

# KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Spring Term  
17 March 2023

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Dear Parents

This week has been an intense one with the demands of a full educational quality and compliance inspection on top of a busy schedule as we approach the end of term. Whilst details of the verbal feedback I received must remain confidential, I am confident that once the written report is published its contents will be reflective of the very strong all-round progress we have made as a school in recent years. Thank you to all of you who completed the parent questionnaire, the pupils who were once again our best ambassadors and, of course, my terrific team of teaching and support staff.

On Wednesday morning, Form 5F delivered an excellent assembly about "Water"; under close scrutiny from our 'visitors', the pupils all spoke passionately about how and why we should treat and use water more respectfully and I thought they performed admirably under the pressure of a big audience.

An online-safety expert, Alan Mackenzie, joined us this week in school to talk to the boys and girls about how to negotiate the pitfalls of the virtual world with the same dexterity as one might in normal life. It is vitally important that young people recognise the impediment that their digital footprint might have upon their future career aspirations. Please do reinforce this message at home.

This evening, I am looking forward to our annual Governors' dinner, together with Sally Witts, which seems a timely opportunity for us to come together and reflect upon a challenging, but ultimately fruitful, twelve months since the last occasion we met for the same event. In particular, I shall offer a significant vote of thanks to all those trustees who have been involved in the thorny process of securing the future of the school on its lovely site for the longer term.

Next week sees us host the Year 8 GCSE Options Evening on Monday for relevant parents; we are also looking forward to visits from representatives of the Independent Schools' Council and the Good Schools' Guide on Tuesday and Friday. It is a great privilege to showcase the values of a Kingswood House education to such influential organisations and a fitting way to round off a successful term.

In the meantime, I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster & CEO



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

2023 MARCH WEEK 1 Year 10 Exam Week			
Monday	20	0730 1430 1500-1700 1800	SLT Meeting U13 A-C Hockey vs Homefield (A) KHA Second Hand Uniform Sale—Dining Room Year 8 GCSE Options Evening
Tuesday	21	All day 0935-1055 1400 1430 1430 1500 1630	Independent Schools' Council visit Year 9 Emotional Intelligence course 5 U14A Hockey vs Duke of Kent (A) U14A Rugby vs Wetherby (A) U14-16B Hockey vs Duke of Kent (H) U16A Hockey vs Duke of Kent (A) Staff Meeting
Wednesday	22	0845 0930 1400 1430 1445 1530	Deputy Head's Assembly Lower Prep Forest School U13A Hockey vs Duke of Kent (H) Colts A-D Hockey vs Duke of Kent (A) U13B Hockey vs Duke of Kent (H) U13C Hockey vs Duke of Kent (H)
Thursday	23	1430 1630	U8/U9 Hockey vs Duke of Kent (A) Tea Time Concert
Friday	24	All day 1025	The Good Schools' Guide visit House Meetings

**LUNCH MENU for week beginning 20.03.2023**

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Bacon & Tomato Sauce; Spicy Tomato Sauce (V) with Pasta	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Red Thai Chicken Curry; Red Thai Vegetable Curry (V) with Brown & White Rice	Fresh Fruit; Apple Sponge	Roast Pork & Crackling; Macaroni Cheese (V) with Roast Potatoes & Steamed Cabbage	Fresh Fruit Salad	Cottage Pie; Quorn Pie (V) with Peas	Fresh Fruit; Jelly	Fish Fingers; Smiley Faces & Baked Beans	Fresh Fruit; Rice Crispie Cake



**Don't forget... SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE 20th March 3-5pm in the Dining Hall**

**Sign in at the Office please. Payment by cash only, thank you.**

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

**LOWER PREP**

**1M**

All of Year 1 for behaving so well and representing KHS on our school trip to the Chertsey Toy Museum. Well done. Mrs Martins  
Olivia J for her English recount write up on our school trip. Great use of adjectives Well done. Mrs Martins  
Bacchus M-D for his creative cookery making Ladoo balls for the festival of Holi, A Hindu festival of Spring and colour for our RE topic. Mrs Martins

**3S**

George W making a continued effort with his work presentation. Miss Sumners

**4S**

Zayn J for excellent work in symmetry in maths. Zayn got on with his work independently and challenged himself to do the mastery extension. He showed great KHS endeavour! Miss Smith

**UPPER PREP**

**5F**

Toby H for writing an amazing story! Ms Forbes

Zachary B and Hugh H for their excellent commitment to LP choir. You both give 110% every week and it doesn't go unnoticed - keep it up! Miss Barnes

