



Headteacher's Update

No 294 6th June 2025

Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 10 June: Parent adoption and fostering group
Wednesday 18 June: Final GCSE exam
Thursday 19th June: Parent Prayer Group
Thursday 26 June: Summer Music Showcase
Wednesday 2 July: Year 11 Prom, Pangdean Barn
Thursday 3 July: Year 6 Parents' Information Evening
Friday 4 July: INSET DAY. Year 6 induction day and Year 11 Induction morning to Sixth Form
Week commencing 7 July: Year 12 Work Experience Week
Monday 7 and Tuesday 8 July: Enrichment Days
Wednesday 9th July: Year 8 HPV vaccination
Monday 14 July: Sports Day
Tuesday 15 July: Awards' Evening (by invitation)
Thursday 17 July: King's Day
Friday 18 July: Last day of term. Students dismissed at 12:30pm

Key Events this Week

Week Commencing Monday 9th June

Timetable week Two


GCSE and A Level Exams continue

Thursday 12 June:

Year 10 Parents' Evening, 4:30-7:30pm, in person on school site

Theme of the week:

Fully Human: Growth Mindset



Let this mind be in you,
which was also in Christ Jesus.
Philippians 2:5

Attendance

It has been a really positive start back to school for the final half-term
- keep up the good attendance!

Student of the Week

Year 9 Felix J - for always being willing to help.

Year 10 Freddie W for great work in History and Computing!

Theme of the Week

The final topic of this school year is "Fully Human" where we will look at different areas of our lives and life itself and talk about how we can fully embrace the human experience. Looking at our mind-sets, different forms of arts and culture, reflecting on memories and setting and completing goals.

This week we started with looking at what our ambitions are for the rest of this year and for next year.



HPV vaccination (Hunan Papilloma Virus)

Yr8: The Immunisation Team will be coming into school on **Wednesday 9th July** to administer the HPV vaccination to students in Year 8. Parents and carers of Year 8 students will have received an email regarding this, together with information from the Immunisation Service with details of how give consent for this vaccination.

Yrs 9, 10 & 11: Most students will have received this vaccination in Yr8. However, If your child is in Year 9, 10 or 11 and they have not had this vaccination and you would like them to have it in school, please contact the office via admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk as soon as possible so that the consent form can be sent to you. Please note that we do not hold information regarding previous immunisations. If you are not sure whether your child has had this vaccination, you will need to contact the Immunisation Team on: **01273 696011 x3789**

Please note that vaccinations will not be given without parental consent.

Hot Weather

This week the weather has been particularly inclement but we hope there will be some warmer weather before the end of term!

A reminder that students are no longer required to wear blazers on the school site (if the weather is cooler of course they are welcome to continue to wear them and school jumpers as they wish). All students are permitted to wear charcoal grey, tailored shorts, in the summer term.

Students are strongly encouraged to bring a refillable water bottle to school. They are able to fill these up before school, at break time, at lunch time, after school. This means that students never have to go longer than 1 hour and 40 minutes before they can refill their bottle. Students are never permitted out of lessons to refill bottles. This ensures that no learning time is lost and disruption around the school site is minimised.



Use of the MUGA/Field

Year 7 students are now permitted to use the MUGA at break and lunch times.

In return, all students are now permitted to use the courtyard area. This change helps to transition Year 7 students to full time use of the MUGA at break and lunch times as they enter Year 8 in September.

The library (or an alternative space during exams) continues to be available at break and lunch times, as does the main hall and SEND room for those with passes. The grassed area to the south of the MUGA is available for students at break and lunch times. Use of the MUGA is managed so that there is fair access for all students who wish to play ball games during social times.

King's Summer Showcase!

Save the date! It's the Summer Showcase! **Thursday 26th June**, time to be confirmed. Make sure get your tickets as soon as they go on sale for our wonderful, summer extravaganza!



Year 8

It was great to meet with Year 8 students this week for assembly as we kick off the final term of this academic year. During this assembly, we talked about the benefits of having a 'growth mindset' rather than a 'fixed mindset' and were able to put together some practical ways we can develop a positive growth mindset. Looking forward to a great term ahead Year 8's!



Water Safety

With the warmer weather finally upon us, we wanted to take this opportunity to share some key information regarding water safety. Every year there are tragic stories of young people losing their lives after being swept out to sea, diving and jumping in dangerous places or swimming in lakes. The RNLI website has excellent advice and guidance for young people who wish to swim in the sea and lakes and you can access their resources via the links below. We hope you are able to spare just a few minutes to talk to your son or daughter about water safety.






