

KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Autumn Term
15 October 2021

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Dear Parents

It is hard to believe that the first half of term has flown by already. That said, we are noticing a lot of tired children so perhaps the break comes at an opportune time for them to regroup.

Thank you to Form 10W for presenting a super assembly at Christ Church on Wednesday morning. They explored the significance of “Showing Racism the Red Card”, our multi theme for today, with great alacrity and expression.

On Thursday, the boys and girls enjoyed workshops learning about Shackleton & the Antarctic Experience. Arguably one of the most inspirational leaders of all time, Shackleton’s narrative is one that will live long in the memory for those in attendance.

I am delighted to announce a new football coaching initiative with our partners, Platform Sports, commencing in half term and then on Saturday mornings thereafter on the revamped astro here at Kingswood House. It would be wonderful to see boys and girls from our own school help to get this off to a flying start, so please do sign up—contact details are on the back page of this newsletter!

The Kingswood House Way

Thank you to my team of staff who, in the face of rising absence from pupils and colleagues, have continued to deliver a first-class education. I am sure that the second half of term will not be without its challenges and I call upon our whole community to exercise patience and understanding as we adjust to the ‘new normal’.

In the meantime, I wish everyone a relaxing half term with their families and friends and look forward to welcoming back the pupils on Monday 1st November for an action-packed few weeks in the lead up to Christmas!

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster



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

2021	NOVEMBER	WEEK 1	
Monday	01	1630	Co-Educational Staff Review Meeting
Tuesday	02	1430 1630	U14 vs Belmont (A) Staff Meeting
Wednesday	03	0845 0930 1430 1430 1430 1800	8F Assembly Lower Prep Forest School U13 A & B vs Duke of Kent (A) U13 C & D vs Duke of Kent (H) Colts A, B & C vs Duke of Kent (H) 5F Parents Evening
Thursday	04	0900-1600	Year 6 Geography trip to River Tillingbourne
Friday	05	0900-1200 1830	Open Morning—prospective parents touring by appointment KHA Fireworks Evening
Saturday	06	0900-1000	Years 3 & 5 Scholarship Assessment Morning <i>Platform Sports Football Coaching at KHS</i>

LUNCH MENU week beginning 01.11.2021

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Macaroni or Cauliflower Cheese (V) with Sliced, Cooked Ham	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Jelly	Cottage Pie; Seasonal Veg Pie (V) with Fresh Broccoli	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Rice Pudding	Toad in the Hole; Vegetarian Sausage in the Hole (V) Roast Potatoes & Baked Beans	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Carrot Cake	Thais Red Chicken; Red Pepper & Onion Curry (V) Brown & White Rice with Peas	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Pears with Chocolate Sauce	Fish Fingers; Smiley Faces with Peas & Sweetcorn	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts; Banana Cake

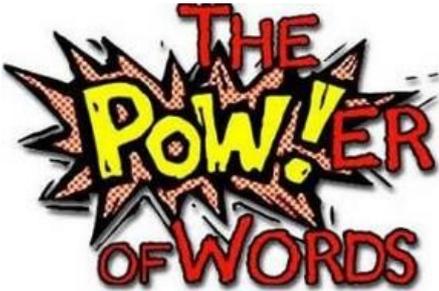


Wearing Masks & LFT

Please ensure, unless they are exempt, that your child in Year 7 and above is wearing a mask on transport into school and during the day around classrooms and corridors; we are keen to see infection rates go down.

We ask you kindly to support us in this by taking Lateral Flow Tests twice a week as well to minimise asymptomatic spread in school. Thank you for your participation and understanding.





At the end of half term, some of us will be celebrating Halloween, so I thought it would be nice to know the meaning behind it.

Halloween’s origins date back to the ancient Celtic festival of *Samhain*, pronounced ‘sow-in’. The Celts, who lived in the area that is now Ireland, the United Kingdom and northern France, celebrated their new year on November 1. This day marked the end of summer and the harvest and the beginning of the dark, cold winter, a time of year that was often associated with human death. Celts believed that on the night before the new year, the boundary between the worlds of the living and the dead became blurred. On the night of October 31 they celebrated *Samhain*, when it was believed that the ghosts of the dead returned to earth. The word **Halloween** or *Hallowe’en* dates back to 1745 and is of Christian origin—the word means ‘*Saints’ evening*’. Happy Halloween everyone! *Mme Swift*