**6B**

Ben S for continuing the good work that earned him his Respect badge, by adapting really well to change last week and getting to know his new LSA with lots of smiles. Mrs Bastable

Torin A-I for working exceptionally hard in PE and always showing such integrity in all that he does - very proud of you! Mrs Jennings

**6S**

Gabi C-A for an amazing piece of creative writing, using structure, and varied amounts of figurative language. Madame Swift

**7B**

Bertie L and Alex M-K for their sensible approach to reading. Mr Barratt

Barney M continues to produce a good standard of class work in RS. Well done. Mrs Weston

Rhys B, Oscar P and Ben C for tackling more challenging prep in French. Madame Swift

**7W**

Ava D for always showing the Kingswood House School Way, and always asking how I am every morning and always with a smile on her face! Thank you. Mr Westcott

Ava D for her determination to learn a piece on the piano - an excellent demonstration of endeavour as seen in the Kingswood House Way. Well done, Ava. Miss Barnes

Outstanding History prep from Angus V (7B) and Bryon M (7W), completing detailed, well-researched and presented timelines of the Tudor and Stuart eras. Mrs Haunstetter

Year 7 Maths - great work from Oscar P (7B) who is improving showing his working out and has produced some fabulous home-work in the last few weeks. Keep it up! Mrs Lindley

**UPPER PREP continued...**

**8C**

Henry R - for having a good and positive attitude in form time and continuing to impress with his self-taught piano skills! Mr Cowie

**8J**

James M for showing incredible focus and commitment during tutor time and reading periods - great job! Mrs Jennings

**8L**

Harrison W has been working hard to show respect to all members of staff and it is wonderful to see his sense of humour coming out in the right way. Mr Laudy

Alyssa C has made a great effort with her reading and is now loaning a new book from me every week. Mr March

Kittie C had a superb first day at KHS - summed up by a fantastic performance in the girl's hockey fixture at Harrodian on Monday afternoon. Great energy and enthusiasm throughout—glad to have you with us! Mr Cowie

U13 Girls Hockey - A fantastic fixture against Harrodian with a great team performance by all. It was wonderful to see the girls work so collaboratively in their 3-3 thriller of a game. Mr Cowie

Year 8 Maths - great work from Rex T (8C) who is really trying to push himself and produce quality work. It was lovely to see all in the class give Kittie C (8L) a warm welcome. Freija K (8L) and Amalie L (8L) were particularly supportive and helpful to her during her maths class. Thank you for being inclusive and kind to our new class members. Mrs Lindley

**SENIORS**

**9B**

Sergio A-H for his punctuality and always looking smart during morning registration. Mrs Bray

**9L**

Well done to Youssef M for his involvement in the Enrichment programme for Science and Maths. It's very clear he is loving it and they have chosen a very worthy candidate!

**9R**

Thank you Shay C for all the work so far in the student council. Ms Bray and I really appreciate your input. Monsieur Regeling

Year 9 Maths - great Pythagoras work from Pryank P (9R) Sam C (9R) Harry L (9L) and Toby C (9R). Mr Barratt

Year 9 Maths - some lovely work from Henry T (9B) who is pushing himself and tackled the 'Apply' section of our work last lesson. Keep up the good work! Mrs Lindley

Year 9 Art – a mention for Max L (9B) and Arlo S (9R) for their excellent extra effort with their art work in the last few weeks and creating fabulous sci-fi prints. Mrs Bastable

**10B**

Nathan A for his resilience with map reading in preparation for his Duke of Edinburgh expedition! Mrs Black

Henry S is always polite, he says 'good morning' every day and asks how my day has been. Mrs Black

Matthew M and Charlie L for their independence and resilience; it is obvious from their impressive classwork that they have been revising hard for their upcoming exams. Mrs Bray

**10P**

Ruari F for stepping up to cover absent students during our Form Assembly last week. Miss Patel

Well done to the Year 10 GCSE Geographers who have been taking their revision seriously over the last couple of lessons. Mr Laudy

One of the seniors - Zachary F - was very supportive and kind to a Year 5 boy in my class who was upset. He showed great empathy and gave some very sensible advice. Ms Forbes

**11H**

All Year 11 GCSE Historians for their hard work and progress recently. Particular mention to Pete D who is smashing it out of the park at the moment, as well as Ted H (11W) who is now working really well in lessons AND managing to hand prep in on time! Mrs Haunstetter

**11W**

Barnaby H and Nick H for showing great endeavour playing away on a rugby tour with their club Wimbledon; not all matches were victorious, but their effort and diligence were noted both on and off the pitch. Mrs Weston

