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Dear Parents

I congratulate Ian Mitchell whose wonderful “Making of Modern Britain” scooped the Best Trip of 2019-20 in the prestigious National School Travel Awards ceremony last Friday. Mr Hendry accompanied Mr & Mrs Mitchell up to the final in London, hosted by Fiona Bruce, and represented the school amongst esteemed company. The result is a terrific accolade for the school – and reflective of the creativity and endeavour spent by staff in respect of our commitment to pupils learning important life skills beyond the classroom.



It was also a great pleasure to attend Form 9T’s assembly – penned and acted by the boys, their mini-production was witty and showcased a resonant anti-bullying message.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster

Mr Mitchell and Mr Hendry with Fiona Bruce at the School Travel Awards



Please find below the lunch menu for next week, calendar dates and other current notices:

LUNCH MENU w/c 25 November 2019

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Pesto pasta & garlic bread	Fresh fruit; pears & chocolate sauce	Chicken & leek pie with fresh green beans	Fresh fruit; yoghurts	Roast chicken, roast potatoes, steamed broccoli	Fresh fruit; choc chip sponge & sauce	Spaghetti bolognese	Fresh fruit; cheese & biscuits	Homemade fish pie & peas	Fresh fruit; jelly

DIARY DATES NOVEMBER 2019; week 2

Monday	25		
Tuesday	26	0830-1600	Years 5 & 6 Science GTI Competition at Alexandra Palace
Wednesday	27	0845 0930 1300 1430 1800	Form 5C Assembly Lower Prep Forest School Years 10 & 11 trip to see 'An Inspector Calls' at Wimbledon Theatre U13 B & C v Willington (A) 5S Parents' Evening
Thursday	28	1800 1800-2000	5C Parents' Evening Study Centre Parents' Evening
Friday	29	1450	House Assemblies

COMMENDATIONS

Ivan Tutaj	James Wang (3)	Jack Guiney	Archie Blyth	Owen Courtney
Ozzy Sullivan	Alex Hone	Rory Gibbs (2)	Ewan Walker	Zayn Jawed (2)
Jamie Chatfield	Jack Wrigley (2)	Harry Peters	Dylan Bishop	Milo Russell (2)
Theo Spick	Matty Hill			



Please do remember you can still order your son's **Pret-a-Portrait photograph** in time for pre-Christmas delivery—details [here](#).

If you have misplaced the individual sitting number, do contact their [Customer Service](#) team who will be more than happy to assist: 0800 021 7626



TRAVEL WINNERS!



winner

'My Best School Trip' Award



Read more about the award and what the organisers were looking for [here!](#)

Mr Mitchell gave us his account of the awards ceremony:

"What a thrill it was to receive 'The My Best School Trip' Award from Question Time's Fiona Bruce last Friday afternoon at the annual School Travel Awards! The Kensington Palace Gardens Hotel was the venue for this prestigious event where over 400 representatives from some of the biggest names in Britain and Europe's travel industries gathered to acknowledge this year's winners. There were eighteen categories and we won one of the two prizes awarded to schools. It was a real privilege to be a winner alongside such well-known places and companies as the UK Parliament, Wembley Stadium, The Lion King Musical, Westminster Abbey, Shakespeare's Globe, Go Ape and the YHA.

It is a great accolade for the 'Making of Modern Britain Trip' to be acknowledged publicly by the judging panel at School Travel Organiser; this reaffirms our belief and commitment in offering life-changing experiences throughout the whole school for all of our boys to enjoy.

This is an award for the whole school, because so many people contributed to making the trip and subsequent exhibition such a huge success. This trip only occurs because Kingswood House has such a strong ethos of education outside the classroom; this accounts for our extensive programme of over 40 day trips and 8 residential trips that occur annually. It is an absolute pleasure to run this trip for our boys and to see them benefit so much."

Onatti French Theatre Visit!

On Tuesday 19th November, the Onatti French Travelling Theatre Company visited the school once again and Years 5 and 6 were treated to a short sketch performed in French and English. The story was centred around two students emailing each other as pen friends. However, the boy was unaware that he was emailing a girl and the girl unaware that she was emailing a boy. Imagine the confusion when they finally meet in France!



The show was very interactive and the boys were able to demonstrate their knowledge of French; it was lovely to see so many putting up their hands. A few boys were chosen to participate in the closing part and Joseph H (6F) did an amazing job of conversing with the players forcing them to improvise their final lines. Well done, Joseph! *Madame Swift*



Kingsley Bear's literary exploits...

Mrs Henery reveals that Kingsley Bear has been brushing up on his language skills recently; he helped James use adjectives to describe where the red bus was with great success!



