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Kingswood House News

Spring Term 2023

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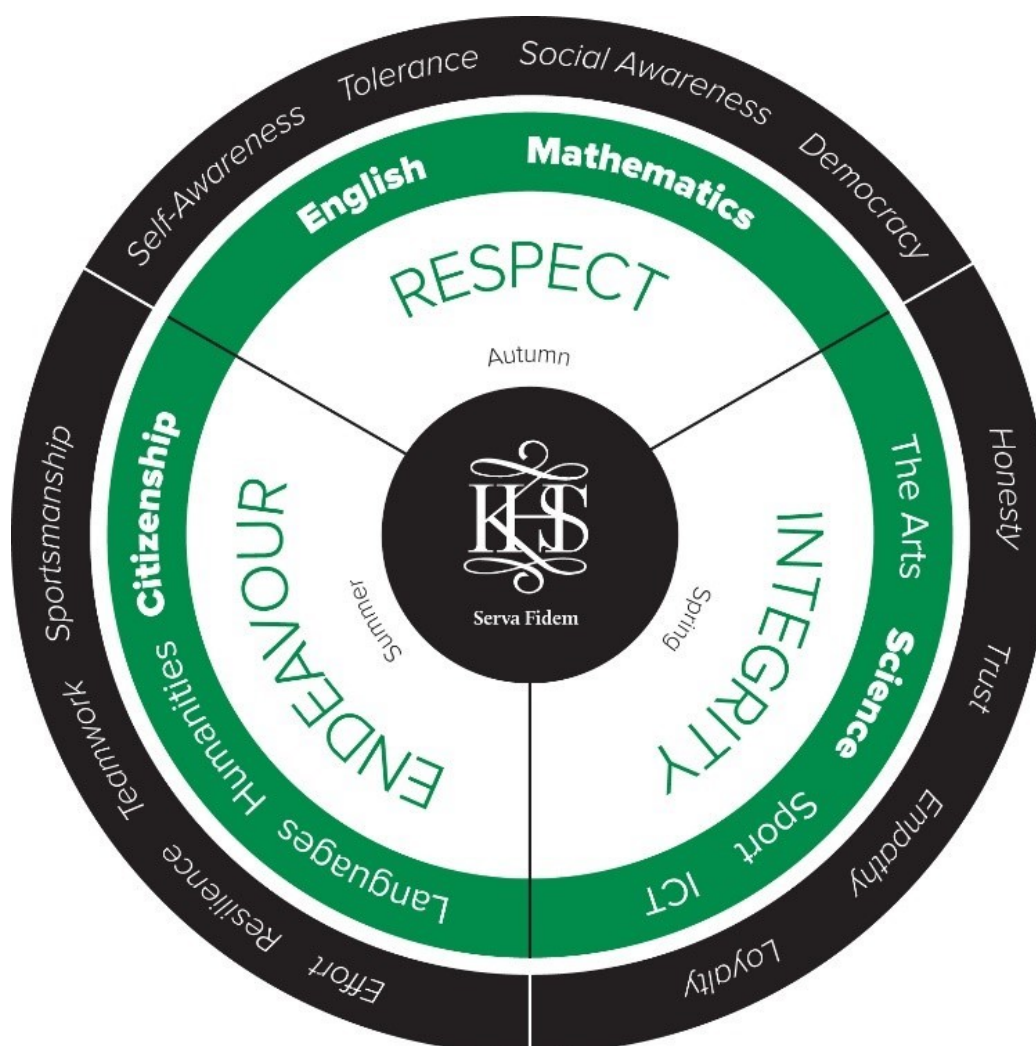
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Teaching Staff

Mr Mike Bailey	I.P.G.C.E.	<i>Head of Design Technology, Games</i>
Mr David Barratt	B.Ed. Maths and Science	<i>Science Teacher, Year 7 Form Teacher, Games</i>
Mrs Victoria Bastable	B.A.(Hons) Art History, P.G.C.E	<i>Head of Art, KHS Character & Values Coordinator</i>
Miss Amanda Black	M.A. Education Practice, P.G.D.E	<i>Head of Science, Year 10 Form Teacher, Careers Coordinator</i>
Mrs Eleanor Bray	B.A (Hons) Philosophy, P.G.D.E	<i>English Teacher, Year 9 Form Teacher, Independent Learning & Life Skills Coordinator, Student Council</i>
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Mr Barney Cowie	B.Sc. (Hons) P.G.C.E	<i>Director of Sport, Year 8 Form Teacher</i>
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Mrs Belinda Horley	H.N.D Performing Arts, P.G.C.E	<i>Head of Drama</i>
Miss Gemma Hylands		<i>Cover Supervisor, Eco Coordinator</i>
Mrs Jacqueline Jennings	B.A. (Q.T.S) Secondary Education & PE	<i>Teacher of PE & Games, Year 8 Form Teacher</i>
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The Study Centre Teaching Staff

Mrs Joanna McMurtrie	<i>Level 5 Diploma in Teaching Learners with Dyslexia/Specific Learning Difficulties, NCFE Cache Level 2 in Understanding Children & Young Peoples Mental Health</i>
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The Study Centre Peripatetic Tutors and Therapists

Mrs Sherryn Alton	<i>B.Sc (Hons) Logopaedics, M.Sc. (Hons) Human Communication, ACS (Deafness); BSL Level 2, Registered MHPC; Cert MRCSLT</i>
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Mrs Leanne Stewart	<i>B.Ed. Unicorn Maths</i>
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Administrative and Support Staff

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Mrs Emma Darbshire	Primary First Aider & Medical Administrator
Mrs Amanda Earl	Head of Marketing
Miss Karen Harding	School Secretary/Head's PA
Mrs Ann Miller	Admissions and Office Administrator , Clubs Coordinator
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Mrs Pippa Webb	Head of ICT & Exams Officer
Mrs Sally Witts	Bursar

Music Peripatetic Teachers

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Ms Alison Knight	piano
Mr Alex Temple-Heald	drums
Ms Dido Xenakis	violin

Kitchen

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Miss Maria Lopez	Assistant Cook
Shirin Yasin	Kitchen Assistant
Mrs I Lau	Kitchen Assistant
Ms A Lim	Cleaning and Catering Assistant
Mrs A Yeang	Kitchen Assistant
Miss A Hafiz	Kitchen Assistant

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Mr Ron Gummer	Maintenance
Mr David Stutter	Minibus Driver
Mr Martin Wood	Minibus Driver
Mr Bernie White	Minibus Driver
Mr Kwai Choi Yeung	Minibus Driver

The following pages are a compilation of all our Newsletters sent out during the Spring Term 2023. Mr Murphy commented in January,

“Consequently, it remains more important than ever to be appreciative of things we often take for granted in our country, especially the empowerment of freedom of speech and demonstrable actions. These involve making choices and taking accountability for those choices. It is my aspiration for all KHS boys and girls to have courage in their convictions, to stand up for what is right and not be afraid to take the path less trodden. Strength of character, tolerance of others and kindness are the ingredients for a peaceful world – and that educational journey starts at home and school”.

In mid February, reviewing our whole school annual production—this year a colourful show of ‘Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat’ - Mr Murphy reveals,

“I start this week with unashamed praise for the cast and crew of “Joseph” whose performance last night emanated enjoyment, pride and no little talent. In advance of this evening’s reprise, I offer heartfelt thanks to Mrs Horley and her team of staff for their time and effort with the pupils over many weeks and months in preparation for the show. In the same way that sport engenders a team ethic, the same is true of a school production but the effect is magnified – because a commitment on this scale captures just about the whole school community either as a performer, helper, member of the audience or sponsor”.