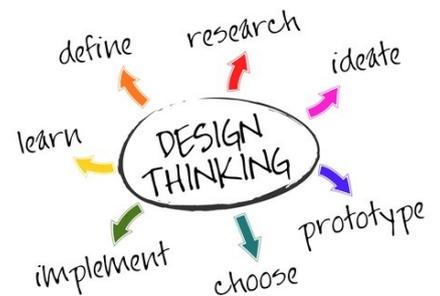
Year 11 Maths - great work and concentration from Archie E (11W) this week. He has been asking insightful questions and has been using drop-in times to practice and hone some of the weaker areas. Mrs Lindley

**GTi mention:**

A big shout out to Youssef M for all his impressive mathematical work at King's College London Mathematics. This is an excellent Enrichment Opportunity for you Youssef and we're very proud of your accomplishments. Mr Regeling

Year 5 have been experimenting with laminating cardboard to increase its strength. They have they been using different types of saws to create a shape as a decorative ornament for Mother's Day; some students even tried their hand at the motorised scroll saw which was impressive. The class then chose an appropriate glue for joining the boards. The goat was an interesting choice of gift and looks great!

*Mr Bailey*



# SPORTS RESULTS

## KHS vs Harrodian—Hockey

**U13 girls 3-3 draw;** Player of the Match Freija K (8L), our goal scorers were Freija with 2, Amalie L (8L) with 1. A Special Mention to Kitty C (8L).

Mrs Jennings comments, *"It was another great afternoon of hockey against Harrodian with the U13 girls team playing away on Monday 13th March. KHS started off the game taking the first centre pass and attacking the goal within seconds with a close attempt at goal. Isla M (7W) and Aurelia G (7W) were strong in defence when Harrodian broke away with some attacking play down the wing and KHS gallantly denied the team an opportunity to score. We had some fantastic break away plays with Amalie, Freija and Kitty working hard together creating space. A special mention to Kitty for being superb on her first day at KHS and her first fixture representing the school!"*

See pictures below of some of the action!



# SPORTS RESULTS

## KHS vs Cranmore —Hockey

Seniors A 4-1 loss; Player of the Match Theo J (9L) and the goal scorer was Will M (11M). *“It was a pleasure taking the Senior hockey team to play Cranmore away at the Surrey Sports Park in Guildford. The facilities were outstanding to play on and the teams enjoyed having ample space using the huge full size pitch! Will showed great enthusiasm and maturity as captain. Cranmore brought two teams so KHS displayed fantastic athleticism playing back to back games, totalling 80 minutes of end to end play. Theo J showed unstoppable integrity in goal and made the games highly exciting to watch. The game finished with a 4-1 defeat but there were many opportunities to score from both sides and the team should be very proud of their effort”.*



*Our Senior Hockey team enjoying the excellent facilities at Surrey Sports Park, Guildford.*



*The Year 7 & 8s in hockey training put Rufus through his paces in goal—in his full kit he was formidable!*

# SPORTS RESULTS

## KHS @ Ewell Castle Hockey Festival

Colts A Player of the Match Hugo H (6S) and a Special Mention to all Colts A players for their efforts. Mr Westcott tells us, "On a lovely afternoon at Epsom Sports Club, our Colts A team participated in the Ewell Castle Festival. They played against Oakwood, and two Ewell Castle teams, coming away with 2 wins and a draw. The players were amazing and played extremely well. They were passing the ball around, defending was exceptional and the goal scoring was brilliant. First game against Oakwood was a great game of hockey and we opened the scoring with a great team goal. Oakwood replied with a great goal of their own, and the final score was 1-1. After the break, the pupils had both Ewell Castle teams, they played Ewell Castle 3s and within 10 seconds opened up the scoring; our pupils dominated and ended up with a emphatic 3-0 win. The final match was against Ewell Castle 2s, who were much stronger, but with some fantastic goalkeeping we managed to keep it goalless. KHS had a lovely counter attack and with the team working hard Cameron E (6S) finished off the goal. Ewell Castle tried to reply but our defence was extremely strong and the goalkeeping was phenomenal. Overall the team went unbeaten in the festival, and played their absolute best; only conceding one goal in 3 games really emphasises the determination and grit of our defence. What a wonderful afternoon it was with some fantastic hockey on display. Overall a superb effort by the Colts A players and with the team going unbeaten they won their pool".

See some pictures of the Colts in action below...



