



# Headteacher's Update

No 304 3rd October 2025

## *Dates for your Diary*

**Monday 6th October:**

**Year 10 Information Evening**

**Friday 10th October:**

**Year 12 University & Careers Fair**

**Thursday 16th October:**

**4:30-7:30pm, Year 12 and Year 13 Parents' Evening**

**Monday 20th October:**

**GCSE Drama and Music recordings**

**Monday 27th-Friday 31st October:**

**HALF TERM**

**Tuesday 11th November:**

**King's Sixth Form Open Evening**

**Monday 16th November to 21st November:**

**Year 11 and Year 13 Mock Exams**

## *Key Events this Week*

**Week Commencing: Monday 6th October**

**Timetable week Two**

**Monday 6th October:**

**Year 10 Information Evening**

**Friday 10th October:**

**Year 12 University & Careers Fair**

**Theme of the week:  
Love Our Streets**



## Attendance

"Congratulations to Yr7 and Yr8 whose attendance this week has been above the school target of 96%. They achieved 97% on Thursday this week - well done!!"

## Student of the Week

**Year 7**      **Rafe M - Well done for getting 3 nominations this week!**

"Rafe is the kindest student. He is hardworking, always helping his peers in class, as well as completing his work to a high standard."

"Excellent and insightful work in English, being incredibly kind and polite and an excellent representative of Kings values"

"Consistently attempts every single challenge task during lessons, is always happy to contribute."

**Year 10**      **Martha C - for supporting other students in Maths Homework Club**

**Year 11**      **Kingsley W - for great work in Music**

## Author Visit - Nicola Garrard

On the 22nd October, author Nicola Garrard will be visiting King's to run multiple workshops and assemblies. At lunchtime, students are invited to attend a drop-in session in the LRC, where Nicola Garrard will be able to ask any questions students have, and sign any copies of her books. Nicola Garrard's most recent book, *On the Edge*, is available to buy on ParentPay, or alternatively at The Book Nook in Hove.



## Sixth Form Open Evening

Please complete the [Open Evening Booking Form](#) to let us know that you will be visiting our Sixth Form on Tuesday 11th November, from 6.00pm. This event will take place in person, allowing students and their parents, the perfect opportunity for prospective students to get a taste of what we have to offer here at King's Sixth Form.

The evening is primarily for students who will be commencing Key Stage 5 learning in September 2026. The evening will consist of a tour of the facilities, providing an opportunity to visit departments and attend a talk from the Headteacher and Head of Sixth Form. Our skilled and dedicated subject teachers will be available to talk through course options and answer any questions you may have.

We look forward to welcoming you along.



**King's School Hove**

# Sixth Form Open Evening

Tuesday 11th November  
6 - 7.30 pm

Find out more about the range of courses available at King's  
Speak to our skilled and dedicated subject staff  
See our great facilities

