

## Theme of the Week: Summer Holidays



It was you who set all the boundaries of the earth; you made both summer and winter.

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The past two weeks have been the busiest of this academic year in school. Thank you for all your support with the various trips and events that have been taking place, culminating in Sports Day at the Withdean Stadium today. As a parent myself I know it is difficult to keep track of what your children are doing at this

time of year and what they need each day! Thank you for helping us to give your child an enjoyable and memorable end to the academic year. We are not finished yet of course. Monday and Tuesday are normal school days next week. On Wednesday we celebrate King's Day and the final reminders that you need for this day are included below in the Newsletter. Thursday next week is our final day of term and students will be dismissed at 12:30pm. I will be writing you an end of year letter next week including information on staffing changes for the new year. Do look out for that in your inboxes. Have a lovely weekend meanwhile.

*Mrs Price*

## Theme of the Week

This week students have been looking at our final theme of the year 'Summer Holidays'. Students have explored the theme of rest in Bible verses, looking at passages from Psalms. Students have considered what is available to them locally in the summer holidays to keep them entertained. They have also thought about why some students might find the summer holidays difficult and have considered ways in which they can be

## Forthcoming Events

<b>Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>King's Day</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Last Day of Term</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup> September and Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>INSET Days</li> </ul>
<b>Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>First Day for Year 7 and 12</li> </ul>
<b>Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>All students back at school</li> </ul>

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good friends to those who do struggle with the break away from school.

## End of Term – 20<sup>th</sup> July

Our final day of term is Thursday 20th July. 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 20th July.

## Dates for your Diary

It's a busy half term and we thought it might be helpful to group all the important dates in the run up to the summer holidays in one place:

- Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July: King's Day - whole school off usual timetable for a day of community fun and thanksgiving
- Thursday 20<sup>th</sup>: Last day of term - all students will be dismissed by 12:30pm
- Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> September: Year 7 and Year 12 return to school at 8:30am
- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September: Year 8, 9, 10 and 11 return at 8:30am

## King's Day

We are continuing to advance the extensive planning work for King's Day, which will run on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July this year. Students should arrive in school for 8:30am as normal on this date; they will be dismissed

at 2:30pm. A reminder that students should attend in non-school uniform on this date in return for a £2 donation to charity. All monies donated will go to our fundraising efforts so if you are able to donate more to support our charities please do so.

You can donate via ParentPay or via our just giving account [www.justgiving.com/campaign/kings-school-fund](http://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kings-school-fund).

Please can you ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for the weather and for a school day (no offensive logos/slogans; no excessively short skirts or shorts; no cropped or low-cut tops). It would be great if you could send your child into school with some spending money (we suggest no more than £10) in small denominations for them to spend on the tutor group stalls. In the afternoon all students will attend our 'King's Got Talent' show and have the opportunity to play in an inclusive sports tournament for their House. Monies raised from the day will go to two Christian charities – one local and one international. We are very much looking forward to a day of celebrating our community and our school and fundraising for some fantastic causes. Thank you for your support with this event.

## 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: <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@kingschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:sixthform@kingschoolhove.org.uk)

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We would like to bring your attention to the commitment our new catering supplier has made to servicing our Sixth Form. Please see the poster below detailing what IFG are offering.



**WELCOME TO IFG**

IFG's service provides an educational food service by linking the classroom and the kitchen.

Students can see dishes being freshly prepared (such as homemade pizza being served fresh from our pizza oven, fresh bread made on the premises daily and a wide variety of freshly prepared main meals, salads, sandwiches, pastas and desserts) as well as mouth-watering homemade muffins and cakes.

**FREE SCHOOL MEALS**

For those on free school meals, we are unique in offering any two items from the vast daily menu for their free school meal value regardless of price in recognition of the importance of meals at school.

6th formers are just that little bit older and looking for a more grown-up offer to keep them on site. We have developed an exciting offer specifically targeted at 6th form students and staff.

Bringing in the best of the high street deli/cafe, and a more grown-up bistro style cafe offer. We propose to extend your opening times in the main restaurant, offering a twist on the mainstream offer: hot and cold bistro food, including concepts like:

- Sushi and mezze platters
- Our "Buy by the inch" sub offer
- Our hot street food range featuring items like dirty fries, rice bowls, pizzas, noodle pots, burgers
- Cold deli offers
- Fair trade hot drinks
- Cold drinks, home bakes, snacks and confectionary will complete this offer

**DID YOU KNOW...**

- More than 90% of our menu is homemade
- 80% of our vegetables and fruit are sourced within the UK
- The majority of our meat is red tractor approved and sourced from Great Britain
- All our fish is farmed from sustainable stocks (MSC approved)
- All our eggs are free range
- All our coffee and chocolate is fair trade
- Our menus are Vegetarian Society Approved
- Take away is available on any of our fresh menus, except fish & chips on Friday, so if you haven't got time to cook... we can do it for you.

