

KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Spring Term
24 March 2023

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The Kingswood House Way



Dear Parents

This week has seen our Year 10 pupils sit important examinations which will yield information for their applications to various sixth forms over the coming months; from the reports I have received, I am very encouraged by their industry and resilience which augurs well for next year.

On Monday, Mr Sukhdeo and senior teaching staff hosted our Year 8 GCSE Options Evening. This was a super occasion for parents and pupils to find out more about the various subjects on offer and meet teachers before committing to their choices - thank you to all involved.

It was a great pleasure to welcome Sarah Cunnane, from the Independent Schools' Council, to KHS earlier in the week for a tour and chat. She was very intrigued by the rich diversity of our pupil body and how our culture of the Kingswood House Way engenders the soft skills that will be required for young people to successfully negotiate life beyond the school gate.

Equally, today we hosted Charlotte Phillips from the Good Schools' Guide and she also gleaned a strong impression of our ethos and values. Once again, our boys and girls showcased the school with aplomb and were excellent ambassadors

Please do note the staggered pick-up times on Wednesday for the end of term. In the meantime, I look forward to seeing many of you at the KHS Sporting Dinner on Tuesday.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster & CEO



Kingswood House



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

2023	MARCH	WEEK 2	
Monday	27	0730 All day 1700 All week	SLT Meeting IMAGO Class Photos being taken—FULL SCHOOL UNIFORMRFOR ALL PUPILS PLEASE, NO PE KIT! Year 10 Parents' Evening via SchoolCloud NO EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUBS THIS WEEK...
Tuesday	28	1400 pm. 1630 1800	Senior House Hockey Lower Prep Easter Egg Hunt Staff Meeting KHS Sporting Dinner at Tyrells Wood Golf Club
Wednesday	29	0845 1100 From 1200	House General Knowledge Competition Year 11 Easter Assembly at Christ Church Term Ends see p.15 for staggered departure times.
Thursday & Friday	30 & 31 March	0900-1600	Kingswood Active
Monday—Thursday	3—6 April	0900-1600	Kingswood Active
Wednesday	19 April	0830	School Returns—Summer Term 2023

LUNCH MENU for week beginning 27.03.2023

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Meatballs; Tomato Sauce (V) with Spaghetti	Fresh Fruit; Peach Cobbler	Chicken Enchiladas; Cheese Enchiladas (V) with Tortilla Chips	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	NO LUNCH SERVICE		NO LUNCH SERVICE		NO LUNCH SERVICE	



U9 Cup Final Surrey Women & Girls Football League

Annabelle P (4S)'s football team—the Claygate Royals Platform Eagles—have had a great run recently resulting in them reaching their league's cup final which took place over the weekend.

Despite having been unwell, Annabelle was determined to take part; she is their goalie but also plays in field as well.

The team lost the final but were gallant runners up. They all played amazingly well and lots of parents and the coach of the opposition commented on how great Annabelle's football and her attitude was! Well done Annabelle!

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

LOWER PREP

1M

Haris A - for doing extra handwriting homework. Keep it up well done. Mrs Martins

Year 1 for some great work in PE and Games. Mr Westcott

3S

All of Year 3 for a great Spring term. Ilyas A for great focus in lessons. Miss Sumners

Bailey M for showing great patience and resilience at lunch break when an older boy took his football. Madame Swift

4S

Alfie L – for his continuous hard working ethic and enthusiasm in lessons. Miss Smith

UPPER PREP

5F

Oliver R , Vlad M and Toby H for stepping in last minute and taking over a part in the class assembly without fuss when someone was absent. Ms Forbes

6B

Elinor F for putting lots of effort into her brilliant screen-printed activist poster. Mrs Bastable

6S

Dexter B for surprising me on my birthday by playing 'Happy Birthday' on his trumpet. Madame Swift

Colts Hockey Festival at Ewell Castle: Cameron E (6S) Cyril B-D (6S) Gabriella C-A (6B) Dexter B (6S) Fraser S(6S) Torin A-I (6B) Zach B-A (5F) Hugo H (6S) Elinor F (6B) all deserve a mention for representing the school so well, and for their fantastic performance and sportsmanship. The respect and integrity the pupils showed was phenomenal and they should all be really proud of themselves. They won 2 and drew 1, to come top of their group. Mr Westcott

7B

Mr Barratt says a big impression from Angus V this term – great determination with getting fully mobile again!

Also Max Kenna – enthusiasm in lessons. Mr Barratt

Ben C for his excellent poem on Romeo's heartbreak due to the unrequited love he experienced when Rosaline did not love him back. Mrs Bray

7W

Byron M for some good work in PE and PSHE. Mr Westcott

Isla M makes lunchtime so enjoyable when we sit together. She is so interesting to talk to. Mr Clarke

Euan B for his amazing maths work and diligently checking all his working out. Mrs Lindley

8C

Ethan B for showing incredible endeavour during the U13 hockey fixture against Homefield. He supported his team mates admirably and scored 2 great goals! Mrs Jennings

U13 Rugby team - for giving up there Saturday morning to travel to play their final rugby match of the season. They represented the school brilliantly in a tight match just losing by a single try. All pupils showed unbelievable sportsmanship and played right up until the final whistle. Mr Cowie

8C continued...

