

Headteacher's Update

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Theme of the week:

Big Questions

If God is good why do bad
things happen?

Dates for your Diary

Week Commencing Monday 3rd February	Timetable week Two
11th, 12th and 13th February	Oliver! School Production
Monday 24th Feb- ruary—Tuesday 4th March	Year 11 and Year 13 Mocks
Monday 17th - Friday 21st February	Half term

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have made it to the end of January! It is good to see signs of the days lengthening slightly and the lighter evenings coming. It has been another busy and purposeful week in school. Teachers enjoyed meeting online with Year 9 parents/carers on Wednesday.

Mr Stevenson has sent out the GCSE options choice forms on the back of this parents' evening and has included information in this Newsletter about the deadline for return of these forms and next steps with regards to exploring and confirming options choices for Year 9 students.

We are now just one week away from our whole school production week. Students will be performing Oliver! on 11, 12 and 13 February and we are excited to welcome many of you to watch it. A final reminder if you haven't already purchased tickets to do so. You won't want to miss out!

We are just two teaching weeks away from the second series of mock exams for Year 11 and Year 13 students. If your child is in these year groups and hasn't yet started a structured revision programme for these mock exams we would encourage them to make a start now. Our advice is always for students to plan when they are going to revise around school hours and over half term, making sure that they leave sufficient time for exercise and rest. Students should then make a list of the topics they need to revise for each subject and allocate topics to revision sessions to ensure an even coverage of all subjects. Good revision activities include: creating mind maps; making flash cards; self-testing; testing with a peer/sibling/parent/carer; completing timed test questions; using Dr Frost for Maths; using the Seneca platform for some subjects; using revision guides (CGP guides are especially helpful for Science). Staff are always available to speak to students who would like to discuss revision strategies in more detail.

I wish you all restful weekends.

Mrs Price

Student of the Week

Year 7	Atiq L for excellence across a range of subjects
Year 8	Amber V for creativity and resilience shown in PE
Year 9	Mabel K for her proactiveness and participation in tutor time activities
Year 10	Evie-G-M for great work in Media

Faith in Action Awards

A reminder, that parents/carers need to email Mrs Price via head@kingsschoolhove.org.uk by Monday 3rd February if their child/children would like to sign up to participate in the Faith in Action awards programme this year.

The programme is aimed at students in years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 but students in years 11 and 13 can also apply if they are confident that they can manage completion of the programme around their studies in their exam year.

Parent Prayer Group

The Parent Prayer group meets to pray together for King's School, and is open to all parents who want to engage in Christian prayer together. We meet in Meeting Room 1 (opposite the school office) on some Thursday mornings from 9.15am-10.00am.

Upcoming dates for this term are: 6th February, 27th February, 13th March, and 27th March.

We also have a what's app group if you'd like to receive prayer points and updates. Contact Amanda.roberts81@hotmail.co.uk

Year 9 Options Process

We have now had the options information evening and Year 9 parents' evening. You should also have received the options choice form if your child is in year 9. The link to a plain copy if you have not is here https://forms.office.com/e/SdiW7xcjxi. Please complete this by the 14th February (the last day of this half term.)

Following this, I will create the options blocks based on the responses. Every student will then have a personal interview with a member of the Senior Leadership team to check and discuss their choices. I will then confirm the final options by the end of the Spring Term.

If you would still like to look at the information from the information evening this can be found on the school website here <u>King's School</u>. On this page you can also find the contact details for our heads of department should you wish to contact them with any questions.

Mr Stevenson

Historian of the Fortnight

Giulia

22.01 - 05.02.2025

Giulia is an exceptionally deserving recipient of the Historian of the Fortnight award. Her hard work, focus, and dedication throughout our lessons have played a key role in the impressive progress and attainment she has achieved. Giulia consistently submits her homework on time and is always willing to lend a helping hand to her peers, working collaboratively and positively within the group.

She is not only well-liked but deeply respected by both her classmates and teachers, known for her kindness, maturity, and impeccable manners. Giulia's politeness and positive attitude make her stand out as one of the most considerate students in her year.

A huge congratulations to Giulia on this well-deserved recognition. Keep up the outstanding work, Giulia!



Historian of the Fortnight

Niamh

23.01 - 06.02.2025

It is with great pleasure that we award Niamh the title of Historian of the Fortnight in History Class 11C. Niamh has consistently demonstrated a remarkable work ethic, being hardworking, focused, and conscientious in all her studies. Her kindness and ability to work well with others make her a valued member of the class, and she always approaches tasks with dedication and care.

