

Headteacher's Update

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Theme of the Week: Wisdom for Life – Do not worry – Matthew 6:25-34

"THAT IS WHY I TELL YOU NOT TO WORRY ABOUT EVERYDAY LIFE----ISN'T LIFE MORE THAN FOOD, AND YOUR BODY MORE THAN CLOTHING? LOOK AT THE BIRDS. THEY DON'T PLANT OR HARVEST OR STORE FOOD IN BARNS, FOR YOUR HEAVENLY FATHER FEEDS THEM. AND AREN'T YOU FAR MORE VALUABLE TO HIM THAN THEY ARE?

SEEK THE KINGDOM OF GOD ABOVE ALL ELSE, AND LIVE RIGHTEOUSLY, AND HE WILL GIVE YOU EVERYTHING YOU NEED. MATTHEW 6:25-26, 33

Dear Parents/Carers,

It's wonderful to have the nice weather as we go into half term and I hope that you and your children can have a restorative and enjoyable week in the sunshine. Year 11 will, of course, want to continue their revision



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admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk programmes but it is important that they have some rest and downtime too. Thank you to everyone who is praying for this cohort as their exam series continues. Exam papers have been fair and straightforward so far and we pray for this to continue. Thank you to everyone who has already completed a parent/carer survey. We have had a good rate of return so far and we hope to receive some more responses over the half term break to get as comprehensive a picture of your views as possible. The survey can be found and completed online here: <u>https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/WXX5X33</u> It will close at 9am on Monday 5th June. We will also be surveying students in the second half of this term, within the school day, and we look forward to receiving their views too. Have a lovely half term break.

Mrs Price

Theme of the Week

This week we have been exploring a passage from Matthew's Gospel, Chapter 6, verses 25-34. It reads "Therefore I tell you, do not worry about your life, what you will eat or drink; or about your body, what you will wear. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothes?... seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as

Forthcoming Events

Monday 5 th June	•	First day back after half term
Thursday 8 th June	٠	PTA meeting 6pm
	•	Year 10 Parents' Evening

well. Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself." We have been exploring the issues these verses raise around worry and our management of anxiety with students in tutor times. Jesus is clear that we should try not to worry about material needs but focus instead on the most important things in life. We are reminded that we can always pray for what we need and it will be given to us, not always immediately and not always as we might expect but our real needs will be met. Worry is something that often particularly afflicts teenagers so it has been fantastic to open up the opportunity for conversations on this through the week. You might like to take the opportunity over half term to reflect with your children on what they worry about and how they handle anxiety when it arises.

King's Sixth Form

A reminder that we are still accepting applications for entry to the Sixth Form in September 2023 and students can complete the short application form on our website here: <u>https://kings.ret.systems/application/login</u>

We have also been offering 1:1 appointments for current year 11 students with Mrs Price and Mrs Coles to discuss their sixth form plans and beyond, whether or not the student intends to attend King's Sixth Form. If your child has not been invited for one of these appointments and would like one please do not hesitate to contact us via <u>sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk</u>

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

Gladrags 'Pay-what-you-can'

Gladrags is offering an all new 'pay-what-you-can' hire scheme for young people. There will be no lower limit as they want to reach out to teenagers and their parents/ carers who would struggle to afford outfits for prom. They offer sizes XS to XXL and photos of their products can be found on the website here: https://www.gladragscostumes.org.uk/

Student of the Week

Students of the week	
Year 7	Hamish M
Year 8	Maddie S
Year 9	Violet T
Year 10	Noah E
Year 11	Finlay J

KS3 Home Learning Project – Speak Up and Speak Out!

Over the coming half term we are asking students in KS3 to complete a Home Learning Project on a topic that they care about. This project will take place alongside preparation for the end of year exams, between Friday 26th May and Wednesday 5th July. Students will complete a **minimum of three activities** across the duration of the project, related to their chosen area. They will then present their work back to their tutor group – in their chosen format – from Thursday 6th July. Please find the link to Mrs Vincent's explanation for students here: <u>https://vimeo.com/830252663/d6adf9e744?share=co</u> py

The information document in the video has been set on Bromcom for all students in Years 7, 8 and 9. A copy of this document can also be found here <u>https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/documents/curri</u> <u>culum/KS3HLP_Summer23.pdf</u>.

