

Headteacher's Update

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Theme of the Week: Building Character - Kindness



Dear Parents/Carers,

Without passing any political comment on the situation as regards teachers' industrial action, I am sorry that the strike days will have inconvenienced you this week. It was good to have a number of Year 11 students in school working on their NEA work in practical subjects and I know that many of them used this time very well. Thank you for encouraging students to younger year groups to engage well with the online lessons they were able to have. To date, there have been no further announcements from the National Education Union

about any ongoing industrial action but I will of course keep you fully updated with any news on this as it emerges. There are now only two weeks remaining before the end of this term and the Easter break. Please note that on the last day of term, Friday 31st March, we will have a half day (as usual at the end of a full term) and students will be dismissed at 12:30pm. All students will be attending Easter Communion services in the final week of term and we are grateful to St Leonard's Church Hove for helping me to facilitate these. For our Year 11 students the Easter break is an important opportunity for revision, as well as for some rest, and teachers will be giving clear guidance to students on how they can best use this time. We will also be running intervention sessions on 12th, 13th and 14th April and parents/carers will be notified if their child is being invited to any of these.

I wish you all a good weekend.

Mrs Price



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Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 21 st and Wednesday 22 nd March	Year 10 Art Exam
Friday 31st March	Last day of term

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This Week's Theme: Building Character – Kindness

This week in our worship time we have been continuing our series on 'Building Character' by looking at the character trait of 'Kindness'. In extended tutor worship students watched a BBC Ideas video clip on 'The Extraordinary Power of Kindness'. The students also explored the work of the Sussex Centre for Research on Kindness, based at Sussex University. Students reflected on times where they had shown kindness, or experienced receiving kindness from others. Students looked at the example of teenager Sebbie Hall who, despite managing a disability himself, has raised over £55,000 through acts of kindness. You can find out more about his story here: Sebbie Hall: Teen's random acts of kindness raise £55k - BBC News Students looked at Bible verses on the theme of Kindness from Luke's Gospel and from Galatians and Colossians and, as ever, students have had the opportunity on pray on and around this theme this week.

Final Day of Term and INSET

Our final day of term is Friday 31st March. In line with previous final days of term, the day will run differently to a normal school day. The school will follow an amended timetable for the day as follows:

- All students to arrive at school for 8:30am as normal in full school uniform;
- KS3 students (Year 7, 8 and 9) will be dismissed from school at 12:25pm;
- KS4 students (Year 10 and 11) will be dismissed from school at 12:30pm.

Students will have tutor time, lessons, and a celebration assembly during the morning. All students will also have an extended, 30-minute brunch in place of their usual breaktime and students in receipt of free school meals will be able to spend their allowance on hot food during this time. Please be mindful that bus times will not be amended to reflect the change to the end of the day, and therefore students are encouraged to look up alternative bus timetables prior to the 31st March. All students should return to school for an 8:30am start as

usual on Tuesday 18th April. Please note that Monday 17th April is an INSET day and the school will be closed to all students on this date.

King's Sixth Form

Planning for our Sixth Form is continuing to progress apace, and we are very excited about our imminent opening this September! We have recruited to several specialist Key Stage 5 teaching positions in recent weeks, including Business and Economics and Psychology and Sociology, and we have also made growth appointments in Science and English to ensure we will be able to serve our first cohort of sixth formers well. We have now completed interviews and have offered places to a good number of internal and external students. If your child has been offered a place and has not yet accepted, we would encourage them to do this; they can hold places at several different Sixth Forms without jeopardising their place at any provision so accepting more than one offer keeps their options open as they continue with their GCSE studies. We have also made plans to meet on a 1:1 basis with a number of Year 11 students who have not applied to our Sixth Form to discuss their Key Stage 5 plans with them and see what support and guidance we can offer. If your child has not been offered one of these appointments but you would like them to meet with Mrs Coles and Mrs Price, please do not hesitate to contact us to request this via sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk

We are still accepting applications and students can complete the short application form on our website here: https://kings.ret.systems/application/login

We are excited to extend our provision to this new Key Stage and are confident that we can offer students distinctive provision in the city.

