

# KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Autumn Term  
10 September 2021

**KHS IS NOW CO-EDUCATIONAL - find out more [here](#)**

**RECEPTION CLASS FOR SEPTEMBER 2022—find out more [here](#)**

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Dear Parents

It was exhilarating to usher in a new era of co-education at Kingswood House with over sixty new joiners, looking resplendent in their uniforms, basking in the sunshine on Wednesday for their induction afternoon. I offer a warm welcome to all of our new boys, girls, teaching and support staff.

Naturally, it has been wonderful to see all of our returning pupils too, many of whom have been captivated by the smart, new astroturf. Not long now...it is nearly ready.

Hot off the press, I am delighted to share the exciting news with you that we have been nominated as finalists for one of the prestigious Independent School of the Year 2021 awards; this is a truly remarkable achievement for a school of our size and a source of great pride. We will find out more in October – fingers crossed!

You can refer to my letter from earlier in the week for more comprehensive information, also available on our website [here](#), but, in the meantime, please do enjoy some of the pictures overleaf which showcase a happy, vibrant start to the term and see my video blog [here](#).

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy  
Headmaster

The Kingswood House Way



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

2021	SEPTEMBER	WEEK 2	Year 11 Pre-Mock Exam Period
Monday	13	1800-1900	Upper Prep Parents' Information Evening
Tuesday	14	1100 1630	Senior & Upper Prep Prefects' Meeting Staff Meeting
Wednesday	15	0845 0930 1430 1800-1900	Headmaster's Assembly Lower Prep Forest School Colts A, B, C & D vs Homefield (H) Lower Prep Parents' Information Evening
Thursday	16	From 0930	Nasal Flu Immunisation for all pupils Reception—Year 11
Friday	17		Headmaster's Blog & Weekly Newsletter
Saturday	18	0900-1230 0830-1230 0830-1230 1900	Open Morning (ALL UPPER PREP & SENIOR PREFECTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND) U11 Surbiton Prep Football Tournament U13 Parkside Football Tournament Governors' Dinner

**LUNCH MENU week beginning 13.09.2021**

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Meatballs; Spicy Tomato Sauce (V) with Spaghetti	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Jelly	Toad in the Hole; Veggie Sausages; Baked Beans & Potato Wedges	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Apple Crumble & Custard	Thai Red Chicken Curry; Thai Red Veggie Curry (V) with Brown & White Rice	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Flapjack	Homemade Beef & Onion Pie; Seasonal Veg in Creamy White Sauce; Fresh Broccoli	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Chocolate Cake with Choc Sauce	Vegetarian Pizza with Homemade Coleslaw	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Cheese & Biscuits

*Clothing collection for Afghan refugees newly relocated to the UK.*

Mrs Wraith is organising a collection of clothing for Afghan refugees in Britain; a Parentmail was sent about this on 07.09.2021—if you did not receive this communication please contact the office to update your contact details, thank you.

Please read the following stipulations:

**If you are unwell, or anyone in your house has symptoms of Covid 19 please DO NOT donate any items at this time.**

**Underwear will not be accepted unless it has labels attached, is unworn and new.**

**No toys, electrical goods, handbags, towels or money - thank you.**

**Clothes do not need to be newly purchased, but should be clean, serviceable and appropriate to wear in current weather conditions. Winter coats welcomed, so too serviceable shoes.**

**Please bring your labelled bag (male / female / adult / child / infant) to your son / daughter's form room by Friday 17th. September.**

Thank you in advance for your support.

Mrs Wraith

Head of Art, Values Coordinator



We have a parent who is desperately looking for a lift share/taxi share to school from the West Byfleet / Weybridge area. Unfortunately, our school buses are currently full—can any other KHS family help out, please? Do contact Celina on 07919933932 or [celinaalvarezmor@gmail.com](mailto:celinaalvarezmor@gmail.com) for more info.

At Kingswood House, the Kingswood House Way and values-based learning is integral to everyday life in and out of school. During each term the school will focus on one value and sub values:

**Autumn Term 2021—Respect**

(self-awareness tolerance social awareness democracy)

**Spring Term 2022—Integrity**

(honesty trust empathy loyalty)

**Summer Term 2022—Endeavour**

(effort resilience teamwork sportsmanship)

This term we will be focusing on **Respect**; the value is embedded into our behaviour code, our use of language and school reward system. The concept of respect will be discussed during form periods and assemblies.

At KHS there is great importance attached to the fact that our pupils have respect for all within our school community. We believe strongly in a moral compass to support all pupils and develop well rounded individuals.