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Tristan B was simply amazing when talking to a visitor today – if anyone can sell the school he can! And I know he believes every word of it which is fabulous. Mr Clarke

8J

Khishaan T for kindly running to get me an umbrella to take on the hockey fixture when the weather was miserable! Mrs Jennings

Dan G for the excellent effort he showed during the U13 hockey fixture against Homefield. He played brilliantly as a forward attacking player and score 2 goals! Mrs Jennings

Ozaan M for the hard work and effort he has shown in completing his IPQ. Madame Swift

8L

Congratulations to Bastie V, Jensyn A, Jason S and Hussain K for their game changing performances against Harrodian on Saturday. Despite losing, the boys demonstrated real grit and determination throughout the game and never let their heads drop. Mr Laudy

SENIORS

9B

Jasper W for his professional attitude and responsibility during form time. Mrs Bray

Dylan B for the respect he always shows in PSHE. Madame Swift

9L

Ayaan S for being incredibly proactive. Monsieur Regeling

Year 9L- I nominate Conor T because he has used study skills in an effective way through playing some learning games that were suggested to him. He is fast becoming a Globle champ. Mrs Lindley

9R

A big thank you to Ethan C, Arlo S and Josh I who all showed the inspectors how much KHS has done for them. Monsieur Regeling

10B

Tedd B-A, James C, Rory S - These pupils worked hard to help set up the hall before the Year 10 exams. Mrs Black

10P

All of 10P for their mature approach towards the exams this week. Miss Patel

Mingwan K for his confidence in PSHE lessons, it is great to see him feeling brave enough to share his ideas! Miss Patel

11H

Both Y11 classes for their excellent participation and recall of information in the PSHE session Mrs Darbishire ran on first aid. They were very enthusiastic about trying to administer first aid to each other, and proved how well they had been listening by answering all her questions at the end of the session. Mrs Haunstetter

11W

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Jack B-A and Zac A - both pupils are working hard in Science and they are asking lots of questions about the different topics. Mrs Black

The Y11 Frenchies who have all been working so hard on expanding our General Conversation Answers. Monsieur Regeling

GTi:

Kieran S (8C): Thank you very much for your informative lecture on the topic of 'grooming' to Year 6. We learnt a lot! Monsieur Regeling

Congratulations to Avaneesh G (9L) who has completed his sponsored walk, as part of his D of E award, and has raised £915 so far for the National Autistic Society....wouldn't it be wonderful if he could get past the £1000 mark?! The link is [here](#)



In Avaneesh's own words, "I would like to say, from the bottom of my own heart, a very grateful thank you for all of the generosity you have given to this exceedingly important fundraiser. On the 18th of March, me, my family and my friends walked 10 kilometres. Although the weather that day was bit damp and gloomy, we still carried on with high hopes and spirits. Midway we stopped for a nice hot drink at the café, before turning back to complete the walk.

Thankfully, the cheerful sun began to meet us at our end goal as we got closer and closer to home. We finished the event with pizzas and I gave a heart-warming speech. It's not too late to still spread the word. Please try and talk to others about this fundraiser. Once again, a massive thank you to all of you. I am truly grateful for your everlasting support, and I hope you keep creating awareness for neurodiversity. Inclusion elevates us all".



A reminder from Mrs Webb regarding pupil Chromebooks and the agreements that are signed at the start of the academic year:

Pupils agree to:

- *I will place the Chromebook carefully in my school bag when moving around the school.*
- *I will not remove it from the protective case when not in use.*



Also, as signed off by parents,

I understand that the Chromebook belongs to us and that it should be covered under my home insurance policy. If the Chromebook is broken it will be returned to the IT department who will arrange repair.

House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 281

Marlborough - 238

Nelson - 294

Wellington - 260

House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 3641

Marlborough - 3567

Nelson - 3923

Wellington - 3767

SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Harrodian

U13As 20-25 loss; Player of the Match Finlay R (6B); try scorers were Basti V (8L) with 2 and George and Jason with 1 each. A Special Mention for Max K (7B). Mr Cowie reports back, *"On a wet Saturday morning, the U13 A team got on the minibus to head to Barnes to play their final match of the season. Currently undefeated, the boys were extremely excited for their final challenge. The weather brightened up perfectly for the starting whistle. KHS started slowly, although defending well struggled to produce anything in attack. Harrodian scored two quick tries in the first 10 minutes, however KHS were not ready to back down. Some fantastic attacking play from our two centres, Basti and George, allowed us to make up some of the margin bringing the scores back level. We came into the half-time break just two tries down, 20-10. The second half started with a bang, with some fantastic running rugby. Finlay was putting the ball into space with both hands and boot, and allowed us to bring the scores back to 25-15 with just 3 minutes to play. In true KHS style, we did not give up. All the players were dead on their feet from the game in wet conditions, but continued to play some fantastic rugby into the dying seconds. Basti made his final run of the match, where he broke several tackles and drove himself over the line to finish the game. Harrodian came off best in the match 25-20, however on another day it could have been KHS's undefeated season. Well done to all players that gave up their Saturday morning!!"*



Some serious tactics being discussed in the U13 team huddle before their match away, against Harrodian on Saturday....



There has been a series of great hockey fixtures this week as well, across the age groups; see below and over for results and pictures.

KHS vs Duke of Kent

Seniors 9-0 loss; Player of the Match Theo M (9L) with a Special Mention for Joseph S (11W) Ollie K (11W). Mrs Jennings reports back, *"On Tuesday 21st March, the Senior hockey team showed superb endeavour playing away against the Duke of Kent."*

They enjoyed playing on a large pitch again and looked very professional defending short corners and supporting Theo J in goal. In Will's absence, Ollie and Joseph stepped up as joint captains and did a great job leading and encouraging the team. After many impressive attempts at the goal, KHS were unfortunately denied but it was a great afternoon of hockey and everyone did themselves proud!"





SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Homefield

U13A 10-5 win; Player of the Match was Rufus J (7W) for his our goal scorers were Indi (7W) with 1 and Stanley B-D (8J); A Special Mention to Connor M-A (8C) Mr Westcott reports back, *"On a wet afternoon, the A team went to Sutton Goals, to play against Homefield. after a slow start trying to adapt to the surface, we opened the scoring. After another 2 minutes Homefield scored a second and then our defence crumbled to concede 2 more goals to make it 4-2 at half-time. After the half-time talk, KHS pupils managed to score 4 quickly without reply and this was after some fantastic goalkeeping by Rufus J (7W). I then agreed that Homefield could field an 8th player, this helped them as they managed to score 2 more to make the score 8-4. In the last 2 minutes of the game it was back and fourth hockey which was fantastic to watch. The final play of the game was from a pushback, our striker Chris K (7W) took it himself driving towards goal, to then lay it off to Stanley before crossing it in to Freija who was on the back post; this meant we got to double figures. It was a brilliant hockey match, with some fantastic play. The pupils should be proud of themselves".*

U13B 5-5 draw; Player of the Match was Dan G (8J); Khishaan T (8J), Dan and Ethan B (8C) were the goal scorers. Mrs Jennings tells us, *"On Monday 20th March, the U13 Hockey B team played Homefield away at Sutton Goals. The pitch was slightly thicker than the teams were used to so they needed to work hard and show strength in their passing and moving with the ball. The match was incredibly even with exciting end to end play. The weather was miserable, but the team worked together and certainly made the afternoon more bright with their attempts at goal and tenacity. The end result finished on a 5-5 draw. Great play everyone!"*



More hockey action...this time the U13 A & B home fixture against Duke of Kent school this week.



KHS vs Duke of Kent

U13A 5-4 win; Pippa T (8L) Player of the Match; Chris K (7W) Connor M-A (8C) and Freija K (8L) were the goal scorers. Mrs Jennings reports, *"We welcomed the U13 Duke of Kent hockey teams to KHS on Wednesday 22nd March. Pippa was back in action as goal keeper and played superbly for both of our teams. During the A team match, there were some brilliant break away plays and spectacular defending with a nail-biting 5-4 victory! Mr Mitchell was shouting encouragement from the sideline and it was such a pleasure to see everyone supporting each other so well".*

U13B 4-2 loss; Pippa T (8L); Khishaan T (8J) and Ethan B (8C) were the goal scorers; a Special Mention for William B (8J). Mrs Jennings comments, *"The U13B team showed equally impressive play against the Duke of Kent - there were many excellent tackles made and attempts at the goal. William showed fantastic defending skills, clearing the ball and making some goal-saving tackles. It was a close game finishing with a narrow 4-2 loss".*

Colts 5-0 loss Cyril B-D (6S) was Player of the Match, with him and Cameron E (6S) as our try scorers. Mr Westcott says, *"Colts A played some great hockey, against two strong sides. First match was against Ripley Court, who started strong and were 3-0 ahead at half-time, after a team talk, they managed to pull back 2 goals. But ended up losing 3-2. The second match was against Duke of Kent. A very good side, our pupils played extremely well, and they were defending like warriors. They eventually lost 5-0, but it was a great game and the pupils showed fantastic respect and integrity".*



Colts teams in action this week...

KHS vs Homefield

U9 Hockey Mr Westcott reports, "On a lovely afternoon this week Homefield joined us to play against our U9s, we had three matches which were fantastic to watch. The C's had a fun match, showing respect and integrity, all working really hard to impress. They started off slow by conceding 4 goals in the first half, but following a great team chat and motivation from Mr Brown, the pupils managed to score in the second half which was fantastic. Overall score was 5-1 to Homefield. Player of the Match MaheNau (3S).

The B team played a brilliant match, with some accurate passes and attacking play; they scored quickly, before then conceding a goal. At half time it was 3-1. The second half was equally brilliant to watch and saw fantastic play by both teams, with KHS scoring 2 more goals without reply. Homefield managed to get back into the game with 3 brilliant goals, to make it 5-4 in the last 30 seconds Homefield was on the attack and managed to get the ball forward, but some fantastic defence meant that KHS came out with the 5-4 win. Again all pupils played extremely well and should be proud of themselves. Player of the Match was Yarick M (3S) with a Special Mention to George W (3S).

The A team was a "three all thriller". Both teams were playing extremely well, and KHS opened the scoring with a great team goal. Homefield came back with a great goal of their own, before KHS took the lead. Towards the end of the first half Homefield scored—it was 2-2 at half time. Second half started and the pupils were fighting their hardest for the goal but unfortunately they conceded to a good goal by Homefield. After some back and forth hockey, KHS came away with a goal. At three all, KHS almost scored the winner but with some great defence from Homefield it stayed 3-3. Player of the Match was Bailey M (3S).

Overall all three matches were fantastic and all pupils showed the Kingswood House Way. The pupils should all be really proud of themselves after a great hockey season".

I am left with scars upon my heart
Now that we are apart
She is an angel with the stars
And i am a stargazer gazing upon her
Life is a torture chamber without her
It is agony every second i am without her
It is a gift from the stars to have her
And hopefully my fate is to be with her

✓ lovely 😊



Two of some of the impressive poetry written by Year 7s in Mrs Bray's English class. The pupils have been looking at different types of love within Shakespeare's *Romeo and Juliet*.