- 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 sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk

Instagram: @kingsschoolsixthform

Twitter: @kingsschoolsix1

Good News For Everyone Assembly

On Monday John and Andy from *Good News for Everyone* (formerly the Gideons) visited the school to deliver an assembly for Year 7 students. John introduced the assembly by speaking about the Bible being like a guidebook for life. Andy then talked to students about his Christian faith and how knowing the Bible has been so important to him in his life, especially through his recent experiences of being seriously injured in a car accident. Andy pointed us to the final verse in Matthew's gospel where Jesus tells his disciples "Surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age" and explained how important it was to know Jesus was with him always, particularly after his accident.

We also heard about the fact that there are many people through history, Christians and those who are not Christians, who have considered the Bible to be essential reading. Charles Dickens said, "The New Testament is the very best book that ever was or ever will be known in the world". At the end of the assembly all Year 7 students were offered the opportunity to take a New Testament away with them.



Let's Dance!

18 students took part in the Let's Dance festival on Thursday evening and were a real credit to King's! They have worked incredibly hard over the last 9 weeks and pulled off a fantastic routine to Alessia Cara's 'Scars to Your Beautiful'. It was amazing to see the excitement on their faces as they came off with a real sense of achievement. A huge thanks to Michelle our dance teacher who choreographed the whole performance and created such an inclusive and engaging routine. A last shout out to our Finance Team for all their organisation, time and effort that has gone into pulling the whole thing off behind the scenes - including printing and ironing on their t-shirts!



Student of the Week

Year 7	Aidan J
Year 8	Connor R
Year 9	Lottie B
Year 10	Prithviraj V
Year 11	Oscar S

Girls' Football

Thank you to the PTA and to everyone who donated for our girls' football kits which arrived today. They will be

used for the first time at the cup semi-finals on Monday 27th March at Varndean, 3:30pm kick off.

Upcoming Sports Fixtures

Monday 20 th March	 Year 8 Boys' Football v
	BACA
Tuesday 21st March	Year 8 Boys' Football v
	Dorothy Stringer
Thursday 23 rd March	Year 8 and 9 Football v
	Varndean
	Year 9 Football v Cardinal
	Newman

Surf Lifesaving

Congratulations to the below King's students who competed in the Wessex Pool Championships for Brighton Surf Lifesaving Club. They brought home a huge raft of medals (10 x Bronze Medals, 5 x Silver Medals and 5 x Bronze Medals) and had success in every event.

- Maisie D (Year 7)
- Autumn C-W (Year 7)
- Colette S (Year 7)
- Dorothea P (Year 7)
- Bonnie P (Year 8)
- Harry C (Year 8)
- Lila W (Year 9)
- Luca K (Year 10)
- Alfie D (Year 10)

Easter Holidays Activities Fund

Brighton and Hove Council are offering free Easter Holiday Activities and Food for families in receipt of benefit related Free School Meals. This includes activities of up to four hours per day along with a healthy meal, over four days of the Easter holiday. There are a wide range of activities available, including coding workshops, drama academies, outdoor activities and family cooking. Places are limited, so if your child receives FSM and you would like them to take part you will need to sign up as soon as you are able. Please visit www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/haf for a full timetable of events. You will need a Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) code to sign up. If you have used HAF before, you can reuse the code you had in the past. If you are new to HAF or if you have lost your code, please email

<u>HAF@brighton-hove.gov.uk</u> with the full name and date of birth of your child.

Historian of the Fortnight

Oscar is our reigning Historian of the Fortnight. Oscar has been awarded this honorary title due to his consistent hard work and focus in History. Oscar never fails to push himself when whether it's in his revision, his class-based research tasks or his home learning. Oscar is a persistently driven and motivated student who regularly sees this reflected in his results and recent mock exams, currently achieving a Grade 9! Oscar has worked tirelessly and consistently across all of KS4 and is now 'reigning' supreme in his understanding of our study of the Cold War!

Well done Oscar!



Parent Prayer

We are so grateful to all parents who regularly pray for our school community. We have a group of parents who have set up a weekly online prayer meeting to enable parents to pray together for our school. They would love more people to join them in prayer.

The group will be meeting in-person, at the school gate, to walk and pray for the school on **Monday 20**th **March at 9.30am**.

If you would like to join or find out more, please contact Ruth Bickle via email ruthbickle@hotmail.com for further information or come and pray with the group on Monday 20th March and have a coffee together afterwards.

