

Theme of the Week: Building Character –  
Steadfastness



this year. We have been encouraging each other, in the midst of the busyness, to continue to find joy in the everyday interactions that take place in school. It can be easy to forget how much there is to appreciate around us every day in the mundane routines of life. Senior staff ran grouped assemblies for Year 11 students today to ensure they have all had tailored messages on what they need to be doing now in the run up to final exams. I have also emailed all Year 11 student and parents/carers this week with materials to support revision over the Easter break. Year 10 students will also want to be setting aside some time over the holidays to prepare for their mid-course exams at the end of April. We have been enjoying meeting with our Year 9 students on a 1:1 basis this week to talk through their GCSE options choices; their mature and conscientious approach to selecting their options has been really impressive. Next week we look forward to Easter Communion Services in school on Wednesday and to our final day of term year group assemblies on Friday. Have a lovely weekend and I hope you manage to find some joy despite the gales as well!

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this week's Newsletter finds you well. Staff have been reflecting this week on how busy everything seems at this time of year in school, and especially so

*Mrs Price*

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#### Forthcoming Events

<b>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> and Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 10 Art Exam</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 31<sup>st</sup> March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last day of term</li> </ul>

## This Week's Theme: Building Character – Steadfastness

This week we have been continuing our theme of 'Building Character' by looking at the character trait of 'Steadfastness'. This is a word that few of our students routinely use, so much of the week focused on helping them to understand what it means. In extended worship, students looked at the example of Queen Elizabeth II as a role model for this character trait. They also reflected on people from their own lives who they believe to be people of steadfast character. Students found out about/were reminded about Ramadan and the steadfast commitment it requires from Muslims. They looked at passages from 1 Corinthians, Lamentations and James and, as ever, there was an invitation to prayer. Students also had in-person assemblies on the theme this week, led by Heads of Year. Thank you to our Head of RP, Ms Dendy-Arto, who stood in for Mr Jenkins to deliver Year 10's assembly.

## Final Day of Term and INSET

Our final day of term is Friday 31<sup>st</sup> 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 31<sup>st</sup> March. All students should return to school for an 8:30am start as usual on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> April. **Please note that Monday**

**17<sup>th</sup> 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@kingschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:sixthform@kingschoolhove.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
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If you have any further questions, please contact Mrs Coles at [sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk)

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## Key Rates

### Year 11 Key Dates

Holiday interventions are running this Easter on the 12<sup>th</sup> - 14<sup>th</sup> April. Subjects are:

12 <sup>th</sup>	Science and History
13 <sup>th</sup>	English and Geography
14 <sup>th</sup>	Art, Maths and Computer Science

Sessions run from 9am to 12pm unless otherwise communicated. Invites have gone out already. If you feel your son or daughter should have had an invite, please contact the relevant subject directly. This can be done using the departmental email addresses found on the contact us section of the website: <https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/contact-us>

Students have received their examination timetables and exams start in May. First are the language orals, followed by the main series of exams starting on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May. Practical subjects are completing or have just completed their NEAs (Non-Examined Assessments – which used to be called coursework).

This is a stressful and busy time of year for the Year 11s. It is also a really important time for them. Please do encourage them to keep revising and not to “break the chain” of revision and work. It is also important they take time to look after themselves physically, mentally and spiritually. If you would like any specific advice or guidance, please do contact me or the departments directly.

### Year 10 Key Dates

Year 10 will take their end of year exams in the week beginning 24<sup>th</sup> April. The exams will run for 6 days. We will send the results home to parents in May.

Year 10 parents will also receive an end of year report where teachers will indicate their progress towards

their GCSE target. This will also include their most recent attitude to learning and homework grades.

### Years 7 – 9 reporting

We are just completing the writing and compilation of Year 8 reports. These will be sent home in the next couple of weeks. There will be written reports sent home for Years 7 and 9 in May.

At the end of the year, parents will receive a report where teachers will indicate the stage each student has reached in each subject. This can be compared with their target stage for the end of the year. This report will also include the most recent attitude to learning and homework grades.

Mr Stevenson

*Deputy Headteacher*

## Easter Showcase

The King's Music Department would like to invite you to our Easter Showcase this coming Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March at 7pm in the school hall. It promises to be a super evening and a chance for you to hear our talented students from all year groups perform within ensembles and also as soloists. We have released tickets first for the students performing in the Concert but there are more available now at £3.00 each and can be purchased on ParentPay.