**Loyalty CARD**

Buy 7 hot drinks & 8th one is FREE

FREE DRINK

Thorpe Park provided an exhilarating day out for our Year 8 students on Monday and Tuesday. The rides provided a key source of inspiration for our students to work on their own designs.

## Year 9 Lodge Hill Trip

Lodge Hill hosted our Year 9s on Monday for a day of outdoor fun. Students participated in rock climbing and team building activities.



## Year 9 and Year 10 Paris Trip

A great MFL and cultural experience was run on our Year 9 and 10 trip to Paris last weekend. Students enjoyed exploring the wonders of Paris, including the Mona Lisa in the Louvre, going up the Eiffel Tower and the Palace of Versailles. Students practiced French with the local stallholders in the markets.



## Enrichment

### Year 7 Blackland Trip

On Monday and Tuesday this week, Year 7 went on an overnight trip to Blackland Farm, an outdoor activity centre located in the Sussex countryside. Students enjoyed a variety of activities including kayaking on the lake, zip wires in the woodland and rock climbing. A fun adventure for students and staff.



### Year 8 Thorpe Park Trip

## Year 10 Beach Trip

Some of our Year 10 students went down to Brighton Beach on Tuesday with our Geography team. Students braved the heights of the zip wire and had a competitive game of beach ball.



## Year 10 History Trip

Year 10 travelled by train to London for a day of enriching History. Students visited the Tower of London where they saw the White Tower and uncovered facts about England's famous prison. From executions to life in the torture dungeons, students were able to consolidate their learning of both Elizabethan England and Crime and Punishment through time. Our students were guided around the streets of London, by the local Whitechapel tour guide; with stories of Jack the Ripper's gruesome murders, a look at possible suspects, the geography of Whitechapel and the difficulties facing police at this time. Students enjoyed free time on London's South Bank, before watching Agatha Christie's 'Witness for the Prosecution', at London County Hall. Overall, students had a wonderful and tiring day, we look forward to revisiting next year with the new GCSE cohort.



## Jerome

Jerome in Year 8 was successful in the trials for the Sussex Schools rep side football team. He will be playing in goal for the side beginning next season. Well done Jerome!

## Clubs

All clubs are now finished for the year and will begin again in September.

## PTA

The PTA are looking for donations of uniform, if you are able to donate, please drop off to the uniform donation area in reception.

Please also join the PTA for the annual PTA Colour Run on the 14<sup>th</sup> September.

King's School PTA presents



**COLOUR RUN**

**Thursday 14th September**  
**King's School playing field**  
**5.30pm, £5**  
Refreshments available  
Students & their families welcome

Book your place at [kings-school-pta.sumup.link](https://kings-school-pta.sumup.link)  
For more details email [pta@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:pta@kingsschoolhove.org.uk)

Charity number: 1107061

## Inclusion Support Unit Talk

Peter Kyle held a meeting with students with dyslexia last week, organised by the Inclusion Support Unit. Two of our King's students took part, we are very proud of them for going to speak to Peter Kyle and putting themselves forward to chat about their experiences. Please see Peter Kyle's post below.



Peter Kyle MP

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Those who know a little of my own story will know how much this particular meeting meant to me.

The Inclusion and Support Unit arranged for dyslexic children from across Brighton and Hove to come together, and for me to come and spend time sharing my own story, listening to theirs, and answering questions.

I can't put into words how special it was for me to see these young people who were all aware of their challenges, supported in overcoming them, and even at their young age were able to talk with self-reflection and humor about their lives and barriers to learning.

It's sometimes said that dyslexics have a 'superpower.' I understand why people say that because many dyslexics develop highly developed characteristics to compensate for those that present struggles.

But I think it's slightly different. I think it's what we learn about ourselves, the skills we develop when putting in the hard work to overcome barriers, and the sheer perseverance that becomes part of normal life that gives us these characteristics.

It's important because these are all things that people without neurological challenges can learn from us - and that's a counterintuitive way of looking at dyslexia because it's normally assumed that we're the ones who have to catch up with others:

Anyway, I know you'll know I'm speaking from the heart when I say that spending time with these talented, characterful kids who are so full of potential was a very moving, meaningful privilege that I was truly grateful for. All the best, Peter.

PS AI is in the news a lot these days. And ever since I started doing these updates some people have been frustrated by my spelling mistakes. The problem has been that I've never wanted to waste my team's time by proofing my social media, I'd rather they were all totally focussed on serving residents. But now we have Chat GPT...and for the first time I've used it by asking it to spell check this update. So if there's any problems with this update, blame AI !!

## A message from Brighton & Hove Bus Company

Some good news!

As many of you will already know, Brighton & Hove Bus Company have now extended our offer of discounted child fares until the day before their 19<sup>th</sup> birthday, previously their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday. To benefit from this offer, you may need to update your busID card to show the revised expiry date.

This can be done at no cost to yourself by visiting One Stop Travel, North Street, Brighton.

## King's School Fund

Raising money to enrich and expand our students' experiences.

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Every donation has an impact on a student's education experience.

Thank you for your support



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