**SPORTS RESULTS**

**KHS @ Downsend —Rugby 7s**

U14As—Player of the Match to Dylan B (9B) who was also our try scorer. A Special Mention to Archie N (9L) and Eddie C (9L).

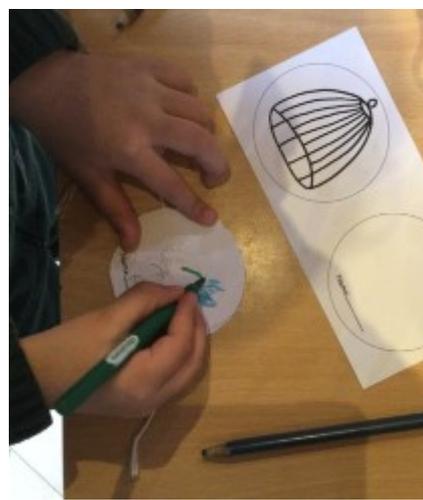


*“The U14’s enjoyed an afternoon of rugby sevens at the Downsend Tournament on Tuesday. The boys came up against some fierce competition but in true KHS styles demonstrated outstanding resilience and teamwork. The afternoon culminated in a close fought game vs Caterham with Dylan B scoring an outstanding length of the pitch try”.*



From leprechauns appearing in Lower Prep to mark St Patrick's Day, to many members of staff who seemingly had swapped careers for one in the NHS on Friday, it was a colourful and lively fundraising day for Comic Relief!





Year 1 pupils enjoyed their trip to the Toy Museum, Chertsey last week where they learnt about traditional Victorian toys including wooden pop guns, Jacob ladders and zoetropes. They were able to make their very own thaumatrope as well! Great little ambassadors for the school as usual out on a trip... *Mrs Martins*



This week is **Neurodiversity Celebration Week**, an event designed to recognise and celebrate the strengths of people who experience neurodiversity and to challenge preconceptions of what they are able to achieve.



With this in mind, do have a look at some of the courses available for parents and carers:

**Our Place** have a range of free courses available [here](#).



Using the code 'ACORN' you can access courses such as *Understanding Your Teenager's Brain*, *Understanding Your Child's Feelings* and many more. There are also courses for teenagers to take part in for their own mental health and well-being learning such as, *Understanding Your Brain* and *Understanding Your Feelings*.



**Barnardo's**, twinned with **Surrey Positive Parenting Service**, offer an 8-week support programme for parents of children with, or awaiting, a diagnosis of ADHD. Sessions take place within the local community, or online via Zoom. For more information, call 0300 222 5755 or email [surreypositiveparenting@barnardos.org.uk](mailto:surreypositiveparenting@barnardos.org.uk)



**IPSEA** is another great resource, offering training around the laws of SEND for parents. They offer a range of training events or online training, both of which are very useful if navigating the bumpy roads of the EHCP process. More information can be found on their website, [here](#).

Do reach out to either [Mrs Ibbitson](#)—SENCo Years 1-6—or [Mrs Angus](#)—Head of Study Centre & SENCo Years 7-11—if you have any concerns; we are here to listen and help.

### House points - this week - Whole School

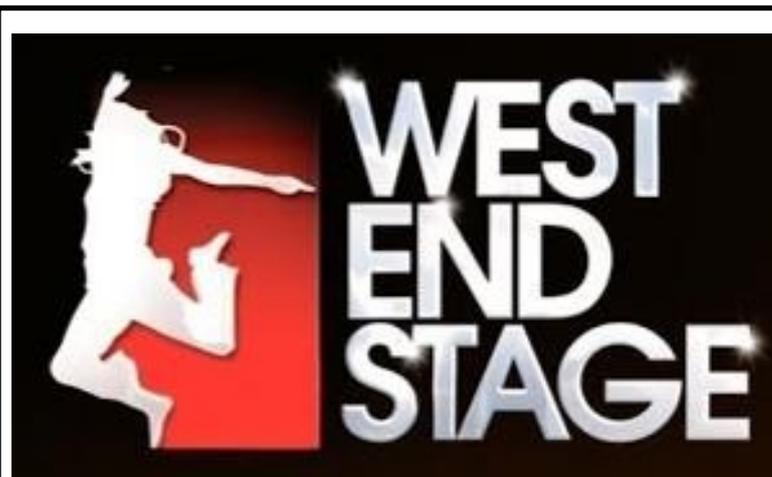


### House points - totals - Whole School





Class 5F presented an entertaining Assembly on the theme of 'Water' which included an interactive quiz, live experiments and factual evidence which showed us all how important this precious commodity is and how we should use it carefully. Thank you to Ms Forbes for leading her class in this direction.