Here, Ben and Oscar have captured the unrequited love that is a theme throughout.

Farewell My love

By Ben [redacted] 7B

My heart going through a drought
For she did not come yonder
I had thought our love was but with no doubt
But for it was all a blunder
Nevermind the cards I had wrote
She has set sail like a boat
My heart shattered across the floor
Now that she has shut the door
We were all but in our prime
Though we had run out of time
She mated my king
Before I had a chance to give her a ring
Thou art the sun and I am the earth
Nevermind our plans for birth
She gave me life then threw it away
Our hearts have been left astray
She wanted less and I wanted more
For she is like my diamond ore
Forget looking up at the skies
Now its time to say our goodbyes

✓
Beautiful.



BENVOLIO
You're in love?
ROMEO
Out.
BENVOLIO
Out of love?
ROMEO
I love someone. She doesn't love me.
BENVOLIO
It's sad. Love looks like a nice thing, but it's actually very rough when you experience it.



To help Year 9 prepare for their Language Paper 1 GCSE exam, they have been analysing a range of different extracts. This week, Mrs Bray's class have been looking at an extract told from the point of view of a man with schizophrenia. To help students unpick and sympathise with the man's anxiety and struggles with daily life, Year 9 were asked to write an emotive poem about schizophrenia. Please see some of the best examples below. *Mrs Bray*

By Jasper W (9B)

In my mind, there's another me,
A shadow self, that no one can see.
I hear his voice, inside my head,
Telling me things, I should do instead.
He tells me lies, and makes me scared,
Sometimes I feel, like he's always there.
He says that people, want to hurt me,

And I'm not safe unless I flee.

I try to fight, his voice inside,
But sometimes it's hard, to hide.

The world gets dark, and I get lost,
I can't control, the mental cost.

By Henry T (9B)

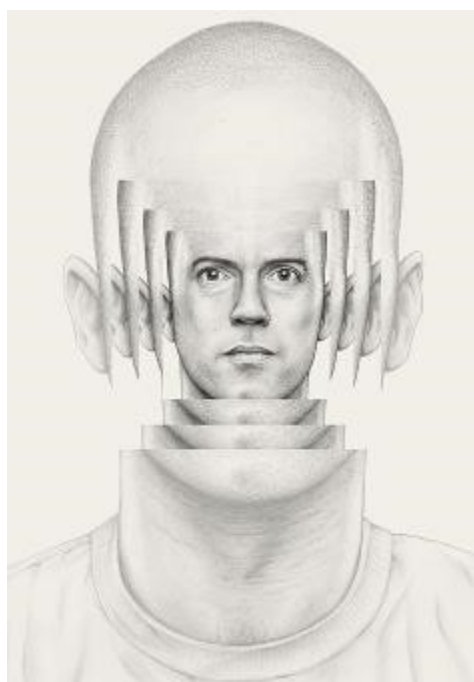
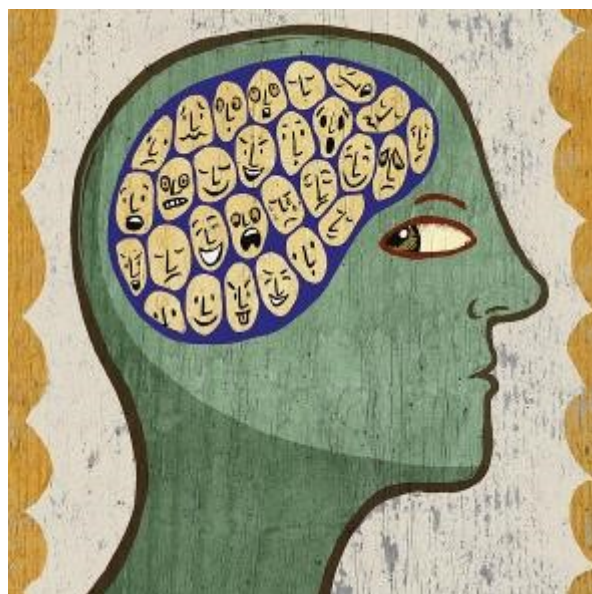
In a world of voices,
Whispers that never cease,
A battle rages on for the one who seeks release.

Schizophrenia, a monster
That lurks within the mind,
A fearsome foe to face alone for those who are confined.

Hallucinations come to life,
And paranoia grips tight,
An endless cycle of confusion in a never-ending fight.

By Theo W (9L)

Whose Schizophrenia is that?
I think I know.
Its owner is quite sad though.
It really is a tale of woe,
I watch him frown. I cry hello.
He gives his Schizophrenia a shake,
And sobs until the tears make.
The only other Sites' the break,
Of distant waves and Schizophrenia awakes.
The Schizophrenia is dark, slim and deep,
But he has promises to keep,
Until then he shall not sleep.
He lies in bed with ducts that weep.
He rises from his bitter bed,
With thoughts of sadness in his head,
He sees being dead.
Facing the day with never ending dread.



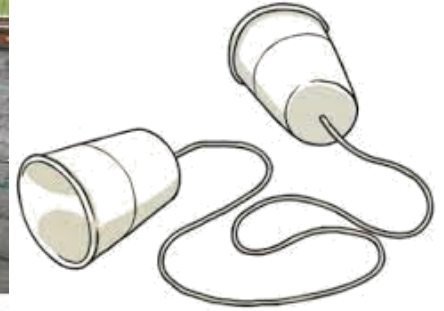


"Can You Hear Me?!"

