

# KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term  
10 June 2022

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

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

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Dear Parents

I offer you a warm welcome back after half term. Well done to our Year 11 boys who have hit the ground running with their GCSE exams after the break!

On Monday, we held a lockdown practice with the children which ran very smoothly. It is some time since we have been able to conduct such an exercise due to Covid restrictions and given the recent incident at Esher High, it is important that we were able to remind the school community of what to do in case of an emergency situation.

Thank you to Miss Hylands and the Eco Club who presented an informative assembly on Wednesday morning about sustainability; they talked with great fervour and knowledge about the small choices we can make on a daily basis which would add up to a significant collective for the benefit of home, school and the planet at large. I know that Miss Hylands would love some more members of the Eco Club, especially girls, so please do talk to your sons and daughters about the benefits of joining such a progressive team.

Mr Sukhdeo and I enjoyed a productive morning of prefect interviews with our aspirational Year 10 cohort yesterday. It was such a pleasure to see how far they have come on their KHS journey and each applicant was able to convey a sense of pride in the school and articulate the resonance of the Kingswood House Way beyond the school gate with aplomb. Well done to everyone who had the confidence to put themselves forward for consideration in keeping with our commitment to democracy in action; please note, the positions of responsibility will be unveiled at Prize Giving. Next week, it will be the turn of Upper Prep boys and girls for their prefect interviews with Mr Clarke and myself.

On Thursday, our Year 8 pupils had a super day on their hike across the Surrey countryside; Mr Mitchell was very impressed with their stamina and thinks that they will be in excellent shape for the Duke of Edinburgh expeditions next year.

A polite reminder that KHS Prize Giving is in the evening of Monday 4th July at Epsom College; this is a compulsory school event and one where we celebrate individual and team successes together as a community.

In the meantime, I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Yours sincerely

*Eco Club Needs You!*

## The Kingswood House Way



Duncan Murphy  
Headmaster



Kingswood House



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

2022				JUNE WEEK 2		GCSE Exams: Week 4; Years 5 & 6 Exams in class	
Monday	13	0730 1000-1300 0900-1600 1055-1215 1600-1700	SLT Meeting Upper Prep Prefect Interviews Year 10 Geography Trip to Eastbourne Years 2, 3 & 4 Swimming at Epsom College 'Tea & Talk 6' with Roz McLeod - 'Let's Celebrate!'				
Tuesday	14	0900-1530 0930 1030 / 1100 1630 1800	Year 7 'Love Languages' Competition at CLFS (selected pupils) Lower Prep Forest School KHA Fathers' Day Shop at break time in the Library Staff Meeting & Google Suite Training Sixth Form Information Evening				
Wednesday	15	0845 1430 1430 1430 1430 1700-1800	Drama Assembly U13A Cricket v Belmont (A) U13 B & C Cricket v Belmont (H) Colts A & B Cricket v Belmont (A) Colts C & D Cricket v Belmont (H) Year 9 & 10 Drama GCSE Performance Exam				
Thursday	16	0830 1430 1700-1745	D of E Bronze Assessed Expedition Departs U8/9 A-C Cricket v Belmont (A) Senior Lecture for Year 8, 9 & 10—Simon Minty				
Friday	17	1600	<b>Marlborough House Day</b> D of E Bronze Assessed Expedition Returns				

**LUNCH MENU for week beginning 13.06.2022**

Chunky Veg & Tomato Sauce with Pasta & Garlic Bread	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Cottage Pie; Quorn Pie (V)	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Roast Pork; Cauliflower Cheese (V) with Roast Potatoes & Steamed Cabbage	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Sweet & Sour Chicken; Sweet & Sour Chunky Veg (V) with Spicy or Plain Noodles	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Fish Fingers or Fish Cakes with Chips & Peas	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts
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*Fantastic Fundraising!*

The final figure for Wellington House Day was **£980.80** and following our Jubilee mufti celebrations we were able to send a donation of **£554** to **The Prince's Trust!** Thank you all for your support.