Louis

Well done to Louis in Year 11 who has been giving up his time to help raise money for the Small Acts of Kindness Brighton and Hove Easter Project.

Louis has been running a stall collecting Easter based treats for the elderly. Keep up the good work!



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 22**nd **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. In order to join this event, please click on the link below:

E-safety Talk for Parents 6.00pm-6.30pm

Fatto a Mano Pizzas

We all love pizza and this week our love grew even stronger when we had our delivery from Fatto a Mano.

Students from KS3 who entered the competition were invited to come to an after-school pizza workshop. KS4 GCSE food & nutrition students had lesson time to make their original creations.

It was a great opportunity for students and staff to work with professional kits and experience shaping the dough. We were able to understand how important the ingredients and the process of proving the dough is to make it have Neapolitan style.

"For us, everything starts with our dough. Soft and pillowy, our pizza dough is made fresh every day, using only the best Italian 00 flour, salt, water and yeast."

FATTO A MANO

We have been fuelled by pizza and it has been a great experience. Thank you to everyone involved and the team at Fatto a Mano for facilitating this opportunity.



Romeo and Julie, Dorfman at the National Theatre, London

Last week Year 10 students went to London to see ROMEO AND JULIE, a reworking of the classic story for the 21st century by Gary Owen. Starring Callum Scott Howells (who starred in 'It's a Sin' for the BBC) it engaged us and sparked debate about how a text can be interpreted for a contemporary audience. The Dorfman is the smallest, most intimate space at the National and it was great for students to see such a stylised and physical performance in a professional setting. I was so pleased with how the students responded and they were a pleasure to spend an evening with! Thanks to Miss Merieau and Miss Woods who accompanied the trip too.

Mrs Grosvenor

Head of Arts



PTA

The PTA have the following upcoming events:

- Friday 30th June Parent/Carer Walk and Talk
- Thursday 14th September Colour Run

The PTA AGM will take place on April 27th from 6pm at school, and they are looking for new members, in particular a Treasurer. All are welcome to attend.

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 here. Next week's broadcast schedule is below:

Date	Tuesday 21st March 2-2:45pm Women in the automotive industry with Paula Cooper, Director, Consumer One, Toyota GB For KS3-5/S1-6	
Speaker		
Info	This talk is pre-recorded and so there is no Q+A available. Email your questions to broadcasts@speakersforschools.org In this broadcast, Paula will be talking about Women In The Automotive Industry with the hope to encourage all	
	students to consider a career in this industry and to aim high. Paula has a keen interest in supporting the development of people and participates as a mentor in a number of Toyota (GB) programmes. Click here to register	

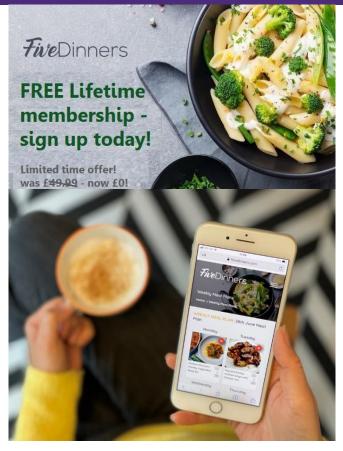
Date	Wednesday 22 nd March 10-10:45am	
Speaker	Racing into Work with Jonathan Wheatley, Sporting Director, Red Bull Racing	
	For KS3-5/S1-6	
Info	Have you ever wondered what it's like to drive a race car? Do you love sports and driving? This is the broadcast for you, we will be joined by Jonathan Wheatley the sporting director at the Red Bull Racing Formula One team who started off his career as a Formula One mechanic and team manager. Get a chance to ask questions and get answers about racing. Click here to register	

Date	Thursday 23 rd March 10-10:45am	
Speaker	Develop your Leadership Skills: Captain Polly Marsh, Royal Military Sandhurst & Garth Miller, Airline Captain, Leadership Consultant, Speaker, Company Director, High Altitude Mountaineer, Veteran, Quantico Leadership	
	For KS3-5/S1-6	
Info	In this fantastic broadcast, we will hear from Captain Polly Marsh and Mountaineer and Veteran Garth Millar, as they talk about their life experiences and how it has led them to be better leaders. From techniques to tales from our speakers, join this broadcast to get inspired about leadership.	
	Click <u>here</u> to register	