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

Reception

To the WHOLE of Reception for a super successful half term and for being kind friends to each other and the rest of the Lower Prep. Great job! Miss de Klerk

2 & 3L

Leo J for writing an excellent Anglo Saxon poem. Mrs Lambert

4S

Zachary B – for excellent work on his spellings recently – Zachary is trying really hard and putting in lots of effort! Miss Smith

UPPER PREP

5F

Cameron E for being a super Geographer. He always works really hard and gives 100% in all his subjects. Ms Forbes

Oliver R for working hard in Maths and staying focused. Mrs Seiver

Harry R, Elliot W and Cameron E for their excellent contributions in French lessons. Mme Swift

6L

Well done Rhys B for being helpful in class. Mrs Lindley

Ed B for writing a wonderful piece of persuasive writing. Mrs Seiver

6S

The whole class, for having a great half of the term. I have also had positive feedback about the class for their work in History and Computer Science and apparently their behaviour during lock down practice was excellent – well done! Madame Swift

Nathaniel J and Alexander F have both been very helpful with collecting and carrying books between the numerous classrooms. A huge thank you for all your help from Miss Roets.

6S for working so hard on their evolution work when Mrs Seiver was absent. Mrs Seiver

7BA

Thomas H and Rex T - great focus in Science recently. Mr Barratt

William B for his excellent work in maths - he didn't give up, persevered and discovered that he's the master of place value, fractions, and decimals! Mrs Wood

7BL

Hussain K after taking part in Teams lessons Hussain has settled back into school life, he shows integrity and endeavour. Miss Black

Dylan N has an in-depth knowledge of the Kingswood House Way and is always keen to explain it to others - great work Dylan. Miss Black

Oscar E - great focus and effort this week. Mr Barratt

Jensyn A - excellent effort in computer science. Mrs Webb

7P

Fin R has been very polite and always ensures to ask how I am! Miss Patel

Alex H has been working hard in lessons despite his fractured arm! Miss Patel

Dan G has been showing some brilliant insight and reflections on how others may feel in certain situations, very mature Dan, well done! Miss Patel

7P continued

Tristan B – great focus and effort this week. Mr Barratt

Kieran S for his excellent war presentation; despite currently working from home, he put together a great power-point for the class and delivered an informative and professional presentation. Mrs Bray

Kieran S and Tristan B for excellent progress and enthusiasm in coding club. Mrs Webb

8F

Noah S - great initiative whilst researching his IPQ project. Miss Foster

Ed C and Michael S both for excellent commitment to sport this term, fantastic results too! Miss Foster

Sam C- for helping a staff member when they dropped their paper - excellent example of, "being caught doing good". Well done! Miss Foster

Thank you to Tai B who got on his hands and knees and cleared up some paper on the floor, after an activity. He was not asked to do this, but a great example of Respect! Mrs Haunstetter

Ed C has upped his science game this year and has been providing some wonderful information and applying knowledge from Year 7! Miss Patel

Enzo R - I have been delighted with Enzo's improved work ethic in maths lessons this term- keep it up! Mr Sukhdeo

8L

Arlo S and Avaneesh G - both boys have been working diligently throughout the first half of term. They have persevered when things have been tricky and produced some strong work. Mr Laudy

Avaneesh Ghas made a fantastic presentation about the Galapagos Penguin. His presentation was extremely informative and even included a question game for the whole class! It was well prepared and delivered with humour and enthusiasm - a teacher in the making! Miss Black

Well done to Toby C for finding the most composite, prime and square numbers. Mrs Lindley

8T

Olly D for keeping right on top of his work, whilst at home isolating. Madame Taylor

For all 8T boys - with Mr. Westcott's help - for excellent participation, group work and behaviour during a PSHE lesson taught remotely. Madame Taylor

SENIORS

9B

Patrick G is a pleasure to teach; he has great leadership skills and independence; he often reminds members of the form about their homework and offers solutions to those who need support. Mrs Bray

Patrick G for the quality of his work in English and his contributions in lessons. Mr March

Lukas C for the excellent IPQ presentation he delivered to 8L about the relevance of Shakespeare's plays to the world we live in today. Mr March

Bogdan P has put a lot of effort into his Science work, he constantly challenges himself to complete the extension tasks. Keep up the good work! Miss Black

Patrick G has a good subject knowledge in Science, he is hard working and shows endeavour in every lesson - well done Patrick! Miss Black

Archie S and Owen C for attending computer science lessons on Teams and completing all the set work. Mrs Webb