**GIVING**  
IS NOT JUST ABOUT  
MAKING A DONATION.  
IT'S ABOUT  
MAKING A  
DIFFERENCE.

Please find Mr Murphy's topical thoughts for the week and the pupils who have been 'Mentioned in Dispatches' for something noteworthy recently: [here](#)

## LOWER PREP

### Reception

To Verity for her positive attitude in PE this week and for trying her best, even when things are challenging. Well done, Verity! Mrs De Klerk

Reception class for remembering lots of French words for mini beasts, colours, numbers and clothes. Madame Swift

### 2/3L

Ted R who has come back into school after half term with a positive attitude and has been working hard from our very first lesson - a fantastic example Ted! Mrs Lambert

### 4S

Max B for settling in so well and working really hard. He is learning more English every day and is a lovely addition to KHS. Miss Smith

Year 4 Max B who is always smiling and tries hard with any work he is given. Learning English is a challenge enough, but that hasn't stopped his efforts in French. Madame Swift

## UPPER PREP

### 5F

I have been pleased with Max W showing fine enthusiasm for returning to school this half of term. He is obviously really pleased to be back! Keep it up, Max. Ms Forbes

Seb P for some really thoughtful English work. Ms Forbes

### 5S

Freddie L and Joshua G for improved enthusiasm in maths. Miss Sumners

Torin A-I for an excellent setting description. Miss Sumners

### 6L

Well done to Harvey M, Bennie A and Indi D for their great contributions to PHSE this week as we discussed Body Image. Mrs Lindley

### 6S

Arun A for his constant good manners and the respect he shows to others. Madame Swift

### 7BA

A mention for Ezra O-W who keeps on doing his best - week in/week out; and Rex T - more being his best self every day. Mr Barratt  
All of 7BA who were a real pleasure to have in class for a Special Jubilee lesson when they would normally be learning French. They worked very well, some of them had a go at drawing the Jubilee emblem as well (with the help of Mrs. Wood), and we even managed to get a French flag in the midst of them! Madame Taylor

Well done to Rex T, very enthusiastic with contributing to the class discussion. Mrs Lindley

### 7BL

Dylan N, Henry R, Khishaan T - all pupils returned to school with a big smile on their faces and a positive attitude for the first week back. It is great to see such enthusiasm. Mrs Black

### 7P

Pippa T for showing great maturity when dealing with clashes! Miss Patel

**UPPER PREP *continued...***

**8F**

Edward C - excellent work in art, especially your overly elaborate stickman in PSHE, it's really lovely to see you so passionate about something. Miss Foster

Charles R - for showing real focus this term. Your IPQ presentation and essay were proof of this. Miss Foster

Dylan B and Noah S both pupils stayed behind to talk about potentially being a pilot with Mr Ruscoe on Monday - it was nice to see your enthusiasm. Mrs Black

**8L**

Well done to Ibrahim M who has made a diligent start to this half of term. Mr Laudy

**8T**

8T for a very sensible and mature discussion on the use of social media during our Form Time today. Madame Taylor

***Sport***

All the following Lower and Upper Prep pupils deserve a mention for their performance at the Parkside Biathlon event just before half term. They are...

From 8F Enzo R & Harry L

From 7Ba Jason S & Connor M-A; and Sebastian V (7Bl)

From 6S Byron M & Peter S; Max K (6L)

In Year 5 - Oliver R (5S) and Max W (5F)

From 4S Jamie C, Toby H, Zachary B & Gregory C

From 3L Penny C & Phoebe W

**SENIORS**

**9B**

During town leave before half term, a lady dropped a large withdrawal of notes. Tedd B-A (9H) James K (9B) Ben Hu (9B) and Patrick G (9H) immediately went to help and made sure that the lady had all of her possessions. She was so delighted with the students that she insisted on giving them £10. Mrs Bray

**9H**

Well done to Tedd B-A who is working really hard to complete his classwork and preps. Mrs Lindley

Ben Hu (9B) and Ruari F (9H) for showing great determination with their D of E route cards! Miss Patel

Rory S & Ozzy S for great endeavour in lessons across their GCSE options this week so far. Mr Hendry

**10H**

Marcus G and Ali A-R in 10H for being so polite when they bumped into Mr Sukhdeo and his family whilst bowling over half term. Mrs Haunstetter

Jess D for her impressive work ethic and sophisticated analysis of our War and Conflict Poetry. Mrs Bray

Well done to Ali A-R working consistently hard and tries to contribute to class discussions. Mrs Lindley

**10W**

A comment about the class from Miss Foster who was in a cover English lesson with them... "The class were fantastic, it was a really fun lesson, they just got on with the work". It is lovely as a class teacher to hear about the merits of the class like this; I'm very pleased and proud. Mrs Weston

Jack B-A and Will M went and tidied up the debris after the Jubilee lunch of their own accord. Good citizenship in evidence! Mrs Weston



**#plattjubes!**

Very well done to Nathan J (6S) who was inspired by all the events over the long Jubilee weekend to produce this commemorative poster capturing some of his favourite bits he had witnessed! It was truly a memorable long weekend.