Drop off, Pick up & Parking

Please collect a KHS car sticker from the front office if you do not have one already. These should be displayed clearly in your windscreen to assist with safety at pick up times. It has been reported that there has recently been some pressure on parking in and around the school. Do use drop-off points responsibly and with consideration for other drivers as well as our neighbours. A member of staff will be on duty from 8.15am. A reminder, please, that your child should arrive for the start of the school day in good time for registration - but no boy should be left unattended before the duty staff arrive at 8.15am.



Due to the darkness at the beginning and end of the school day, and for the safety of the boys, please ensure you arrive promptly and that you are visible to the member of staff on duty when picking up. No boys should be leaving the site without permission in writing.

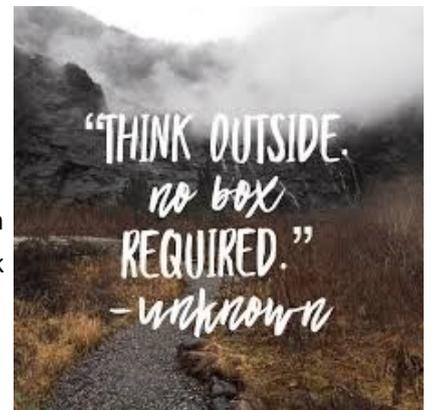
Autumn Term Senior Lecture

On Thursday evening, the Senior boys, parents and staff were treated to an inspirational lecture by Mrs Gibson, a current KHS parent, about her expeditions to the Great Wall of China and Machu Picchu in Peru. We learned how she conquered an initial lack of confidence by taking herself out of her comfort zone and exercising both her body and mind in breath-taking, but exacting, conditions.



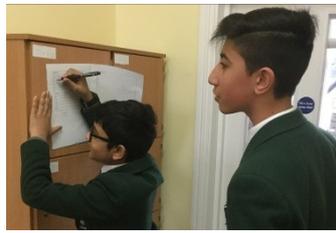
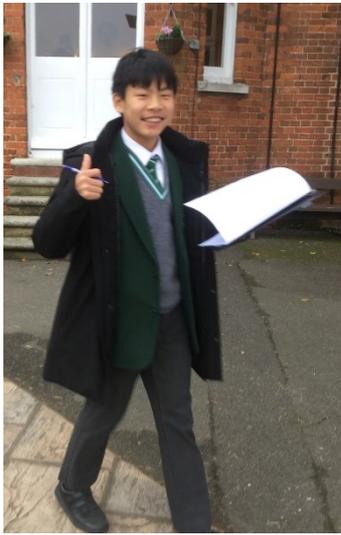
The abiding message was a simple one: live life without limits and travel!

Thank you to Mrs Gibson for a very interesting talk and we wish her well for her next project.



...continues at a rapid, exciting pace this week in school.

Please see overleaf for some photographs and an idea of what the boys have been exploring!



MATHS ENRICHMENT...

It's Treasure Hunt time!

Our boys braved the cold and donned their coats and jackets during the maths lessons this week as they were tasked with a Treasure Hunt around school. A series of mathematical questions and problems greeted the boys on many walls, surfaces and doors as they enthusiastically hunted to see how many they could answer in a set time. The Senior boys were also armed with their iPads as they had some QR codes to solve as well. Great fun—and even greater learning!



Year 5 Maths Enrichment

After working on the 'History of Numbers' last week, our Year 5 boys explored the world of 'Partitioning' in Maths with the help of their LSAs and teachers. They used a very tactile approach in their learning and used their times tables and number squares to help. They all did very well and hopefully understood this concept more clearly.



Mental Maths Partitioning Strategy

$$37 + 8 =$$

Can be solved in the following ways.

- $30 + (7 + 8) = 30 + 15 = 45$
- $(37 + 3) + 5 = 40 + 5 = 45$
- $30 + (7 + 7 + 1) = 30 + 15 = 45$
- $(37 + 7) + 1 = 44 + 1 = 45$
- $(37 + 10) - 2 = 47 - 2 = 45$



Which strategy do you use?



Teatime Musical Delights!



With over forty-five boys performing, the most recent Teatime concert was the largest and most adventurous of all! The esteemed soloists, alongside both Ukulele Club and Music Ensemble performed over two sittings on Tuesday 12th November. There was even a surprise guest headliner in the form of Mr Bradfield, who got the audience singing to the infamous Oasis track, 'Don't Look Back in Anger'.

