

KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term
28 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

It has been wonderful to see the boys participate in track and field events for Sports Day in glorious sunshine. I always feel that the individual, yet collective, nature of this showpiece occasion brings out the best in our school community – a healthy, competitive spirit underpinned by the important qualities of sportsmanship. Thank you to Mr Hendry, Mr Laudy and the Sports Department for their hard work in providing an inclusive programme of events that has enabled all pupils to make a meaningful contribution for their houses.

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Miss Ella Sevenoaks as a new English teacher at KHS in September. Educated at University College, London, as well as Exeter University, Miss Sevenoaks will join us from Blenheim High School where she has been teaching up to A-Level. A keen cook and skier, she is very excited to be advancing her career at KHS and a significant, additional element to her role will be to review, and further progress, a bespoke programme for independent learning and life skills.

Thank you to Mme Taylor and Mme Swift for organising a fabulous half term of Languages Enrichment; you can read more about the very deserving competition winners later in this edition.

Pleasingly, the last week has seen a number of our pupils embark on their first trips for over a year; you can see from the broad smiles overleaf that it has (almost) been worth the wait!

A reminder that parents are warmly invited to attend home matches after half term with the caveat that sensible precautions are maintained in line with government guidance.

I wish you all a relaxing half term and look forward to welcoming the boys back on Monday 7th June for what promises to be a stellar few weeks.

Yours sincerely

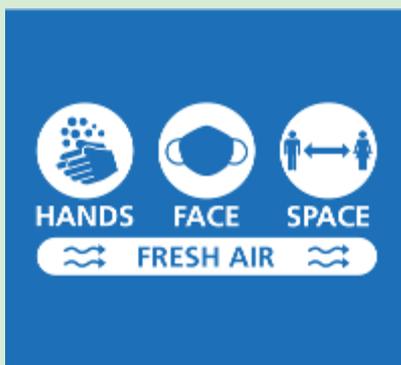
Duncan Murphy

Headmaster



“IT IS YOUR RESPONSE TO WINNING AND LOSING THAT MAKES YOU A WINNER OR A LOSER.”
- HARRY SHEEHY

The Kingswood House Way



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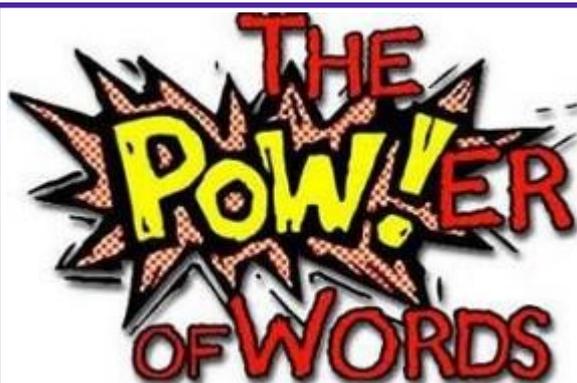
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Please find below the calendar dates for next week and any current notices:

2021	JUNE	WEEK 1	Year 7 Exam Week
Monday	07	0800	SCHOOL RETURNS
Tuesday	08	1545	U15B vs Box Hil
Wednesday	09	0845 0930-1200 1400 1900	Assembly Lower Prep Forest School Colts vs Banstead Prep Y8 Options Evening online
Thursday	10	1400	U9 vs Banstead Prep
Friday	11	0930-1200 All day	Open Morning —prospective family tours by appointment Belmont 6-a-side tournament

LUNCH MENU—week beginning 07 June 2021

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Homemade Tomato Sauce (V) with Meatballs and Pasta	Sausage Casserole; Veggie Sausage Casserole (V) with Potato Wedges	Grilled Chicken; Halloumi Cheese (V) with BBQ Sauce in a Wrap	Homemade Vegetarian or Meat Lasagne	Fish Fingers, Oven Chips & Pea
Fresh Fruit; Doughnuts	Fresh Fruit; Flapjack	Fresh Fruit; Marble Cake	Fresh Fruit; Jelly	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurt



This week, As we had Sports Day on Thursday and Friday, I thought it would be a good idea to include a couple of words appropriate to the occasion.

'Sport'

This originates from the Old French word '*desport*' meaning leisure, the oldest definition in English is from around 1300, meaning 'anything humans find amusing or entertaining'.

'Medal'

This was first used in 1578 and is derived from the Middle French word '*medaille*', the Italian '*medaglia*' and ultimately from post classical Latin '*medalia*' meaning a coin worth half a denarius.

