

# KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term

21 April 2023

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## The Kingswood House Way



Dear Parents

I offer you a warm welcome back to what promises to be another busy term.

Further to our ISI inspection in March, I have now reviewed the draft report and will soon be in a position to share details with you upon publication, which is imminent. Suffice to say, I am very proud of the outcomes for the school. You may have seen over the holiday that I was interviewed and quoted in the Telegraph, following on from our visit by the Independent Schools' Council, in respect of Labour's policy for independent schools. It was an excellent opportunity to raise awareness of Kingswood House and showcase that all private schools are not like Eton, Harrow and Winchester – some like ours have a very definite public benefit. On a related note, I am also looking forward to seeing our inaugural review in the Good Schools' Guide later in the term.

A special mention to our Year 11 students who will commence their GCSE examinations shortly. The teaching and support staff are proud of your efforts, including coming in for a pre-term revision session on Monday, and we wish you well. Remember: exams do not define who you are. The point is that each student, and the value of their education, is much more than a piece of paper with the exam results on. So, although the results are important - it is not 'success' or 'failure' for life. It is your attitude and character that will ultimately determine your pathway in the future.

In the meantime, I look forward to a productive term and trust that we can expect some conducive weather for the boys and girls to make the most of all that is on offer here at KHS.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster & CEO

WISHING AND  
DREAMING ARE THE  
BEGINNING OF ALL  
HUMAN ENDEAVOR

BARBARA SHAR

PICTURE QUOTES - JAMES



SUCCESS IS NOT FINAL;  
FAILURE IS NOT FATAL;  
IT IS THE COURAGE TO CONTINUE  
THAT COUNTS.

WINSTON S. CHURCHILL

Please find the link to Mr Murphy's blog for the week [here](#)



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

2023 APRIL			
Monday	24	0730 0900 1330	SLT Meeting Years 8 & 9 HPV Vaccination U13A vs CLFS (Surrey Cup round 1)
Tuesday	25	0900-1030 0935-1055 1400 1615	Year 10 Functional Skills Writing Assessment Year 9 MOMB Trip to Epsom Racecourse U14A vs Thomas' Battersea (H) Staff Meeting: Tooled Up Education Webinar
Wednesday	26	All day 0845 0930 Year 1	Years 7 & 8 UKMT Maths Challenge HPQ Assembly Lower Prep Forest School Trip to Epsom
Thursday	27	1315-1400 1400-1600 1530-1700	Year 7 Lunchtime Craft Activity Years 5—11 RSE / PSHE workshops Year 11 History revision webinar
Friday	28	All day 0900	<b>Marlborough House Day</b> Class Reps' Meeting via Teams Year 11 GCSE Music Coursework deadline

#### LUNCH MENU for week beginning 24.04.2023

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Pesto Pasta with Homemade Garlic Bread (GF, v)	Fresh Fruit; Fruit Crumble	Chilli con Carne; Five Bean Chilli (GF, V) with Brown & White Rice & Peas	Fresh Fruit; Jelly	Roast Pork & Crackling with Roast Potatoes & Steamed Cabbage (GF) Pesto & Tomato Tart (V)	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Homemade Chicken & Leek Pie; Potato & Leek Pie (V) with Crushed New Potatoes	Fresh Fruit; Chocolate Sponge with Chocolate Sauce	Homemade Fish Pie or Fish Fingers (GF) with Peas & Sweetcorn	Fresh Fruit; Cheese & Biscuits

Don't forget it's **MARLBOROUGH HOUSE DAY** next week and they are raising money for two charities, Love me Love my Mind and Helen Arkell.

We suggest a maximum £10, in coins, for ease of use on the day at the stalls and activities.