A wonderfully tasty spread of cakes, sandwiches and savoury snacks were supplied by Mrs Chandler —thank you— and were appreciated by all. *Mr Swift*

Computer Science unplugged

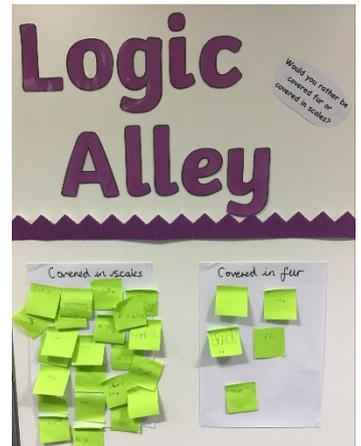
In Computer Science this week 9H have been learning about decomposition. In groups they have decomposed the task of building a tower using a limited number, and type, of materials. The boys designed and produced some very creative towers which were put to a wind test at the end of the lesson. A great way to see their collaborative skills in action - well done, boys! Mrs Webb



WOULD YOU RATHER?

...be covered in scales or fur?!

Another tricky dilemma puzzled out amongst the Lower Prep boys this week! What does this say about their reptilian versus mammalian natures?!



Seniors vs The Hall 11/11/19

U16: KHS 3-2 The Hall (W)

U16s were part of an exceptional game of football for the neutral. After being 2-0 down, the boys battled back with goals from Josh Johns and Max Mkpa to win 3-2. The boys showed excellent character to get the win! Well done!

Mr Hendry

MOTM: Charlie Fowler

U14/15: *no fixture*

U13s

U13 A: *no fixture*

U13 B: *no fixture*

U13 C: *no fixture*

U13 D: *no fixture*

U8/9 vs Chinthurst 14/11/19

U8/9A: KHS 3-0 Chinthurst (W)

The boys put on a wonderful display against Chinthurst on Thursday. After a tough first half, we set ourselves up well for the second. Some big clearances from Edward Bishop and excellent tackles from Benjy Adams set up Cameron and Sam brilliantly to score three wonderful goals. This was a superb display from the team and showcased everything we have worked on this term. Well played! Mr Laudy

MOTM: Cameron Edwards

U8/9B: KHS 0-0 Chinthurst (D)

A game filled with excitement and some great teamwork! The boys took to the muddy pitch and came away with a tense 0-0 draw. There were some great shots on target from Byron M and Frankie L along with fantastic running lines from Torin. Byron M defended some tricky shots along with Jamil H and Frankie W in goal. Nathan J and Arun A tried to keep Chinthurst out of their end of the pitch as much as possible as a super defensive partnership. Zac was also full of energy helping out the defence and attack. A fantastic last game of football boys - congratulations!

Miss Smith

MOTM: Torin Arumeni-Ikhide

Sportsmanship: Frankie Wintle

U8/9C: KHS 2-2 Chinthurst (D)

The C team performed brilliantly in their match against Chinthurst. Despite some strong tackling from Ryan and important saves from Harrison we ended the first half 2 – 0 down. Some rousing words at half time saw the boys re-enter the fray with renewed confidence enabling Fraser and Ben to slot in a wonderful goals. The game ended 2 – 2; certainly a fair result! Mr Laudy

MOTM: Ben Scudamore

U8/9D: *no fixture*



Colts vs Chinthurst 13/11/19

Colts A: KHS 3-0 Chinthurst (W)

The boys ended the season with their best performance to date, seeing off a strong Chinthurst side with a dominant 3-0 victory! Goals from Beau Clark and Noah Seager topped off a great performance from start to finish. Kobi Wood was excellent when called upon with fine support from Theo Walker and Theo Moffatt. Jayden Eddy, Tai Bobo and Max Rocheron also put in sterling performances and dominated the midfield throughout the game! Excellent performance! Mr Hendry

MOTM: Beau Clark

Colts B: KHS 1-6 Chinthurst (L)

MOTM:

The boys worked hard but ultimately lost out to a strong Chinthurst side. They deserve credit for never giving up and showing KHS character. Mr Swift

Colts C: KHS 1-2 Chinthurst (L)

The Cs suffered a tough 2-1 loss, with 2 goals being conceded in the open minute. However, with Harry scoring a great solo goal KHS came out of the game with something to show for their efforts. Also, some outstanding saves from Ben kept the game close through out; this earned him the MOTM award.

Mr Cribb

MOTM: Ben Schumacher

Colts D: KHS 0-6 Chinthurst (L)

The boys worked hard throughout a tough game. In attack, the opposition were very strong with some excellent passing play resulting in a number of shots on goal. Although we struggled defensively, the boys were able to put in some superb tackles. A wonderful effort from the team in spite of adversity!

