

KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term
21 May 2021

KHS IS MOVING TO CO-EDUCATION IN SEPTEMBER 2021 - find out more [here](#)

New RECEPTION CLASS opening up September 2021—find out more [here](#)

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Dear Parents

I feel sure that the Year 11 students are delighted to have completed their mock GCSE examinations today; well done to all the boys who have personified the KHS value of endeavour with their recent efforts.

On Monday, it will be the turn of Year 10 boys to sit their summer assessments. Ahead of this time, a small staff audience was privileged to watch the inaugural GCSE Drama group perform their devised pieces – the sketches were all brilliantly acted under the watchful eye of Mrs Horley. She was understandably very proud! On a related note, a big thank you to Miss Foster for co-ordinating another superb online informal music concert, featuring a diverse array of talent across the age and ability range. It is wonderful to chart the exciting evolution of KHS creative & performing arts.

Please also remember that an exuberant half term of Languages Enrichment concludes with “French Day” on Monday; both Mme Taylor and Mme Swift are encouraging boys to dress up with a Gallic theme and would be glad of your support. The cultural significance of speaking another language was explored with great purpose and skill by Form 6S in assembly on Wednesday; it was most gratifying to see the pupils talk with such diversity, flair and knowledge. *Bien joue!*

A special mention to Mrs Chandler and her catering team who achieved the highest possible score in an unannounced Environmental Health inspection on Tuesday. We are very proud of you!

After a year of anticipation, Miss Patel is finally leading our Senior boys on a practice Duke of Edinburgh expedition this afternoon. I hope the weather stays fair!

Earlier today, I welcomed Rt Hon Chris Grayling (pictured below), Member of Parliament for Epsom & Ewell, to speak to pupils and staff at KHS. He was most impressed by the courtesy of our boys and the warmth of welcome from the whole school community. It was especially rewarding for him to note the invaluable work undertaken by our team of teaching and support staff; the net result being the inspiration of young people to achieve more than they believe is possible – and that vital principle, self-esteem, is the currency that KHS trades in each and every day.

I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster



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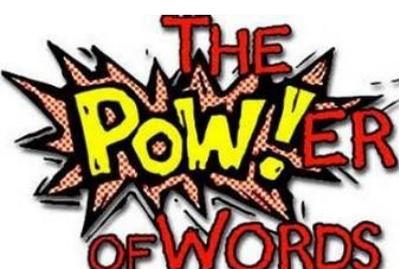
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Please find below the calendar dates for next week and any current notices:

2021	MAY	WEEK 2	Year 10 Exam Week
Monday	24	1600	Years 1-4 Form teacher Drop-In meetings via School Cloud FRENCH DAY
Tuesday	25	1400 1700	U14 & U15 vs Duke of Kent Years 5 –6 Form teacher Drop-In meetings via School Cloud
Wednesday	26	0845 0930-1200 1400 1400 1700	Assembly Lower Prep Forest School Colts vs Duke of Kent U13s vs Duke of Kent Years 9—10 Form teacher Drop-In meetings via School Cloud
Thursday	27	1300-1600 1700	Senior Sports Day Years 7—8 Form Teacher Drop-In meetings via School Cloud
Friday	28	0830-1200 1230	Lower & Upper Prep Sports Day Half Term begins
			Half Term: Saturday 29th May—Sunday 6th June KHS Golf Day: Thursday 3rd June—all day

LUNCH MENU—week beginning 24 May 2021

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Homemade Tomato Sauce (V) with Meat-balls and Pasta	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Toad in the Hole with Onion Gravy; Veg Sausages (V) & Fresh Carrots	Fresh Fruit; Flapjack	Burger; Veggie Burger (V) in a Bun with Coleslaw	Fresh Fruit; Jelly	Homemade Cottage or Cheese Pie (V) with Fresh Broccoli	Fresh Fruit; Jam Tart	Thai Red Chicken; Roasted Peppers Curry (V) with Brown & White Rice	Fresh Fruit; Cornflake Crunchy Cake



This week, Vaccine/ vaccination

These are words which are prevalent in the world right now and will be for some time to come.

