

Spring 2019

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Dear Parents

I wish all the cast for our school production, *Pandemonium*, the very best of luck in advance of performances next Thursday and Friday at NESCOL theatre.

The boys have worked incredibly hard, as well as the staff, under the watchful eye of Phillipa Watkins, Head of Drama, and they can be secure in the knowledge that their hard work will soon pay dividends.

It promises to be a wonderful family occasion, a rich showcase for the school's strength in performing arts, and I look forward to seeing many of you in attendance.

Yours sincerely



Duncan Murphy
Headmaster

Blazer Bear

There was a lot of excitement this week at the arrival of an unexpected, but very welcome, furry guest. The "Blazer Bear" was first seen in Mr Murphy's office early on Tuesday morning, sporting a snappy KHS uniform and comfortably reposed in a green leather chair; naturally, a healthy debate has ensued amongst the boys and staff as to how he got there and from whence he came.

Regrettably, due to amnesia, the bear is unable to answer any of these questions... so, the most pressing issue is what he should now be called!

We invite boys to submit their suggested names for the bear, together with a reason, to the school office by **Wednesday 27th February**.

The winning name will be announced in the newsletter on the following Friday.

Good luck!



The Kingswood House Way



Story of the KHS Bear by Mrs Lindley

It was Christmas Eve. The clouds covered the sky in a thick blanket so that not even the moon could be seen. The school lay silent and peaceful beneath. All the pupils and teachers were tucked safely in their beds - not even Mrs Witts was in. The only sound came from the gentle ticking of the clock in the maths room until... with a loud thud, down barrelled Father Christmas as he lost his footing in the chimney of the fire place. He clunked his head on one of the chairs but quickly stood up, straightening his jacket and dusting off the soot. "Hmm, don't think I woke anyone?" he said, looking around the deserted classroom. "Interesting?" he said quizzically, looking around; this didn't look like number 58 West Hill but perhaps they had had some renovations. He walked out into the corridor and saw the IT room in front of him. "This isn't right," he whispered, more so to himself than anyone in particular. "There shouldn't be a door here." He carried on down the corridor anyway, looking left and right for the familiar bedrooms. Finally, he opened what looked like a door on his right but unfortunately it was a rather full store cupboard. As some boxes toppled out he jumped with fright, dropping a small pouch. The pouch emitted a little puff of glittering dust which swirled up into the air. "Pull yourself together!" Again, speaking to himself, rather than anyone. He scooped up the pouch, turned around and read the sign on the door. "Bursar's office? Oops - I'm in the school!" He hastily turned about back to the chimney, muttering about naughty reindeers and too many mince pies and quickly left to continue his delivery...

Part Two next week!



NAME THE BEAR COMPETITION

Please cut out this form, complete the details below and take a hard copy to the school office, no later than 4pm on Wednesday 27th February.

Name and Form of Pupil:

Proposed Name of Blazer Bear:

Reason:

In Science Year 3 learnt about the fossilisation process.



We recreated a mould and cast fossil using clay to represent the rock and plaster of Paris to form the cast.

As palaeontologists, the boys then attempted to carefully extract their cast fossils from the mould.



Miss McSweeney



Family Fun Puzzle

Week 1

$$\begin{array}{l} \triangle + \triangle = 6 \\ \square \times \triangle = 27 \\ \square - \star \times \triangle = \triangle \\ \text{What is } \star ? \end{array}$$

Please email your answer to Mrs Lindley at: g.lindley@kingswoodhouse.org

No other form of answer will be accepted.

Points will be awarded to families who get the answer correctly and send in their answer first.

You can only put ONE answer forward for your family.

Points will be awarded for taking part too.

Please email in your answer and the family team name (e.g. SMITH2019)

The scoreboard will be advertised in the newsletter with the top 5, along with the answer from the previous week.

A prize will be awarded to the family with the most points at Prize Giving.

For any further questions, please contact Mrs Lindley.



Year 4 have been busy learning about **Ancient Greece.**

In Art we have been designing our own Ancient Greek pots. The boys then used the clay to create their pots. Some boys used a rolling technique where you roll the clay into coils, while others used the pinch and hold technique with their thumbs. The pots are drying ready for painting next week. Great work, boys!

Miss Smith



Reception boys, together with Mrs Malcolm and Mrs Taylor, did a traffic survey on West Hill.