Have a fantastic half term everyone! *Madame Swift*

Updated Covid Plans & Procedures in School from 17.05.2021

Following the latest easing of national government guidelines on 17.05.2021, the school has updated their Plans & Procedures for staff and pupils. Please find the link on the website [here](#)



Please ensure that the Office has your correct, up-to-date email details.

Any queries or changes should be addressed to the [Office](#)

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

Zayn J for trying so hard with his handwriting. Mrs Lambert

3M

A whole class mention for the most amazing Anderson shelters they have made. Some have been made out of cake, others use all manner of 3D materials and even a Mine Craft video explores the form and function. What unique and individual talent my boys have! Mrs Marskell

4S

Cameron who is always following the rules, kind and respectful and is always completing his work to the best of his ability. Miss Smith

UPPER PREP

5F

Benji A for a great half-term. He has tried extra hard in all his subjects and Rhys B for always trying his best. Ms Forbes

Zac W, Harrison W, Harry B, Max K and Jamil H – Mrs Edwards writes, "I was struggling with laptops, leads and files and the boys came over and asked if they could help. They carried all the exam equipment from Humanities to the Common Room during their break. Totally off their own back and very kind!" Mrs Edwards

Ed B for a real contribution to music this term. So excited for choir and guitar lessons and making real improvement. Miss Foster

5S

Nathan J for being so kind and patient with Kai C, my new boy, helping him settle in. He has been there for Kai every step of his journey into KHS! Mrs Seiver

6L

George D and Jeremy B for some fabulous work on their friction poster. Mr Barratt

Hussain K was unable to locate his exercise book to hand in his History Prep so he asked Mrs Lindley for help and completed the prep again in his own time as he was determined to hand it in on time. Hussain agreed that there is no way he would have done this back in September – some real progress in terms of attitude to his learning which is wonderful to see. Mrs Haunstetter

6S

Jack G for his super friction poster; James M and Hannarah Choi at science work! Mr Barratt

To all 6S for doing such a great job in their assembly last week. Madame Swift

6L

Henry R and Jackson W for some great science work. Mr Barratt

Harrison W for being so polite and kind, especially asking how my day is. Miss Foster

Tristan B for making a special KHS newsletter in his own spare time. Mr Murphy

7BA

Max R for his focus and effort in Maths. Mr Barratt

Ethan C for showing good manners, holding doors and waiting back on the stairs. Madame Swift

Theo W was a model student today. He has clearly been revising and was so keen and engaged – great to see. Mrs Haunstetter

Disputes Continued...

7BL

Elliot N; after a wet break, Elliot made sure that all of the seats had been tucked under the desks as the other boys were leaving. I had not needed to ask him to do this but he took on the responsibility. Well done Elliot. Miss Black

Max L for his focus and effort in Maths. Mr Barratt

7P

Edward C for his fantastic efforts in learning key terms for the waves topic and using them successfully to explain his ideas. Miss Patel

Will H for his resilience in his learning. Miss Patel

Tai B for his excellent explanation of how we get rainbows using dispersion. Miss Patel

Noah S, Sergio A-H and Enzo R for rising to the challenge of attempting some GCSE questions in Year 7! Miss Patel

Michael S for his focus and effort in Maths. Mr Barratt

Noah S (7P) and Dylan B (7BL) for their contributions to music this term. They are permanent fixtures in the department now, so might have to give them a key! Miss Foster

8L

Oscar D'A for showing good perseverance after his examinations. Keep it up! Mr Laudy

Ozzy S for his focus and effort in Maths. Mr Barratt

8T

Bogdan P and Archie S for voluntarily putting together a PowerPoint for our class assembly and adding missing information. Mme Taylor

Ben H working very sensibly and productively. Mr Barratt

Bogdan P for his focus and effort in Maths. Mr Barratt

Owen C and Bogdan P for their excellent exam results in Classics. Mrs Weston

SENIORS

9H

Minsup K has shown better consistency with his work ethic this week. Keep it going! Mr Hendry

Ted H for his focus and effort in Maths. Mr Barratt

Will M came with me to hold all doors open when I was carrying various items and was unable to open the doors myself. Madame Swift

9T

James K is always polite, hard-working, on the ball and demonstrates the Kingswood House Way. Mr Twinley

On Friday afternoon some boys discovered all their direct trains to Wimbledon had been cancelled. Harvey W took it upon himself to help these boys and explain an alternative route they could take instead and even explained the route to their parents. Harvey helped all the boys and displayed the Kingswood House Way excellently. Mr Twinley

Tommy C for his focus and effort in Maths. Mr Barratt

Folu A for always giving everything 110%. I'm so proud of the growth he has made this year in music and his instruments, as should he! Miss Foster

Pete D for his consistent hard work and efforts in science; Tommy C for his growing confidence and Folu A for his fantastic presentation on the scientific method. Miss Patel

10H

Really lovely to hear Hugo D and Harry R working together to revise for their Classics exam – working hard, supporting each other and having fun too! Well done, boys! Mrs Haunstetter

Sam S and Ryan L - while on duty at lunch time, the weather suddenly became very windy and the 'one way system' signs began to blow over, both boys immediately offered to help to put the signs somewhere safe and to help put any unused equipment away.