*How can we Self-Improve through Effort and Resolve? ...a few thoughts from Mrs Wraith, our KHS Values co-ordinator.*

Making mistakes and experiencing failure is good; when you are young you just try things and often fail at them until you get better and learn, but as we grow older we find this carefree attitude harder. Whatever our age, when you try something and fail you might worry others will laugh at you, but this is not the case and in fact people often admire you MORE for trying, possibly failing and trying again until you succeed. When you experience something that, in your eyes is a failure, you soon realise that it is seldom the end of the world. Success in life often comes from not giving up despite mistakes and failure. It comes from being persistent. When you first learn to ride your bike you will wobble and fall over and over, bruise a knee and cry, but you soon get back up, brush yourself off and get on the saddle again and eventually, you learn how to ride a bike. Instead of giving up after a first try or a failure or two, learn valuable lessons from this and, as the saying goes, keep trying and you will succeed.



A well-known proverb by Thomas H Palmer—Try, Try Again.

'Tis a lesson you should heed—  
Try again;  
If at first you don't succeed,  
Try again.  
Then your courage should appear;  
For if you will persevere,  
You will conquer, never fear,  
Try again.

Once or twice though you should fail,  
If you would at last prevail,  
Try again.  
If we strive, 'tis no disgrace  
Though we did not win the race—  
What should you do in that case?  
Try again.

If you find your task is hard.  
Try again;  
Time will bring you your reward,  
Try again;  
All that other folk can do,  
Why with patience should not you?  
Only keep this rule in view,  
Try again.

Only five more weeks to go in this half term to earn those house points towards the grand totals and winners for the year...keep at it everyone, in the classroom and around school generally. It is your time to make a contribution, and make a difference. As Mrs Wraith's article says left, "***If at first you don't succeed, try, try again...***"

### House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 2363
Marlborough - 2043
Nelson - 2155
Wellington - 2099

# SPORTS RESULTS

## KHS U13 v Homefield

**Colts A** - match drawn; KHS 96/4 to Homefield's 96/3, both off 12 overs.

Cameron E (5F) was our Player of the Match and moment of the match for scoring 52 not out and taking an incredible 'caught and bowled' and back to back 6s. Alex F (6S) took 1 wicket; Byron M (6S) bowling at the death getting 1 wicket and a run out to tie the game.



**Colts B** - lost narrowly but some great bowling from Harry R (5F) and excellent batting from Max K (6L) who was awarded Player of the Match.

**Colts C** - lost by just 10 runs; Jamil H (6L) given a Sportsmanship Award for organising players and saying three cheers to Homebase not Homefield! Oscar E (6S) or P (6L) a mention for solid bowling; Peter S (6S) Player of the Match for his all round performance; Cyril B-D (5S) deserves a mention for his batting skills.



Below is a *Platinum Jubilee Prayer* that was written by Nathan J (6S) and read out in our Christ Church service at the end of half term.

Almighty God, thank you for this day as we celebrate the Platinum Jubilee of the Queen's reign. Thank you for all the blessings you have showered upon our monarch and our country. We are grateful for the prosperity and success that you have gifted this country.

We now recollect the oath that the Queen had solemnly taken 70 years ago. She promised to govern the peoples of the United Kingdom and her other possessions, to execute all judgments upholding Law and Justice and to maintain the Law of God and the true profession of The Gospel.

Thank you, God, for helping her to abide by these promises. We pray that you will bless her to continue her reign with peace and good health. Please bless us citizens to work towards building a nation that will be a blessing to the world.

Amen



*Vaping in School - help us to help your child!*

We held a brief meeting for all parents in Year 7-11 on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 3.15pm. There has been a very small number of incidents this term of vapes being found on students whilst on the school site; we need support and understanding from parents to make sure this sort of situation is minimised.

Vaping is a growing problem in every school across the UK and a collaborative approach is always the best way to mitigate concerns of this nature. As a reminder, **it is against the law for people below the age of 18 to buy or use a vape**. In many schools, a zero tolerance approach is taken to possession of a vape which means temporary exclusion and then permanent exclusion for a second offence.

We always try to balance fairness with our sanctions but as a school it is also our duty to protect young people by instigating rules and sanctions in keeping with the rest of the independent sector. It is important that you understand the potential consequences if your son or daughter brings a vape onto the school site.