The words are derived from the Latin *Variolae vaccinae*, (smallpox of the cow). *Vacca* is the Latin word for cow and the term was devised by Edward Jenner, who created the first vaccine to prevent smallpox, a virus which originally affected cows.

Stay safe and good luck with your vaccinations.

Madame Swift



Scholarship Success!

Warm congratulations to Ben C in 8T who has been awarded a Sports Scholarship to Reed's in September; he has been a stalwart in sporting teams at KHS over the years. We are sorry to see Ben go but are delighted to see his sporting prowess recognised.

Please find Mr Murphy's topical thoughts for the week and the pupils who have been 'Mentioned in Dispatches' for something noteworthy recently. **You can read the names of pupils nominated below and see the HM Blog: [here](#)**

LOWER PREP

1 & 2L

Maye B for being positive, cheerful and working hard this week. Mrs Lambert

3M

Hugh H has shown amazing determination and resilience whilst completing his handwriting tasks. Miss Hylands & Mrs Marskell

Ciaran P for his enthusiasm during the history lesson. Mrs Marskell

4S

Harry R for always presenting his work beautifully in his exercise book. Miss Smith

UPPER PREP

5F

My whole class for an amazing assembly last week, thank you for your effort and enthusiasm! Ms Forbes

Peter S for super work in maths. Ms Forbes

Edward B and Henry S for organising a French themed stall for Marlborough House Day, love their enthusiasm! Madame Swift

Benji A for fabulous contributions to our geography discussions. Mrs Seiver

5S

Oscar E for outstanding Maths recently; Fraser B for persistence across all areas of the curriculum and digging deep when the going gets tough. Mrs Seiver

6L

Well done to all of 6L, showing such enthusiasm while we practice our assembly. Mrs Lindley

6S

Kieran S for the great effort he puts into any task given; he always shows great endeavour. Madame Swift

Well done Freddie T for some beautiful circles art in Maths. Mrs Lindley

7BA

James McD for taking this week's work in his stride! Mr Barratt

Avaneesh G, Max R and Jasper W – great Marlborough day efforts! Mr Barratt

7BL

Shay C, Zac M, Joel M and Jonathan B all came to Marlborough House day prepared and with excellent ideas for their stalls. They were both organised and creative! Miss Black

What a great lesson from Henry T - volunteering to read, hand up and really engaged! Everyone else in the class was pretty great too! Mrs Haunstetter

7P

Well done to Sam C showing endeavour in maths. Mrs Lindley

8L

Well done to Rory S for showing consistent progress. Mrs Lindley

Alex H, Charlie L and Ivan T for excellent performance in Y8 French exam. Mme Taylor

Disputes Continued...

8T

Zachary Fitzgibbon for his continued hard work and enthusiasm in DT. Mr Bailey

Zachary Fitzgibbon for always being polite and holding doors open. Madame Swift

Owen Courtney and Bogdan Podobrigora did very well in their classics exam. Mrs Weston

Patrick Gray scored a Grade 7 in his History exam, despite having only sat in one lesson since being at KHS and having not been taught much of the content we have covered this year. Really pleasing to see such a fantastic attitude - that he was prepared to do his best and have such a great attempt - when he had every excuse not to have done!! Mrs Haunstetter

Congratulations to Ben Choy who has been awarded a sports scholarship to Reed's. Ben has been a fine team player throughout his KHS career in football, rugby and cricket and we wish him well. Mr Hendry

SENIORS

9H

Will H, Jack B-A and Barnaby H; these boys have shown a keen interest in the topic of the heart and the circulatory system in science, they are working really hard in lessons! Miss Black

Joseph S and Jack B-A for their sheer enthusiasm for History - they said how excited they were to be learning about NATO, which we will be doing in a couple of weeks! Mrs Haunstetter

9T

James G and Pete D for their sheer focus and high level of productivity working together to create a documentary about JB Priestley and 'An Inspector Calls'. Great teamwork and good to see their video coming together quickly but effectively. Mr Twinley