All parents and students welcome from schools across the area

Refreshments will be available

Please visit our website for further information

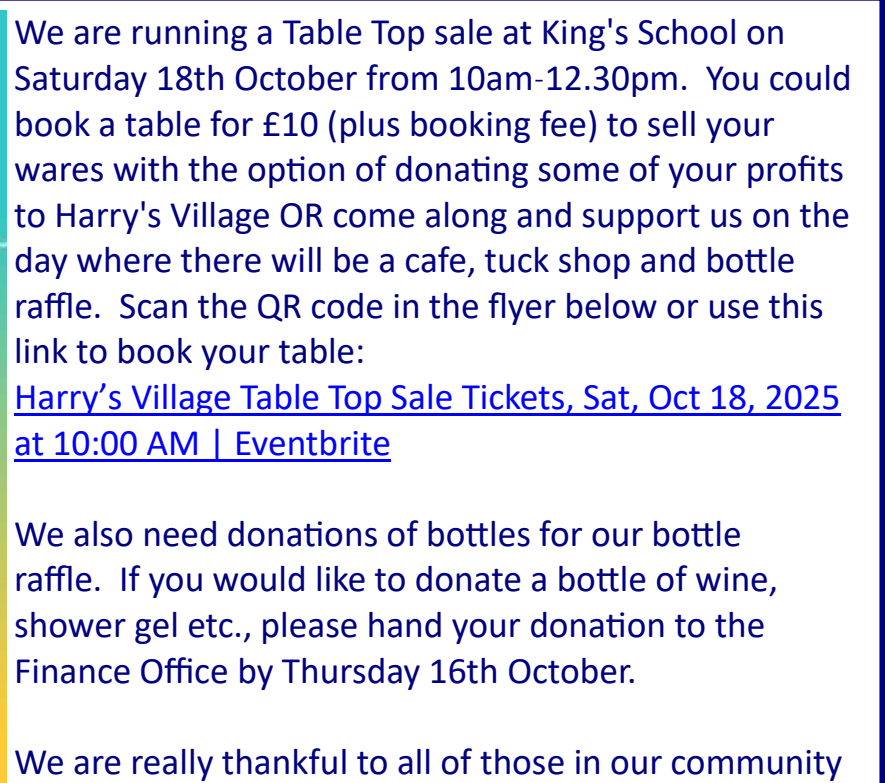


If you are unable to attend our Open Evening but would like to arrange a tour at a convenient time, please email [sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:sixthform@kingsschoolhove.org.uk)

To apply, please visit [www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/event-6th](http://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/event-6th)



Our Year 13 students were out and about helping to promote the sixth form this week.  
Well done to Delna and Ruby!



[Harry's Village Table Top Sale Tickets, Sat, Oct 18, 2025 at 10:00 AM | Eventbrite](#)

We are really thankful to all of those in our community and beyond for raising over £80,000 to support one of his recovery from a serious spinal injury.

We still have a long road ahead and will hopefully be able to purchase a new power chair for him soon. We couldn't have done this alone and will be forever grateful to Harry's, ever growing, Village".

Thanks and kind regards  
Mrs Seaman  
Finance Officer

## A Level Drama and Theatre Studies



Some of you will now be making decisions about which A levels to study next year. Did you know you do NOT have to have studied Drama at GCSE to take it at A level? You just need to show a willingness to work creatively with others.

Students learn about performing in a variety of theatrical styles and how their own work can reflect important practitioners of the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> centuries.

The lessons will be fun and explorative, focusing on both scripts and devised pieces. You will be expected to come to the theatre ( what a hardship ! ) to experience live performances.

My ex-students work in a wide variety of roles as: a West End musical theatre performer, who starred in 'Moulin Rouge' and 'Heathers'; a stand up comedian who has worked with Ricky Gervais and appeared on Late Night at the Apollo; a comedian and producer who curated part of the Brighton Fringe Festival and won a 5\* review from The Telegraph at the Edinburgh Festival; teachers ( History, Drama, English, Primary ); nurses; a photographer; a food stylist and cookery writer working for The Guardian, BBC food and Ocado magazine; a BBC 3 Comedy writer and producer and a sound designer for the National Theatre.

This shows how the skills gained from this A level can eventually lead you into a creative job or a different kind of professional role. These skills are valued by employers, who recognise the team aspect, and how students are learning to express themselves and their ideas in a creative and meaningful way.

So if you are interested in studying A level Drama here next year, talk to me soon or e mail [c.grosvenor@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:c.grosvenor@kingsschoolhove.org.uk)





## KS3 Drama

This term we will focus on the following key terms and vocabulary in Drama.

Do encourage your child to discuss with you what they have been doing in their drama lessons and to use these words to describe their drama experience.

Year 7 Serious fun

Freeze frame / still image

Verbal communication

Non-verbal communication

Vocal

Projection



Year 8 Comedy and Commedia

Stock characters

Exaggeration

Commedia dell'arte

Physicality

Year 9 Lizzie Borden

Devising

Technique

## Autism In Schools - SEN Parent Carer Forum - Tuesday 7th October

A reminder that our next parent/carer form, in conjunction with the Autism in Schools project, will be held in person at King's next week, Tuesday 7th October, between 5pm and 6.30pm. Parents of all students with SEND, or those who are exploring possible needs are welcome to attend. In response to the PaCC parent and carer survey requests, a member of the BHISS team will be helping parents to explore Autism and Autonomy. There will then be opportunity for discussion with the PaCC team and other parents. If you would like to join us for this session, please let us know you will be attending via the linked form. <https://forms.office.com/e/FdHCp77uyL>.