We hope that this project will give our young people the opportunity to explore something they feel strongly about, whilst developing key life skills.

Sussex Schools Athletics Competition

Congratulations to Alex R (1500m), Gabriel S (discus), Keren N (100m) and Greta H (800m) who have qualified to represent Brighton and Hove District Team at the Sussex Schools Athletics Competition on Saturday 10th June at the K2 in Crawley!

Buddy Mentor Scheme: Calling all Current Year 8 Students

Think back to the time when you were coming to the end of Year 6, about to leave primary school: all the questions you had about starting at King's; your worries and concerns; the things you were excited about. *The new Year 7 students need YOU!*

Are you friendly, supportive and willing to listen to younger students? Are you 100% reliable? Have you got good leadership and organisational skills? Could you be a good role model for others? If the answer to these questions is "Yes", we want you to complete our online application form and apply to be a Buddy Mentor. For more information about the role and to apply, click on the link (also posted on Bromcom) <u>https://forms.office.com/e/FSzQsvUkzT</u> and submit your application by Tuesday 6th June.

If you have any questions about being a Buddy Mentor, speak to Mrs Vincent k.vincent@kingsschoolhove.org.uk.

King's Summer Showcase

Calling all students! Do you play an instrument, sing or are part of a rocking band? Sign up for King's Summer Showcase! At 7pm on Thursday 29th June, students from across all years will put on a concert in the main school hall, showcasing their incredible talent. If you want to be part of this, please sign-up via the sign-up sheet that's currently up outside of music rooms 1 and 2. Auditions will be held the week beginning 12th June. For friends and family who would like to attend, tickets will be available soon through Parent Pay priced at £4 per person. We hope to see you there!

Attendance

Congratulations to Year 7 who have had the highest attendance of all the year groups this week reaching 97% on Wednesday. Well done Year 7!

Mr Spear and Mr Baker

I would like to say a huge thank you to Duncan Spear and Richard Baker for running the Rock Band and Orchestra for the past 9 years! They have been fantastic musical directors and their ensembles have been such an asset to our King's School Music department.

Both ensembles have performed at every King's School Showcase, and I have always known the standard will be high and the performances terrific. It has been wonderful to see a huge range of students develop their musical skills under the leadership of both of these brilliant teachers.

Richard has also supported us every year with our Carol Concert, arranging music for the orchestra and conducting them as they accompany our carols as part of the service.

Many, many thanks from Mrs Brennan and Ms Woods

From September the Orchestra will now be run by Mrs Brennan and the Rock Band by Ms Woods, rehearsal days to be confirmed.

Mrs Brennan

Lead Teacher of Music

Historian of the Fortnight

Finlay is our Historian of the Fortnight due to his spedup perseverance and focus over the last month. His ability to regurgitate key dates and information was utilised by his class in their recent Crime exam. I never thought Pope Innocent III would come up on the exam but Finlay was right! Finlay has attended all intervention, worked incredibly hard, especially on his creation of a 'Crimeline' which students photographed.

Finlay's desperation to become historian of the fortnight and his tenacious attitude has seen him stand out, not only by myself but his peers.

Long live the king!

Well done Finlay!



King's Community Games

On Tuesday 23rd May we held our second 'Community Games' sports event for some of our local primary schools. On this occasion, Aldrington C of E Primary School and The Bilingual School took part in a highly competitive and exceptionally high standard rounders game, hosted by some of our wonderful student leaders. It was an opportunity for King's to welcome our primary school colleagues and new Year 7 students, showcase our beautiful school and most importantly for our current students to showcase what King's is about! A big thank you to the following Year 7 and 8 students for volunteering at this event: Felix B, Joshi H, Herbie H, Samuel V, Riley C, Amelia J, Tearna W, Nia J, Connie B and Isla E.

Interschool Rounders Tournament

Last Tuesday afternoon, we had a small team of Year 9s compete in an Interschool Rounders Tournament with four local schools, held at Patcham High School. On a lovely afternoon for rounders, our students represented our school extremely well in what was a fun and relaxed afternoon for all involved. Our King's students performed particularly well, claiming second place overall having only lost one game to Blatchington Mill who went on to win the tournament.