Ben H for coping so admirably with the workload upon his return to school. It is great to see his great big smile in lessons and especially during the lesson 6 on a Friday! Mr Sukhdeo

9B continued

Zachary F for his help this half term with the Town Leave register; Zachary ensures that the correct numbers are recorded every Thursday morning for the town leave register- without being reminded to carry out this duty! Mr Sukhdeo

9H

Oscar D'A & Tommy W for settling back into school life after a long absence. Mr Hendry

Ivan T for a massive effort with French homework this week. Madame Taylor

Ted B-A showed concern and empathy towards a new KHS student (non-English speaking) in the lunch hall, who had been sitting by himself in some confusion - until Ted kindly helped him. Mrs O'Shea

Tommy W for asking me how my weekend and day had been; lovely for me to see and experience such manners and respect, as I don't teach the senior pupils. Mme Swift

James C has shown exemplary book work, his presentation and notes are wonderful! Well done James! Miss Patel

Ruari F for attending all computer science lessons while absent from school and catching up on all missed work. Mrs Webb

Charlie L for his fantastic contribution to lesson this half term and Ruari F for his meticulous presentation and effort with his maths this half term. Mr Sukhdeo

10H

10H for a very mature and sensitive discussion about 'Giving Racism the Red Card' during PSHE. Mrs Haunstetter

Marcus G really impressed when he opted for a challenge task in lessons and did a great job with resistance and charge calculations! Miss Patel

Well done to Ted R for his fantastic contributions in Maths discussions. Mrs Lindley

10W

Miss Conor has fed back that Chris H is always courteous to her, greets her with a smile and opens the door for her. Mrs Weston

Zac A & Joseph S for their conscientious approach in lessons and for attending the further maths clinic on a Thursday. Mr Sukhdeo

11B

Congratulations are due to Jack B and Rory G for both being awarded a Distinction in their Grade 3 Duologue Acting LAMDA exams with the very high marks of 90 and 91 respectively. Mr Bailey

11W

Excellent response from Year 11W with their Meditation and Breathing techniques. Well done to all the form for hard work and showing respect during all form periods. Mrs Wraith

Owain F and Sam Sq have been showing great team work in science lessons, it's been lovely seeing them supporting each other! Miss Patel

Eddie F shows brilliant focus in lessons and a very mature attitude to learning - an exemplary year 11 - well done Eddie! Miss Patel

Year 6 English Enrichment

As part of English enrichment, 6S have been looking at Shakespeare and in particular *The Tempest*. This is his 3rd shortest play and probably one of the least complicated to follow. The pupils watched a video of the play and we discussed the plot and the characters. For their prep, they were asked to design a poster advertising the play and I think you will agree that they have all captured its essence very well!

Mme Swift



SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Homefield

U13A – 8-1 win; Harrison W (7P) scored 1 goal, Beau C (8T) and Noah S (8F) both scored 2 goals, Hussain K (7BL) scored 3 goals and was awarded Player of the Match.

U13B1 – 5-3 win; Kobi W (8T) scored 3 goals and received Player of the Match, Zac M (8T) scored 2 goals.

U13B2 – 6-3 win; Dan G (7P) with 2 goals, Krishan I (8F) 1 goal, Zac Y (7BA) 1 goal and Tai B (8F) 2 goals; well done to Eddie C (8F) awarded Player of the Match.

U13C1 – 4-3 win; Jensyn A (7BL) 1 goal, Luca S-S (8T) 1 goal, George E (7BA) 1 goal, Ibrahim M (8L) 1 goal and Zac M (7BA) awarded Player of the Match along with Dylan N (7BL) who gave constant encouragement to all players.

U13C2 – 10 -1 win; Henry R (7BL) 1 goal, Theo J (8L) 1 goal, Conor M-A (7BA) 3 goals, Elliot N (8T) with 3 goals and George E (7BA) with 2 goals and awarded Player of the Match for his sportsman ship seen 100% throughout the game.



KHS vs Duke of Kent

U15 A – 2-0 loss; Max G (10W) and Max H (9B) both awarded joint Player of the Match.

U15 B – 6-0 loss; Ted B-A (9H) awarded Player of the Match.

U15 C – 1-1 draw; goal scored by Hugo D (11W) and Angelo C (11B) awarded Player of the Match.

KHS vs Parkside

U13 A – 2-1 loss; with the goal by Beau C (8T) and Ethan B and Hussain K (7BL) awarded joint Player of the Match.

