use, as well as the wider mechanisms that exist to keep people safe online.

King's Sixth Form

Interviews for our Sixth Form places have begun and will continue through February. We would really love to encourage Year 11s to apply to be the first sixth form cohort at King's. We are confident that we will be able to offer them excellent, distinctive provision. We are still accepting applications so please do not hesitate to fill out a form.

- Be known
- Outstanding Pastoral Support
- Small class sizes
- Excellent teaching and learning
- Leadership opportunities
- Bespoke careers and UCAS advice

If you have any further questions, please contact Mrs Coles at <u>sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk</u>. Every student who applies to the Sixth Form will receive an interview with Mrs Price and Mrs Coles, which will be a valuable experience.

Apply here <u>King's School Hove (ret.systems)</u>

Instagram: @kingsschoolsixthform

Twitter: @kingsschoolsix1

Year 11 Mocks and Reports

Year 11 mocks will begin on Monday 20th February (the first Monday back after half term) and the timetable is

below. You will receive a report containing your child's second mock grades in April.

Targeted intervention will run over half term on 16th and 17th February for those who are invited. Sessions run from 9:30 – 12. The sessions that are running are:

- 16th February Maths, Science, RP, PE and English
- 17th February Maths, Drama and Music

If your child is invited to attend intervention, we strongly recommend they do attend as the purpose of these sessions is either to complete NEA (coursework) or to target gaps in their knowledge. Where students have been invited to more than session on the same day, please ask them to discuss with their teachers and then decide which session will be most useful. If you think your child should have been invited to a session but has not been then please contact the department directly using the contact us page on our website <u>https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/contact-us</u>. Please note that some subjects will repeat through the

year.

These sessions are not extra lessons. For most Year 11 students the best use of their time over half term is independent study using the techniques they have been taught. The most important factor in students doing well at GCSE is starting revision now and being organised and disciplined in keeping to a revision schedule. It is also important to have breaks and time to relax and recuperate.

The holiday intervention schedule for the rest of the year is:

4 th February	MFL
12 th April	Science
13 th April	English and geography
14 th April	Art, Music and Computer Science
31 st May	Maths and Science
1 st June	Music and Geography
2 nd June	English and History

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Morning	English Language P2	Biology	Chemistry	Physics	English Languag e P1
All start at 8.45		Comb. Sci. Biology	Comb. Sci. Chemistry	Comb. Sci. Physics	
Mid Morning 11.15 or 11.30 start		Religious Studies	Spanish Listening - Foundatio n Tier	French/Spani sh Reading - Both tiers	Spanish Listenin g - Higher Tier
		11 20am	11.30am	11.15am	11.30a m
Afternoo n All start at 1.30	Maths P1	11.30am Geograph y P1	Design & Technolog Y Food Prep & Nutrition	PE	Spanish Writing French Writing
at 1.50			Business	Computer Science	Media Studies
			Music		
	Monday 27 February	Tuesday 28 February			
Morning	Maths P2	English Literature P1			
All start at 8.45			Foreign lan	guage Speaking E	xams will
Mid Morning	Geograph y P2	French Listening - Both tiers	take place o The Art mo 7th March. and PE pape	n the 1st, 2nd & 3 ock exam will take Additional Scienc ers will take place oject teachers will	ord March. place on e, History in lessons
11.15 or 11.30 start				en these will take	
	11.15am	11.30am			
Afternoo n All start at 1.30	History P3	Maths P3			

Mid-Year Progress Reports - KS3

KS3 (Year 7, 8 and 9) will have received their mid-year progress report by the end of Monday 13th February. If you have not received a report for your child, please email <u>admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk</u>

Beauty and the Beast

Well done to the whole cast of **Beauty and the Beast** who put on three fantastic performances of the show this week. We are very proud of all the students' hard work on every part of the show, whether that is lighting, acting, playing instruments, helping backstage or costume making, they all did amazingly.

A full report on the show will run in the next newsletter.

Student of the Week

Students of the week		
Year 7	Ollie S	
Year 8	Maya C	
Year 9	Ralph J	
Year 10	Kaiya S	
Year 11	Katie S	

Upcoming Sports Fixtures

Tuesday 21 st February	Year 7 Girls' Football v
	Hove Park (Away)
Wednesday 22 nd February	Year 7 and 9 Netball at
	Dorothy Stringer
Thursday 23 rd February	Year 10 Boys' Football v
	Dorothy Stringer (Away)

Mental Health Support Team

At King's we are well-supported by the Mental Health Support Team. Over the coming weeks we will be sharing guides and top tips from the team here in the newsletter. This week, we attach a newsletter about Low Mood.