Miss Black

10W

Milo R has enjoyed a purposeful summer term so far – a quiet, unassuming young man, he has a lot to offer and is making great progress. Well done, Milo. Mrs Weston

Well done to all the boys from Year 10 in both classes who were involved in a classy showcase for their GCSE Drama devised sketches last week – great work! Mrs Horley

A note from Miss Patel our D of E co-ordinator,

“A massive well done to all the Senior boys who undertook their practice expeditions on Friday. They completed the day with smiles on their faces and great senses of humour - onwards and upwards to the assessed expedition in July!”

Year 11

Year 11 - all boys (actually young men) were so polite and respectful during the period of their exams. It was lovely to see them cope with the stress of 3 weeks of assessments with maturity. Mrs Edwards (Exams Officer)

SPORTS RESULTS

U9B vs Chinthurst

MoM – Toby H (3M) for some fantastic bowling getting 2 wickets

Moment of the Match – Gregory C (3M) getting a fantastic run out

Result – Chinthurst won.

U9A vs Chinthurst

MoM – Harry R (4S)

Moment of the Match – Fraser S (4S) for some good bowling.

Result – Chinthurst won.



The Colts fixtures last week were cancelled due to the unseasonable playing conditions!

At the time of writing we have enjoyed two Sports Days in school; the Seniors on Thursday afternoon and the Lower and Upper Prep Friday morning... full results will be published at the start of next term.

Do enjoy some photos from both events later on in this Newsletter.

COMMENDATIONS

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

Music

Ivan T 8L

Jack R 8L

Jack C 8T

Bogdan P 8T

Kobi W 7BL: Science, Mr Barratt

Jack G 6S: Science, Mr Barratt

Henry T 7BL: Science work & behaviour, Mr Barratt

Arlo S, Conor T, Ibrahim M & James McD 7BA: Maths, Mrs Lindley

Pryank P 7BL: Maths, Mrs Lindley

Sam C 7P: Maths, Mrs Lindley

Owen C & Bogdan P 8T: Classics, Mrs Weston

The following boys all received a commendation **Harry P, Adam G, James M, Jack G & Alex W 6S**: all for English, Mme Swift

The following boys all received a commendation for their participation in the 6S class assembly **Hussain B, Hannarah C, Josh D, Adam G, Jack G, Digby H, Alex H, James M, Harry P, Jack S, Kieran S, Ben S, Izyan S, Kevin T, Freddie T & Alex W all 6S**: Mme Swift

The following Lower and Upper Prep boys all receive a commendation for their entries into the Language Enrichment Poster Competition, My Other Language— **Gregory C & Toby H 3M; Cameron E 4S; Enzo B-P, Alex F, Sam A, Nathan J, George P & Arun A 5S; Derin U, Howard K & Jeremy B 6L; Josh D, Alex W, Ben S, Izyan S & Alex H 6S**. Mme Swift & Mme Taylor

Ted R & Alfred L 9T: D of E physical & mental effort, Miss Patel

All the boys in 3M for their History projects, Mrs Marskell

William N-B 3M: Maths, Mrs Marskell

Jamie C 3M: Perseverance, Mrs Groves

Nice Work
Great Job
Well Done

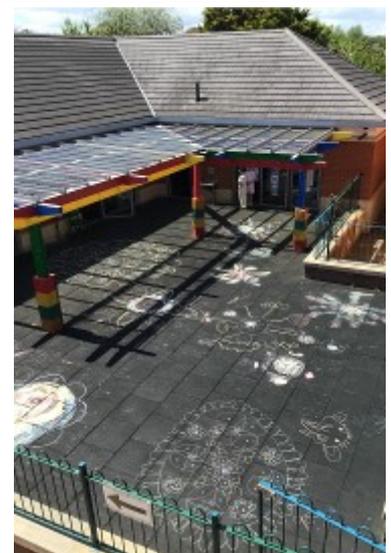


HOUSE POINTS

The latest scores will be collated after the Sports Days this week and an update given after half term...