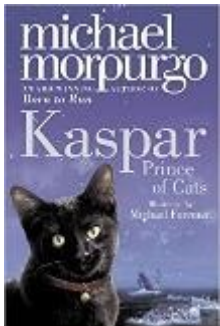
As part of their Science topic, Year 4 learnt all about how a string telephone works and how sound energy and vibrations pass along the string.



Mrs Martins



Hello!



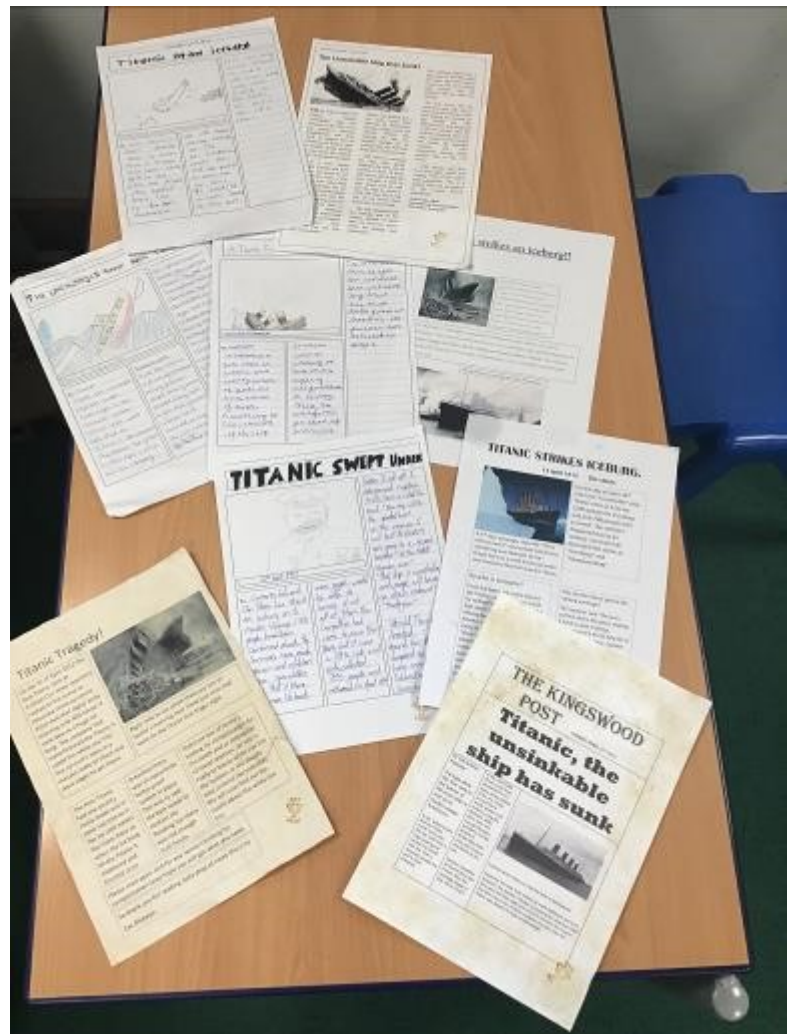
In English, 6S have been reading *Kaspar Prince of Cats* by Michael Morpurgo, it includes a scene on the Titanic and its subsequent sinking.

We have been learning about the history of the Titanic, who was to blame and conspiracy theories, the class have also completed various English tasks related to the topic.

Last week we looked at newspaper articles, how they are written, the type of language used, the structure and headlines.

The class were then asked to create their own newspaper article reporting the sinking of the Titanic. They all did an amazing job. Well done 6S!

Madame Swift





We welcomed Sarah Cunnane from the **Independent Schools Council** on Tuesday for a tour, chat with pupils and staff as well as a working lunch with Mr Murphy.



The valuable work we do with a diverse pupil body adding value, both academically and emotionally, so that all our pupils have a strong foundation of self-esteem and are inspired to achieve their full potential, was recognised and in evidence to our visitor.

The Year 3 and 4 pupils were set a STEM challenge to create the tallest paper tower using only A4 paper, glue stick and scissors. The groups worked so well together, using everyone's ideas. Miss Smith says, *"I was particularly impressed with the children whose plans didn't work in the first stage of building and had to re-adapt their thinking and planning. Well done to group 5 whose tower was 101cm tall!"*



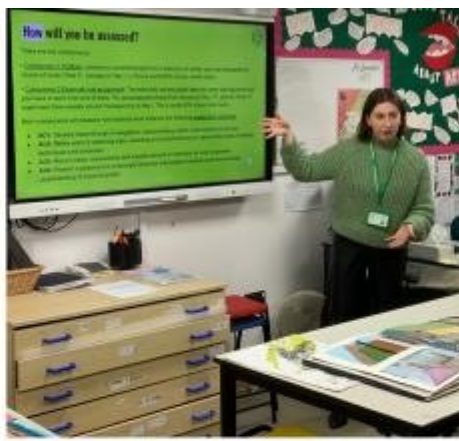


Places of Worship

Year 1 enjoyed a walk up the road to Christchurch on Epsom Common to explore the buildings and grounds as part of their learning. We are lucky to be able to use this splendid example of an Anglican place of worship at least once a term as a whole school community, but our youngest pupils appreciated an ‘access all areas’ tour to understand its form and function a little more clearly. The church has a rich history—there has been a place of worship on the site since 1843; more information for those keen on local history can be found [here](#) including details about the stunning stained glass window which our pupils were quite in awe of! *Mrs Martins*



Miss Smith our Charities Co-Ordinator says, “*Thank you to all the boys, girls and teachers who participated in our mufti fundraiser. We have raised an incredible £464! We have split this between two very important charities: between the [Red Nose Day Comic Relief](#) charity and the [Turkey Mosaik Foundation](#) appeal for help following the Turkey Syria earthquake tragedy. Both charities are extremely grateful for our support and a huge thank you to all those children who participated in the event and for the generous donations*”.