Safer Internet Day

This year's Safer Internet Day took place on Tuesday 7th February. King's marked the 20th edition of the campaign through an assembly, led by Mrs Vincent. The focus of this assembly was to get students thinking about how they are responsible for their own internet use, as well as who is responsible for making the internet safe. We encouraged students to think about we can engage with the internet in a way that brings about their flourishing, an important aspect of our school vision. Our worship theme this week has been 'is

anyone in charge'? Students were able to explore the information around internet safety alongside this theme. King's serves our students to ensure that we share the very important message around responsibility around internet safety. To echo the campaigns very clear message, whether you are a young person, parent/carer, teacher or policy maker, everyone has a role to play in creating and maintaining a better online world.

https://www.saferinternetday.org/

Vacancies

We are currently advertising the following growth positions. Please share with any members of the community who might be interested in joining us!

Teaching roles- starting September 2023

- Teacher of Economics and Business
- Teacher of Humanities (Geography and History) with second subject
- Teacher of English (with second subject)
- Teacher of Psychology and Sociology
- Teacher of Design and Technology and Food and Nutrition

Non-teaching roles to start in February 2023

- School Business Manager Full time
- Individual Needs Assistant Part time, term time only
- Senior Teaching Assistant Full time, term time only
- Volunteer librarians Casual role, hours as suitable to candidates

Please <u>click here</u> for more information.

Year 8 Netball

On Thursday 2nd February our wonderful Year 8 netball team played an equally as strong Blatchington Mill squad. The girls played multiple different positions to trial a range of playing combinations, which was fantastic to see. With 10 seconds to go we were drawing 7-7, however a last couple of seconds goal was scored by Lydia W, to finish off the game with a 8-7 win to King's. For this reason, our King's player of the match couldn't go to anyone else but Lydia! Well done to all of the girls who represented the school last week. We are looking forward to more game - with hopefully some warmer afternoons!

Girls' Football

Whilst the Year 8 and Under 14 sides have not played since my last update, the Year 7s have.

Year 7 had their first real fixture, a cup game away at Dorothy Stringer. Due to the school production commitments, playing opportunities were available for others and a changed team was fielded.

Despite a huge effort from all the players, some great goalkeeping, defensive prowess, and a hat trick from Etta P it was not enough to keep us in the cup this year - we wish the players at Dorothy Stringer all the best as they progress through to the Semi-final.

Upcoming fixtures are;

- Year 7 21st Feb at Hove Park
- Year 8 3rd March at Patcham

Under 14s are through to the Semi-Final of the cup against either BACA or Varndean, the deadline for this match is early March so look out for match details shortly after the half-term break.

In addition, we have just attended the online launch of the Barclays Go Lead campaign, where student activators will embark on a training program to increase girls' involvement in sport through the medium of football. There will more on this over the coming weeks as we begin to build our campaign to inspire and motivate our student body.

I would like to thank everyone who has donated football boots to the school so far. Further donations are always gratefully received, therefore if you have any old football boots from a size 1 and up, any old shin pads or goalkeeper's gloves that are still functional but not worn anymore, please consider donating to King's.

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Teacher of PE

Online safety talk for parents

We are delighted that our online safety partner Smoothwall will be offering a comprehensive online safety talk for parents at 6pm-6.30pm on Wednesday 22nd March. This is a free event and you will be able to join via Teams from the comfort of your own home. Ben McGrath will be covering all of the latest issues and trends to support you in keeping your child safe online. Our staff have previously received this training from Ben and found it incredibly useful for staying ahead of the game in what is an incredibly fast-moving environment. Please make a note of the event and we will send you the link closer to the date.

Alex R

Well done to Alex R (Year 9) who has been selected to represent Sussex Schools at the ESAA Cross Country Championships at Wollaton Park, Nottingham on Saturday 18th March 2023. The team is made up of eight runners selected from Years 8 and 9 across Sussex. Congratulations Alex!

Attendance

Wishing you all a restful holiday. Looking forward to a half-term of fantastic attendance after the break!

Historian of the Fortnight

Ruby has shown dedication to her History work in lessons and has also been going above and beyond outside of lesson by attending drop in sessions to complete her work and enhance her exam technique. Her dedication to improving her skills has not gone unnoticed and has made a difference to her understanding in lessons. Keep up the fantastic work Ruby.

All hail Empress Ruby!

Mrs Fleury-Beecham



PTA

The PTA are currently crowdfunding for a girls' football kit and are happy to consider sponsors. If you can donate to the crowdfunding campaign please visit <u>https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/kingsschoo</u><u>lpta?utm_term=vBv9ZMnvj</u>.

The PTA AGM will take place in April, and they are looking for new members, in particular a Treasurer.



Kings School PTA Beauty and the Beast Hampers donations

Following the success of our Hampers raffle last year, we're organising another and are looking for your help please!

We're looking for donations of the following items:

Chocolates	Stationery
Sweets	Toiletries
Savoury snacks/treats	Toys
Books	Games
Gifts	

*All non perishable items please *No nuts * No candles*

Please could students bring in their donation by Friday 27th January 2023. All proceeds from the raffle will go towards the education of King's students.