U13 B - 4-1 loss; Kobe W (8T) scored the goal; Will H (8F) with the sportsmanship award because of his honesty towards the referee and Krishan I (8F) with Player of the Match.

U13 C – 7-1 loss; Stanley B-D (7BA) with the goal and Josh McC (8L) received Player of the Match.

U13 D – 7-1 loss; Toby C (8L) with the goal and Will F (7BA) awarded Player of the Match.

U13 E – 7-2 loss; Thomas H (7BA) with 2 goals and Player of the Match was awarded to Gabriel C (7BL)



Form 10W presented a wonderfully informative and interesting whole school Assembly at Christ Church on Wednesday.

It was vital to get this important campaigning message across to everyone before we fund raise for the cause on Friday by wearing red with our school uniform.

#WRD21



A wonderfully vibrant addition to the school uniform last Friday, supporting the Young Minds charity **#HelloYellow** in recognition of Mental Health...



#HelloYellow

YOUNGMINDS

THANK YOU!

We were delighted to raise £483.50 for the charity—thanks to all for your generous contributions and support!





#HelloYellow

YOUNG MINDS



Reception pupils made super hero masks to signal their support!





House points - this week - Whole School



House points - totals - Whole School



Amazon Smile—Fundraising for KHS

As per the Parentmail sent earlier this week, If you order anything from Amazon, especially in the lead up to Christmas the KHA would be very grateful if you could log on via smile.amazon.co.uk If you do this the KHA will earn a percentage of your shopping bill.

When you log on via smile you will see a list of schools and at that point you can select Kingswood House School from there. The ordering process is then exactly the same. Thank you in advance for your help in raising funds for our school community.



“TEA & TALK 2” - Wonderment...

Kingswood House girls and parents are warmly invited to our second

“Tea & Talk” on Monday 8th November at 1630 in Langlands Hall.

Our guest speaker, Merinda D’Aprano, will build upon the themes explored by Roz McLeod, offer practical advice and instil a sense of joy and excitement about the opportunities on offer for our pioneering girls in the future.

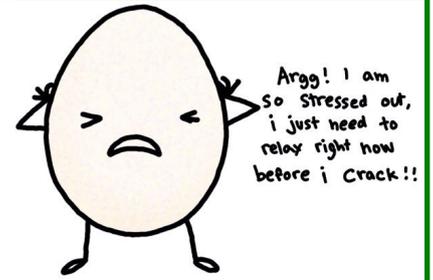


Merinda is well-known to us at KHS thanks to her plentiful work with boys and staff in the lead up to co-education. She has conducted well-received workshops here about diversity, gender and equality in recent months. A former headteacher of Notre Dame Prep, Cobham, Merinda is currently Chair of Governors at the Ursuline Prep in Wimbledon and an educational consultant. Based locally in Epsom, Merinda is actively involved with Christ Church and also a published author. Merinda is excited to be a part of our Tea & Talk programme and will both challenge preconceptions and propagate a keen spirit of adventure.

***Please RSVP by Monday 1st November to Zoe Ashton:
admissions@kingswoodhouse.org***

"Now turn over your papers and you can begin..."

We've all heard those words before and, for most of us, our hearts ran a little faster and we almost stopped breathing as we read the first question. Exams are looming and it is a difficult time. We feel the pressure and the desire to do well; this desire to achieve can lead to stress. Often a little stress is good, it gets the heart pumping and more oxygen to the brain, but sometimes it spills over into a stress of the sort that freezes us, that stops us thinking and performing well, and a mental barrier comes up and we forget everything. So, how do we help ourselves?



Recently, during PHSE I have been talking to Year 11 about releasing negative stress through meditation, breathing exercises and life style / good habits. It was difficult at first for the pupils to meditate and laughter rang through the class as we tried this but most agreed that it was very liberating and relaxing. The aim of this exercise was really to release tension and bring the emotional, mental and physical into the present moment. It is a small exercise but often effective.



Meditation has been proved by many thousands of scientific studies to reduce stress in every way. It can lower blood pressure, deepen the breath, relax the body, and calm emotions. Even a moment, a pause, can make a difference. This pause can begin with the eyes closed to avoid visual distraction and sitting quietly for a few moments, no distractions just quiet.

Finally, opening the eyes, we are ready for the next activity.