And finally as the term drew to a close, Mr Murphy reminded us,

“I am delighted to reflect upon us surmounting some major hurdles. Most significantly, we have seen off the threat of development on our site and are able to plan for the future with confidence. Equally, we have undergone a demanding, rigorous inspection process and demonstrated the quality of our all-round education with aplomb”.

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

LOWER PREP

1M

Haris A for his confidence and communication skills during "Show and Tell". Well done for the cooking video tips! Mrs Martins

3S

Hattie C for staring school with an excellent attitude. Miss Sumners

Ted R for gaining confidence in maths. Miss Sumners

4S

UPPER PREP

5F

William N-B for a great first day back. Lovely answers and questions in Science and Geography. Ms Forbes

6B

Elinor F for settling in so well and quickly! Well done to the rest of the form, particularly her buddy Phoebe, for helping her feel so welcome. Mrs Bastable

6S

6S the whole class for enthusiastic contributions in our English lesson on how to write a book review. Madame Swift

7B

Bertie L for his positive attitude to learning at the start of a fresh term. Mr Barratt

Ben C – a great first lesson from Ben. Engaged, contributing and showing good levels of comprehension. Worked very diligently throughout. Mrs Haunstetter

Dollie M, Lilly-Rose M, Max K, Tom F for excellent contributions in PSHE. Madame Swift

Rhys B has been a great help to Ben who has just started in 7B. Rhys is making sure our new pupil knows where to go and who to speak to if he isn't sure. Mr Clarke

Henry S has started the term brilliantly in Maths – keep up the good work Henry. Mr Clarke

A great start for Ben C who is working diligently in maths. Mrs Lindley

7W

Jensen W and Eddie B for a good start and good answers in PSHE. Mr Westcott

Isla M for clearing up someone else's mess in the dining hall without being asked. Madame Swift

Jensen W for being able to translate 13 countries into English without even seeing them beforehand. Everyone in 7H was very impressed! Monsieur Regeling

8C

Kieran S - very helpful helping Mr Cowie settle in with his new form, giving him lots of information and being very approachable. Mr Cowie

Kieran S is planning some workshops for pupils in the Upper prep during wellbeing week. Fabulous to have pupils bringing outside interests into the school community. Mr Clarke

Dollie M, Folu A and Aurelia G helped Mrs Jennings settle in on her first break duty. It was great to see them showing her around.

Rex T for pushing his learning in the 'Area and Perimeter' topic. Mrs Lindley

UPPER PREP continued

8J

Josh S for being exceptionally helpful in tutor time and making a great first impression. Mrs Jennings

Stanley B-D for showing outstanding effort in tutor time and in his hockey this week. Well done! Mrs Jennings.

8L

Bastian V – a great first geography lesson of the term. Bastie worked hard to identify OS map symbols and his team won the kahoot quiz at the end of the lesson. Keep it up. Mr Laudy

Jason S for good work in Science this week. Mr Barratt

SENIORS

9B

Liam McB for coming back with such a mature and reflective attitude. Mrs Bray

Max W for his great contributions in PSHE where he was very reflective of his strengths and weaknesses. Thank you, Max. Mr Regeling

9L

Theo J for his outstanding analysis skills in English. Mrs Bray

9R

Toby C for being a loyal and kind friend to his classmates in 9R. Toby helped another student when he had some issues with his locker key. Mr Regeling

Oli D for a positive attitude to Maths in the New Year. Mr Barratt

Dylan B (9B) and Tai B (9L) both pupils regularly put their hands up to make fantastic contributions in the Science lessons this week. Mrs Black

In Year 9 Maths - great work from Ayaan S, Avaneesh G and Charles R during Further Maths. Mrs Lindley

In Year 9 Geography – Ayaan S, Noah S & Ollie D worked very hard to produce their presentations on climate change management. Mr Laudy

10B

Tommy W and Tedd B-A have returned from the Christmas break with enthusiasm for the start of term. Mrs Black

10P

Lukas C has made a great effort improving his punctuality this term – we hope he keeps up the positive start! Miss Patel

Lukas C has made excellent contributions during the Science lesson, he has put a lot of effort into his holiday prep. Mrs Black

In Year 10 well done Rory S, some great collaborative work from him and Mrs Rahman. Mrs Lindley

11H

11H for returning to school in a calm and mature manner. Lovely to see them all. Good luck for mocks over the next week or so. Mrs Haunstetter

11W

It was pleasing to see the class return from the Christmas break fired up and all raring to go, ready for mocks – good luck to them all, keep calm and carry on! Mrs Weston

Thomas G has had an excellent start to the term and contributed greatly to discussion. Mr March

In Year 11 well done Alan R who is pushing himself in algebra, asking insightful questions. Mrs Lindley

A very warm KHS welcome to the following new members of staff—we are delighted to have join us:

Mr Cowie –Director of Sport & Year Form Teacher

Mrs Jennings— Teacher of PE & Year 8 Form Teacher

Miss Livsey-Barnes—Director of Music & Year 7 Form Teacher (shared with Mr Westcott)

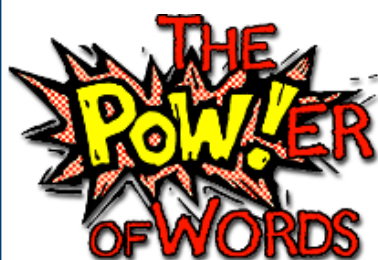
Mr Mohamed—Teacher of Maths

Mrs Pola—Teacher of Computer Science

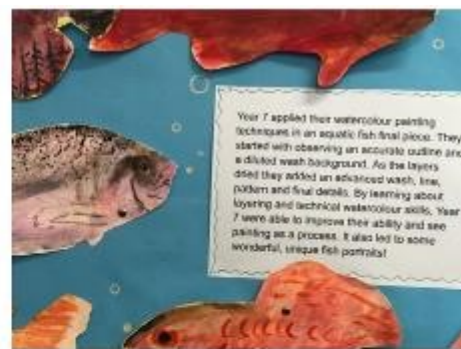


welcome
TO THE TEAM

Here we are at the start of 2023 and some of us may have made some **New Year's Resolutions**, but do you know where the idea of resolutions came from?



The ancient Babylonians are said to be the first people to make new year's resolutions, about 4000 years ago. They were also the first to hold recorded celebrations for new year, although for them, the new year began in mid-March when the crops were planted. During a massive 12-day religious festival called Akitu, the Babylonians crowned a new king or confirmed their loyalty to the reigning king. They also made promises to the gods to repay their debts and return objects they had borrowed; these promises could be considered the forerunners of our new year's resolutions.



It was a lovely, temperate day on which to welcome back staff and pupils to the start of Spring Term 2023; we are looking forward to a busy, action-packed few weeks and hoping the weather stays kind to us. There were new displays up to enjoy, sport and Computer Science lessons and lots of learning in Lower Prep going on straight away...and of course, we were all treated to a delicious lunch to raise the spirits on the first day back!

All information about **Spring Term Clubs** can be found [here](#) and **Mr Murphy's start of term letter** to families is also available on our website [here](#)

*Did you know that January 23rd is **National Parent & Carers Mental Health Day**...*

Ms Timothy refers to our 'adult in charge' as we all have different set ups at home, but whoever it is, in this new year as adults, we need to think about taking care of ourselves if we are to have the capacity to catch and support young people in our care when they need us. A free webinar is available [here](#) which focus on how parents and carers can successfully adapt to challenging life situations, and deal with their own stress and anxiety, while navigating their family through difficult times.