Notably, Niamh's source evaluation was exemplary, standing out as the best in the class. So impressive was her work that it was used as a model for her peers, providing them with a clear example of how to approach future assignments. Niamh's organisation and attention to detail are exceptional, and we are proud to have her as a role model in our class.

We think Niamh is truly ace, and this recognition is well deserved! Keep up the fantastic work, Niamh!







Year 11 Mock Exams

Monday 24 February	Tuesday 25 February	Wednesday 26 February	Thursday 27 February	Friday 28 February
ENGLISH LANGUAGE P2	BIOLOGY	ENGLISH LITERATURE	MATHS Paper 2	PHYSICS
2h 05m (+32m)	1h 45m (+26m)	1h 45m (+ 26m ET)	1h 30m(+23m)	1h 45m (+26m)
8.45-10.50 (11.22ET)	8.45-10.30 (10.56 ET)	8.45 - 10.30 (10.56 ET)	8.45 - 10.15 (10.38 ET)	8.45-10.30 (10.56 ET)
	COMB.SCI. BIOLOGY			COMB.SCI.PHYSICS
	1h 15m (+19m)			1h 15m (+19m)
	8.45-10.00 (10.20 ET)			8.45-10.00 (10.20 ET)
BREAK		BREAK	BREAK	BREAK
	SPANISH LISTENING H	SPANISH LISTENING F	FRENCH/SPANISH READING	FRENCH LISTENING H
	45m (+12m ET)	35m (+ 9m)	1h/45m	45m (+12m)
	11.45 - 12.30 (ET 11.40 - 12.25	11.45 - 12.20 (12.29 ET)	11.15 - 12.00 /12.15 (ET	
	(12.37))		12.12/12.30)	11.45 - 12.30 (12.42ET)
LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
MATHS Paper 1	BUSINESS C	CHEMISTRY	GEOGRAPHY B	BUSINESS D
1h 30m(+23m)	1h 45m (+27m)	1h 45m (+26m)	1h 30m (+23m)	1h 45m (+27m)
1.30 - 3.00 (3.23 ET)	1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)	1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)	1.30 - 3.00 (3.23 ET)	1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)
	GEOGRAPHY C	COMB.SCI.CHEMISTRY	FOOD PREP & NUT	COMPUTER SCIENCE
	1h 30m (+23m)	1h 15m (+19m)	1h 45m (+ 26m)	1h 30 (+23m)
	1.30 - 3.00 (3.23 ET)	1.30 - 2.45 (3.04 ET)	1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)	1.30 - 3.00 (3.23 ET)
	HISTORY C		PE Paper 1	MEDIA D
	1h 30m		1h 15m (+ 19m)	1h 30m (+23m)
	1.30 - 2.30 (2.45 ET)		1.30 to 2.45 (3.04 ET)	1.30 to 3.00 (3.23 ET)
	MUSIC		SPANISH B Writing	HISTORY D
	1h 15m(+19m) approximately		1h15m/1h20m	1h 30m
	1.30 - 2.45 (3.04ET) approx.		1.30 - 2.45/2.50 (3.04/3.09)	1.30 - 2.30 (2.45 ET)
	RP C		RP B	FRENCH & SPANISH D
	1h 45m (+26m)		1h 45m (+26m)	Writing 1h15/1h20m
	1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)		1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)	1.30 - 2.45/2.50 (3.04/3.09)
				RP D 26
				1h 45m (+26m)
				1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)

Year 11 Mock exams are taking place week commencing Monday 24th February and running until Tuesday 4th March.

The time table is here and also available on our website. Please use the following link to view.

Year 11 Mock Exams

ENGLISH LANGUAGE P1	
ENGLISH LANGUAGE PI	NATIONAL REFERENCE TEST
1h 45m (+27m)	allow 1h 30m
8.45 - 10.30 (10.56ET) 9	9.00 - 10.00 (10.15 ET)
BREAK	BREAK
FRENCH LISTENING F	Possible Geography P2 - To
35m (+9m) b	be confirmed
11.45 - 12.20 (12.29 ET)	
LUNCH	LUNCH
DRAMA	MATHS Paper 3
1h 45m (+26m) 1	Ih 30m (+23m)
1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET) 1	1.30 - 3.00 (3.23 ET)
COMPUTER SCIENCE A	
1h 30 (+23m)	
1.30 - 3.00 (3.23 ET)	
GEOGRAPHY A	
1h 30m (+23m)	
1.30 - 3.00 (3.23 ET)	
HISTORY A	
1h 30m	
1.30 - 2.50	
DESIGN TECHNOLOGY	
2h (+30m)	
1.30 - 3.30 (4.00 ET)	
RP A	
1h 45m (+26m)	
1.30 - 3.15 (3.41 ET)	