### Vaping

- In England and in Great Britain as a whole, experimentation with E-Cigarettes has steadily increased in recent years. However, regular use remains low, with 1.7% of 11 to 18 year olds in Great Britain reporting at least weekly use in 2018 (it was 0.4% among 11 year olds and 2.6% among 18 year olds).
- Vaping continues to be associated with smoking. The proportion of young people who have never smoked who use EC at least weekly remains very low (0.2% of 11 to 18 year olds in 2018).
- The proportion who haven't smoked but have tried vaping is increasing.
- Studies from outside of the UK suggest a similar picture, with increasing experimentation and use of E-Cigarettes over time among youth. There is evidence from the US that increasing vaping is happening against a backdrop of reducing cigarette smoking.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/vaping-in-england-an-evidence-update-february-2019>

Well done to, Enzo R & Harry L (both 8F); Jason S & Connor M-A (both 7Ba) & Sebastian V (7Bl); Byron M & Peter S (both 6S) & Max K(6L); Oliver R (5S) & Max W (5F); from 4S Jamie C, Toby H, Zachary B & Gregory C; from 3L Penny C & Phoebe W.



*Biathlon Event for KHS*

Many congratulations to all the KHS pupils who competed in the Parkside Biathlon event just before we broke up. It was a lovely sunny day which helped the pupils have a great experience of what a Biathlon is like and how much work is needed. They all participated well and were in high spirits even after the race when they were exhausted!

The pupils they were competing against were very strong so when Gregory and Oliver came in the top 10 it was a fantastic result. Well done! They all showed great endeavour by not giving up. Even though we had the least number of pupils they were cheering the loudest.

Thank you to everyone for your participation. *Mr Westcott*



Here are some pictures of the bunting made by 7BA when we celebrated the Jubilee in school just before half term. The class would normally be learning French—hence the odd appearance of the *tricolore* in them! They worked very well; some of them had a go at drawing the Jubilee emblem with the help of Mrs. Wood. *Madame Taylor*



STUDY CENTRE NEWS: It's that time of year where we are starting to plan ahead for September. As we think ahead, have you ever considered touch typing for your child? Typing is becoming more and more popular as a 'normal way of working' for young people, but in order for this to be successful, pupils need to be confident and competent.

Why not book your child onto one of these touch typing courses, to help them get ahead of the game and encourage this valuable skill? There are many benefits of touch typing for children and young people:

- It helps children to develop speed and accuracy when working.
- Typing becomes more accurate.
- It prepares children for the next steps: secondary school, college or sixth form, University, the workplace...
- The multi-sensory aspect of typing can help children recognise letter patterns.
- Thoughts can be captured more quickly, meaning children are less likely to forget their ideas when getting them down on paper.
- It makes drafting and editing quicker and easier, allowing numerous attempts.
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Did you know, you can also learn to type as the skill element for the Duke of Edinburgh award?

There are several courses available locally, and some online:

[Helen Arkell](#)

[Typing's Cool](#)

[DTTS](#) (online and face-to-face options)

[Type It!](#) (online and face-to-face options)

Why not get something booked in now? *Miss Wilson*



## **“Celebrate With Us!”**

**You are warmly invited to our sixth “Tea & Talk”**

**on Monday 13th June 2022 1600-1700**

**in the Dining Room**

We are thrilled to celebrate with you and your daughters at the end of this academic year with pizza and cup cakes!

Roz McLeod, members of the SLT and staff, will be joining us in this informal session to review the year at KHS.

We look forward to seeing you all there!

Please RSVP to Zoe Ashton [admissions@kingswoodhouse.org](mailto:admissions@kingswoodhouse.org) by Thursday 9th June with any allergies / dietary requirements, thank you.





*Eco Club Assembly*

A big 'Thank You' to Miss Hylands and Eco Club members who took our assembly on Wednesday to help raise awareness of what they do in school and how we can all play our part to save the planet and be more environmentally friendly.

Did you know that it takes nearly 450 years for a plastic bottle to decompose? That's why it is so important to make sure you use a reusable bottle! The assembly was incredibly informative boasting this and many other facts...

If you are interested in joining Eco Club, come and speak to Miss Hylands or anyone on the Eco team. We look forward to welcoming new members and having lots of fun and learning opportunities together! *Miss Hylands*

Well done to all our DoE pupils who have been working towards their Duke of Edinburgh's award over the past year; from April 2021 to March 2022 they gave up 91 hours of their time to voluntary service in the community on a wide range of projects—a superb display of the Kingswood House Way values in evidence for public benefit.



