

Headteacher's Update

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Dear Parents/Carers,

It's hard to believe that today is our Year 11 Leavers' Day! They start the formal exam period next Thursday 9 th May. We have had a lovely morning today in school with them; they had a leavers' worship service and special leavers' assembly and the school was pleased to provide them with a complimentary lunch. We are very proud of this Year 11 cohort and very excited to see what they can achieve this summer. Do remember them in your thoughts and prayers as they start their exams.

Happy Easter to our Coptic Christian community who are celebrating this weekend. We wish you a very blessed and joyful Easter period.

A reminder that Monday is a Bank Holiday and the school will therefore be closed to all students on this date. Students should return to school as usual on Tuesday.

Please find below some key dates for the rest of this term to aid your forward planning. Please note that exam weeks for students in Years 7, 8, 9 and 12 are a guide only. These exams are sat in classrooms and so some exams may be sat outside of these weeks:

Theme of the week: Healthy Minds

- Thursday 9th May start of the GCSE exam period. Year 11 students are expected in school full time until half term
- Week commencing 3rd June Year 12 exams and Year 7 exams
- Week commencing 10th June Year 8 exams
- Week commencing 17th June Year 9 exams
- Thursday 27th June Summer Music Showcase
- Tuesday 2nd July Year 11 Prom
- Wednesday 3rd July Year 6 Parents' Information Evening
- Thursday 4th July Awards' Evening
- Friday 7th July INSET and Year 6 Induction Day
- 8th and 9th July Enrichment Days
- Friday 12th July Sports Day
- Thursday 18th July King's Day

Friday 19^{th} July - Last day of term. Students will be dismissed at lunchtime

Have a lovely long weekend.

Thursday 9th • GCSE Exams Begin May

Student of the Week

Year 7	Tianna M-S for excellent work in science.						
Year 8	Milo L for his work being recognised across multiple subjects in the last week!						
Year 9	Bailey S for hard work in English and Music!						
Year 10	Halima J – For brilliant work in Maths and for being a great friend, pupil and member of our school community on a daily basis.						
Year 11	Ruby D – Nominated by Mrs Moscrop for showing school value of responsibility.						

Theme of the Week

This week we have been dissecting the mind, the capabilities it has and opportunities it helps to create. We looked at the different thoughts students may have, and spotlighted the positive and negative impacts things like music and social media can have on our minds.



Sixth Form

Please <u>visit our website</u> for more information about our Sixth Form.

Video for Parents 1: Choosing your sixth form courses | Resources | Net Sixth Form

For any Year 11 student that is struggling with what subjects to study post 16, please see this helpful video to help you make your decisions. If you need further help in school, please do contact Mrs Coles at sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk who will be more than happy to have a conversation about options across the city and at our sixth form.

There is also a useful resource to help you decide your options across the city if you are struggling to decide where to go <u>Best Next Steps - Colleges and FE application portals (padlet.com)</u>

Uniform

Jewellery, nails and make-up: We are seeing an increase in students wearing false nails, bright nail varnish, heavy make-up and jewellery. Please note the uniform regulations below from the school website and ensure that your child adheres to them each day. These have not changed and have been in place for many years.

Jewellery: The only jewellery permitted is a watch, medic alert chain, and one small small silver, titanium or gold sleeper or stud worn in the lobe of each ear.

Make-up: Discreet foundation is permitted. No nail varnish, lip stick, eye shadow, false eyelashes, mascara, eyeliner or heavy black lines etc.

These are the actions the school will take if students are not adhering to the uniform policy:

- Students who are wearing false nails will be asked to remove them by the next day.
- Students wearing nail varnish will be given nail varnish remover and pads.
- Students wearing jewellery that goes beyond the permitted items will be asked to remove it.
- If the student is found to be wearing the jewellery again, it will be confiscated and kept in the school safe for collection at the end of the day.

If students are wearing heavy make-up they will be given make up wipes and asked to remove it.

Shirt Signing for the Year 11's

We had a wonderful time celebrating with the year 11s on their Leavers Day today. It was good to take time from the start of the day to reflect on their journey through King's in a short service lead by Off The Fence. Students had time to write down what they were grateful for and, if they wanted, to make prayer requests, so we can hold them our prayers over the coming weeks.

There were the most fabulous designs on shirts this year; flags of some of the many countries that the students are from, fantastic graffiti art and enough bling to create a real party buzz.

It was lovely to celebrate with lots of silly awards and to see photos of the students from their first day at King's. We even had some for their very first day!

We are very proud of all our Year 11 students, of who they are and of what they have already achieved personally and academically. We wish them every success in their exams and beyond. It has been a privilege to have been their Head of Year this year.









King's School Hove



Departmental competitions in May are:

Drama – KS3 & KS4 Monologue Competition

History – Y8 Trench Competition

Speak to your subject teacher about how to enter!

Science - Y9 & 10 Biology Challenge

King's School Fund



Joanne G

29.04.2024 - 13-05.2024

Joanne has been chosen as the Historian of the Fortnight due to her unwavering dedication to history. Throughout the entirety of Year 11, Jo has shown the desire to achieve and improve her work which has resulted in some of the top grades in class. She is a pleasure to teach inside and outside of lessons and has displayed an excellent knowledge and understanding of technique.

All hail Emperess Joanne!



Paulina C

27.03.2024 - 24.04.2024

Paulina has been chosen as this the Historian of the Fortnight due to her fantastic dedication and constant attention to her history work. Paulina continuously strives to improve her work until she is consistently achieving top grades. Throughout this year she has displayed an excellent knowledge and understanding of previous work.

All hail Emperess Paulina!



Year 11 GCSE Timetable

The below timetable is now available on the Kings Website here: King's School (kingsschoolhove.org.uk)

WEEK 1	MONDAY	TUES	TUESDAY		DNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
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PM						Drama		
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PM	Physical Education Russian pm		History		Business	Contingency	Biology	
WEEK 5	MONDAY		TUESDAY	_	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	
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PM	Music		Polish					

This week in tutor: Healthy Minds

Michael Spitzer, a professor of music at the University of Liverpool, explains how humans have been making and learning to recognise music from the moment we learned to walk. Music affects the brain in profound ways and serves as a conduit through which we can process emotions that otherwise might not be describable in words.

Watch the video here.



MUSIC AND THE BRAIN