Breath is also deeply important to reducing our stress. When our stress levels increase, for example at the turning over of that exam page, immediately our breath becomes more shallow in response, we take in less oxygen and the stress response increases. It is at this moment that we really need to take deep, slow breaths, not only does this help with oxygen uptake but it actually slows the heart rate and helps us to relax.

This should help all pupils, parents (and teachers) not only in the exam period but daily life. Take a moment to release that pent up physical, emotional and verbal energy; meditate, pause and take deep, slow breaths and it may help your mental and physical well-being.

INHALE
EXHALE

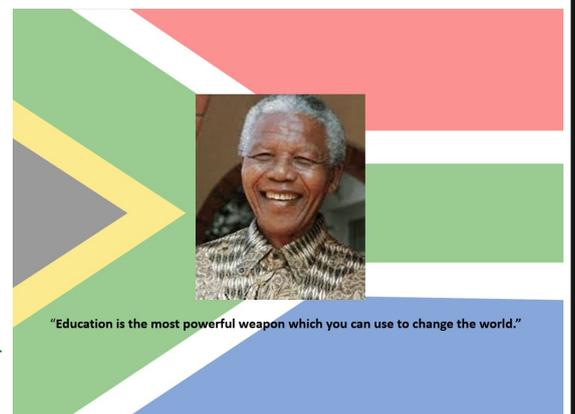
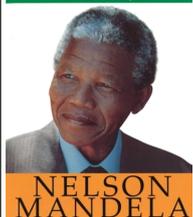
Mrs Wraith Head of Art , KHS Values, Year 11 Form Teacher

Senior Pupil Briefing—Black History Month Awareness

Thank you to Mr Sukhdeo who gave an informative and interesting Senior Pupil Briefing this week on the subject of Nelson Mandela. Mr Sukhdeo championed the incredible life and struggles of this acclaimed leader and spoke passionately about his home country of South Africa.

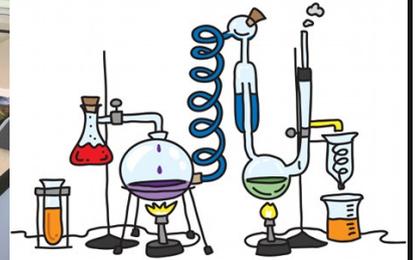
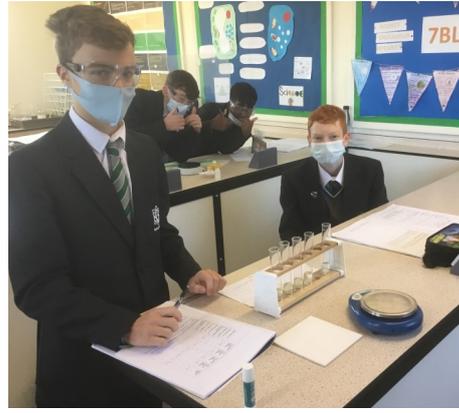


He also mentioned how he is currently re-reading Mandela's riveting memoirs, 'Long Walk to Freedom' and may even be found in Café Nero on a Sunday morning, post cycle ride in the South Downs...reading in unusual places?!



Senior Science

Year 9 have been investigating osmosis in their Science lessons. They followed the method carefully and have learnt a lot from carrying out the experiment. *Miss Black*