Theo V-P for 15 scores of 100% for Activelearn online French – very impressive! Mme Taylor

10H

Eddie F for being constantly cheery, smiley and kind. He personifies the Kingswood House Way every day! Mrs Haunstetter

Well done to Ollie S for his involvement in our reintroduction to Pythagoras theorem. Mrs Lindley

10W

Ali D has been exceptionally kind and generous towards his classmates and boosting their morale; a real team player! Mrs Weston

Milo R, Angelo C and Ewan W for their excellent poetry in English. Mr March

11B & 11W

Mr Murphy and all our Senior teaching staff would like to pass on their congratulations to the Y11 boys who will complete their mock exams at the end of this week; they have shown tenacity and resilience. Well done!

Marlborough House Afternoon!

Thank you to all the boys and parents who supported the running of Marlborough House Day. There were lots of amazing stalls there were run by boys of all ages and some great prizes. The boys were allowed to visit the stalls at set times in the afternoon following Covid-19 restrictions. Marlborough were raising money for the charity 'Cherry Trees' and the money raised is invaluable to them and the children they support.

That was our last House Day of the year! Thank you to everyone for your continued support and hopefully next year we will return to seeing house days how we 'normally' do! *Miss Smith*

Please see overleaf for more great pics of the event...!



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Miss Smith

COMMENDATIONS

The following commendations have been awarded to boys in each subject area or from their Form Teacher in a subject:

French

Joseph H 7P

Krishan I 7P

Theo M 7BA

Arlo S7BA

Avaneesh G 7BA

Dylan B 7BL

Elliot N 7BL

Josh I 7BL

The following boys in **3M** received a commendation **Jamie C**, Maths & **Ciaran P** for History: Mrs Marskell

Torin A-I 4S: Maths, Mrs Marskell

Bertie L 5F: PSHE, Ms Timothy

Jack S & Kevin T 6S: English, Mme Swift

James C 8L: Music, Miss Foster

Patrick G 8T: History, Mrs Haunstetter

Folu A 9T: History, Mrs Haunstetter

Jonathan B 7BL: History Prep, Mrs Haunstetter

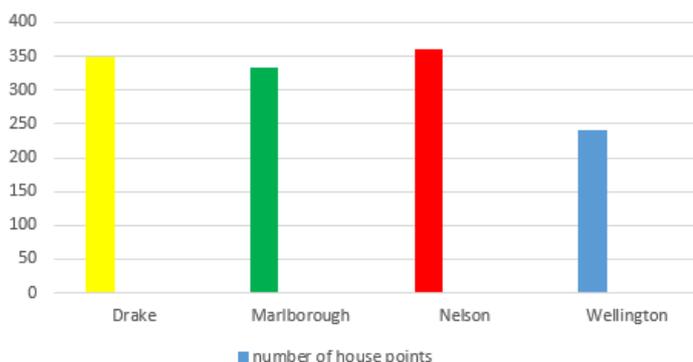
Alex W 6S: RS, Mrs Weston

Nice Work
Great Job
Well Done

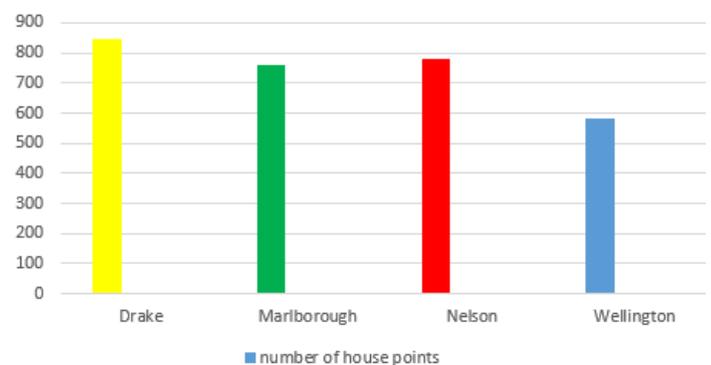
Please note a change for the Second Hand Uniform Sale which will now be on
Monday 28th June from 15:00 in the Dining Hall (not Monday 5th July)



Weekly Totals...