## Ms Edwards

This term we are saying farewell to our school Business Manager, Ms Edwards. Ms Edwards had served the school for 9 years, starting as part of our reception team. Ms Edwards has been instrumental in establishing systems for the school through its founding years as it continued to grow. Amongst many other successes she took on the mammoth task of covid testing during the pandemic to keep us operating and keep our community safe. Ms Edwards leaves us to relocate to Southampton with her young family. Her loss will be



keenly felt and our very best wishes, love and prayers go with her on her next steps.

## Student of the Week

<b>Year 7</b>	Stephanie M
<b>Year 8</b>	Noah W
<b>Year 9</b>	Joseph C
<b>Year 10</b>	Alicia W
<b>Year 11</b>	Katie P

## Easter Services – Wednesday 29th March

As part of our celebration of Easter, next Wednesday we will be joined by some of the team from St Leonard's Church, Hove for year group Easter Services. Throughout the world Easter is celebrated as the most important event of the Christian faith. In fact, without the death and resurrection of Jesus, there is no Christianity. As a Christian school, we want all our students - whatever their faith or beliefs - to have the opportunity to attend a worship service in which the key events of Easter are reflected on.

In his last meal with his disciples, Jesus shared **bread and wine** with them. **Communion** or the **Lord's Supper** is the breaking and eating of bread to symbolize Christ's body broken for us and drinking wine to remember the blood he shed for our sins. During the service on Wednesday there will be an opportunity for students who would like to do so to have communion. We ask students to consider the following as they think about whether they should come up for bread and juice: If you believe in Jesus, would usually join in taking bread and wine in your church and would like to have bread and juice to remember Jesus' death and resurrection, come forward at the time you are invited during the service. For students who are not Christians or who would not usually join in communion at their church we ask them to use the opportunity for quiet reflection and listen to the music being played at this point in the service. Please do discuss this with your children.

## Upcoming Sports Fixtures

<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Indoor athletics at Brighton University</li> <li>Under 14 Girls' Football V Varndean (3:30 Kick off)</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 7 and 8 Netball at Hove Park</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> March</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 7 Boys' Rugby Festival</li> <li>Year 7 Football V Vardean (Away, 3:15 Kick off)</li> </ul>

## Enrichment Programme for King's School

Details of our exciting enrichment programme were emailed to parents and carers earlier this week. This document outlines our trips offering here at King's over the next few years and can be [accessed here on our website](#).

We would like to draw your attention to the 'Trips Donation Fund'. If you are in a position to help another child experience a school trip, a contribution to the fund, big or small, will make sure everyone in our King's family has access to the best possible experiences during their time with us. You can contribute by logging onto your ParentPay account and finding the item 'Trips Donation Fund'.

## 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](http://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

[HAF@brighton-hove.gov.uk](mailto:HAF@brighton-hove.gov.uk) with the full name and date of birth of your child.

## Can you support with extraordinary invigilation?

We are in need of an invigilator/invigilators to provide extraordinary invigilation for one of our Year 11 students who will be sitting their GCSEs at home due to personal circumstances which mean they cannot attend the school. This role will entail overseeing the student taking their exams at home, under full exam conditions. Full induction and training will be provided and support will be accessible throughout the exams. The post holder(s) would be paid the lead invigilator rate (£10.30 per hour + holiday pay) due to the responsibility involved. This role, as with all invigilation, would require an enhanced barred list check.

The dates needed are as below. Ideally, we would appoint one individual to cover all of these, but job shares would be gladly considered. Please contact [HR@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:HR@kingsschoolhove.org.uk) for more information.

16 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	7 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning
17 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	9 <sup>th</sup> June	All day
19 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	12 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	All day	13 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning
24 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	14 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning
25 <sup>th</sup> May	Morning	16 <sup>th</sup> June	All day
5 <sup>th</sup> June	Morning	+1 training day tbc	

We are also continually recruiting for invigilators to work at school across the exam season. The rate of pay for standard invigilation is £9.36 per hour (+ holiday pay) and we can offer significant flexibility. Please see our website [www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/vacancies](http://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/vacancies) for more information or contact our HR team [HR@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:HR@kingsschoolhove.org.uk).

## Geography Geographical Association Worldwide Quiz

The Geographical Association organised a Worldwide Quiz at Varndean School and King's School entered 2 teams. Team 1 from Yr11 William M, Joseph S and Oscar S and Team 2 from Yr10 Edward O, Tabitha E and Vernice L.

Quiz questions were based on general locational knowledge, weather and climate, OS Mapskills and routes and world landmarks. Our teams were fantastic and came 2nd and 3rd overall. Congratulations to those students and well done for taking part.