Marlborough students are to wear green mufti in exchange for £1. Thanks for your support. *Miss Smith*



# ENDEAVOUR



Application – Attitude - Effort - Resolve - Dedication – Maturity – Sportsmanship – Camaraderie  
Resilience – Determination - Teamwork – Perseverance - Grit - Hope – Conviction - Expectation

- I use reasoning to guide my decisions
- I do my fair share when working with others
- I am able to work effectively as a team leader or to let others lead
- I am agreeable and able to make appropriate compromises
- I am learning to trust in good
- I am optimistic and always try to see the good
- I have faith in my friendships
- I am trying to understand that I am never alone
- I try to be a person that others can have belief in
- Even when I fail, I learn from the experience
- I do not give up when things get difficult
- I recognise my own uniqueness and use courage to be me
- I face my fears and try to find ways to conquer them
- I stand up for my sense of right, even if it is not popular
- I find ways to fill my heart with courage

This term's focus from the Kingswood House Way is **Endeavour**; Mr Murphy explained what expectations he has for the pupils this term in assembly on Wednesday with the three, green highlighted aspects of particular note this term. We hope to give out badges to pupils in July who have showed this aspect in abundance.





*First day smiles at Lower Prep break time...*

**Windrush** 75  
NETWORK



Mr Murphy's start of term assembly introduced the value of 'Endeavour', explained the symbolism of St George and Earth Day and discussed the significance of the 75th Windrush anniversary.

He also looked ahead to the busy Summer Term highlighting some of the many activities we have on the calendar.

**Summer Term** **WELCOME BACK!**

More information can be found on the school's website [here](#) and a copy of Mr Murphy's Start of Term Letter to Parents is [here](#).



Here are some wonderful posters from Year 6 after learning about activist art. The pupils collaged and painted the background then cut stencils and screen printed their designs which were then worked into with pens and oil pastels. Striking, powerful results for sure... Mrs Bastable





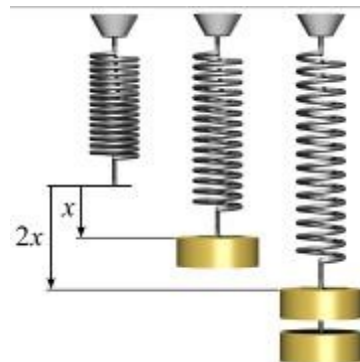


### *Going Down...but Science Knowledge is Going Up!*

At the end of last term, Year 8 pupils were enjoying investigative learning in science – they applied their knowledge of weight, air resistance and balancing forces to create and design their own parachutes. They produced some fantastic designs showing their innovation and the winner with the longest air time was Tristan B and his origami based design!

Students then went on to use virtual lab software to calculate the spring constant of various springs and determine when they had been elastically deformed!

Excellent effort, Year 8! Miss Patel



A note from Miss Hylands about **Earth Day** this Saturday....

Did you know that Earth Day 2023 is on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> April? The first Earth Day was held on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 1970! It was founded to help people consider their actions and how they affect the Earth and our world. The purpose of Earth Day is to continue helping people think about how to protect and care for our Earth.

What can you do to help? There are many ways that you can play your part in saving our planet, you can purchase eco-friendly items, turn off lights when you leave a room, recycle and by using less water!

How about making some [seed bombs](https://hub.suttons.co.uk/childrens-corner/how-to-make-seed-bombs) over the weekend? Click on the link below for a step-by-step guide...

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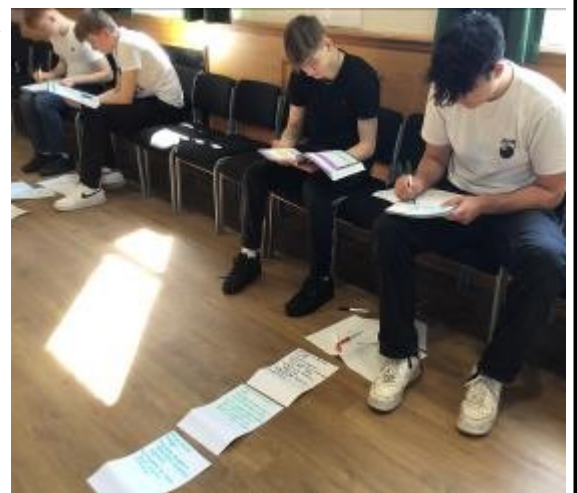
Make sure to send photos in to [Miss Hylands](#) if you decide to make any! Miss Hylands







Y11 historians worked hard during their holiday GCSE revision session, creating timelines which charted migration to this country over the centuries.