Roedean Academy Session One

Mr Chamberlain and Miss Johnson took a group of Year 10 students to participate in the first session of the Roedean Academy. This is an enrichment programme designed to allow students from local schools to broaden and deepen their interests in a range of topics and subject areas. The session was led by Roedean's Deputy Headteacher, Dr Barrand, who challenged the students to analyse quotes by history's greatest thinkers as well as engaging in debate on controversial and contentious issues in modern society. Our students were fantastic and contributed well to the sessions. There was also time for a tour of the school site, including the farm, chapel, boarding houses and the newly refurbished library. One lovely moment was when Miss Johnson pointed out her name on the board which records all of the Deputy Head Girls in Roedean's history! All the students are very much looking forward to the session next week when their subject workshops will begin.



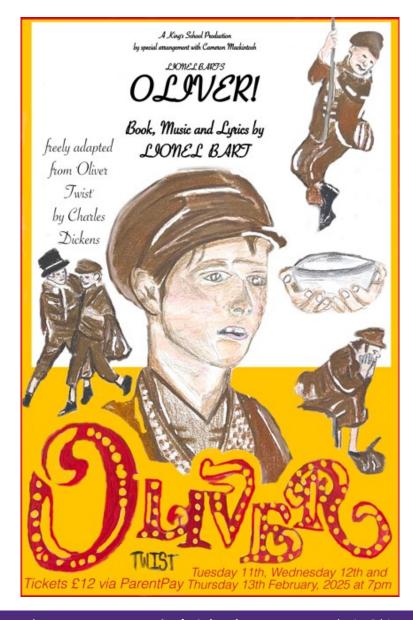




OLIVER!

Tickets are available to buy on ParentPay. Tickets are £12 each. For students in receipt of free school meals, you may be eligible for a financial contribution towards the cost-please email the finance office.

Due to a fault with ParentPay, if you have previously bought tickets for a particular night, you will not be able to buy more tickets for that same night again on ParentPay. If you wish to purchase further tickets for the same night, please email finance@kingsschoolhove.org.uk.



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Trampolining Competition

We had students from year 7 & 9 take part in the first B&H Trampoline Competition.

Students have been practicing over the last couple of months to perform a set routine and could choose 1 out of 4 depending on their skill level. We also had Tearna and Alice 'showcase' their skills for the younger students and do their routines for GCSE PE filming. All the students did really well to perform their routines with an audience watching. In the routine 2 category, Martha came 1st and Miya came 3rd!





Year 11 Boys' Football

The Year 11 boys' football train rolls on after a great result in the Quarter Final League Cup match against Blatchington Mill.

The boys were dominant from the first whistle, controlling the game though the breakthrough didn't come until just before half time when Brean P scored from a great counter attack taking the game to 1-0. Blatch equalised early in the second half and became an arm wrestle for most of the second half. With 4 minutes left, plans for penalties were being made but after a dominant display from Brean who scored another 2 goals in 3 minutes enabled the boys to run out 3-1 winners. An excellent, resilient display of football from all the boys playing.

Our Year 11s will now meet the winner of Varndean and Stringer in the city's Semi final Cup game for a place in the final.

Well done to all the boys on another great display.



Girls' football - Cup quarter final by Gabby R - Year 8

The KS3 girls' football team had a great match against Longhill on the 28th January. This was the Quarter-final of the cup, so we really wanted to win.

An early goal came from Gabby in the second minute, followed by another from Nell one minute later. Despite being 2-0 up in 3 minutes, we did not take this game, and the Longhill side for granted and after the second goal Longhill game alive and started battling back. Longhill had a few good chances but the defence of Stella, Jessica, Sofia and Amber would not let the opposition take the shots. In the midfield Nell, Isla, Betsy, Pilar and Daisy were strong, resilient and skilful, playing passes through to Gabby. Gabby found the net for her second goal at the 15 minute mark, and the first half ended with a strong 3-0 lead.

The girls were hungry for more in the second half, and with some juggling in the team we once again tried some new things. King's had plenty of chances in the second half but didn't read the offside very well at times. Longhill had less chances as our midfield and defence were so strong, and they began to rely heavily on one player as their main attacking option, although she was very good, we refused to let her find an opening.

As the match was coming to an end Erin, who had swapped out of goal at half-time with Jessica, had one final chance to score off of a lovely through ball, this time Erin easily found the net, making her on pitch debut a rather successful one.

Final Score 4-0 to King's and now we await either Blatch or PACA in the Semi-final.





The Wellbeing Hub



Creating an environment that nurtures mental health and wellbeing is a top priority at our school.

We are delighted to provide you with free access to this interactive online portal, designed by experts.





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