The boys each had a clip board and had to mark down which form of transport they saw going up the road and the other way.

Although they seemed initially a little unsure of what they would be doing, when we began to see the different cars, vans, bikes and even a dog on a lead walk past, they were kept very busy recording what they saw.

They made a tally chart to show the different traffic they counted on the road and then learnt how to make a block graph with pictures of different transport in the classroom.

Fantastic recording of a traffic survey Reception!

Mrs Malcolm and Mrs Marskell



7BA have been studying “Medal for Leroy” by Michael Morpurgo in English.

This book was inspired by the true story of Walter Tull, the first black combat officer in the British army and how he was awarded a medal for bravery which he never received. It is a beautiful and moving story, simply told, about loss and grief, racism and secret lives.

Today, the boys made their own medals out of clay which they will decorate once they are dry.

Mrs Weston

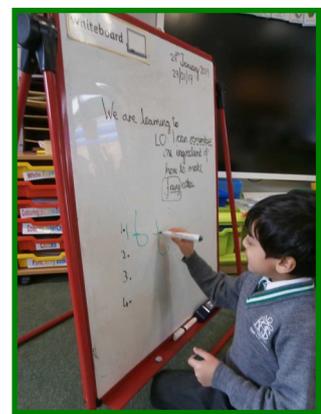
In cooking, Reception boys made fairy cakes, they all enjoyed mixing the mixture together and smelling the vanilla essence they put in.

They each took turns to write down one ingredient they could remember.

They all had a good go at spelling the words correctly.

Well done, Reception!

Mrs Marskell



Pandemonium!

It's finally here – we moved all our equipment to the theatre ready to build the set on Sunday before technical rehearsals begin on Monday. We had our final costume check and publicity photo shoot and we're ready for action!

As we go to press we have a **few tickets remaining** for **Friday** but several rows left for **Thursday** and we would love to play to a full house on both nights so please do join us.

Mrs Watkins

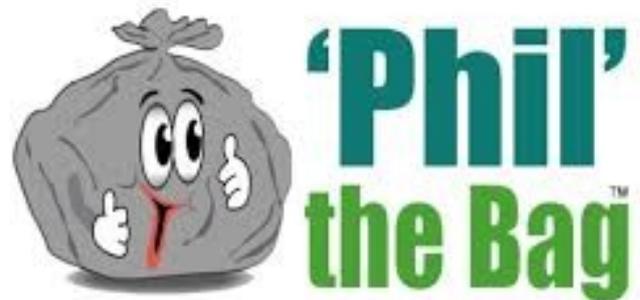
PHIL THE BAG IS BACK !

Your son will be coming home from school with a bag to fill with any items of clothing, shoes and handbags that you no longer need - a great opportunity to de-clutter!

Bags can then be dropped at the front of school before 8.45am on Wednesday 6th February where a member of the KHA will be waiting to take them from you. You are also more than welcome to fill black bin liners.

Please can we ask that you do not bring bags before Wednesday as unfortunately we do not have storage space for them.

Thank you.



ANNOUNCING:

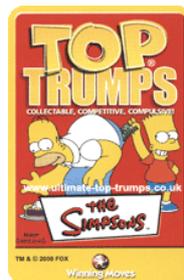
The KHA Quiz Night
7pm Thursday 28th February
at school

The price of £15 also includes a fish and chip supper.

It would be great if you are able to come and test your grey matter whilst raising funds for the school!

If you do not have a team, please still come along and we will team you up with others.

Please complete the a booking form (sent via parentmail) and return to the School Office.



Mr Barratt is starting a Top Trumps Club in the Science Lab from next Monday 4th Feb.

Year 3—Year 4 1.00pm - 1.25pm

Year 5—Year 8 from 1.15pm - 1.45pm.

Boys need to bring their own Top Trumps cards.

LUNCH MENU w/c 4th February 2019

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Homemade Sausage Rolls and baked beans	Fresh fruit Pears with Chocolate sauce	Sweet & Sour Chicken with noodles	Fresh fruit Yoghurts	Pulled pork with BBQ sauce, slaw and shredded lettuce	Fresh fruit Mandarin and Chocolate sponge	Spaghetti Bolognaise	Fresh fruit Fruit fool	Fish fingers, mashed potato baked beans & peas	Fresh fruit Rice pudding

Homemade Vegetable Soup is available daily. Varieties include Mushroom, Tomato, Parsnip and Cauliflower. A variety of **Fresh Fruit** is also available every day

In addition to the menu items detailed above we always offer a vegetarian main meal option.