From Mrs Horley

*"Do you love performing, musical theatre, drama, singing and dance, this is the summer school for you! Throughout the week you will be working towards a big performance, while taking part in an exciting mix of drama, singing and dance classes! You will also attend exclusive West End masterclasses and a trip to a West End musical. Build your confidence, have fun, make friends for life and create memories that last forever!"*

For more information click [here](#)



*Tweet Tweet!*

**The Eco Committee** along with help of some Year 8's, stocked up all of the bird feeders around the school yesterday. The Year 8's burned off some steam whilst running round the field throwing bird seed around! Even though Dylan wasn't able to run around, he came in and joined in on the fun.

Thank you to Lauti in Year 8 for maintaining the vegetable garden! Looks like it won't be long until some vegetables start appearing.

*Mrs Hylands*



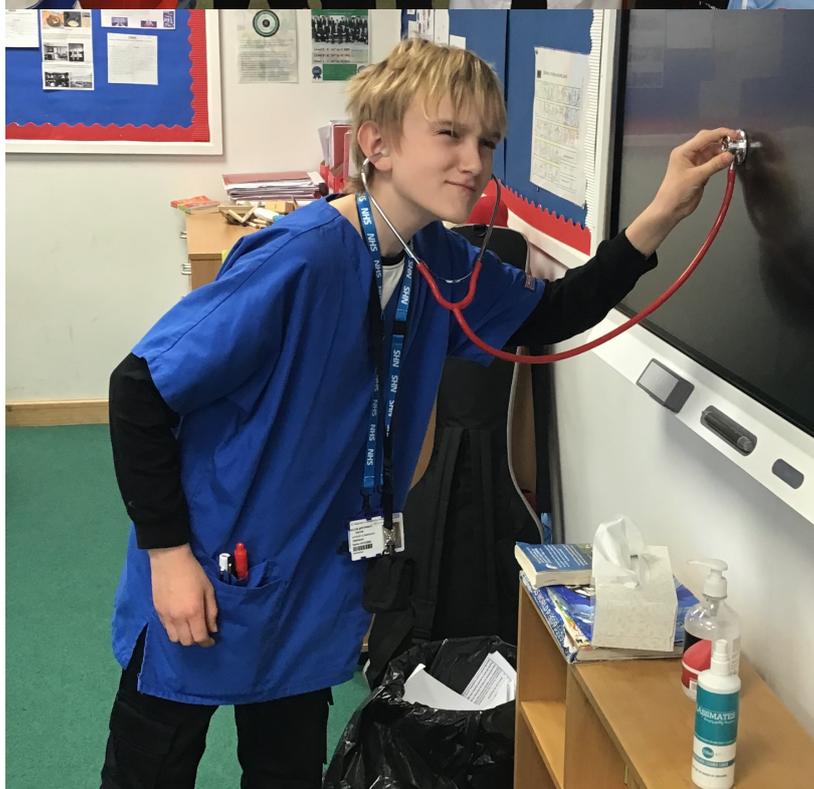


*A young class of doctors in 1M with their KHS class bear!*



*"The Doctor will see you now..."*

A great range of dressing-up box costume favourites in our lower years, alongside some actual theatre and ward scrubs worn proudly by some of our pupils' whose parents are in the NHS.



# love for all mothers

*Wishing all the important women, female role models, mother figures, those with us, and those sadly not— but whose presence is still keenly felt - a restful and happy weekend with many thanks for all you do throughout the year.*



ALL MOTHER FIGURES



THOSE WHO HAVE LOST MOTHERS



THOSE WITH STRAINED RELATIONSHIPS



MOTHERS WHO HAVE LOST CHILDREN



THOSE WHO CAN'T BE WITH THEIR MOTHERS



ALL INFLUENTIAL WOMEN



THOSE WHO HAVE CHOSEN NOT TO BE MOTHERS



MOTHERS TO-BE



THOSE WISHING TO BE MOTHERS



FOSTER MOTHERS



STEP MOTHERS



ADOPTIVE MOTHERS



## Mothers can come in many forms

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Mums who are always there for us



Dads who bring up their children alone



Aunts who take care of their nieces and nephews



Brothers and sisters who have to care for their other siblings



Friends who care for us when no one else is there



Domestic helpers who treat us like their own kids



Grandparents who help to parent us

# Happy Mother's Day

A big 'Thank You' to the KHA for running a very successful 'pop up' at break time in the Library which was visited by many pupils, young and old, to select a little something for their special person at home...

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