Get into Marketing: Trevor Johnson, Head of Marketing, Global Business Solutions, EUI
For KS3-5/S1-6
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In this broadcast, Trevor Johnson the Head of Marketing, Global Business Solutions, EUI, at TikTok will be talking about the development of social media and marketing. Previously to being at TikTok, he spent 12 years at Facebook/ Instagram and was one of Facebook's earliest employees. This has given him an excellent knowledge of the industry and how it has changed and will continue to develop in the future. If you have an interest in social media marketing this is the broadcast for you! Click here to register
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King's School Fund







Creative Reflection 'Hopeful Futures ...'

Children and young people age 7 - 18 can submit a creative response in 50 words or less, a picture or a graphic and join in our challenge to imagine what hopeful futures might like:

For example

- · The kind of world you would like to live in in the future
- What changes you would like to see made to create a better future
- · How a world free from discrimination might look
- Stephen Lawrence's legacy
- A just society

Submit your entries with your age and school to:

libraries@brighton-hove.gov.uk Closing Date: 31st March 2023







Child Pedestrian Trainer

The Child Road Safety Training Team is looking for a trainer to join our existing child pedestrian trainers to train Primary children in vital road safety skills. You will be working with year 3 children, in schools across Brighton & Hove. The training consists of practical roadside training, and you will be involved in taking out small groups of children and teaching them skills that will equip them to cross the road safely in preparation for future independent travel.

The main requirements are good communication, timekeeping and organisational skills. Have an understanding of pedestrian safety and traffic awareness, and the ability to work effectively as a member of a team with children and adults.

Work is 30 hours per week during school term-times only

For an informal discussion please call Emily Tester, Road Safety Training Manager, on 01273

Closing date: Midnight on 2 April

Interview: 12 April

To apply: www.brighton-hove.gov.uk/jobs/job-details?job_id=29397



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	5-8 yrs old 17:30-18:30 9-12 yrs old
	18:30-19:30 ONLINE 9-12yrs old 18:30-19:30
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CENTRAL BRIGHTON St Mary Magdalen's Primary School 17:00-19:00	
	West Blatchington Primary School 17:30-19:30 CENTRAL BRIGHTON St Mary Magdalen's

Brighton and Hove from the 8th of May







Hello, parents & guardians!

We are BeeZee Bodies, and we work with Brighton & Hove Council to provide FREE (and FUN!) healthy lifestyles support for families.

We run BeeZee Families courses after school across Brighton & Hove, or you could join our online courses instead. We have new groups beginning in May. Click below to sign up for your family's FREE place! SCAN ME WITH YOUR

Or, enrol in the BeeZee Academy - our FREE self-paced online learning portal full of useful information and tips on how to make your family healthier.



*to be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live/go to school in Brighton & Hove and in



If you don't have the ingredients

for the dip on hand, soy sauce

by itself tastes great too! You

can also experiment with other

ingredients you have to create

your own sauce!

Each year, 20th March marks the first day of SPRING! As we look forward to longer days and warmer weather, try these tasty Rainbow Spring Rolls to get you excited for all the yummy vegetables to come over the season.

Ingredients:

For the roll:

- 1 Spring Roll Wrappe
- Cucumber
- Carrot
- Purple Cabbage Any other veggies you like or have in the fridge (it doesn't have to be a rainbow!)

For the dip:

- · 2 tbsp Soy sauce
- 1 tsp Hoisin
- 1/2 tsp Rice Vinegar • 1/2 tsp Maple Syrup
- 1/2 tsp Sriracha

- What to do: 1. Choose which veggies you'd like in your roll
- and chop them all into thin matchstick-size strips · Red & Yellow Bell Pepper 2. If using rice paper, soak in warm water until it
 - softens and becomes flexible. If using a tortilla wrap, skip steps 2 & 3 3. Remove the wrapper from the water and place
 - it on your chopping board- pat it dry with a paper towel
 - 4. Add your assortment of colourful veggies to the centre of the wrappe 5 Fold the sides in towards the centre, and roll it
 - up tight from the bottom 6. For the dip: measure all ingredients into a

 - 7. With a sharp knife, carefully cut your rainbow spring roll in half, dip and enjoy!





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