[RNLI Beach Safety for Everyone](#)

[RNLI Knowing the Risks](#)

[RNLI Water Safety Advice - Newsround Video](#)

For any families with very young children: [STA Water Safety Video for Infants and Juniors](#)



 RED AND WHITE PROHIBITION SIGN Do not enter the water at any time. Swimming and other water-related activities are not permitted.	
 RED AND YELLOW FLAGS Lifeguarded area: safest place to swim, bodyboard and use inflatables.	 RED FLAG Danger! NEVER go in the water when the red flag is up, under any circumstances.
 BLACK AND WHITE CHEQUERED FLAGS For surfboards, kayaks and other non-powered craft. NEVER swim or bodyboard here.	 ORANGE WINDSOCK Indicates offshore or strong wind conditions. NEVER use an inflatable when the sock is flying.



Summer Enrichment

The summer term is always a great time of year in school, with lots of exciting events taking place. On 7th and 8th July our final two enrichment days of the year will be taking place. There is a huge range of visits and events going on and you should receive further information, if you have not already, about your child's year group.

Year 7 will be taking part in the annual camp at Blackland Farm activity centre. This is our biggest camp yet and the year 7 team are really excited to be going away. There will be a small number of year 7s in school and we will be planning fun activities so that they have an exciting couple of days.

Year 8 will be completing theme park and rollercoaster themed days. They will design, plan, and build rollercoasters in school before heading to Thorpe Park to see the real deal. This is always a popular event, and I am sure the Year 8s will make some of the most creative designs seen to date.

Year 9 have a day learning about healthy living which includes discussion on good mental health, science experiments and fitness and games challenges run by the PE department. On the second day we will be running our end of key stage 3 away day. Students will have the opportunity to reflect on their time during key stage 3 and to set targets for the upcoming GCSEs. In addition, they will develop bonds and team working skills as they visit Blackland Farm activity centre. Students in school will complete their own team challenges which will mirror the day running out of school. In addition, Year 9 and 10 students are off to Lille with the languages department where they will have an unforgettable experience discovering French culture.

Year 10 in addition to those going on the trip to France, will spend the first day on a Faith based walk in Hove. In addition to visiting a range of places of worship, they will have a year group picnic; a perfect opportunity to relax at the end of a year of hard work. On the second day the students will be taking part in a range of options: a London History theatre trip, a Brighton coastal walk including a pier visit and volleyball at Yellow Wave, or a South Downs walk.

Year 12 will be completing their work experience this week.

If you have any queries about enrichment day please contact b.walker@kingsschoolhove.org.uk.

Cultural Week



The Sixth Formers have been busy preparing for this year's Cultural Week which will take place during the week of the 16th June. As part of the week's activities we are having a Cultural Dress Day on **Tuesday 17th June** to celebrate and embrace the rich diversity within our school community. This is a chance for students and staff to share their cultural heritage with pride, learn about each other's backgrounds, and promote understanding and respect. By wearing traditional clothing, we acknowledge the importance of identity, history, and the unique stories that each culture brings to our shared environment. It's a joyful way to honour who we are and the many cultures that make our school so vibrant and inclusive. As well as traditional dress, students can wear a sports top that represents a country they have links to (they must not wear 'club' tops). We ask students to be respectful in only wearing traditional dress for countries that they themselves have links to.

The sixth formers have also come up with the following competition for tutor groups to take part in. During the week of the 9th June each tutor group will be given a plain t-shirt to decorate. We look forward to seeing the completed t-shirts on Tuesday 17th June where a member of the tutor group (or even the tutor) will model the designs.

CULTURE WEEK SHIRT COMPETITION



Get ready to show off your creativity and celebrate cultures from around the world! As part of our exciting Culture Week, each year group will be assigned a different culture to design a custom T-shirt around. Use colors, symbols, and styles that represent your assigned culture in a respectful and imaginative way! This is your chance to represent your tutor group individually but your year group as well, learn about new cultures, and express your artistic side.

Deadline: All shirt designs must be submitted by 19th June

Judging & Prize: Designs will be judged on 19th June, and the winning shirt will receive a special prize!

The year groups designated cultures are;

Year 7- Zulu Culture

Year 8- Maori Culture

Year 9- Brazilian Culture

Year 10- Japanese Culture



There will also be a cake sale happening at lunchtime in the food tech room on the same day.