We were delighted to welcome our Year 8 parents and pupils to the **GCSE Options Evening** on Monday. The evening provided an opportunity for our knowledgeable staff to disseminate key information about their subject areas and to field any subject specific questions. The evening was also an important contributory factor for pupils in advance of making those important and final choices in relation to their GCSE options. We wish all our Year 8s best of luck with confirming their final choices and with the next step of their journey in the Senior School. *Mr Sukhdeo*

END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS -WEDNESDAY 29TH MARCH

There will be **no prep or late club** operating that day, so we do kindly ask that you please pick up your child promptly from the car park if you are driving, or the front of the school if you are on foot.

1200 Years 1-5

1215 Years 6-8

1230 Years 9-11

Thank you in advance. May I take this opportunity to wish you all a wonderful Easter break. *Mrs Harding*



After School Cycling Club

Does your child enjoy riding their bike?
Do they want to learn new skills?

If you answer yes to either of these questions then why not join the Kingswood House after school cycling sessions during the summer term.

Tuesday's Years 1-4 4pm-5pm

Thursday's Years 5-8. 4pm-5pm

They will learn the fundamentals of riding a bike, correct braking techniques, changing gear, cornering, climbing and descending as well as other important cycling skills. All coached by a British Cycling qualified coach.

To book a space go to
www.bookwhen.com/revolution-cycling
or for more information email
paul@therevolutionstudio.co.uk



Do remember all the Extra-Curricular Clubs details for the Summer Term are available on the school website [here](#); there are a few spaces left on some of them—do contact the separate Club Leaders for more information.



A reminder from the School Office

*Pupils are required to be in school for **registration at 8:30am** prompt; if your child is unwell and going to be absent, please can parents let the office know by 9am.that day—either a phonecall to 01372 723590, or emailing Mrs Harding office@kingswoodhouse.org subject line with pupil's name, class and ABSENCE.*

Thank you for your support with this.

A Note from the Study Centre...

Touch typing has a huge number of benefits for pupils, including the tactile element of pressing keys which can support the memory of sounds that make up tricky words. Touch typing also helps to develop muscle memory, which is useful when learning the different letter patterns for spelling. As touch typing is a mental activity, engaging most parts of the brain, it can help to build more active and stronger cognitive connections, too.

When learning to touch type, the key focus should be accuracy and not speed. We've all made dreaded 'typos' before, and often this is because we are rushing. Learning to touch type is about training your brain and hands to work together without thinking. This process can take time, but is well worth it in the end. With this in mind, there is no time like the present for children to learn to touch type as it is a life skill they will take with them into adulthood.

Typing's Cool offer a range of intensive touch typing courses, many of which run in the school holidays. More information can be found [here](#):

Type It! Offer both online and face-to-face courses, too. More information can be found [here](#)

Qwerty Kids offer flexible online options, too, including the opportunity to use touch typing as a skill for the Duke of Edinburgh award. More details [here](#)





Year 1 made traditional moon sighting binoculars for Ramadan. They used recycled card, and drew crescents moons on tinted lenses. The theme was purple and gold, in keeping with the colours of Ramadan. Wishing all our families celebrating a joyful and prosperous Ramadan. Mrs Martins



The Summer Party

Dust off those dancing shoes and get your childcare sorted as the KHA Summer Party is here!

Join us on Saturday 24th of June for an evening of dazzling entertainment at the Epsom Racecourse Jockey Club.