## Exam Invigilators Needed



We are recruiting for Invigilators to join our fantastic Exams team for our full GCSE exams April - June and mock exams in November and February. Invigilating is an incredibly flexible but rewarding role, and you would play a key part in helping our students have the best environment to complete their exams. The hourly rate is £13.26. If you would like more information or wish to apply for the role, please click [here](#)

## Historian of the Fortnight



We are thrilled to announce that Evelina has been awarded Historian of the Fortnight in 11B History!

Evelina has consistently demonstrated remarkable focus in lessons, as well as an impressive dedication to her History studies. Evelina always makes sure that she catches up on any missed lessons as well as handing in her homework on time without fail.

A huge well done, Evelina your hard work and dedication have truly paid off!

Miss Wallace

Teacher of History



### BSMS Outreach Admission Talks November 2025

Next month, we will be running four online talks to support students with applications to medical school. These will all be online on Zoom. For more details about each talk and to register, use the links below.

[Getting into Medicine](#) – Tuesday 4 November, 5-6:30pm GMT

[Preparing for a Medical School Interview](#) – Tuesday 4 November, 5-6:30pm GMT

[Journey Through the NHS](#) - Thursday 6 November, 5-6:30pm GMT

[Student Life](#) - Thursday 13 November, 5-6:30pm GMT

### Register interest in a medical or dental summer school

The Medical Schools Council has now opened an expression of interest form for students in Year 11 and 12 in England who would like to participate in a free medical or dental summer school in 2026. The form is open to students, parents and teachers.

There are over 500 places for students from underrepresented backgrounds to join a residential, commuter, or online summer school.

Complete the [online form](#) to be notified about upcoming summer schools. The MSC's [Studying Healthcare webpage](#) also features lots of free events and opportunities to support aspiring medics on their journey to university.

### Image is everything - Radiology lecture at BSMS

Thursday 6th November, 18:30, BSMS Teaching Building, University of Sussex

Professor Malcolm Johnston will give his inaugural lecture at BSMS on 6th November. This talk will explain why radiology education is essential for tomorrow's doctors and how this can be promoted in medical school curricula. Malcom will also discuss the need to widen participation in medical education, ensuring future doctors reflect the communities they serve.

This event is free but requires registration no later than 48 hours in advance. Please register [here](#).





# HELLO

# FUTURE

## CAREERS EVENT

Explore the world of work  
with industry experts

SCAN ME TO REGISTER

**THURSDAY 4 DECEMBER**

The Wing, Brighton Centre

10.00-15.30 | 16+ college entry

16.00-17.30 | open to all (under 16s  
accompanied)



West Sussex,  
Brighton and Hove  
Careers Hub

CAREERS &  
ENTERPRISE  
COUNCIL



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## October FREE Career Webinars for all Industries



**COMING THIS OCTOBER**

**This month's **FREE** live virtual career events**

Our live virtual sessions have been designed specifically to support students, teachers, parents and carers navigate the variety of pathways and opportunities on offer, assist with apprenticeship applications, and learn top tips for success from apprentices on programme.

**PLEASE SHARE!**  
Please share via your career information channels!

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**MBDA**  
**UNDERSTAND CAREERS WITH MBDA**  
**APPRENTICESHIPS AT MBDA**

Join us to find out more - If you are considering your future career or thinking about school options we want you to start your journey with Thales, keep growing with us and ultimately build your story with us.

**Wednesday 22nd October**  
**12.00 - 12.45pm**

**Guest Speaker**  
**James Murray**  
Senior Impact Outreach Manager

**Register**

### Careers in STEM with MBDA

**WHEN:** 8th October 5pm

**WHO:** Students, Parents & Influencers

**HOW:** Click the image to register

[Learn more](#)



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**LAUNCH YOUR CAREER WITH MBDA**  
**APPRENTICESHIPS AT MBDA**

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**Tuesday 7th October**  
**12.30pm**

**Guest Speaker**  
**James Murray**  
Senior Impact Outreach Manager

**Register**

### Launch a Career at MBDA in STEM

**WHEN:** 7th October, 12.30pm

**WHO:** Students

**HOW:** Click the image to register

[Learn more](#)



**THALES**  
**Careers with Thales**  
**Say HI to new opportunities!**

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**Wednesday 22nd October**  
**12.00 - 12.45pm**

**Guest Speaker**  
**James Murray**  
Senior Impact Outreach Manager

**Register**

### Careers with Thales

**WHEN:** 22nd October 12pm

**WHO:** Students, Parents & Influencers

**HOW:** Click the image to register

[Learn more](#)



**HOWDEN**  
**How Can I Stand Out In An Apprenticeship Application Process?**

Find the word on: apprenticeship application top tips, what an application is and how to stand out. Includes a QR code and a 'Register' button.