More details to follow on parent pay as we will be raising money for Compassion UK [Compassion UK | Releasing children from poverty in Jesus' name](https://www.compassionuk.org.uk)

SAVOUR the flavours of SUMMER

Wednesday 11th June

Thai "Songkran" Noodles @ Break

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Cinco de "Chipotle" Mayo Hot Wrap

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Festival Beats Sub Roll

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Fire Pit Platter – Meat or Vegetarian Option Available

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S'mores Bar

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Glaston"Berry" Muffin

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Boomtown Banana & Chocolate Sponge



Festival Lunch

West End Success

In May Miss Woods, Mrs Brennan and myself had the good fortune of seeing ex student Miranda Mufema in 'Stranger Things - The First Shadow' at the Phoenix Theatre in London's West End. Not really knowing the TV series (well, I do know OF it, I just haven't watched it) I didn't know what to expect. The whole production was incredible, the set, lights, special effects, choreography, costumes and the acting performances, and obviously we are biased, but Miranda really was terrific in the lead role of Patty.

On the back of this visit, I decided we should take students. So, on Thursday 18th September 37 lucky students will get to see it! We are opening up this trip to Year 9s (currently Year 8) and the GCSE cohort in Year 10 and 11 next year. If you are in these groups take a look at ParentPay and get in quick! You will be in for a treat.

C Grosvenor

Head of Arts



West End Success



Careers in the Arts month

We are excited to be welcoming film director, Alex Kalymnios, into school on Monday to give two talks to students. The lunchtime one is for anyone to sign up for (sheet outside DS1) and then GCSE Drama and Media students will be receiving a separate talk during p5&6.

Alex has directed episodes for Netflix series, full length films and shows such as Hollyoaks. I am delighted to be able to host these talks with her and I am sure many of our students will be inspired.

The following week, on Monday 16th June, teacher, designer and creative Phil Bint will be joining us at lunchtime to talk about his eclectic career. Sign up sheet outside Ms O'Sullivan's room. This promises to be a very interesting talk spanning several disciplines within the creative world. We look forward to welcoming him too.

In lessons we will be showing students lots of clips and ideas about careers they may not have considered. If you are a creative who would be prepared to share your experiences, either via a short film (2-3 minutes) or by coming in, in person, do email me c.grosvenor@kingsschoolhove.org.uk.

Careers in the Arts month

CASTING



Mark Crown – Jazz trumpeter, Song Writer and Producer



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[Blog Articles Archive - Get into Theatre](#)

Read about what a Theatre Archivist, Social Media Manager, Account Manager, Dance Captain, Head of Sales, Licensing Manager, Stage Door Keeper and Press and Publicity do



BrightMed 2025: Applications Now Open

BrightMed is the Brighton and Sussex Medical School's Widening Participation programme which identifies and supports young people across Sussex who have the potential to become tomorrow's doctors.

As a BrightMedder, students will take part in regular Saturday sessions on the University of Sussex campus. This will involve lectures, seminars, knowledge sessions and activities. Sixth form students who are part of BrightMed may also be eligible for the Guaranteed Interview Scheme (GIS).

The programme works with students from Year 9 to Year 12 who live or study in Sussex, and who meet our widening participation eligibility criteria. If you are currently in Year 8 to Year 11, we want to receive your application for BrightMed 2025/26!

You can read more about BrightMed, including eligibility criteria and GIS, on our website: bsms.ac.uk/brightmed

To apply for BrightMed, pupils should complete the online application form for their current year group.

- [Year 8-10 application form](#)
- [Year 11 application form](#)

Deadline for applications is Monday 7 July at 9am.

If you have any questions about BrightMed or the application process, please email outreach@bsms.ac.uk.

Careers

Brighton and Sussex Medical School Admissions Talks: Summer Series

Our Summer Series of Admissions Talks is designed to help prospective students understand the medical school applications process as well as providing an insight into what life is like at university once they get here.

We'll be running three online talks on Zoom to help answer questions about medical school. You can use the links below to register for each talk:

[Getting into Medicine](#) – Monday 30 June, 5-6:30pm (BST)

[Student Life – What is it like to be a medical student?](#) - Tuesday 1 July, 5-6:30pm (BST)

[UCAT Preparation](#) - Thursday 3 July, 5-6:30pm (BST)



Med-Chi Lecture – Low and High Tech Eye Surgery

Thursday 5 June, 6:00pm for a 6:30pm start

The Brighton & Sussex Medico-Chirurgical Society present their June lecture from Professor Saul Rajak.