Ms Weir

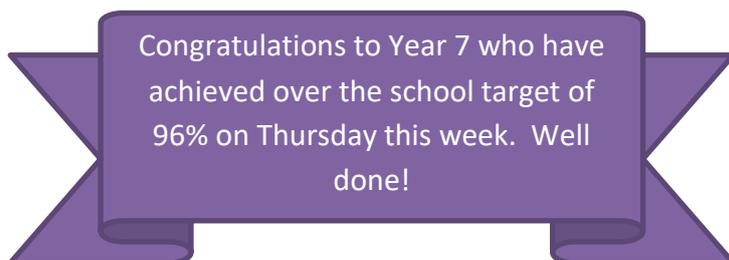
*Head of Geography*

## Online Safety Talk Recording

For any families who were not able to attend the Online Safety Talk on Wednesday evening, please find the link to the recording below. We have also attached the PowerPoint slides to the newsletter this week so you can go through these in your own time.

<https://vimeo.com/810936957/9e2a5dd7a5>

## Attendance



## Parent/Carer Fostering and Adoption Group

It was wonderful to host our fourth Parent Adoption and Fostering Group this week. A reminder that this parent/carers group runs on a half termly basis and we welcome all of our foster carers, adoptive parents and kinship carers. The next meeting date is on Tuesday 16th May, where we hope to have Sarah Lindfield, from Virtual School, in attendance. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Miss Staples.

## Year 8 and 9 Netball Success

On Thursday 23rd May both our Year 8 and 9 netball teams played against Varndean. The pouring rain didn't change their fantastic attitude, and both teams came away with huge wins. Our Year 8's won 11-1 and our Year 9's won 9-0. Both year groups remain unbeaten this season! Well done to everyone involved.



## PTA

The PTA have the following upcoming events:

- Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June – Parent/Carer Walk and Talk
- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> 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 pre-recorded broadcasts from the library [here](#). Next week's broadcast schedule is below:

<b>Date</b>	Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> March 2-2:45pm
<b>Speaker</b>	<b>On Demand with Rufus Radcliffe, Managing Director - Streaming, Interactive &amp; Data, On Demand</b>  For KS3-5/S1-6
<b>Info</b>	Rufus Radcliffe has worked in the TV industry for many years and has been at the forefront of its development, particularly when looking at On Demand services. His responsibilities include all of ITV's direct-to-consumer activities, including interactive, gaming, live events, merchandise, and all of ITV's digital products including ITV Hub and ITV Hub+. In this broadcast we will hear about his career and how the industry has changed over the years.  Click <a href="#">here</a> to register

<b>Date</b>	Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> March 10-10:45am
<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Push the Boundaries with Virgin Media O2 Apprenticeships. Sponsored by VMO2</b>  For KS3-5/S1-6
<b>Info</b>	Take your next steps towards a successful future in our 'Meet the Apprentice' event. With new apprenticeships being released all the time, the variety is wider than ever. Whether you want to be out and about, helping customers, diving into data, or connecting communities through network expansion, there's something for everyone. Explore:  Who Virgin Media O2 are  What apprenticeships we offer  Our inclusive application process  What life as a VMO2 Apprentice consists of  Click <a href="#">here</a> to register

<b>Date</b>	Thursday 30 <sup>th</sup> March 10-10:45am
<b>Speaker</b>	<b>Vodafone: Celebrate your future with Lucy Unwin and Leome Francis, sponsored by Vodafone</b>  For KS3-5/S1-6
<b>Info</b>	Join us for our final session in Vodafone's pioneering 'Future Ready' programme. This unique coaching and mentoring broadcast gives you the opportunity to learn about all things Vodafone, ranging from apprenticeships to career routes to culture! Hear from Lucy Unwin, Head of Learner and Performance and Leome Francis, Network Engineer Apprentice on what it is like to work for a truly global brand! This is a final session you do not want to miss!  Click <a href="#">here</a> to register

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**When:** Thursday 6th & Friday 14th April 2023

