

Headteacher's Update

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Theme of the week: Biblical Characters/Stories: Ecclesiasties



Week Commencing Monday 31st March
Timetable week One

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 22nd April	INSET day. School closed to all students
	Start of the Summer
Wednesday 23rd April	Term. All students in for an 8:30am start as usual

Key Events this week

Monday 31st

Drama Club will not be running on Monday due to GCSE exam preparation

Tuesday 1st April

Easter Communion Services in school

Wednesday 2nd April 8.30am

GCSE practical drama exam

Friday 4th April

Last day of term. Students dismissed at 12:25pm (KS3) or 12:30pm (KS4 and KS5)

Year 11 RP GCSE drop-in intervention sessions

Tuesday lunchtime in RP2 and Friday lunchtime from 12:50 in RP3

Last Day of Term

Our final day of term is Friday 4th April. Sixth Form students are not required to attend on this date. All other students should arrive in school for an 8:30am start as usual in full school uniform. Full attendance is expected on this date, as on any other school day. Students will have normal lessons and celebration assemblies during the course of the morning. Students will have a 30 minute break for brunch - students in receipt of free school meals will be able to use their full daily allowance during this break. Key Stage 3 students will be dismissed at 12:25pm and Key Stage 4 students at 12:30pm. No amendments will be made to bus timetables so students will need to check their travel home in advance.

Student of the Week

Year 8 Stanley R - for demonstrating responsibility and leadership during the Yr 8 History

day

Year 9 Aled P-J for his outstanding work in music

Year 10 Year 10 is Matilda B for work in Spanish!



GCSE Drama Practical Exam

On **Wednesday 2nd April** an external examiner will be coming in to school to assess the Year 11 GCSE Drama students on their monologues, duologues and group pieces.

This constitutes 20% of their final GCSE exam grade.

Students should come to the Drama Studio at 8.30 ready to begin.

Wishing them every success!



Looking for Creatives!

The Arts Dept need you...if you work in an arts related / creative industry job and would be willing to share your wisdom about the realities, practicalities and joys of your work, please get in touch. As part of an arts focused careers' drive in school, I would love to hear from you if you want to inspire the next generation of creative workers.

E mail c.grosvenor@kingsschoolhove.org.uk

Oracy Project

As per last week's newsletter entry, our Oracy Project for KS3 has come to an exciting end in school. Ms Griffiths and I had the pleasure of hearing speeches ranging from the topics of pollution, the death of the music industry, Japanese history, poverty and homework. It was very difficult to pick a school winner, but for his dedication to the project, writing from the heart and for delivering in front of his year group we chose River. River will now compete with all the other school winners at Sussex University at the grand final next week. All the pupils who took part in the project should be very proud of themselves for what they have achieved in a short amount of time.

Ivanna Year 9 had this to say about her experience:

'I think this was a very good opportunity for young students to become more confident in speaking to a big audience. The change to go to a university was also a very good change. Speaking in front of an audience was never something I thought I would do, however, this opportunity made me become more confident to speak in front of a big audience.'

Schools' Inter Counties Cross Country

Gabby represented Sussex Schools in Southend in the schools inter counties cross country race on Saturday. It was against Kent, Surrey, Hampshire and Essex.

The competition was really strong and incredibly fast! It was tough but a great experience for Gabby to see athletes at the top of their game.

Well done Gabby!





Basketball Club

Last Monday, our basketball club had a chance to play some fixtures against Hove Park. We ran a 6 team tournament, 2 teams from Hove Park, and 4 mixed year group teams from King's. The students showed leadership during the tournament, managing their own tactics and substitutions, as well as playing in a fantastic spirit. Each team got 5 games and it was great to see their level or progress as the tournament went along.

The Hove Park Year 8 team won the tournament, and our mixed year group 4 teams came $2^{nd} - 5^{th}$, with the Hove Park Year 7 team coming 6^{th} .

As this was so successful we will look to run similar tournaments more often during the autumn term next academic year.

A huge thanks to all the students who played and have committed the basketball club throughout the year.





Year 10 Taster Day

Wednesday 9th July 2025

'An opportunity to experience a day in the life of a sixth form student'



Our Year 10 Taster Day offers the perfect opportunity for prospective students to get a taste of what student life is like here at King's Sixth Form.

You will have the opportunity to experience a range of your preferred A-level lessons throughout the day, meet our inspiring and knowledgeable teachers, ask questions, and explore our facilities. It is also a great chance to meet other potential students.

The day is crafted to offer a positive and inspiring experience, aimed at motivating individuals.

The timetable for the day will be confirmed to you nearer the time.

Applications must be submitted using the Online Application Form. Places are limited so early booking is advisable!

Click here to book your place

Closing date Wednesday 25th June.

Recently Year 9 had an assembly around Apprenticeships. They learnt about the many different options available to them. Check out the links below for more opportunities to discuss this further at home.

APPRENTICESHIPS



Today, your child attended a session about apprenticeships with the Careers & Enterprise Company. They discussed key facts, including:

7000 The variety of apprenticeships available: There are now over 700 different apprenticeships!

You can find an A-Z of Apprenticeships here



Salary: There is a minimum wage for apprentices, but many employers pay more than this.



Tasks and responsibilities: Apprentices do real tasks and have real responsibilities - an apprenticeship is not work experience.



Qualifications: Many apprenticeships have a qualification built in and apprentices work towards this during paid 'off-the-job' time.



Duration: Apprenticeships typically last between 1-6 years, depending on the level and role.



Range of levels: Apprenticeship levels range from Intermediate to Degree level.



Types of employers: Employers range from small companies to large, well-known brands and can be found in all industries throughout England.

If you would like to find out more about apprenticeships, you could visit:







Talking Future Activities

Amazing Apprenticeships Parent Zone

Download the latest edition of choices

If you would like to continue the conversation at home with your child, here are some question ideas:



Year 12 Kick Off Your Career Workshop

Our sixth form students last week engaged in an interactive workshop with different employees from American Express. Staff from the Albion foundation ran the workshop.

This was an opportunity for the students to think about the different careers out there and the skills needed for these.

The eight key employability skills they explored included

Staying Positive

Speaking

Creativity

Leadership

Aiming High

Listening

Problem solving

Team







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THE WONDER CLUB

Sign up for THE WONDER CLUB Spring 2025 here

For ages 13 -16. Free, monthly on Saturdays at Hove Museum of Creativity.

The Wonder Club is a creative programme for young people interested in experimental filmmaking and visual arts practice continuing in 2024-2025.

Explore early filmmaking and try out experimental moving image processes with artist Chahine Fellahi. Fuse analogue and digital and rekindle the spirit of discovery, enchantment and innovation that marked the early days of filmmaking.

Develop new arts skills, learn more about Hove Museum's film and media collection and discover the innovations of the Hove film pioneers. This is an exciting opportunity to experiment with techniques that led to contemporary filmmaking and contribute to exhibitions and events that will be taking place for the wider programme, Days of Wonder.

Dates and venues:

Each session will run from 11am - 3pm at Hove Museum of Creativity, 2025

SPRING 2025 DATES:

Saturday 26th April

Saturday 24th May

Saturday 28th June

Saturday 26th July

August - no session

Saturday 13th Sep

Saturday 11th Oct

Click here to sign up



free drinks, games and space to chat or pray with someone.