SPORTS RESULTS

KHS v Belmont

U13As won 25-15; Player of the Match was Finlay R (8C), the try scorers were Finlay R Basti V x2 (8L) Harvey M (7B), a special mention to both Finlay, Basti and Alex M-K (7B). Mr Cowie reports, *"Although we were disappointed to not be playing contact rugby, the boys played some fantastic running rugby and showed great organisation in defence. Highlights of the match consist of Basti's two tries that were run in from the entire length of the pitch! Finlay R organised the team fantastically in attack and showed great vision with attacking kicks and chips in the opponents half"*.

U13Bs won 40-25; Player of the Match was Jason S (8L) who also scored three tries. Tom R (8J) also scored a notable three tries—both Jason and Tom were excellent throughout. Good team performance. Mr Clarke overseeing the game said, *"A great start to the season with a solid win against Belmont. The game started very evenly before a break away try from Jason S, followed up quickly by another score from Tom R to put some space between the two teams on the scoreboard. It was 20-10 at half time but still a great opportunity for Belmont to get back into the game as they were now playing downhill, notoriously a 2 try hill! However, much to Belmont's surprise Kingswood defended stoutly in the early stages of the second half before scoring three tries in quick succession. A well-deserved final score of 45-25 is a great way to start the season"*

More results continued overleaf...



Our keen U13, U11 & U10 teams were in action against Belmont this week...



SPORTS RESULTS

KHS v Belmont *continued...*

U11As won 25-15; Player of the Match was Ollie R (6B) also a try scorer with Cameron E (6B). Special Mentions go to Hugo H (6S) - excellent ball carrying and Teddy C-E (6S) - great work in the scrum. Mr Laudy reports, *"Despite the disappointment of not being allowed to play contact rugby, the U11 A's rose to the occasion brilliantly with an excellent win in the first game of the season. The first half consisted of some outstanding attacking play, the majority of which was in the opposition's half. The second half started with two early tries from Belmont; however, in true KHS spirit, the team rallied and countered with two more outstanding tries. Overall, an excellent team performance and excellent ball handling from every player".*

U11Bs lost 9-0; Player of the Match awarded to Torin A-I (6B) with a special mention to Elody T (6B) for her increased team spirit and positive attitude even when the odds were against us. Mr Brown comments on the game, *"The impeccable attitude of U11 B's was clear to see as the pupils started their first game of the season with strong breaks from Torin and Elody. However, our dreams of a startling victory were cut short by a strong Belmont side, aided by the treacherous conditions, who grew into the game after a slow start. Unfortunately, KHS could not respond, going down a few tries despite some valiant efforts. However, we will go into the next game with some much needed experience under our belts. Well done to everyone involved!"*

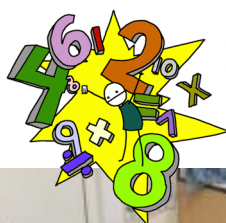
U10As won 15-5; Player of the Match awarded to Zach Bo (5F) who also scored two tries. Henry W (5F) also got points on the board. A special mention from Miss Luff to Vlad M (5F) for his participation who noted, *"... under wet conditions the U10's played some fantastic running rugby. The boys were disappointed it was non contact, nonetheless they gave 100%. Zachary BI (5F) was spotted for his positivity throughout the game. The rest of the U10 players enjoyed a mixed game with the Belmont players".*

U9As lost 4-2; Player of the Match with two tries was Alfie L (4S). Special Mentions to Phoebe W (4S) and Bailey M (3S) for their excellent work rate. Mr Westcott comments, *"The U9s played a good game, after going 3-0 down in the first half, they put in a fantastic shift to get 2 tries. The pupils played really well in wet and windy conditions and fought hard all through the match".*

U8As lost 10-7 Player of the Match Yarik M (3S); U8Bs lost 13-11 their Player of the Match was Aiden K (4S) Both U8 teams were on fire, despite the final scores, and worked really hard throughout in wet and windy conditions. Great confidence boosting play by Zayn J (4S).



Doubling the Fun in Maths!



Year 3 have been exploring doubling and halving in maths in lots of different ways including selling items from Miss Sumners' classroom!



Please note our Kingswood House Way character value for this Spring Term is **Integrity** with our subject enrichment belonging to The Arts and Science in the first half of the term with Creative and Performing Arts to follow...

INTEGRITY



**Honesty - Trust – Empathy - Loyalty - Dedication - Discretion – Kindness – Maturity –
Wisdom – Judgement – Reason – Prudence – Friendship – Sincerity - Being Your Best Self**

I try to see the whole picture before making a judgement

I concentrate and pay attention so that I can think clearly

I use reasoning to guide my decisions

I am sincere in my dealings with others

I am inclusive rather than exclusive

I try to be a good listener

I share my time, ideas and feelings

I appreciate the good in others and share compliments

I am happy for others when good things happen to them

I show concern for others and try to be supportive

I look for ways to express kindness to others

I am forgiving instead of holding a grudge

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



Tea & Talk' Evolving... Year 8 Breaktime Brunch

Year 8 boys and girls met with their form teachers, Mr Clarke and Miss Timothy this week to discuss some social plans for the upcoming term. It is exciting to be planning a social event in the summer term, as well as hearing many good ideas from the pupils themselves for break and lunchtimes once the field is back in action. All those present enjoyed refreshments and the chance to chat and be listened to in their year group forum.

These sessions have evolved out of our 'Tea & Talk' sessions which were introduced when we changed to co-education to give our new cohort of girls a forum to get together and chat. Look out for more details soon...



Our Year 9 pupils began the first of their essential life-skills course, basic First Aid training, this week led by our lovely School Medical Administrator Mrs Darbishire. We are sure the pupils will find the course engaging and interesting with its hands on approach to the learning content, plus they never know if they may get called upon in the future to use the skills presented in it!





Year 3 children have been exploring various forms of Victorian artwork including silhouettes, which were a more affordable alternative to photograph which had only just been invented. Here are some fabulous examples from the class!



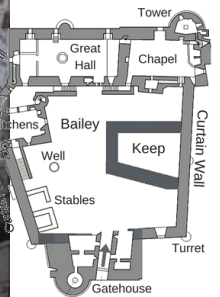
Congratulations to Isaaq G (9B) who was recently awarded an All-rounder and Academic Exhibition to recognise his effort and attainment across the school curriculum.

We look forward to seeing him continue to flourish in all areas of school life, as he progresses through his GCSE program of study.



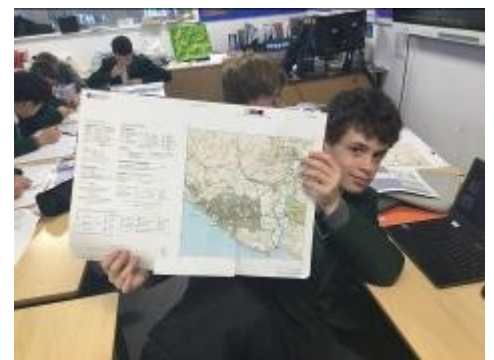
Castles!

Y6 brought in their magnificent castle projects that they have been working on over the last few weeks. They have been extremely imaginative with the materials they used to construct the castles and have clearly put a huge amount of time and energy into them. Much fun was had looking at what each other had created. Some more edible models even came under attack at the end of the lesson! Mrs *Haunstetter*



Mapping the Way in Year 8...