Totals so far...



HOUSE POINTS

Another strong week with many house points awarded. It is incredibly close between Marlborough, Drake and Nelson at the top. Wellington are below by 100, but between every boy in Wellington house, that isn't many house points needed to catch up! Over all...

Wellington stay in 4th, Marlborough and Nelson battle out for 3rd and 2nd and Drake stay in the top position.

One week left before half term..... keep it up everyone! *Miss Smith*

SPORTS RESULTS

U9A vs Ewell Castle

MoM – Cameron E (4S)

Result – Ewell Castle won.

U9C vs Ewell Castle

MoM – Hugh H (4S) for good fielding and great attitude towards the match

Moment of the Match – William N-B (3M) hitting 3 4's in a row

Result – Ewell Castle won.

Colts A vs Ewell Castle

MoM – Rhys B (5F) - for great batting

Result – Ewell Castle won.

Colts B vs Ewell Castle

MoM - Benji A (5F)

Moment of the Match—Zac W (5F) taking two wickets and George D (6L) saving boundary stop

Result: KHS won.

Colts C vs Ewell Castle

MoM - Jackson W (6L)

Moment of the Match - Superb catch by Arun A

Extra mentions to Harrison W (6L) for great bowling and George D (6L) for fantastic fielding

Result - KHS won.

Colts D vs Ewell Castle

MoM – Harvey M (5F)

Moment of the Match – Dylan N (6L) for fantastic captaincy

Result – KHS won.

U13A vs Tower House

MoM - Rory S (8L)

Moment of the Match: Max H (8T) taking a fantastic wicket in his first game for the A's

Result: Tower House won.

U13B vs Tower House

MoM—Jack C (8T)

Moment of the Match—Theo W (7BA) keeping wicket exceptionally well throughout the match

Result: Tower House won.

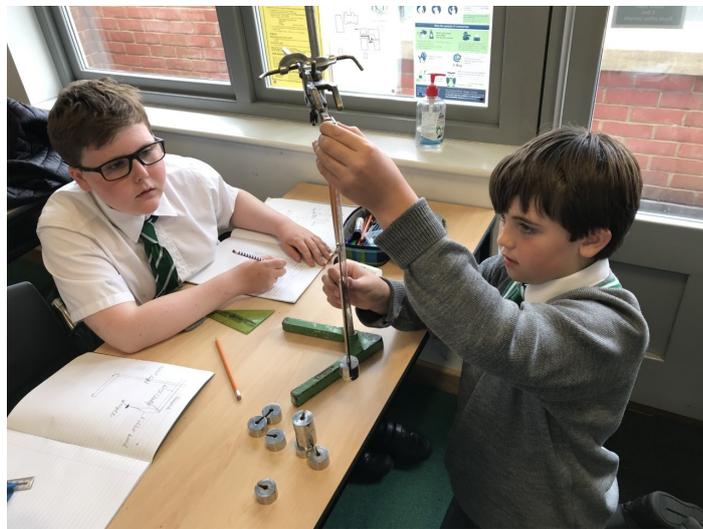
U13C vs Tower House

MoM – Theo M (7BA) for superb batting

Moment of the Match – Joel M (7BL) for hitting a Big 6!

Result – Tower House won.

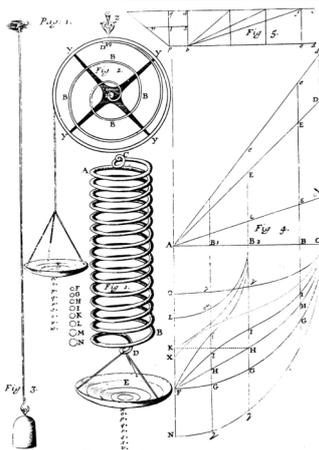




Stretching the mind in Science

Class 7BA using weights to stretch rubber bands looking at Hookes Law in Science. The boys were keen to find the stretch limit before the SNAP!!