A special visit from Mr Mitchell to see the Year 4 Rangoli patterns which adorned the Lower Prep playground surface this week...



Lower Prep Trip

Lower Prep took their first divisional trip together since Christmas 2019! The boys enjoyed a morning of baking biscuits, flapjacks and rocky road, in preparation for a picnic at Longrove Park in Epsom. They absolutely loved their visit to the playground and explored all the exciting equipment on offer. The boys declared it was the best trip ever! We are looking forward to our next trip in June to Goring Beach; it certainly feels as if life is slowly returning to normal.

Mrs Lambert, Mrs Marskell & Miss Smith



Every moment matters



**DUKE OF EDINBURGH EXPEDITION
TRAINING DAY!**





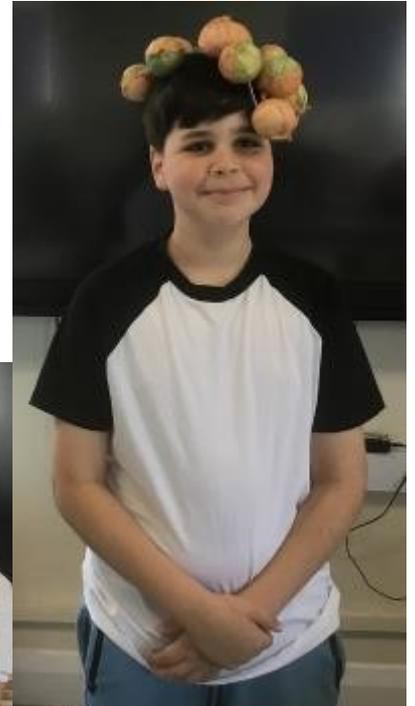
The brave Y9s and Y10s battled the elements on Friday to begin their expedition training for their Duke of Edinburgh Award. The boys developed their navigation and camp making skills during the day and despite the wet weather, kept smiling and maintained a great sense of humour! Here's hoping for warmer weather in July but for now – very well done boys! Miss Patel, Mr Hendry & Mr Laudy.



French Day!

Allez, allez!! Stripecy Breton t-shirts, berets placed at a jaunty angle, plenty of Gallic flare along with baguettes, garlic and strings on onions...

It was French Day in school on Monday! Here is a flavour of the occasion.





French Day was a roaring success with boys dressed up in some amazing French costumes including a baguette head-dress! Several year groups enjoyed a game of boules at break time, despite the threat of rain, and a fabulous French menu was consumed at lunchtime. The school was decorated with French flags and bunting designed and made by Year 6, and in their French lessons, pupils learned more about the culture of France - the rules of the national sport of Boules (or Pétanque) and the biography of the famous fashion designer Coco Chanel. To finish off, their knowledge was tested in a French quiz, and they watched and discussed France's fabulous entry to the Eurovision song contest, which finished in second place! *Une journée superbe!* Mme Taylor



Menu...