In Geography, Year 8 have just started their new topic, Geographical Skills. They have been looking at OS maps, investigating the different map symbols and tackling all the information an OS map displays. Year 8 will soon be looking at 6 figure grid references and compass directions. Mr *Laudy*



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

LOWER PREP

1M

To Verity F for sequencing her own sentences and using amazing adjectives for her story of SUPERTATO. Mrs Martins

3S

Dillen S for always being respectful and working hard with all his school work. Miss Sumners

4S

Theo A for excellent coding work in computing lessons. Theo has been problem solving and debugging programmes! Miss Smith

All of Year 3 & 4 pupils for a fantastic effort in their first rugby match of the year, braving the lousy weather conditions – extremely windy and rainy - as well as showing integrity and respect during and after the match. Their sportsmanship was amazing and they should all be extremely proud of themselves. Mr Westcott

UPPER PREP

5F

Zachary BI for being thoughtful and bringing in cakes for the class to celebrate a friend's birthday. Ms Forbes

6B

Elody T for her endeavour and effort in class since coming back from the holidays. Mrs Bastable

6S

Dexter B for an excellent Russian accent used to get into character when reading our class book in English. Madame Swift

7B

Ben C- lots of smiles and hard work this week. Mr Barratt

Ben C for great contributions and demonstrating an excellent knowledge in French and Lilly-Rose M for her excellent efforts in French. Madame Swift

7W

Darcey S for her fantastic work rate in PE and the way she encouraged her fellow class mates to keep going in the fitness test was brilliant. What a tremendous effort, keep it up Darcey! Mr Westcott

Byron M - for being a positive presence in the classroom and always doing as asked. Miss Livsey-Barnes

George P for his great work in French. His answers are on point and he is always hard-working. Monsieur Regeling

8C

Gabriel C - having a great attitude towards school life and throwing himself into lots of extra-curricular activities. Really positive and contributed well in our PSHE lesson. Mr Cowie

8J

Lauti Y for showing outstanding focus and courtesy in tutor time. Mrs Jennings

William B for working exceptionally hard and showing superb motivation in his practical PE and Games lessons. Mrs Jennings

8L

Y8 Maths; Zac G – huge confidence and motivation in class & Tom VM - increased work rate and productivity. Mr Barratt

U13A rugby team - great first match against Belmont last Wednesday with some fantastic passages of attacking play. Mr Cowie

SENIORS**9B**

Liam McB for showing excellent respect and leadership skills. After the drama rehearsals, Liam helped lead the organisation of tidying up. Mrs Bray

9L

Good feedback from Mr Cowie in regards to Max Rocheron, keep up the hard work. Mrs Lindley

Ed C for his fantastic insights into the play Macbeth. Mr March

9R

Joel M or looking incredibly smart this term so far. Keep it up, Joel. Monsieur Regeling

Y9 Maths Ibrahim M for a cracking weeks work – organised and efficient. Mr Barratt

10B

Ivan T, & Nathan A - both pupils worked well to create a resilience questionnaire in PSHE. Well done to you both. Mrs Black

Tommy W - for his excellent work and determination in his music theory lesson. Miss Livsey-Barnes

10P

Archie S has been showing great growth in confidence and has been incredibly helpful in his role as a Duke of Edinburgh Ambassador! Fantastic efforts Archie! Miss Patel

11H

11H for conducting themselves so well during their mock exams. Mrs Haunstetter

Jess D for her impressive creative writing in her Language Paper 1 exam. Mrs Bray

11W

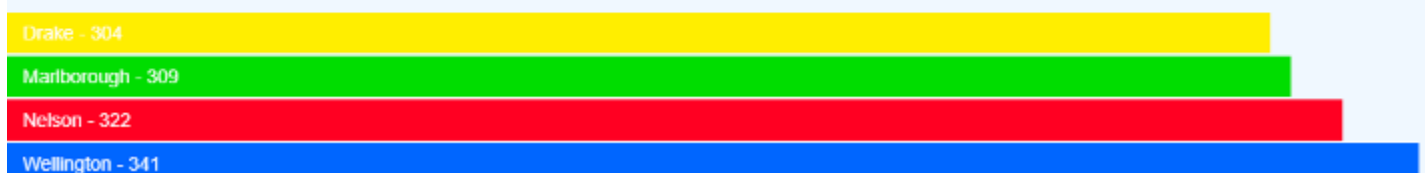
I am delighted with how the class have been so composed and taking the mock GCSE exams in their stride – all good practice for the summer! Mrs Weston

All of the pupils who attended the first Science enrichment Zombie Apocalypse session - all pupils involved worked so hard and are on their way to creating impenetrable zombie shelters! Mrs Black

House points - this week - Whole School

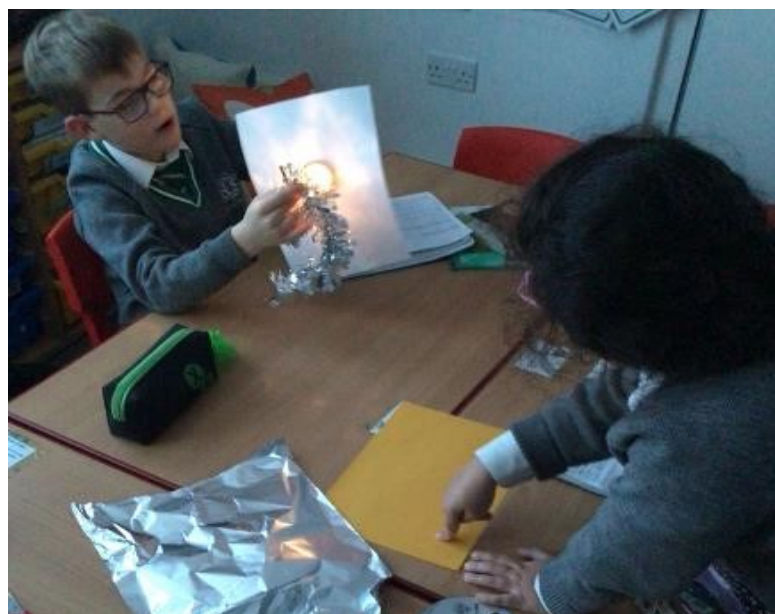


House points - totals - Whole School





Supertato! Year 1 are learning about writing fiction and their own stories, sequencing sentences to form short story narratives. We created our very own supertatos to retell our stories using drama and to help us think up adjectives to make our sentences more exciting for the reader. *Mrs Martins*



High Viz!

In Science, Year 3 have been exploring reflection in their 'Light and Shadow' topic; they designed some really eye-catching reflective KHS coats! *Miss Sumners*





Fizzy Pop in Year 4!

Year 4 have been learning about states of matter—solids, liquids and gases—in their Science lessons recently.

This week they focused on Carbon Dioxide, a gas that makes carbonated drinks fizzy.



They explored making a mini fountain using mints, dancing raisins and compared a variety of fizzy drinks which developed their prediction and questioning skills. *Mrs Martins*

INTEGRITY
IS DOING THE
RIGHT THING.
EVEN WHEN
NO ONE IS
WATCHING.

C.S. LEWIS

Assembly

Thank you to Mrs Black and Mr Mitchell who delivered our online Assembly on Wednesday.