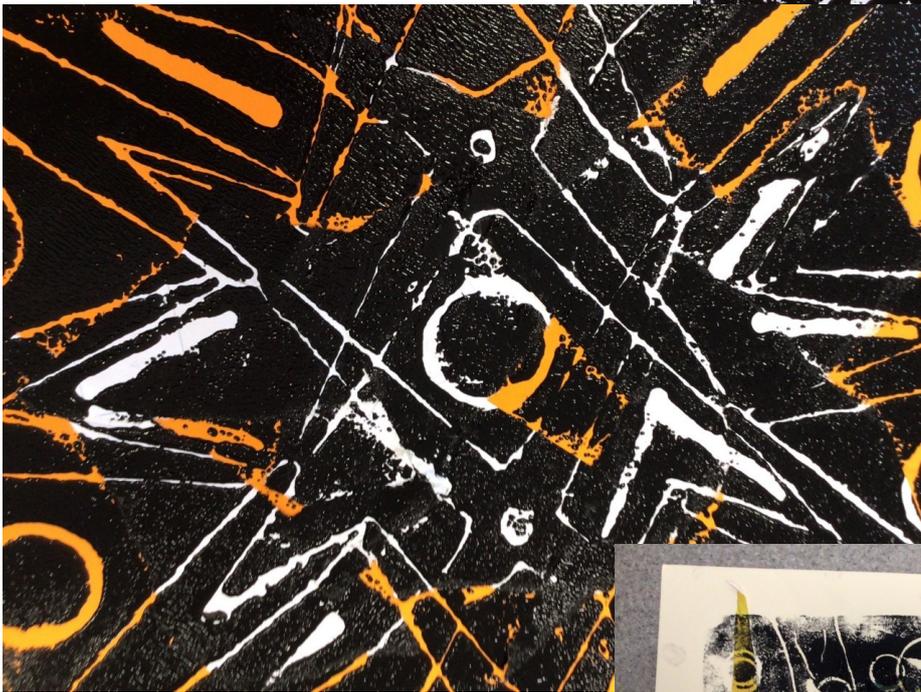


Black History Month Learning

To celebrate Black History Month, in our Teams lesson, Mrs Haunstetter and I showed Year 6 a 30 minute video celebrating black people and their achievements. We then asked the children to research and write about any person of black origin. In Friday's lesson, in groups, they had to combine their information and make a display of their work. The finished products will be available for you to see in next week's newsletter.

Mrs Haunstetter & Mme Swift





Some more great exploratory print making by Year 9s in homage to Jim Dine's work... exciting colour choices and a great energy to the work.

Well done pupils!

Mrs Wraith





Reception Bear ...and Pumpkin Hunt!

Reception children went on a great big outdoors adventure through mud, grass and water. We enjoyed singing the song from 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' - "We can't go over it! We can't go under it! We have to go through it!"

It was such fun to take our school shoes off and make muddy footprints with brown paint squelching between our toes!

We have learnt all about harvesting and even found a pumpkin hiding in our vegetable garden. We decided to bring it to class for our Halloween table. What a fantastic week before our half term break. Well done, Reception, you have all been super stars, and I can't wait for more adventures next half term. *Miss de Klerk*

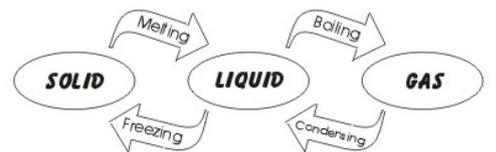


Year 5 Changing States!

Year 5 have been studying states of matter in their Science topic; this week they were looking at irreversible change. The pupils enjoyed various practical experiments that explored this concept and made plastic casein and carbon dioxide.

Good work all round!

Ms Forbes



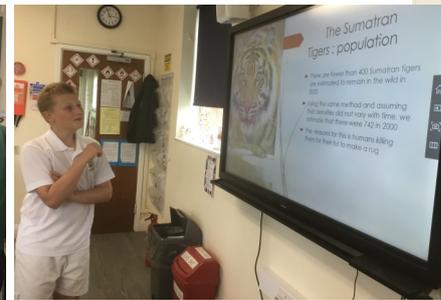
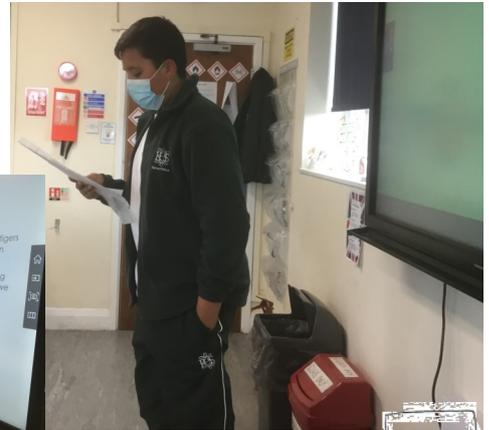


Year 8 Science Presentations

This week 8L have been presenting their work in Science.

Each pupil researched and prepared a presentation all about an endangered species of their choice. Each pupil demonstrated excellent public speaking skills and prepared very informative presentations.

Miss Black



Open Event for Sixth Form Entry in 2022

Saint Cecilia's Church of England School invites prospective sixth form students and parents/carers to an introductory talk and tour of our school on **Thursday 14th October 6.15-8.30pm.**

This event is for all current Year 11 pupils, you do not have to be a current pupil at Saint Cecilia's to join us.

To book tickets to this free event and to download our prospectus, please visit our school website using this QR code.



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Maths Enrichment—fun puzzles for all the family to try

Senior problem: Daniel's Star!