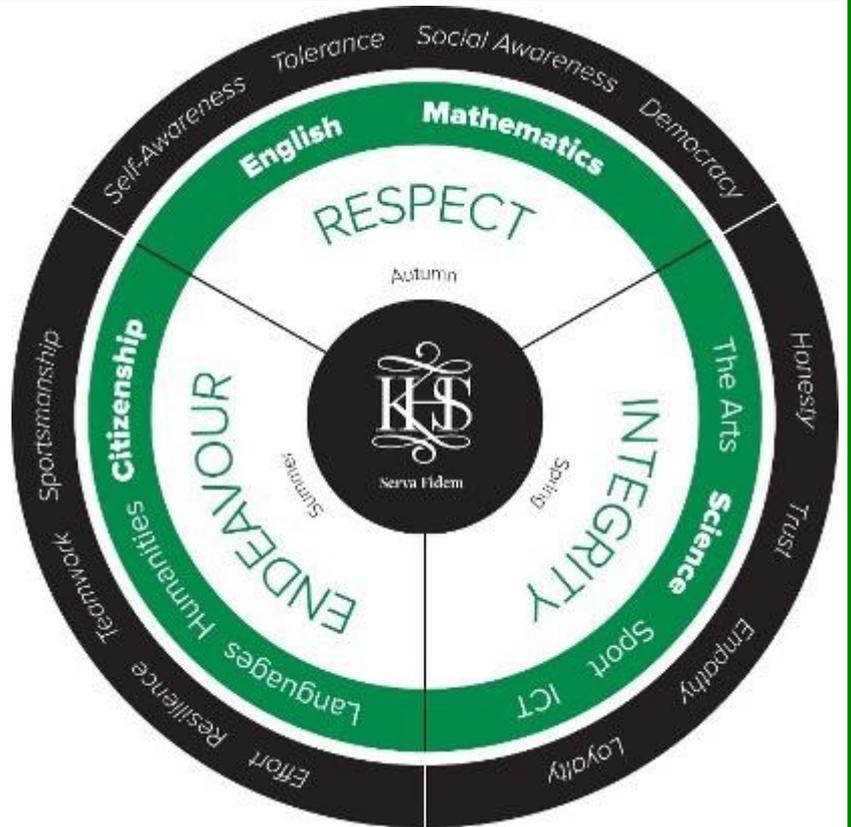
Alongside our values, we also focus on different academic subjects through enrichment as part of the KHS way.

The focus for this half term is **English**. The English department will run a programme of exciting activities which all pupils can take part in and engage with. Below is a list of some of the activities that will run,

- Poetry Reading & Writing
- Handwriting competition
- Speaking /reading to persuade
- Shakespeare in performance
- Public Speaking competition
- ‘Reading in Unusual Places’ competition

All teachers in school encourage pupil participation within the enrichment programme that runs during lessons and extra-curricular opportunities; work, or evidence form it, is displayed around the school or may be published in the weekly Newsletters.

Mrs Wraith — Values Coordinator



*...and in the words of that fabulous Aretha Franklin song, turn over for our KHS guide to respect in and out of the classroom from Reception to Seniors...*



Respect for Self - Respect for Others – Tolerance - Democracy -  
Freedom of Speech – Humility -

Listening - Acceptance – Inclusion – Courtesy - Language -  
Gratitude

- I accept others for who they are and try to see what is good
- I appreciate the ideas and differences of others
- I return the things that I borrow in good condition
- I am respectful of the property of others
- I am courteous and polite in my actions with others
- I treat others the way that I would like to be treated
- I listen actively to others
- I show others that I value and respect them
- My conversation is kind and constructive



RESPECT



Join us for a DofE  
Participant & Parent Drop-in Session

**GET YOUR  
AWARD DONE!**

Drop-in at a time convenient to you for one-to-one  
advice and eDofE support

The session will be on 23 September, 2021  
Between 4:00 - 6:00 PM

Join us on Teams using the link below

<https://bit.ly/3t24jOp>

No need to book

A note from Miss Patel regarding  
the Duke of Edinburgh's Award  
Scheme...

In case you missed the news of our excellent GCSE results back in August...



# Kingswood House School

*'A Preparation for Life'*



**Congratulations to our successful Year 11 pupils who showed great resilience and perseverance during an exacting year to achieve outstanding GCSE results.**

**100% Level 9 - 4 (A\* to C)** *National Average: 79.1%*

**66% Level 9 - 6 (A\* to B)**

**43% Level 9 - 7 (A\* to A)** *National Average: 30.0%*



*"I am proud that these grades reflect a high level of value-added attainment. They have facilitated a deserved progression for each individual to their sixth form and course of choice. Well done to you all and good luck!"*

*Mr Duncan Murphy*  
*Headmaster*





...and bringing us right up to date this week, here are a selection of images from the start of term—September 2021—an historic time for KHS as we opened our doors to girls for the first time in 122 years! It is lovely to see the new uniform and smiles all round. A very warm welcome to all our new staff and pupils throughout the school; wishing you a happy and successful year ahead in our friendly community.



First day back...meeting teachers and new classmates and finding out about the academic year ahead...



Every sunset brings the  
promise of a new dawn.

Ralph Waldo Emerson