**Tuesday 21st October**  
**5.00 - 5.30pm**

**Guest Speaker**  
**James Murray**  
Senior Impact Outreach Manager

**Register**

### Application Process with Howden

**WHEN:** 21st October, 5pm

**WHO:** Students

**HOW:** Click the image to register

[Learn more](#)

## Art & Design Club at Northbrook College

There is a FREE extracurricular creative education programme at Northbrook College - the Art & Design Club.

The Art & Design club runs on Tuesdays 4:30-6:30pm (during term-time).

This club is part of the prestigious / celebrated / renowned National Saturday Club - a UK wide network of amazing organisations running clubs.

The National Saturday Club programme is open to 13–16-year-olds of all abilities (Years 8, 9, 10 & 11) and in particular works to engage those who may face additional barriers to success. It's a unique model and taking part can be a transformational opportunity for young people: [you can hear from past members in this short film](#)

Extensive research shows:

94% of National Saturday Club members build their practical skills

91% grow in confidence

81% understand more about further study and careers

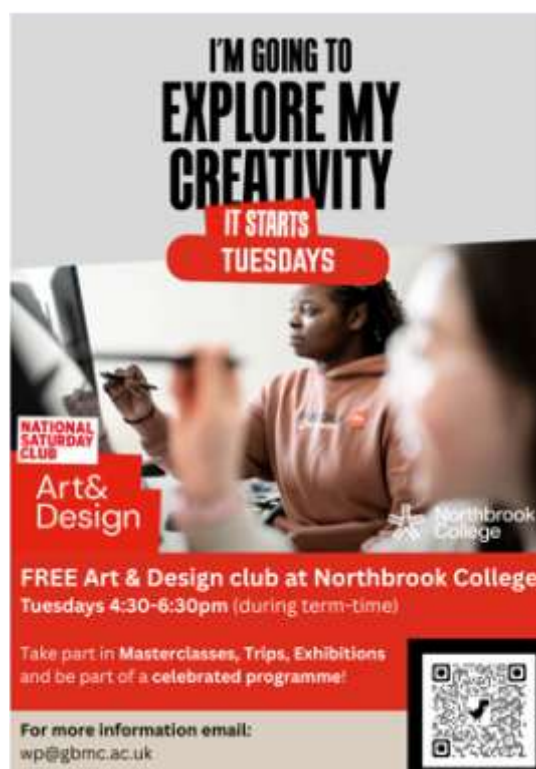
Many young people and their adults credit the Club with positive impacts on their academic studies:

"My communication skills have improved in class, so I am able to get more work done which helps me achieve better at school" National Saturday Club member

"My daughter has made good friends, had fantastic experiences and has grown socially, emotionally and academically as a result of the Saturday Club" Parent

Find out more information [HERE](#).

All abilities are welcomed - from amazing artists, young people wanting to improve or just wanting the opportunity to try!





## The Wellbeing Hub



**King's School**

We are proud to support the whole school community with

**The Wellbeing Hub**  
— from Teen Tips —

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.

**BEGIN YOUR FREE MEMBERSHIP**

**[CLICK HERE](#)**

Logos for CPD, bacp, CYBER ESSENTIALS, and ACAMH are displayed at the bottom.



**PODCAST**

**The Wellbeing Hub**  
— from Teen Tips —

**This week's content**  
Week commencing 16th June 2025

PODCAST: Care plans and support for families impacted by suicide with Fiona Yassin, MSc. Neuroscience and Mental Health (King's College London), International Clinical Director of The Wave Clinic

**Listen now: [club.teentips.co.uk](http://club.teentips.co.uk)**

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