Mr Laudy

MOTM: Archie Blyth

Colts E: KHS 0-4 Chinthurst (L)

Throughout the game, all the boys put in maximum effort - putting pressure on the other team every time they had the ball. This was lead by Jason Shih, whose work rate was remarkable. Unfortunately, we could not put our chances away and conceded a few unlucky goals. The boys had a fantastic afternoon - and despite the flattering score-line for the opposition - they played really well. Mr Cowie

MOTM: Jason Shih

Colts E: KHS 2-2 Chinthurst (D)

A great comeback for the E team! Coming up against a very strong Chinthurst, going down 2-0 meant it was never going to be easy to come back; however, with constant pressure on their goalkeeper, a goal was never too far away. Two great team goals were the end product from Hannarah and Elliott. It was a great game to watch and the boys played brilliantly! Mr Caprano-Wint

A plea from the Hartley family ...

Please can everyone check their son's school uniform for Ted's black waterproof/fleece coat as it has been missing for weeks now (we have checked lost property and pegs). It is named. Thank you very much in advance for your support in this matter.

Also, Adam Gratton—lost jumper! Please keep an eye out for it. Thank you.

...and an interesting proposal from the KHA

www.easyfundraising.org.uk



Please take a few moments to read this and see how you and your relatives can use the www.easyfundraising.org.uk website or app, to give back to the school. It is easy to register yourselves and over 4000 retailers are on the list. In a nutshell, if you register with www.easyfundraising.org.uk whenever you shop from the list of retailers, a donation will be given to KHA. The donation varies from 1% to 15% which is an incredible way to raise money for the school.

PLEASE CONSIDER DOING THIS—AS ALL YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING COULD MAKE £££'s for the school.

Even your weekly grocery shop, house or car insurance, your next takeaway meal delivery, a holiday alongside many well-known high street names are all examples of retailers signed up to the scheme to give back to our school; think how good shopping will feel in the future knowing you are contributing to the school as well?!

A teal promotional banner for Easyfundraising. At the top left is the Easyfundraising logo. The main text reads 'Raise free funds for us every time you shop online'. Below this is a pink button that says 'Find out more'. At the bottom, there is a grid of logos for various retailers: amazon.co.uk, John Lewis, ebay, M&S, Boden, GAP, Argos, Booking.com, DEBENHAMS, next, SCREWFIX, Sainsbury's, OSOS, Viking, moonpig, and JUST EAT.

What to do!

Step 1: register yourself on the website or the app. All you need is your name and in the 'Find Your Cause' box type in Kingswood House School, Epsom.

Step 2: Start shopping by typing the retailer's name in the search box eg. John Lewis. You will see that they donate 2.5% to our cause.

Step 3: The app/website takes you to the retailer's portal and you shop as usual. Once you pay for your shopping, the retailer will transfer the money to the KHS.

NEW HABITS are really worthwhile in this case. Once you get into the HABIT of shopping via the EASYFUNDINGRAISING app or website, our children will benefit. Please also consider sending this note to all your family members. The more of us who join in the scheme, the better. We will keep you updated on how much we raise for the school in this way; do see the [link](#) here for a running total

WITH MUCH GRATITUDE!

The KHA TEAM

POLITE REMINDER....



Please remember that

CHEWING GUM IS TOTALLY BANNED in school as it is troublesome to clear up, makes a mess and is thoroughly nasty to find stuck under a table or chair or under your shoe!

Whilst we appreciate it can form part of an oral hygiene routine, we would prefer if it was kept outside of school.

Thank you for co-operation in this matter.



Bourne Hall Museum
Kids Club



bringing history alive

A World War 2 Christmas – Saturday December 14

1pm to 2.30pm



For many families, the most difficult part of a wartime Christmas was spending the festive season apart from loved ones. Many men were fighting abroad in the armed forces or were being held as prisoners of war. Women might also be away in the services or carrying out war work. Many children spent Christmas away from home as evacuees. By the end of the war, thousands of families had suffered the death of a family member either in action or from enemy bombing raids. Christmas luxuries were especially hard to come by at a time when even basic foods were scarce and people were forced to find substitutes for key festive ingredients. Gifts were often homemade and practical, and children's toys would be made from recycled materials. Cards were smaller and printed on flimsy paper but people still did their best to have a good time.

£5 per child . Contact: David Brooks, Bourne Hall Museum, Spring Street, Ewell, Surrey,

KT17 1UF Tel 020 8394 1734. Email dbrooks@epsom-ewell.gov.uk



A great turnout this week with lots of good answers supplied for the quiz—well done boys, keep them coming!

Our winner was **Jack B-A in 8T**,
closely followed by **Ali A-R in 8L**

The KHA will be holding a

second hand uniform sale on
Monday 2nd December 1530-1630

in the dining room.



LOST PROPERTY: New system!

If a boy has lost an item of kit or clothing, parents should email: lostproperty@kingswoodhouse.org



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