Mrs Black introduced this term's Kingswood House Way value of '**Integrity**' whilst Mr Mitchell spoke at greater length of ways in which we can all show more integrity including how to avoid the rise of rudeness that is so prevalent in today's society—especially in the online world. We shout at each other and call each other different names, and allow irrational emotional reactions to define the way we interact with the world—but people with true integrity avoid these situations. They know how to disagree civilly; they even know when it's better just to walk away.





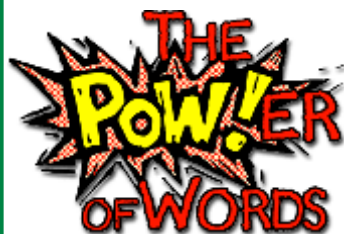
Year 9 & 10 Science

Year 9 have been using microscopes to observe and draw different cells. Great work everyone!



Also this week, Year 10 carried out the electrolysis practical. They observed copper forming at the negative electrode and could test for the gases being made. The whole class worked sensibly and should feel very proud of themselves.

Mrs Black



Sunday 22nd January is **Chinese New Year** and the **Year of the Rabbit**, but do you know why each of the Chinese years is depicted with an animal?

According to myth, the 12 animals of the Chinese zodiac were selected by a race organised by the Jade Emperor, an important god in Chinese religion. He decided that there should be a race, and the first of the twelve animals to cross the fast-flowing river would be the winners and each would have a year of the zodiac named after them. The animals are: a pig, dog, rooster, monkey, goat, horse, snake, dragon, rabbit, tiger, ox and rat.

gong hei fat choy!



Year 7

'Chocolate & Chat' ...another great session with our Upper Prep pupils and Mr Clarke discussing social plans and ideas for the Summer Term... watch this space!



A group of our Senior pupils are attending Ascension Training for weekly fitness classes in the Spring term.



Their sessions cover a safe introduction to weight training and gymnastics, as well as plenty of cardio. Within their training, they will develop qualities such as trust, cohesion, self-accountability and confidence.



The primary aim for all pupils is to learn how to have fun in exercise through functional movements. *Mr Cowie*

Parents and staff of Kingswood House are able to access a 10% discount on all monthly memberships at [Ascension Training!!!](#)



This House Believes...

In RS, teaching group 8h staged a debate on the question of capital punishment and the implications of serving the death sentence.



Having divided into two teams, one put the case forward for agreement, whilst the other team spoke against it. It was a lively debate with clear proposals and argument resulting in an overwhelming majority against bringing it back.

Mrs Weston

Our Year 11s enjoying some hot chocolate at break time, in between exam papers, to help ward off the cold and keep blood sugar levels up!

A big 'Thank You' to Mrs Chandler in the kitchen for providing the welcome refreshment.





Science Enrichment

This week we had the first meeting of the **Zombie Apocalypse Science Enrichment Club**! All pupils showed such creativity when designing their zombie shelters and had a fantastic time. Next week they will have the opportunity to finish their designs and then their shelters will be tested against the zombies!



The next activity for the Science Enrichment Club will be to design and create zombie proof neck protectors.... watch this space. Well done to everyone who came to the club it was wonderful to see such enthusiasm for the subject. *Mrs Black*





Dramarama!

Ahead of our school production which opens next month, Mrs Horley found time out of her busy rehearsal schedule to showcase the dramatic talents of her Year 9 Drama students this week.

They put on three entertaining sketches for our Lower Prep pupils, over in their classroom, covering the important topics of fire awareness, 'stranger danger' and anti-bullying.

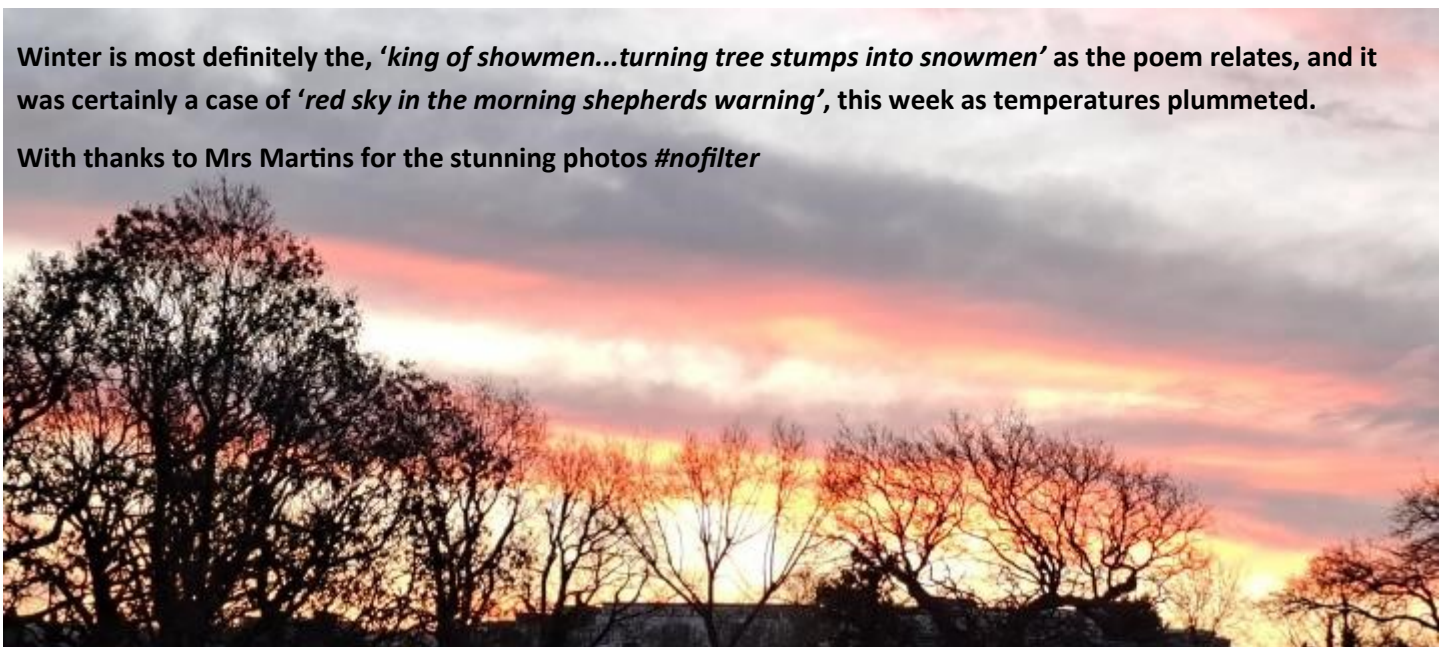
Our younger pupils thoroughly enjoyed the presentations that were alive with action, singing and even a quiz section!

Well done everyone for your hard work on this.



Winter is most definitely the, *'king of showmen...turning tree stumps into snowmen'* as the poem relates, and it was certainly a case of *'red sky in the morning shepherds warning'*, this week as temperatures plummeted.