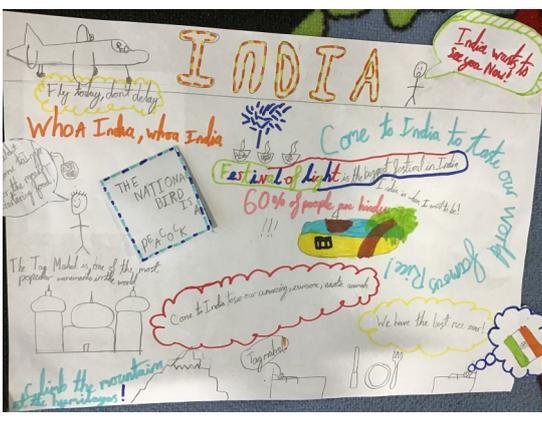
Mr Barratt



Year 4 English

Year 4 have been learning about all the key features of persuasive writing. They used the acronym AFOREST to create a persuasive poster to persuade people to visit India. Our topic is 'India' so we have learnt lots of facts already. The boys produced some amazing persuasive posters and then at the end were using a checklist to see how many of the AFOREST features they could spot in other people's work.

Great work, boys, and lots of great learning! Miss Smith



KHA UPDATE...

Now that school is in full swing we thought that we would let you know about the upcoming KHA events, for the enjoyment of all the pupils and to raise some money for the school.

FATHERS' DAY STALL – Tuesday 15th June
£3 per beautifully wrapped gift. Plenty of choice.

JOLLIES – Friday 2nd July – an afternoon of fun for everyone! We will be celebrating the end of the school year. Plenty of activities for young and old. Cakes, smoothies, Pimms bar, ice cream van and a hot food choice. There will be a raffle with fantastic prizes plus a bottle and sweetie-jar tombola; more details to follow later in the term.

Second Hand Uniform Sale – Monday 28th June 2–5pm.

A chance to update any items needed. A good choice of stock. For enquiries, please email:

KHA@kingswoodhouse.org

UPCOMING EVENTS FROM SEPTEMBER 2021:

KHA AGM – 27th September

This meeting is open to all parents and to find out what's happening or to volunteer as a committee member.

Race Night—Thursday 7th October

Fireworks—Friday 5th November

Summer Ball—Saturday 25th June 2022



It is wonderful to see Sam S (10H) hard at work in the cricket nets and receiving some expert tuition from former Surrey and England cricketer Keith Medlycott. Sam plays regularly for Esher CC as well as school and is renowned for his hard-hitting and dangerous swing bowling!



Clubs News

Fencing Club and Tennis Club are off to a fantastic start this half term and the boys have also been enjoying Karate Club after school too! Pupils from across the school are enjoying learning new skills and it is fantastic to see our external sports clubs running once again. If your son would like to join, it's not too late to sign up for the second half of the Summer Term; please contact our club leaders direct to check availability:

[Tennis with Simon Pethybridge](#)

[Fencing with Nick Payne](#)

[Karate with Les Goodwin](#)



Utopia by Milo R 10W

A place divine for us to be
A stalwart wall to keep us in,
The watchful eyes of our protectors
Letting us live out our whim.

Everyone here is good and peaceful
We need them to keep us safe.
This place is a utopia- a society to ward them off.
Allow us to freely roam the world-
Our perfect world.

This place is straight and true.
This wall must keep us safe.
Do our protectors shield us?
Or condemn us to our fate?

Discovery by Angelo C 10W

As the amber sun climbs into the dim sky,
and takes the place of the moon,
the murky sapphire hue of the ocean is revealed to my eyes.

As I spread my view across the vast expanse of the ocean,
the pearly white sea-foam clings to the upper hull,
slowly crawling back into the sea with every gentle rock of the waves.

Every now and again, a fin or two breaks through the waves,
only to be dragged back down again by the arms of the sea,
not struggling but accepting the calm fate.

The jade sand is highlighted by the guiding torch,
and soon begins to rise,
quickly approaching the underbelly of the ship.

Finally, the bright emerald green of foliage appears,
and my ship settles upon the shore of this new land,
with my anchor and my flag.