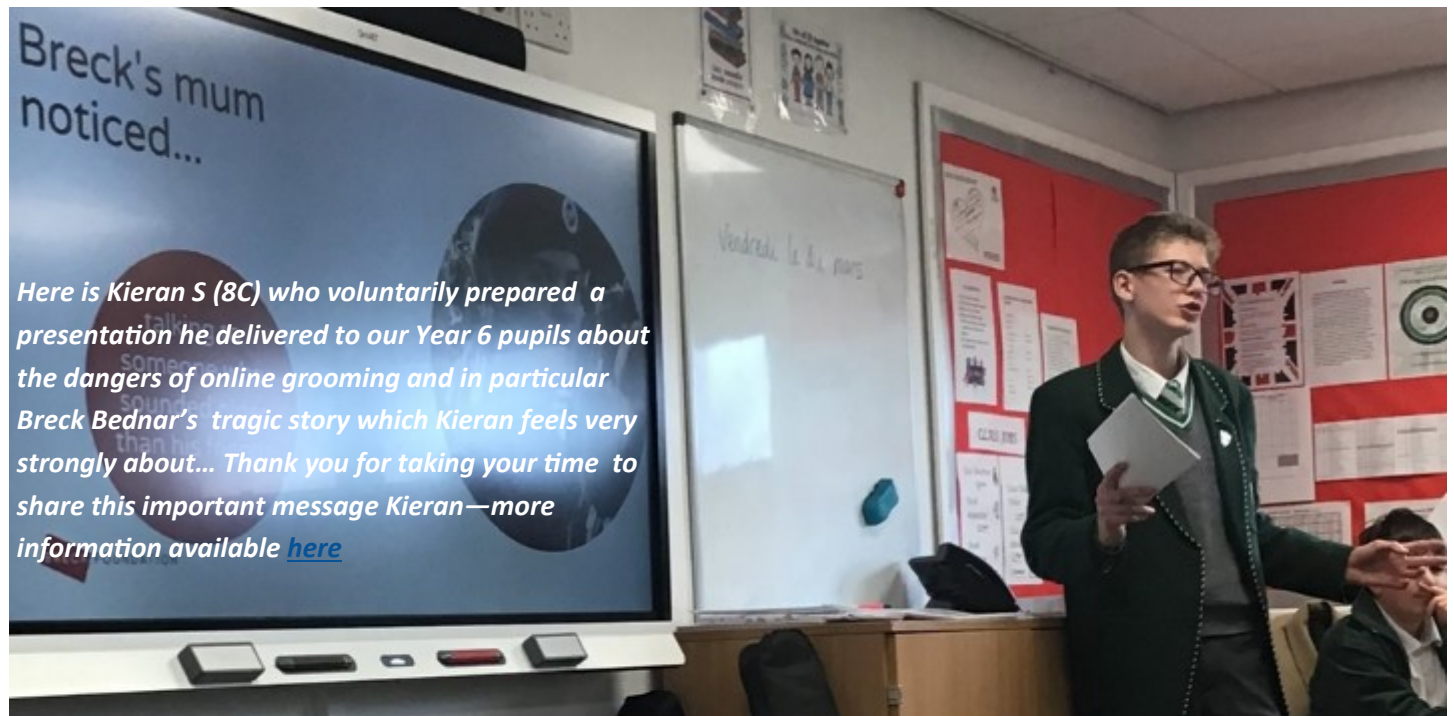
Doors open at 7pm where you can enjoy a welcome drink on the outside terrace followed by a three course meal. It's a great opportunity to meet fellow parents in a relaxed and fun atmosphere. And of course you can capture the moment at the photo booth and there is also the opportunity to walk away with an indulgent prize from the luxury raffle!

Tickets cost just £85 each. Please use this form [here](#) to book. See you there, the KHA team!



Year 3 have been getting into the Easter mood by making Easter nests.

In the spirit of the Kingswood House Way the class decided to give some of their Easter nests to the rest of the pupils in Lower Prep which was very kind of them! They didn't last long....yum! Miss Sumners



THE POW!ER OF WORDS

This week 6S have been looking at **idioms**, so I thought it apt to include one in this week's etymology: **Strike while the iron is hot.**

We have all used this at some point, but did you know that the saying dates back to the 1500s, and is derived from a blacksmith striking a horse-shoe when the temperature was exactly right.

If the blacksmith waited too long the metal would cool and it would then be difficult to shape., hence the need for swift action at the right time!

Madame Swift



Growing Well...

The Eco Committee's vegetable garden is starting to grow... there are masses of vibrant green shoots on many of the planted crops. Thank you to the fantastic Eco team for all their hard work on the veggie patch! *Miss Hylands*



Class 5S displaying their vivid floral still life images that they worked so hard on for Mother's Day!



Some wonderful Year 8 self-portraits completed in watercolour from a digital starting point having looked at a range of artists for visual inspiration! The images were created by asking the pupils to consider initially about what makes us feel or look powerful; they might have used a certain pose or props around them. Mrs Bastable then looked at Kehinde Wiley as a main starting point and inspiration. In class they recapped watercolour techniques—layering, using tints and tones—and then looked at pattern and William Morris for backgrounds! A complex project with some great outcomes, well done all!





Tea Time Concert

Yesterday, Thursday 23 March, we had our Spring Teatime Concert. We had an excellent variety of performances on guitar, cello, trumpet, piano and voice - we even had two bands perform! A huge thank you and well done to all the performers. You put on a fantastic show! I'm already looking forward to the next one. *Miss Barnes*