Year 7 RP

This half term Year 9 have been learning about the conflict in Israel and Palestine in RP. Pupils have navigated their way through the history of the region, the issues facing both sides, and personal testimonies from Israeli's and Palestinians to try and find a solution, and not pick a side. They concluded their studies by attending a talk with Rabbi Andrea from Brighton and Hove Reform Synagogue and hearing a letter from Yomna Helmy, who works for Cambridge University. Here is some work they created during a reflection lesson on their studies.

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Chat Health

All pupils in Brighton and Hove have the option of contacting a medical professional for advice using the NHS ChatHealth messaging service. It's safe and easy for your child to speak to a qualified health professional by contacting 07480 635423. They can just send a message and don't have to give their name. You can find out more about ChatHealth at their website: https://chathealth.nhs.uk/



Here is how the service works:

Need to talk?

We'll confirm receipt of your message immediately then you'll speak to a health professional who will listen, ask questions and support you. You only have to share what you feel comfortable with and you can ask questions too.

Most teams reply during normal office hours. If you message out-of-hours they'll reply when they're next in. You should always hear back from someone within 24 working hours at most.

If you need help in the meantime contact your doctor, visit a NHS walk-in centre or call NHS 111. If it is an emergency, dial 999 or visit A&E.

Your network provider will charge your usual rate for messages you send.

University of Sussex Year 10 Summer School

The University of Sussex Year 10 Summer School will be running between Tuesday 4th July and Thursday 6th July this year, and provides a chance for young people to experience what it is like to be a University student. Over the three days, students will:

 Experience a taster of University learning across a diverse variety of academic subjects.
Woven into this will be engaging sessions providing advice on studying techniques, and basic stress management tips.

- An insight into social activities students get involved in on campus, including options for sports evenings, film nights, and a quiz night in a Student Union venue.
- Learning about the practicalities of living and studying on campus from our fantastic student ambassadors, alongside an ambassador networking session.
- An opportunity to meet other young people in the local area, forging new connections and friendships.

Applications are open to all Year 10 students who meet the Widening Participation criteria. If you are unfamiliar with these criteria, they can be found by following <u>this</u> <u>link</u>. The Summer School is **free of charge** and includes accommodation, travel, and food for all dates. The deadline for applications will fall on <u>9th June 2023</u> at 09:00.

Summer School Application Form

PTA

The PTA have the following upcoming events:

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

Thank you so much to those of you who have come forward to support the PTA, we are so thankful. The PTA will be meeting on Thursday the 8th June from 6pm at school, new elections at 7pm, please come along and meet us/find out more. Everyone is welcome.

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 5 th June 10-10:45am	
Speaker	Prof. Matthew Inada-Kim, Consultant acute medicine, national clinical director infection, antimicrobial resistance and deterioration	
	For KS3-5/S1-6	

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Info	Matt is a highly regarded doctor with many years of experience. He is a chair of the COVID pathways group and the national lead for sepsis at NHS England and is part of the COVID clinical reference group for primary care, care homes, & hospitals. He has developed and co- led the virtual ward model, and the COVID management guidance/policy. In this broadcast hear about the world of infection & how it can lead to sepsis and how doctors tackled COVID.	5

Date	Tuesday 6 th June 10-10:45am	
Speaker	Dr. Radha Modgil, NHS GP, Broadcaster & Campaigner for wellbeing	
	For KS3/S1-3	
Info	Join this broadcast with Dr Radha Modgil, a practising NHS GP, media presenter, broadcaster and wellbeing advocate. Best question asked will win in a copy of Know Your Own Power a book that aims to help you unlock this power – from dealing with crisis to understanding challenges. It will help you to understand yourself more, and make decisions living from your truth, as well as dealing with setbacks along the way. Above all, it will also help you not feel so alone in your struggles. Click here to register	

Date	Friday 9 th June 10-10:45am	
Speaker	What is HR? Robbie Dagger, People (HR) Director, Tesco	
	For KS3/S1-3	
Info	Human Resources or HR as it's more commonly known is a huge part of running a company. But what is it? Why are there so many jobs in this department and what does it entail? People Director, Robbie Dagger will work to demystify HR so you can see if this is something that might interest you.	
	Click <u>here</u> to register	



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