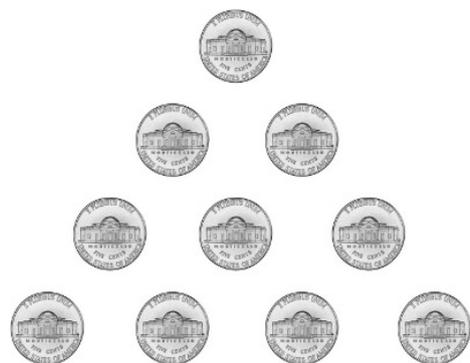
Daniel creates a solid 'star' shape by gluing square-based pyramids onto each face of a cube, so that the cube is completely hidden. How many faces does his 'star' have?

Upper Prep problem: Alphabet Spaghetti!

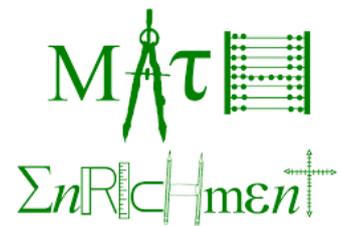
What letter of the alphabet is the one which comes eight letters before the letter which comes five letters after the fourth appearance of the first letter to occur four times in this sentence?

Lower Prep problem: Coin Star!

Move only 3 coins to turn this triangle upside down...



Thank you to Mrs Lindley who has put together the following programme of topics and activities for our Maths Enrichment after half term.



Week	Topic	Area of study	Cross Curricular links	KHS Value
1/11	Mathematics Olympics	Number, Statistics	Sport	Self-Awareness
8/11	Maths Magic	Sequences & patterns , Algebra	Drama, English, Communication	Tolerance
15/11	STEAM workshops and activities	Engineering	Science, ICT, Art, DT	Social awareness
22/11	Notable moments in Maths	History of Maths	Art and DT, History	Respect
29/11	Orienteering	Direction, angles, bearings, shape, space and measure	Geography, DT	Self-awareness
6/12	Maths Crafts	Geometry, shapes, tessellation	Art and DT	Tolerance
13/12	Christmaths	Number, Geometry, Algebra	English and History, RS	Respect

Mrs Lindley says, "Our Kingswood House Way key value for this half of term is 'Respect'. We will continue our Enrichment plan in the second half of term with Mathematics. We have an exciting second half of term planned to pique the interests of everyone. Students will develop their understanding of Mathematics but will also improve their self-awareness, tolerance, social awareness and understanding of democracy. Please see the enrichment plan, above, for further information".

'Helping Your Maths Anxious Child' - free webinar

Miss Wilson, our SENCo, has spotted this free **webinar** if you feel your child needs more support with their feelings towards maths as a subject! in the session, taking place on **3rd. November** at 7:30pm. Rachel Kidson (Maths Author & Educational Psychology Lead at Eedi) gives practical advice on ways you can help your child with their maths, whether they are struggling with maths anxiety or stuck on their homework. There will also be tips for keeping any adult maths anxieties at bay too; we all experience maths anxiety in certain situations, but if your child experiences it on a regular basis, it can result in lower performance, and more importantly be detrimental to their self-esteem...so now might be a good time to boost their self-esteem in the subject before the next half term's subject enrichment! Register [here](#)



A Well-Travelled Flag!

The pupils enjoyed a thrilling morning in the company of polar explorer Antony Jinman who is part of the Shackleton Anniversary Expedition taking place in December, see [here](#).

"What is a Dream, If Not A Blueprint for Courageous Action"

Antarctic Quest 21

A Commemoration of the Life of Sir Ernest Henry Shackleton



Year 7 boys and girls' pastel and wax-resist work based on Kandinsky's abstract geometric colour work....



Years 2,3 and 4 had a fantastic day at the open air museum – Weald and Downland!

The children went as part of their Anglo Saxon studies. They visited an Anglo Saxon house and were able to see how the Anglo Saxons really lived. We looked at the tools and weapons the Anglo Saxons would have used and learnt that the Anglo Saxons used to tell riddles around the fire at night! We even learnt where the Anglo Saxons went to the toilet.....the children are very pleased to be living in the 21st century.