**Time:** 1pm - 4pm

**To book your place:** Call the Sports Centre on: 01273 411100

**Email:** olly.stewart@freedom-leisure.co.uk

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Celebrate

Easter

Week Begin Monday 27th March - Thursday 30th March

Monday

Chocolate Coated Egg Shortbread £1.00

Tuesday

Strawberry & Cream Scone £1.00

Wednesday

Angel Cake £1.00

Thursday

Easter Egg Muffin £1.00

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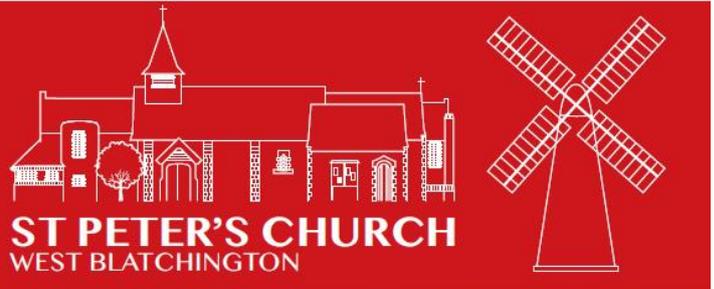
**8th April: 12pm - 2pm**  
**29th April: 12pm - 2pm**

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**EMAIL DAVID TUTTON AT DAVID.TUTTON@WANADOO.FR**  
**TO SIGN UP AND FOR DIRECTIONS TO OUR FACILITY.**



On Easter morning we will gather to sing,  
 the truth of Christ risen, our victorious king.  
 His road to the cross was filled with great pain,  
 Yet through his death he gives hope again.  
 For death wasn't the end, for he broke its cruel curse,  
 We may still suffer trials, but his suffering was worse.  
 Yet through it all something wondrous achieved,  
 Our freedom from guilt, so our hearts are relieved.  
 So, join us this Easter to sing once again.  
 Of our victorious Saviour, risen to reign.

Rev'd Tim Gage,  
 Rector, St. Peter's,  
 West Blatchington.



**Holy Week and Easter Services**

**Maundy Thursday**  
 Thursday 6th April  
 Bring and share maundy Thursday service in the church hall.

**Good Friday**  
 Friday 7th April  
 All-age worship - 10am  
 Followed by Hot Cross Buns  
 Noon hour meditation at the cross

**Easter Sunday**  
 Sunday 17th April  
 Sunrise Service - 6.15am  
 All-age Parish Eucharist - 10am

**The Hangleton and West Blatchington Foodbank**  
 (Registered Charity Number 1171532) is a project jointly sponsored by St Peter's and our close friends at St George's RC Church.

The dedicated team of volunteers continues to work tirelessly to support local families in food poverty. At this time, the number of households seeking help is rising rapidly and donations, whether in cash or kind, are desperately needed.

Donations of food can be made by phoning our donations coordinator on 07828 658337 or emailing [hangletonfoodbankdonations@gmail.com](mailto:hangletonfoodbankdonations@gmail.com)

Monetary donations can be sent to Hangleton and West Blatchington Foodbank at HSBC, 40-25-03, 51650521.



[www.stpeterswestblatchington.org.uk](http://www.stpeterswestblatchington.org.uk)

**St Peter's 'Open Church' drop-in**

On the first Friday of every month from 10.30am until noon 'Drop-in' for a coffee, piece of cake, conversation and companionship.

A very warm welcome awaits you, so please come and join us - we'd love to see you.



**Tea and Tots**

Tea and Tots is a friendly Toddler group for children aged 0-4 and their carers. We meet in St Peter's church every Friday 9:30-11am and are run by St Peter's church in collaboration with St Anthony's preschool. It's £1 per family and includes tea and coffee, biscuits and snacks for children. We begin with playing and drinks and snacks and finish with 20 minutes of songs and stories, including a Bible story.

We have a lovely outside play area to use when the weather is good. No booking necessary, just come along!

We will be having an Easter special on Friday 31st March including an Easter egg hunt around the church.

**What's going on**

**Monthly Prayer Service:**  
 First Wednesday of the month at 7.45pm in Church. Join us as we pray for our Church family and those known to us who are in any kind of need.

**Free Lunchtime Concerts:**  
 21st April - The Boat Band  
 20th May - Michele Scopes - Violin  
 16th June - Imogen Ryall

Held every month at 1.10pm. Refreshments provided and donations welcome to support future concerts. All concerts are listed on our website.

**Summer Fair**  
 Saturday 17th June - 11.30am to 2.30pm

**Full details on our website**  
[www.stpetersadmin@zoho.com](http://www.stpetersadmin@zoho.com)

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**SUNDAY**  
 10.00am - Parish Eucharist with Sunday School (except for the 1st Sunday of the month)  
 St. Peter's @4 Family Service - 1st Sunday of the month at 4.00pm  
 10.00am Online service via Youtube

The Clergy are available for spiritual counsel and healing prayer. Please visit our website [www.stpeterswestblatchington.org.uk](http://www.stpeterswestblatchington.org.uk) and find us on Facebook for all our planned events.

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