We have a daily choice of fillings for **Jacket Potatoes** and wholemeal or white **baguettes**, also including a vegetarian option. Ham, Cheddar Cheese and baked beans are available every day with both Tuna Mayonnaise and Coronation Chicken offered on occasion. Our **Salad Bar** has a wide selection of ingredients including green salad leaves, tomatoes, beetroot, sweetcorn and coleslaw. Additionally there may be Italian Sun Dried Tomato and Mozzarella salad, a Greek Salad with Olives and other seasonal specialities.

Break time snacks of ham or cheese sandwiches, fruit or vegetables should only be brought in to school in named, reusable containers. A reminder that no nuts or sesame seeds in any product, including bread, should be brought to school. No plastic wrapped items, please.

COMMENDATIONS

Jack Leonard	Hadi Yousaf	Conor Towers	Derin Ucer
Ismail Muhammad	Thomas Mostyn	Ethan Lee	Barney Williams
Dylan Newman	Barnaby Hill	Rex Treadwell	Ethan Clarke
Ben Choy x2	Henry Roscoe	Jack Wrigley x2	Alex Bentall
Ben Hubber x4	Gene Enlong	Faizahn Jawed	James De Selincourt x2
Theo Moffatt	Jayden Eddy	Christos Louka x2	Nathan John
George Prichard	James Wang	Barnaby Atkins	Tedd Bunyer-Ames

DIARY DATES FEBRUARY 2019

Mon.	04	0900-1600	Production Rehearsal at NESCOT
Tues.	05	0900-1600 0935-1055 1100	Production Rehearsal at NESCOT Year 9 Emotional Intelligence Course Year 3 Swimming at Epsom College
Wed.	06	0800 0845 0900-1600 0915 1400 1430 1430 1430	Phil the Bag 4S Assembly Production Rehearsal at NESCOT Reception, Years 1 and 2 to Pizza Express (Epsom) Chinese New Year Workshop for Lower Prep U13A and B v Tower House (A) U11A and B v Tower House (H) U10A and B v Solefield (H)
Thurs	07	1900	School Production at NESCOT
Fri.	08	1400 1900	Years 1 and 2 v Shrewsbury Lodge (Football) (A) School Production at NESCOT
Sat.	09	0900-1200	Years 7 and 9 Scholarship Morning

Tues 26th February 6pm Jersey Tour— Information Meeting

Front of school drop off

Please do not pull up outside the gate but keep moving to the front of the semi circle and then drop off as quickly as possible otherwise this holds up the traffic on the main road.

Mr Sanderson is now on duty at the semi circle to assist and ensure the traffic keeps flowing.

THANK YOU!

LOST PROPERTY:

30cm transparent zip pencil case, Nicholas Hill

If found, please return or contact Mr Rogers:
d.rogers@kingswoodhouse.org



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Touch Typing Courses Easter 2019

We are pleased to announce courses for our 16th Year.

Our Easter touch typing courses start on April 9th.
There are two courses of four mornings. 9.30am-12.30pm.

Dates: April 9th - 12th
Tuesday - Friday.
April 15th - 18th
Monday -
Thursday.

Approximately 60% of our students are dyslexic, dyspraxic or other special needs. Jane Verity our principal is a qualified special needs teacher.
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£260.00 for four mornings. Online Booking and Card Payment.

Family and Early Booking discounts available. Details: <http://www.veritytyping.co.uk/courses.html>

Call Jane 020 8568 4633 for more information.

Learn how touch typing helps those with or without learning difficulties
www.veritytyping.co.uk/touch-typing-for-dyslexics-and-others.html

Courses take place at Sunbury on Thames. Near Junction 1. M3. London end.



Activity break instruction by Barbara



Typing instruction by Lea



Typing instruction by Jane

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Nasty Normans

Saturday
9 February 2019
1pm to 2.30pm



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Cost £5 per child

Further information is available from David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey, KT17 1UF. Tel 0208 394 1734, Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk

EPSOM BOOK FAIR

21ST - 23RD FEBRUARY 2019

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