Saul is a consultant ophthalmologist specialising in oculoplastic and orbital disease at the Sussex Eye Hospital, University Hospitals Sussex NHS Foundation Trust. He is an honorary professor at Brighton and Sussex Medical School. Saul leads research in a wide range of areas including orbital imaging, thyroid eye disease and orbital anatomy. Saul spent three years in Ethiopia, running trials into the surgical management of trachomatous trichiasis and was awarded his PhD for this research. Back in Brighton, he has developed and led one of the leading oculoplastic units in the country and has a particular interest in endoscopic lacrimal and orbital surgery. Saul set up and runs the surgical video teaching website and runs the annual Brighton Endoscopic Lacrimal and Orbital training course.

You can [register to attend](#) this event **in-person** only at the Audrey Emerton Building, Royal Sussex County Hospital, Eastern Road, Brighton, BN2 5BE.

Gresham College – What next for Immunity?

Wednesday 11 June, 6:00pm

Gresham College are hosting an exciting free lecture on the future of immunity.

Our understanding of the human immune system today is vastly different from that of 50 years ago. This knowledge has led to immune-based therapies that would have seemed like science fiction to our grandparents: monoclonal antibodies, T-cell therapies, anti-cancer vaccines, precision immune suppression – the list is endless.

In this lecture, Professor Robin May looks to the future and asks, "What next for immunity?"

You can [register](#) to watch this lecture online, or book a place to attend in person in London.

On-Campus Meet & Greet – July

Wednesday 30 July, 1:30-3:30pm

We are running another on-campus Meet & Greet event for prospective students to visit us on the University of Sussex campus. If students are unable to attend our Open Day on 7 June, this is another great opportunity to discover BSMS.

Visitors will attend an introductory "Welcome to BSMS" talk, go on a campus tour and have their questions answered at our Q&A. They will also get the chance to chat to staff and current students.

[Register here.](#) All are welcome at the BSMS Meet and Greet sessions; however, places will be limited to 60 attendees in total. Please note that completing the form does not automatically guarantee a space on the Campus Meet and Greet. **Registrants should wait for a confirmation email to come through before making travel plans.**

INVESTIN

Free webinar for students & parents

Make This Summer Count: How to Stand Out Before You Apply to Uni

While summer provides a well-earned break, it's also a great time to get ahead before the busy school year begins.

InvestIN are running a free webinar for students in **Years 11-12 (and their parents)** on how to use the summer to strengthen future university applications. The session will offer practical ways to explore school subjects beyond the classroom and how to showcase activities that really stand out to admissions tutors.

The webinar is taking place on Tuesday 17th June, 6-7pm. If you can't join live, you can still register to receive the recording and resources by email.

[Free Events – InvestIN Education](#)

[Click here to book your place](#)

**Closing date Wednesday
25th June.**



King's School Sixth Form

Year 10 Taster Day

Wednesday 9th July 2025

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

• Academic excellence • Holistic education • Real world skills and connections • Preparation for university and apprenticeships
• 'Outstanding' personal development • First class facilities



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more information

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01273 840004

Historian of the Fortnight



Hannah D

Wednesday 4th June – Tuesday 17th June

We are *thrilled* to announce that **Hannah** has claimed the prestigious title of **10A's very first Historian of the Fortnight** – and what a deserving champion she is!

Hannah rises to the top with unstoppable drive and laser-sharp focus. Her commitment to excellence is second to none – always working hard, never settling, and constantly pushing herself to achieve more. Her exam book and folder? Absolute masterpieces – the kind that dreams (and top marks) are made of!

She sets the standard in every way – inspiring her classmates, proving to be a formidable competitor in the race for top grades, and doing it all with kindness and grace. Hannah's journey this year has been nothing short of exceptional, and it's all thanks to her relentless effort and determination to be her best.

In and out of the classroom, she brings joy, intelligence, and heart – and with that, she truly *reigns supreme* over 10A!

Huge congratulations, Hannah – this crown was made for you!

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Coming up this week
Wednesday 11th June 2025

WEBINAR: Self-harm awareness with Satveer Nijjar, Author, Speaker and Founder of Attention Seekers? Training

Sign up now club.teentips.co.uk

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Moulsecoomb Forest Garden and Wildlife Project

OPEN DAY!

Friday 4th July
Midday till 6pm

Moulsecoomb Forest Garden can be found just behind platform 2 of Moulsecoomb train station.

Come and enjoy garden tours, try your luck at the tombola, and explore the timber-framed eco-cabin. Kids (and big kids!) can dip into pond life, hunt for bugs, join pizza-making sessions, and try out some primitive technology. There'll be plenty of art activities to get creative with, plus a garden café serving hot drinks and delicious cakes.

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