With thanks to Mrs Martins for the stunning photos *#nofilter*



Please find Mr Murphy's topical thoughts for the week and the pupils who have been 'Mentioned in Dispatches' for something note worthy recently here

LOWER PREP

1M

To AbdurRahman for great phonetic awareness with set 3 sounds and blending whilst reading. Mrs Martins

All of Year 1 for braving the extreme cold to complete PE and Games outside, whilst the exams have been going on. Really good work from them and should be proud of themselves. Mr Westcott

3S

Yarik M for his excellent maths work! Miss Sumners

All of Year 3 for a brilliant Victorian Day experience! Miss Sumners

4S

Matviyy H for asking thoughtful questions on our trip to Kew Gardens and using new equipment to find out about soil and air temperature in the UK and predict what it might be like in the rainforest. Miss Smith



UPPER PREP

5F

Leonardo A for some great English work. He has moved group and settled in very quickly. Ms Forbes

6B

Torin A for always acting with integrity with his classmates and striving to create a respectful class environment. Mrs Bastable

Elinor F has settled incredibly well since starting this term. She has made many friends and is already enjoying life at KHS. Mr Clarke

6S

Hugo H, Josh G, Cyril B-D and Dominic A for being diligent class librarians and sorting all the books into a useable system. Madame Swift

Congratulations to Y6 who are excellent at handing their History Prep in on time! Mrs Haunstetter

Dominic A – For your enthusiasm and great contributions to music lessons – keep it up! Miss Livsey-Barnes

7B

Max K, Rhys B and Dollie M - a most positive attitude around school. Mr Barratt

Henry S always offers to help hand out books and give the class resources. Mrs Bray

7W

Enzo B-P – Well done for learning all the chords to 'Hey Jude' on the piano. Miss Livsey-Barnes

Chris K, for some good work in PE and PSHE with some thoughtful answers and working hard generally in class. Mr Westcott

Year 7 maths - Great work from Angus V on statistics. Mrs Lindley

UPPER PREP *continued...*

8C

Freddie T - for showing fantastic engagement and enthusiasm towards a personal project. It has been fantastic to see him working so passionately towards a personal goal with others in his age group. Mr Cowie

Henry R who is often at the heart of class discussions about the novel 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas'. Mr March

Finlay R for the dedication in French. Fin's vocab scores have been quite impressive. Keep it up, Fin! Monsieur Regeling

Ethan B for working exceptionally hard in hockey and showing great support to his fellow peers. Mrs Jennings

8J

Ozaan M for his outstanding focus and commitment during tutor time. Mrs Jennings

8L

Alyssa C has been working hard in all lessons so far this term and is diligently preparing for her exams. Mr Laudy

Dylan N for his very enthusiastic participation and powerful poses as a model for his class in art. Mrs Bastable

Year 8 prefects have been enthusiastic and have a great attitude towards every challenge. They are now running a club for pupils in Year 5-7 at short break in the drama room. Mr Clarke

Year 8h teaching group in English have started the term well and have worked hard producing some good quality work. Mrs Weston

Year 8 maths - Rex T is really pushing himself to do well and achieve more in Maths. Mrs Lindley

SENIORS

9B

Dylan B is focused and always follows instructions quickly during form time. Mrs Bray

9L

Consistent hard work from Tai B and Mikey S. Mrs Lindley

Harry L for his phenomenal Maths prep this week. Mr Barratt

9R

Enzo R for an amazing start this term. Enzo's focus and attitude towards learning has definitely been impressive. Monsieur Regeling

Joel M has made a great start to the term; I have also been impressed with his attire and him always looking smart in his school uniform! Mr Sukhdeo

All of Year 9s for their engagement with the PSHE lesson on the topic of the Holocaust. Pupils spoke with such confidence about this essential topic. Monsieur Regeling

Well done to the Year 9 geographers who have upped their game since returning to school after the Christmas break. Mr Laudy

Y9 classics students continue to work well and have maintained their admirable work ethic. Well done. Mrs Weston

Year 9 maths - Consistent hard work from Tai B, Mikey S, Max W and Ethan C in Maths, well done! Mrs Lindley

SENIORS *continued*...

10B

James C and Aaryan K well done for asking sensible questions about the Year 10 exams and for thinking about the different post Kingswood House options. Mrs Black

10P

Idrees A-K and Ben H have been asking some very insightful questions in PHSE – well done boys! Miss Patel

Owen C – For qualifying for the English gymnastics championships in Telford next month in the under 16 section. Good luck Owen! Mr Sukhdeo

Year 10 maths - Yasseen A-K asking insightful questions and working hard in Maths. Mrs Lindley

11H

Well done to 11H for completing their mocks successfully. They have all adopted a very calm and sensible approach to their exams, which is a really good sign for their GCSEs. Mrs Haunstetter

11W

I have been impressed with the level of commitment I have seen from Jack B-A to remain on top of his school work, as well as be focused on his lead role in the play; we can't wait to see you in the production! Mrs Weston

Everyone who participated in this weeks' Science enrichment club! We tested the zombie shelters and I was so impressed with everyone's creativity and engineering skills. Mrs Black

Year 11s as a year group for their focus during their recent mock exams and for maintaining the momentum this week back in lessons. Mr Sukhdeo

Year 11 maths - all have surprised me this week. The exams could have left them a little tired but they have returned to lessons with vigour and have done some great class work; we now need to get prep to the same standard. Come on Year 11! Mrs Lindley



Thank you to Mrs Haunstetter who spoke to our Senior Pupils in their briefing on Monday about the upcoming International Day of Commemoration of the Holocaust—on the 27th January.



Our Year 11s were also awarded their Mental Health Warrior certificates which is an accredited learning course they all undertook last term.

SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Tower House

U13A Rugby 35-20 win; George D (8J) Player of the Match; try scorers were Sebastian V (8L) with 4 and George D with 2. Alex M-K (7B) Hussain K (8L) Max K (7B) all deserve a Special Mention. Mr Cowie says of the match, *"After waiting a long time for a contact game, we finally got the opportunity. Although it was a small sided game with lots of rotations, all players got stuck into tackling and I was particularly impressed with our defensive effort against a big Tower House side. Some fantastic running from S Versace and G Dyson throughout the game got us onto the front foot, with F Rosindale pulling the strings and putting players into space. The game finished with Tower House camped on our try line, however G Dyson held up one of the Tower House players over the try line for us to win by just a try. Fantastic team effort in the cold and wet"*.

U13B Rugby 30-15 loss; Byron M Player of the Match (7W) with tries from Jason S (8L) and Peter S (7W). Mr Clarke reports that, *"Unfortunately the ground was still frozen so we could only play touch against Tower House A Team. Although we lost, it was great to get a run out with so many other fixtures being cancelled. We grew better as the game went on and learnt a lot together"*.

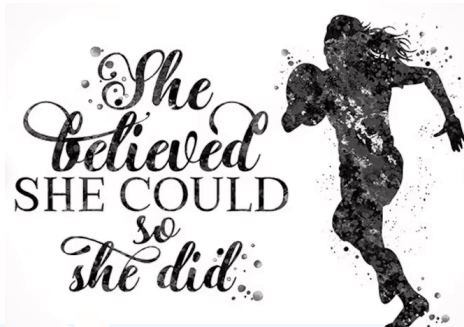


KHS vs More House

U11A Rugby 35-20 win; Freddie L (6B) was awarded Player of the Match; Cameron E (6S) Freddie, Torin A-I (6B) & Ollie R (6B) were the try scorers and a Special Mention also goes to Torin. Mr Laudy praises the team thus, *"The fire was burning on the dance floor throughout out the second match of the season! Despite the disappointment of still not being able to play contact matches, the boys really stepped up to the mark. Incredible ball carrying, handling and communication all contributed to another win. A special mention to Freddie who is beginning to develop into an accomplished scrum half"*.