Utopia by Ewan W 10W

The lights glimmer across the water,
from the towers, shining brighter than the sun.
With our new paradise we won,
our Utopia was built, guiding everyone.

Four grand temples defeat four elements,
left behind with Mother Nature,
left with heaven and our creator.
Humanity is now its own dictator.

Behind the temples, the city spans
the ocean floor. Packed with life.
Across the seas we swing our scythes.
It is harvest time, we take nature's tithe.

How far in the future, no need for time.
The control of nature changes day,
to and from nature anyway.
In its place the last clock chimes.

Tea Time Concert

Miss Foster would like to share the **Tea Time Concert** link with you [here](#).

The boys have worked so hard this year, in such strange circumstances, and each concert improves in quality and really shows the character of our boys at KHS, so please support if you can and congratulate them.

This is the last informal concert of this academic year, but I would encourage all boys to take part in the **House Arts Competition on 25th June**, and look forward to welcoming you to live events, in school, next year...

I would like to say a big 'Thank You' to the boys who have contributed over the year; it has been wonderful to see so many talented young musicians who have engaged with their learning fully and I'm proud of all of them and their progress. As one boy commented in response to the question, *What is Music?*

"Music is a source of happiness. When I get anxious, music calms me. When I have a low spirit, music charges me up. When I feel incapable, music gives me energy. When I feel sad and lonely, music makes me happy. When I feel worried, music makes me relaxed. Music is like my soul, my understanding of the world is through music. I see harmony and rhythm in everything and everybody around me."



Poetry

*Some inspirational poetry
from our Year 10 boys in Mr
March's English class.*



Kitchen Congratulations!

A huge VERY WELL DONE to Jane Chandler and her fantastic team who were scored the highest possible grade in an unannounced Environmental Health Inspection earlier in the week... TOP MARKS!



...and 'Dramatic' Congratulations as well!

Staff, and some families, were treated to a live, theatrical performance when the Year 10 GCSE Drama group performed their devised pieces in front of a small, socially-distanced audience in school.



There was some wonderful talent on display and evidence of much effort and thought that had gone into their work. *Mrs Horley*



Shopkeeping...

Today in Maths the boys were learning about money and giving change. We set a shop up in class and they all had an opportunity to come to the shop and spend their money and work out how much change they should get back. A great practical experience and one the boys can maybe enjoy for real in half term if they are able to go to a toy shop with their families?! *Mrs Marskell*





THIS IS TO CERTIFY THAT YOU,
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 SCHOOL**

HAVE BEEN
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By Raising Money for Cherry Trees that totals

£657

Debbie Boulter
 17/5/2021

signed on behalf of Cherry Trees



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Many thanks to all our families who supported Marlborough House Day through their son's involvement.

We were delighted to send off a cheque for over £650 to the [Cherry Trees charity](#) helping provide respite care and activities for disabled children local to Surrey.

Dear Parents

Following the latest government guidance which allows a slight opening for parents to attend sporting events outside, I am writing to advise you of an update to our policy on spectators attending school fixtures and house matches.

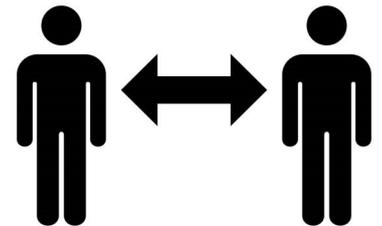
At present, we will retain a policy of parental non-attendance to school sports events. However, after half term, I am delighted to announce that we will welcome parents to home fixtures only. Equally, if the easing of lockdown remains on course in June then there should be no restriction for parental attendance at house matches.

Please note that parents attending home fixtures after half term should bring their own refreshments and maintain sensible "hands, face, space" precautions.

Naturally, this information will all be subject to change in line with any evolution of the government guidance, but please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries.

Regards

Mr Hendry



SOCIAL DISTANCING



Boys and staff alike were delighted to see Henry S (8L) *on the left* back to enjoy the Marlborough House event after a spell in hospital.

We all wish him well in his continued recovery and hope he is back with us full time, as soon as possible.

So great to see you!