*Thank you to Mrs Haunstetter and all our other GCSE subject staff for giving up their time for important revision sessions before the start of term...*

### *Remembering...not forgetting...WINDRUSH & STEPHEN LAWRENCE*

In our first assembly back after the Easter break, we referenced two very significant forthcoming anniversaries: marking 30 years since the murder of Stephen Lawrence on 22nd April 1993 and 75 years since the Empire Windrush first docked at Tilbury in Essex on 22nd June 1948, with people migrating to Britain from the Caribbean. Both these events are so important for us to remember.



Stephen's murder was an unprovoked racist attack, which subsequently exposed the institutional racism with the police and led to recommendations for change. The last three decades have also seen Stephen's mother, Doreen, campaign tirelessly for justice for her son, but also equality for all.

Those who came over to Britain in the post-war years as the 'Windrush generation' were often exposed to vicious and cruel hatred and discrimination, despite the enormous contribution they made to rebuilding the country, in particular the newly formed NHS and enhancing the culture of this nation. We spoke of how positives can come from negative events in bringing about change for the good, along with the need for us all to be tolerant and kind.



Students will be following up the messages from this assembly in PSHE sessions, Form Time and in some lessons over the forthcoming weeks. *Mrs Haunstetter*





Miss Sumners' maths group has been exploring 3D shapes. The pupils spent a morning using nets to make 3D shapes. Lots of cutting and sticking to better understand the forms really helped their understanding.

*Miss Sumners*





*GTi News—Congratulations!*

Last month Darcie F (8L) auditioned for [Tap Attack](#), one of the worlds most renowned tap dance specialists, and she has successfully secured a place in their South East Associate.

Needless to say this is an achievement for anyone, but for Darcie, who missed ten months of dance and has only been allowed to tap full out since January, this is an amazing achievement. It has been her dream for quite some time.

Well done, Darcie, we are incredibly proud of you!  
*Mr Laudy*



**LOST PROPERTY—URGENT APPEAL!** Please can everyone check at home for an ASDA bag containing ALL of Zac M's (8C) uniform and a pair of school shoes, that was left in school at the end of term; despite a thorough search here, it has disappeared so we are appealing to all in case it ended up at home with your son or daughter! Thank you. *Mrs Harding*

## CHESINGTON SCHOOL SIXTH FORM SPORTS ACADEMY

# CRICKET

## FINAL TRIALS FOR SEPT 2023 START

Friday 28th April  
3:15pm to 5:15pm  
Bring your kit



**BTEC Level 3 Sports  
Extended Diploma  
(equivalent to 3 A-levels)**

If you have a talent and passion for cricket, then our Sports Academy programme is your chance to continue developing that special interest whilst gaining a recognised academic qualification in a caring school.

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*Chessington Sixth Form  
Cricket: Semi-finalists  
of the Surrey Men's  
Indoor Cricket League -  
January 2023*



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# FOOTBALL

## FINAL TRIALS FOR SEPT 2023 START

Tuesday 25th April or Tuesday  
2nd May, 7pm to 9pm

At CHUFC grounds, Chalky Lane



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Eid is the festival held by Muslims to celebrate the end of Ramadan, the Islamic holy month, where Muslims fast between sunrise and sunset every day.

*We at KHS wish all of our Muslim students Eid Mubarak or Happy Eid. May your Eid be filled with love, happiness, and blessings and may this auspicious occasion bring you closer to your family and friends.*

Parents of pupils currently in Years 8, 9 and 10 please note our

### **SIXTH FORM INFORMATION EVENING**

—for post KHS, 16 plus choices—will be held in school on **Monday 5th June 6-8pm.**

More details to follow, but this will be an important evening for our pupils and their families to attend, giving the opportunity to meet, and converse with, staff from a range of sixth form settings including local state and independent schools and colleges .

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the  
date®**