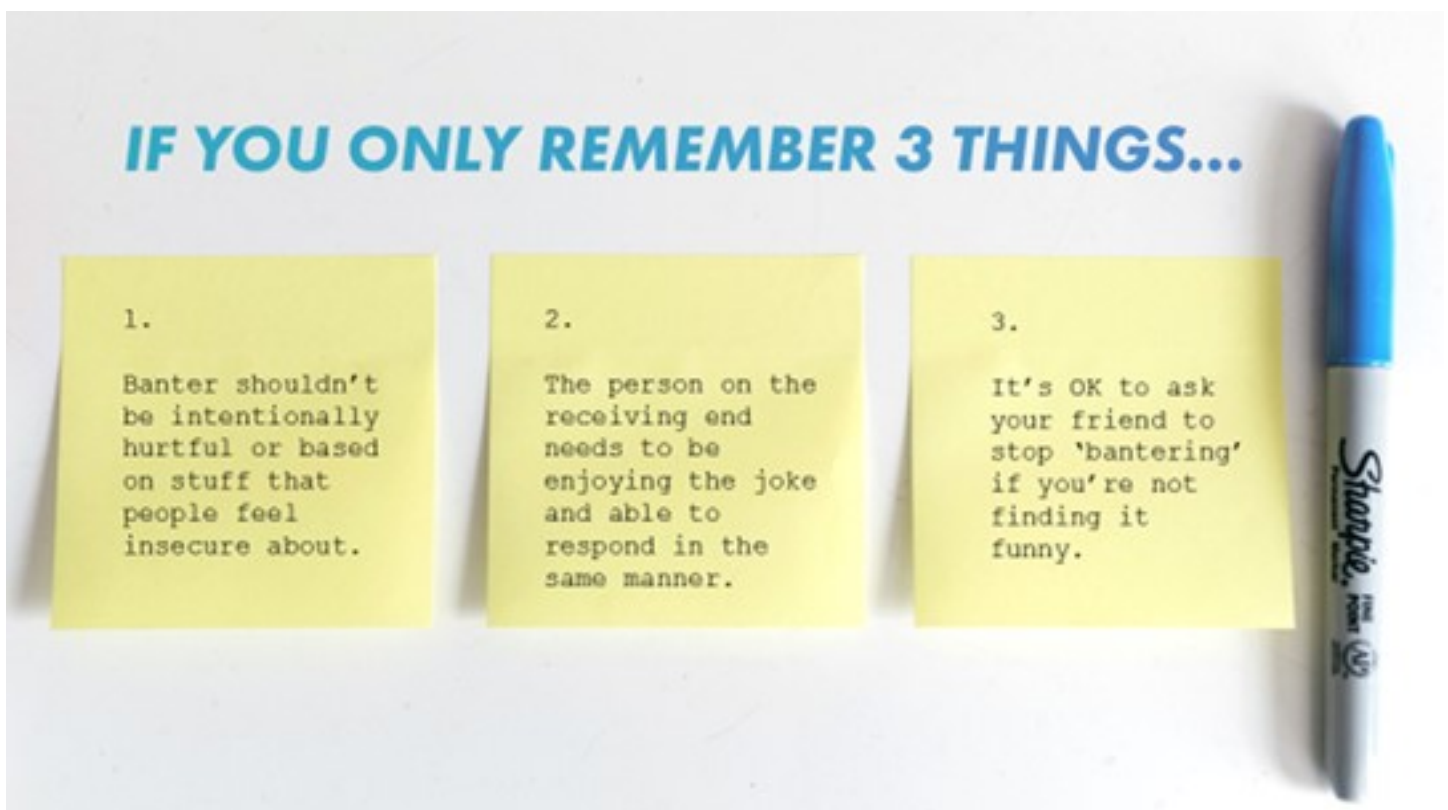
Please note, during the period of Ramadan, whilst we are at school, Monsieur Regeling has allocated his room—PB3 the French Room—as a quiet space for reflective lunchtime prayers between 13:20-13:40. Please try to remain quiet around this area. Thank you for your understanding and respect of each other's faith and beliefs. It is Ramadan for several pupils at KHS and for millions of people in the world. Pupils who are currently fasting have been offered this room during lunchtime for their reflections. Ramadan is the ninth month of the Islamic lunar calendar, and this is when Muslims fast from dawn until dusk. Our Muslim students told us that there are several exceptions: when you're ill, pregnant, breast-feeding or diabetic you do not fast. Fasting is one of the "Five Pillars" of Islam. The other 4 are: the declaration of faith, daily prayers, a pilgrimage to Mecca and charity.



Senior Pupil Briefing

Mr Sukhdeo spoke to the Seniors during Monday's Pupil's Briefing about Friendships, Banter and Bullying.

He left the pupils with the key message below and some food for thought:



EASTER CAMPS

We have limited spaces remaining on our **Easter Platform Sports & Platform Active Camps**! Click here to [book now!](#)

We are egg-cited this Easter to offer so many options for your children to continue egg-cersising with us! We have a range of exciting activities to suit the needs of your child and all of our camps have the same high quality provision and are run by our passionate, professional coaches who want to make a real difference to young people's lives. The camps that are on offer this Easter are:



- Football Camp
- Platform Active Camps
- Advanced Football Training Camp
- Girls Football Training Camp
- Goalkeeper Camp

We cannot wait to welcome your child at 1 of our 7 cracking camps running this Easter! They are taking place at Bell Farm School, Esher College, the Royal Kent School and Cobham Rugby Club.

Sign Up [here](https://platform-sports-coaching.class4kids.co.uk/camps) <https://platform-sports-coaching.class4kids.co.uk/camps>

EASTER ACTIVITY CAMP
3-8 APRIL & 11-14 APRIL
4-11 YEAR OLDS
BELL FARM SCHOOL 18:30 - 19:30

EASTER FOOTBALL CAMP
3-8 APRIL & 11-14 APRIL
4-11 YEAR OLDS
COBHAM RUGBY CLUB 18:30 - 19:30

EASTER ACTIVITY CAMP
11-14 APRIL
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ROYAL KENT SCHOOL 18:30 - 19:30

Also, PLATFORM SPORTS FC TRIALS

Platform Sports FC are holding their football trials for next season throughout April and May!

If your child is interested in being part of a team, playing regular matches and being coached by professional football coaches, working for professional academies, then sign up to our trials [here](#)

<https://platform-sports-coaching.class4kids.co.uk/term/148>

PLATFORM SPORTS FC TRIALS

FRIDAY 21ST APRIL 17:00 - 18:00 U7
FRIDAY 20TH APRIL 17:30 - 18:00 U8
FRIDAY 5TH MAY 17:30 - 18:00 U7 & U8

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KHA PRESENTS

The Summer Party

Saturday 24th June 2023
7pm to midnight

Welcome Drinks | DJ | Photo Booth
Three Course Dinner
Luxury Raffle | Outside Terrace

The Jockey Club
Epsom Racecourse
KT18 5LQ

Dress to impress!

Tickets £85.00

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