> Contact email: PTA@kingsschoolhove.org.uk Charity number 1167661

King's School Fund



Speakers for Schools

Broadcasts are a great way for students to hear directly from leading figures from a range of industries, and have the opportunity to ask questions via a moderated Q&A. Speakers for school provide live and recorded broadcasts for students to participate in. Watch prerecorded broadcasts from the library <u>here</u>. Next week's broadcast schedule is below:

Date	Monday 20 th February 10-10:45am
Speaker Christine Hodgson, Chairperson, Severn Trent Former Chairman, Capgemini	
	For KS4-5/S4-6
Info	Join us and hear from Christine Hodgson as she delivers a talk about her career and what it's like to be a woman in leadership.
	Click <u>here</u> to register

Date	Tuesday 21 st February 10-10:45am		
Speaker	Upskill: Singing lessons with CeCe Sammy-Lightfoot, Vocal Coach & TV Presenter		
	For KS3-5/S1-6		
Info	Often referred to as "The UK's Vocal Whiz", CeCe Sammy-Lightfoot has been a leading vocal and performance coach for some of the biggest names in music. She's also known for her TV appearances and behind the scenes contributions as a vocal coach, judge, advisor, and talent scout, on various music and entertainment shows such as: "Pop Idol", "America's Got Talent", "American Idol", "X Factor: Battle of the Stars" and more. Join this virtual singing class to get some expert insights and tips.		
	Click <u>here</u> to register		

Date	Wednesday 22 nd February 10-11am		
Speaker	In partnership with Fully Bossed: The Four Pillars Activity with Oluchi Ikechi-D'Amico		
	For KS4-5/S4-6		
Info	Ready to be a standout performer or accelerate your game? Join us for this interactive broadcast! We will use Mentimeter as part of this broadcast to help those watching build on their soft skills that have been divided by Fully Bossed tried and tested format: Mindset, Brand, Storytelling, and Orchestration. This free session will include elements of coaching and students will get a chance to ask questions to our speaker along the way.		
	Click <u>here</u> to register		

Date	Wednesday 22 nd February 2-2:45pm
Speaker	Flying High with Lorna Hutchings, Pilot, Virgin Atlantic Airways
	For KS4-5/S4-6
Info	In this broadcast we will hear from Lorna Hutchings an airline Captain, flying long haul Airbus jets for Virgin Atlantic worldwide. After switching careers as a research scientist, she has been flying commercial airliners for over 22 years, turning her hobby into a fascinating and rewarding career. Lorna is delighted to share her story about her pathway to the skies, highlighting how determination and self-belief play a key part in achieving your career goals in this fast- paced profession.

Date	Friday 24 th February 10-10:45am
Speaker	The Diary of a Young Girl from Ukraine: Yeva Skalietska, Author of "You Don't Know What War Is"
	For KS3-5/S1-6
Info	Details TBC
	Click <u>here</u> to register

Community Kitchen

The Community Kitchen (113 Queens Road BN1 3XG) offer lots of courses in the their kitchen, some of which are below:

 A batch cookery class for key workers/ those in voluntary & public sector who might be looking for ways to save money & time whilst still eating well: <u>https://bhfood.org.uk/events/batch-cookery-with-</u>

emiliano-2/ Thurs 16th Mar, 6-8.30pm, special rate of £29.99pp

- Low Energy Cooking (with slow cookery giveaway) Low Energy Cooking (Community Class) – Brighton and Hove Food Partnership (bhfood.org.uk) Weds 15th Mar, 10am - 1pm, This is a free course for anyone on low income but if people are able they welcome a donation of £5 on the day of the class to cover the cost of ingredients.
- Food foundations to learn essential cookery skills and gain confidence for those looking to cook tastier, healthier food at home. Food Foundations (Community cookery course) - Brighton and Hove Food Partnership (bhfood.org.uk) 13th April – 11th May from 10am - 1pm (£5 donation per session depending what you can afford)



Enquiries: applyforjuniorbakeoff@loveproductions.co.uk

Supporting Dyslexia and Literacy Difficulties at Primary and Secondary School

BHISS Literacy Team

Parents' and Carers' Open Evening – FREE event

A warm welcome awaits!

- Open to all parents/carers with questions about their children's literacy development no need to book, just come along! Children & young people welcome!
- Meet the Literacy SEN specialist teachers to get tips and strategies to support your child with literacy - with a focus on reading
- Presentation from the BHISS Literacy Team
- Demonstration of a range of useful resources
- Assistive technology with an emphasis on reading 0

Stalls with:

- Dyslexia friendly books, resources and games
- Book Nook Children's Bookshop Ransom Book Publisher
- Brighton and Hove Library Service

Belfast Street Hove BN3 3YT For further information, please email Jackie on lssadmin@brighton-hove.gov.uk

Date: Thursday, oth March 2023 Time: 6 pm - 7.30 pm - presentation at 6pm

Venue: St Andrews Primary School

PARKING

PARKING Please note there is no parking available in the school grounds. There is on street pay & display parking available near the school, and the Hove Tesco is nearby. The school is near the Blatchington

Road and Church Road bus routes.