KHS vs Homefield

U9A Rugby 25-15 win; Alfie L was awarded Player of the Match; try scorers were Alfie with 3 and Beatrix S (4S) with two—a Special Mention goes to her for her two great effort tries and Matviyy H (4S) for his fantastic defence. Mr Westcott reports, *" After a slow start to the game from KHS, Homefield came out with two quick tries forcing KHS to reply with two fantastic tries of their own. Towards the end of the first half, Homefield managed to score a third. After a great team talk and being 3-2 down, our pupils were more motivated than ever and managed to score three fantastic tries without reply. They played their hearts out with some fantastic tackling and attacking play. A brilliant effort from the U9s. They should all be really proud of this win"*.



House points - this week - Whole School



House points - totals - Whole School

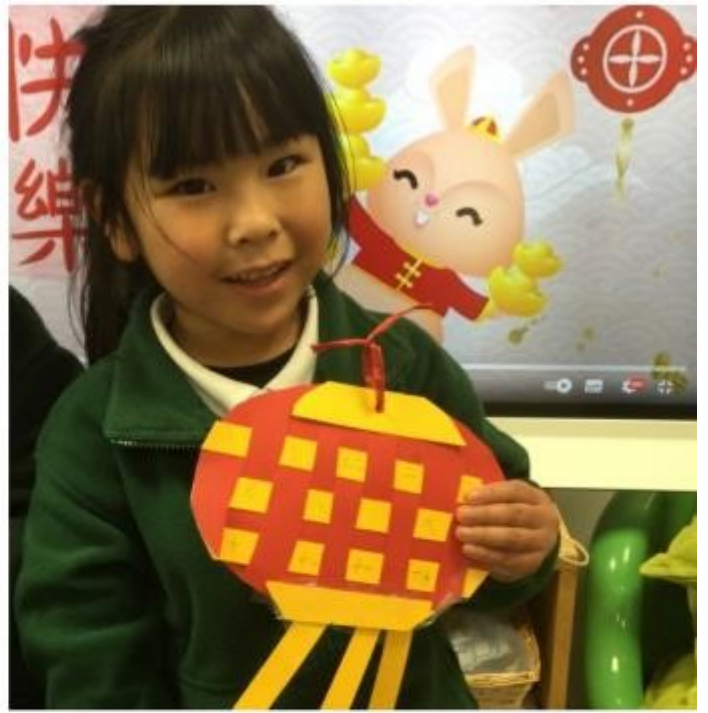




Action shots from the U11As convincing win against More House this week; KHS ran in a 35-20 win.



Congratulations to our U13A team with their impressive win 30-25 over Tower House this week...



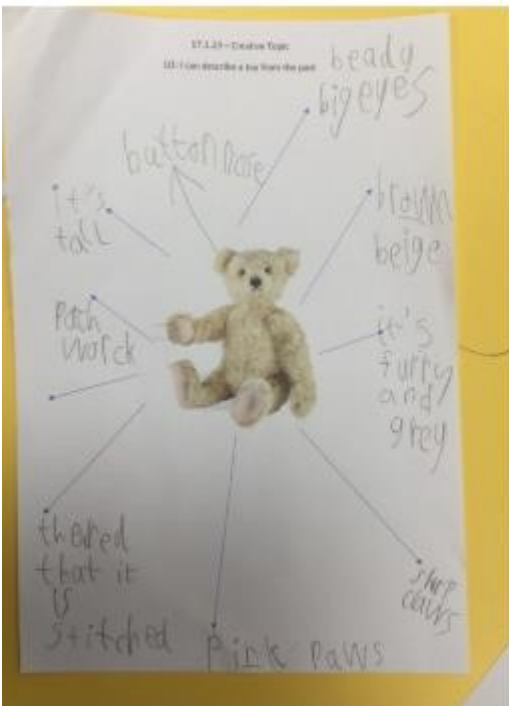
DofE The students have been busy continuing their preparations for expeditions in the summer term.



Y10 have been planning their practice routes and Y9 have spent this week learning about how to manage hypothermia and heat exhaustion.

Miss Patel





Kingsley Bear! Our youngest pupils have been enjoying spending some time with Kingsley Bear as part of their topic exploring Victorian history and particularly, toys from the past— **#nobatteriesneeded!** Mrs Martins



A fun, collaborative activity for Year 7 pupils in their 'Teams' session last week; they have been designing and creating board games for each other to play and enjoy in their next session. Mr Westcott



Year 4 enjoyed a day out at Kew Gardens this week to support their learning of the Rainforest topic. They explored the complex rainforest habitat in the great palm glass house, took measurements using specialist equipment of the air temperature and soil moisture and worked scientifically when estimating, measuring and answering questions about rainforest habitats. They also explored the relationship between the rainforest plants, animals and people.

The treetop walkway was a great way to explore what it would be like to be in the canopy and emergent layers of the rainforest.

Miss Smith



Miss Smith said,
*"I was so impressed by their behaviour and they were tremendous ambassadors for our school.
 Well done Year 4"*



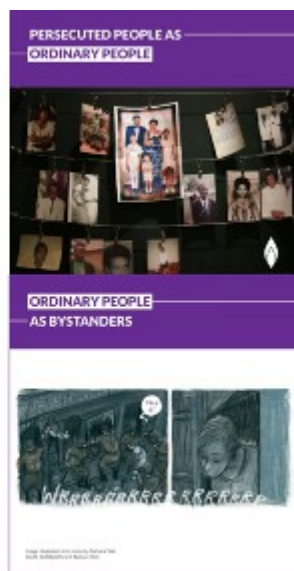
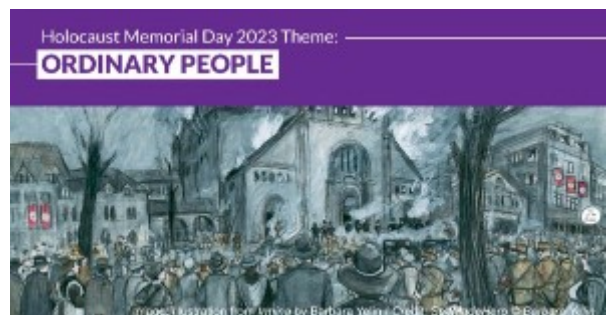
Year 10 and 11 pupils enjoyed a slick production of 'A Christmas Carol' by Quantum Theatre Company who visited us in school and set up in Langlands; the show will most definitely enhance their learning and understanding of this set text as part of their GCSE English Literature course.

Pupil Briefing

During Pupil Briefing this week, Upper Prep and Seniors learnt how the Holocaust was very much about 'Ordinary People', which is the theme of this year's **Holocaust Memorial Day Commemorations** on Friday 27th January.

They heard how it was ordinary people who ran the camps and enabled the persecution and extermination of the Jewish people to take place across Europe during 1933-1945. Using photographs taken by an SS officer, who had been a teacher before the war, they were able to see the process by which the selection of people for the gas chambers took place, alongside the dehumanising systems the Nazis employed to acquire their slave labour. They considered too, how it was 'ordinary' people who were targeted by Hitler and his regime. The photographic record of the camp was then contrasted with the set of images taken in 'Solle Hutte', a place only several kilometres from the Auschwitz complex where the Nazis went for entertainment and relaxation. It showed men and women playing music, eating blueberries, sunbathing – all very ordinary, every-day activities – and in stark comparison to the extraordinary horror which was being perpetrated a short distance away.

Finally the students considered the role of bystanders, the ordinary citizens of Germany and Europe who stood by and in so doing, enabled the Holocaust to unfold. They were left thinking about how, as good people, they can ensure that they are not bystanders when they see wrong being done to others. *Mrs Haunstetter*



'What is abnormal is that I am normal. That I survived the Holocaust and went on to love beautiful girls, to talk, to write, to have toast and tea and live my life - that is what is abnormal.'