**YOUTH  
WITHOUT  
LIMITS**

# Thank you

to the  
**Duke of Edinburgh's Award participants**

from

**Kingswood House School**

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who spent

**91 hours**

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**volunteering between  
1 April 2021 and 31 March 2022.**

**We are immensely proud of the dedication, effort and achievement  
of young people making an impact in their community**

The social value of these hours is

**£420.42**

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ruth Marvel'.

RUTH MARVEL CEO

**June 2022**



### Careers Talk—Flying High!

This week, all of our Upper Prep had a special treat during their assembly time as it was delivered by Mr Ruscoe - a parent of one of our Year 7 pupils, Henry, and a pilot with BA

Mr Ruscoe spoke to Years 5,6,7 and 8 and provided information about the career paths of being both a military pilot and working in the commercial sector for British Airways.



The talk included how Mr Ruscoe achieved his ambition of becoming a pilot and an overview of the career field in general; he emphasised the point how the aviation industry is keen for the number of female pilots to increase—let's hope all our girls in Upper Prep were listening...?!

Upper Prep had a lot of thoughtful questions for Mr Ruscoe and the talk linked in well with the Morrisby enrichment sessions that Year 7 currently have each Tuesday.



*Thank you*

Thank you again to Mr Ruscoe; it was truly wonderful to hear about your career path.

*Mrs Black*



### A note from Mr Sukhdeo...

Next week we are hoping that many of you will be able to join us for our **Sixth Form Information Evening** on **Tuesday 14th June** at 1800

and then the **Senior Lecture** on **Thursday 16th June** at 1700 with Simon Minty—see you there!



Please do pass on this invitation to KHS grandparents; we look forward to them joining us on Friday 8th July! Thank you!



**Please join us for... Grandparents Morning!**

**KINGSWOOD HOUSE SCHOOL**

**Friday 8th July, 10:00-11:00am**

**We would be delighted if Grandparents were to join us for  
an informal tour of the school**

**on Friday 8th July from 10:00-11:00 am,**

**to coincide with the 'Jollies' event.**

**Refreshments will be served.**

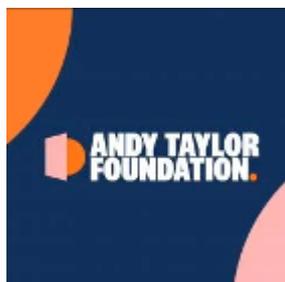
**Please confirm your attendance to Mrs Amanda Earl [marketing@kingswoodhouse.org](mailto:marketing@kingswoodhouse.org)**

**or let the School Office know: 01372 723590**

**A message from the KHA... KHS FATHERS' DAY SHOP**

The KHA are kindly running a Father's Day shop next Tuesday 14th June during short break in the Library. Pupils will be able to choose a gift that will then be wrapped at a cost of £5 each. If your child would like to buy a gift for someone special in the family—dad, step-dad, uncle, general father-figure, please send your child into school with £5 in cash next Tuesday. Thank you for your support.

*Please note, the Office is unable to lend any cash out on the day if a pupil has forgotten their money.*



**Super Car / Super Times Ahead...!**

Before half term, Freddie T (7BL) informed me that he had won an exciting trip to have lunch with Mr Lamborghini at the Andy Taylor Foundation Auction. After finding out more about this, Freddie will be travelling to Italy with his grandad to have the Lamborghini Supercar Experience! This will include

visiting the Ferruccio Lamborghini Museum, lunch with Mr Lamborghini and even a test drive in a Lamborghini!

This is an incredible experience and I can not wait to hear more about it when Freddie returns! *Mrs Black*





*Willow Weaving Wonders!*

Our Year 7 pupils enjoyed a workshop with Mr Bailey and Mrs Wraith learning all about the versatility of weaving with willow 'withies'... they made some gravity defying structures, increased their problem solving skills and worked well collaboratively.

Well done, all!



*"...he marched them up to the top of the hill and he marched them down again..."*

Year 8 enjoyed a wonderful hike through the beautiful Surrey Hills. All the pupils showed outstanding resilience and endeavour as they tackled the undulating terrain. A number of the boys demonstrated some of the top class map reading skills they will need for the Duke of Edinburgh Award in Year 9. Thankfully, the weather was on our side so we were able to enjoy the stunning views across Surrey.

*Mr Laudy and Mr Mitchell*