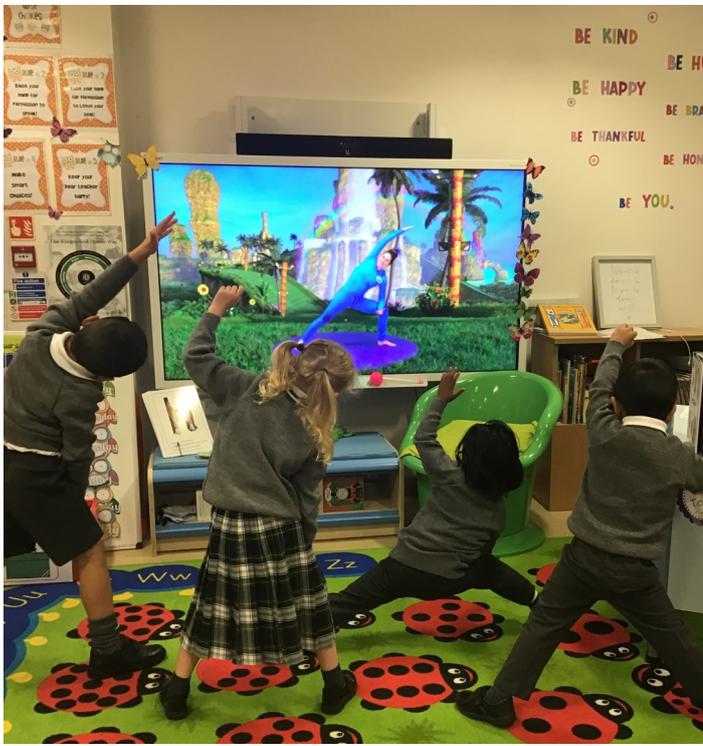




**SHOW
RACISM
THE
RED
CARD**

Wear Red!
Our House meetings at morning break today looked like they were all supporting Nelson house as it coincided with our 'Show Racism the Red Card', wear red, fundraising day. There was a great range of jumpers, t-shirts, socks, scarves and even shorts on show!
Thank you for your support. *Miss Smith*





Some Reception pupils enjoying a 10 minute yoga stretch after a busy morning and energetic playtime... what a great way to prepare themselves for their afternoon of learning!

Miss De Klerk has sent out details today of a new Club before school offering Yoga Breakfast every Tuesday from 7:30 - 8:15 in the Reception Classroom. Research shows that Yoga improves mindfulness, focus, and reduces anxiety and stress in children as well as improving physical strength, balance and builds endurance - What a fantastic way to start the day at KHS! The classes will be run by Motion Dance Studio.



DLD - Developmental Language Disorder Awareness

On average 1 in 14 people have DLD.

2 children in every class of 30 will have this hidden, but common, condition.

Developmental Language Disorder (DLD) is a diagnosis when children fail to acquire language for no obvious reason. This results in children who have difficulty understanding what people say to them, and struggle to articulate their ideas and feelings. Students with DLD may also use limited vocabulary and use simpler sentences. Engaging with learning is hard when you do not know or understand the words. DLD affects people from around the world regardless of age, gender or ethnicity.

DLD is a hidden disability affecting literacy, learning, friendship and emotional well-being. High percentages of students experiencing behaviour difficulties have unidentified language needs. Children with DLD will benefit from support from specialists such as Speech and Language Therapists and teachers to implement strategies into their daily routine to assist with language and communication.

Friday 15 October 2021 is DLD world awareness day.

This year's campaign is asking us to **#ThinkLanguage #ThinkDLD** and aims to increase early identification and support young people at school. Watch [here](#)

For more information please visit <https://radld.org/>
Raising Awareness of Developmental Language Disorder.

It is a charity coordinated by professionals from Australia, Canada, China, UK and USA who volunteer their time to raise awareness of Developmental Language Disorder (DLD). It provides much information for parents, teachers and professionals about DLD.



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Please take note of our partnership with **Platform Sports** who are running a half term football camp—details available [here](#), as well as starting up a Saturday Morning Soccer Club at KHS Epsom—details available [here](#)

...and finally for Half Term...

You can find magic wherever you look. Sit back and relax, all you need is a book.

- Dr. Seuss

Don't forget our "Reading in Unusual Places" Competition in half term!

To clarify and repeat that is reading in unusual, SAFE places - not dangerous situations!

Mr March would like to encourage pupils to take a photograph of themselves to show the reading in an unusual place. Please print out and submit the photograph on our return to school; aside from the fun element in this activity, our aim is also to emphasise the value of reading by displaying photographs around the school.

Good luck, have fun, happy reading! *Mr March*

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4 - 10 Year Olds

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