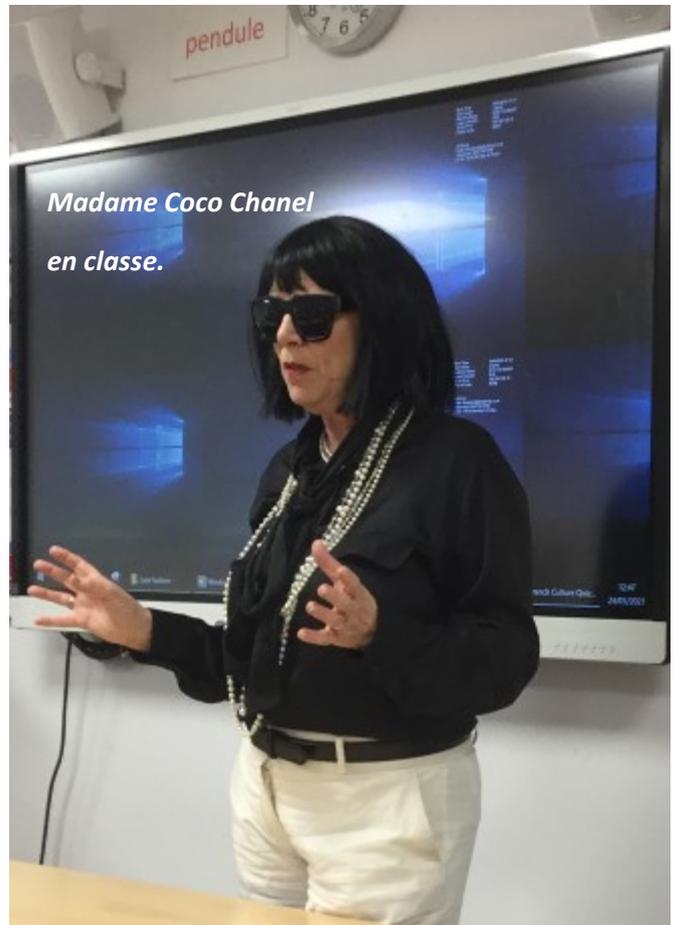
French Onion Soup

Coq au Vin

Creamy mashed potato

Green Beans

Mini pain au chocolate



Language Enrichment—'My Other Language' Competition.!

Madame Taylor and Madame Swift have been overwhelmed by the amazing response to the 'My Other Language' competition. We have learned a lot about all the languages that live in our school and had no idea there were so many of them!

The range of entries were fantastic! The Winner in each year group receives a badge and a chocolate medal, and we have also awarded many commendations. Congratulations to



Year 3: Commendation to **Toby H** on Norwegian.

Winner: **Gregory C** for his piece on Creole.

Year 4: Winner: **Cameron E** for his piece on Zulu.

Year 5: Commendations to **Sam A** for his piece on how French is incorporated in other languages; **Nathan J** for his piece on Malayalam; **George P** for his piece on Mandarin and **Arun A** for his piece on Tamil.

Winners: **Enzo B-P** for his piece on Portugese & Alex F for his piece on Spanish.

Year 6: Commendations to: **Howard K** for his piece on Korean; **Jeremy B** for his piece on French; **Josh D** for his piece on Russian; **Alex W** for his piece on Cantonese; **Izyan S** for his piece on Urdu; **Alex H** for his piece on Afrikaans.

Winners: **Ben S** for his pieces on Colombian and German; **Derin U** for his piece on Turkish.

Year 7: Commendations go to **Zac M** for his piece on the Czech Republic; **Shay C** for his piece on Gujarati; **Noah S** for his piece on Portugal and **Pryank P** for his piece on Srilanka

The winner is **Dylan B** for his piece on French.

Year 8: Commendations go to **Tharani V** for his piece on Tamil and **Ivan T** for his piece on Russian.

The winner is **Bogdan P** for his piece on Russian.

Year 9: Commendations go to **Antoni M** for his piece on Polish and **James K** for his piece on Korean.

The winner is **Folu A** for his piece on Yoruba.

Year 10: The winner is **Danial I** for his piece on Urdu.

Year 11: The winner is **Arad R** for his piece on Hungarian.

In the staff category: A big thank you to **Mrs. Wraith** for kicking off the competition with her entry on Creole, and the winner goes to **Mr. Twinley** for his lovely story, "Homeless on Holiday", involving both German and Italian.

Mr Twinley receives a 'Star languages trophy'.

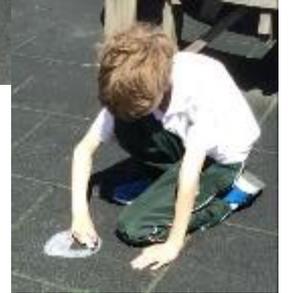
Many thanks and congratulations to all for all these interesting entries!



Lower Prep Trip to Langley Vale War Memorial

As part of their topic studying WW2 the boys in 3M enjoyed a trip to the new Langley Vale War Memorial area the other day. It was their first time learning outside of the classroom in a long while so it was extra thrilling for all. The Woodland Trust has planted up this area to commemorate the war with sculptures and inscriptions from war poetry.

A really good walk to do with families can be found [here](#)



Patterning in Year 4

Year 4 have created their own rangoli patterns after learning how Hindu's make rangoli patterns during the festival of Diwali to invite Lakshmi, the God of wealth, to their homes and wish them well. They did a fantastic job and enjoyed the practical activity out in the sunshine (for a change!) *Miss Smith*



Music Makers!

This half of term, Years 1 & 2 have been using instruments, learning how to play them and the etiquette of using instruments in the classroom. They have diligently followed the 'Rules of The Instrument Trolley' and have earned their Instrument Passport Certificates... next stop, playing in a band! Well done boys, great to see your perseverance and endeavour. *Miss Foster*





Mr Murphy's eye-view of Senior Sports Day...and overleaf a few more snaps from Lower Prep and Upper Prep's efforts earlier today!