Elie Wiesel, survivor of the Holocaust



**HOLOCAUST
MEMORIAL
DAY 27/1**



The Three Rs in Year 3!

School Mistress Miss Sumners led her pupils through a day of typical Victorian educational activities and values including handwriting exercises, deportment and sewing—sub standard work led to trying out the dunce's hat in the corner and all agreed it was far nicer and more positive in school these days! Baking a Victoria Sponge was a highlight that marked the cake's traditional association with taking Afternoon Tea, much favoured by Queen Victoria!



Acid filled truck overturns!

On 22 January 2023, a truck carrying acid flipped over outside Kingswood house school in Spain. The driver swerved to avoid a schoolboy who had run onto the road.

The truck's load of sulphuric acid spilled all over the road. The fire brigade were the first to arrive at the scene, and quickly evacuated and contained the area initially using vehicles but then using sandbags to try to stop the spread of the substance. They were really trying to avoid it going into the drains.

The fire department also dug up earth near the spill to create a barrier. They also used special materials to try and soak up the substance, which was then put into bags.

The fire brigade evacuated the area. The fire brigade had to wear protective clothing when starting the neutralisation process. This was a special part of the fire brigade called the HazMat (hazardous materials team).

Sulphuric acid

1830
2P

IN EMERGENCY CALL
000, POLICE OR
FIRE BRIGADE

The fire brigade were trying to neutralise the substance. When asked to explain how the process works, the fire brigade said that they spread lime on the road to so neutralisation would occur.

They explained that they would put lime on the sulphuric acid to create a neutralisation.

$$\text{Ca(OH)}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4 \rightarrow \text{CaSO}_4 + \text{H}_2\text{O}$$

So lime and sulphuric acid becomes Calcium sulphate.

The spill was dangerous to the public as it can cause severe burns to skin, blindness, irritation to bodily function and breathing difficulties. The fire service tried to use a number of indicator signs to show the strength of the acid in the spill. These included the signs below which were displayed all around the accident.

The school had to be closed until the Environment Agency was satisfied that the spillage had been fully cleaned up.

Read all About It...!

Well done to James M (8J) who has created a fantastic news report about the dangers of acid spills – a fantastic application of his learning in the lesson to the real world.

Miss Patel was delighted with this piece of work as part of Year 8s learning in their topic 'Acids & Alkalis' which they also did some practical experiments for... *see photos later on in this Newsletter.*



HOLOCAUST MEMORIAL DAY 27/1



Thank you to form 6S who delivered a reflective Assembly this week marking Holocaust Memorial Day. They implored us all to be kind, tolerant and respectful of each other to ensure nothing like this mass killing of innocents ever happens again.



Sports For All!

Year 7 and 8 pupils have the use of the facilities at Ebbisham Sports Centre for Tennis, Badminton and Squash on a Wednesday afternoon. These sessions are supervised by Mr Westcott and see our pupils getting some excellent coaching tips, ready for the tennis season! It is good to be able to offer such an extended programme of sporting activities which promotes exercise and healthy movement, in various forms, across our wide age range and ability.





Some really exciting work from our Year 11 pupils sitting their Art GCSE mock—using a wide range of materials from lino print and acrylic paints, to collage and paper sculpture. Mrs Bastable has been very pleased with the work so far and is looking forward to seeing the final outcomes.

Science Enrichment—Zombie Apocalypse!

This week the Zombie themed Science Enrichment programme continued. The different teams had the opportunity to test their incredible zombie shelters which had to meet the following requirements:

- Include at least 5 mini model zombie fighters inside.
- Have a door to enter or leave the shelter.
- Have windows for the people inside to observe at least four different directions.
- Be insulated.
- Be water proof.
- Be zombie proof—under the impact of zombies for 1 minute.



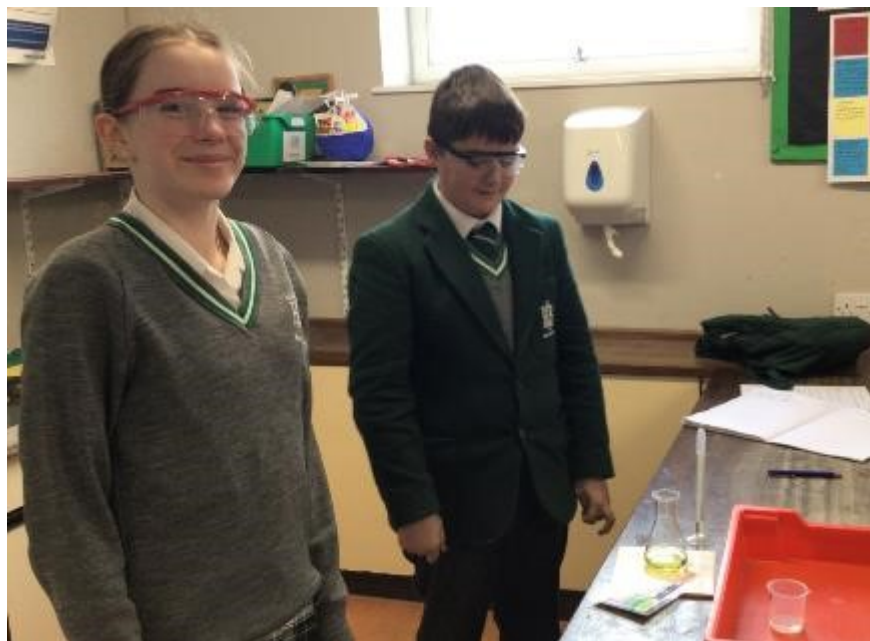
All teams showed such creativity and there are definitely some future engineers in the making! Well done to everyone and remember to attend again next week! *Mrs Black*



Science News

Y9 have been modelling radioactive decay using dice.

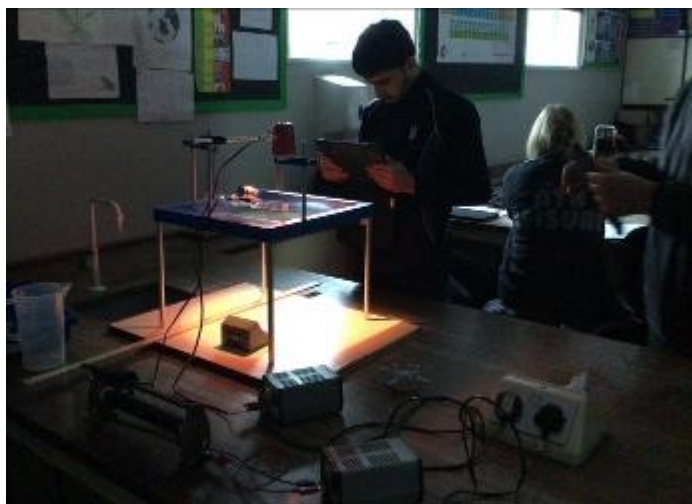
Rather than being exposed to radiation (!) they enjoyed a much safer way of learning about how radioactive isotopes break down and were able to graph their results to find the half-life of a die.



Y8 have been learning about acids and alkalis this week and were able to successfully neutralise the hazardous hydrochloric acid and sodium hydroxide to create harmless salt and water. Some great practical skills in action. Well done Y8! Miss Patel

Science News continued...

Y11 have been busy this week getting straight back into learning following their mock. Here they are using iPads to support their investigation of wave speed in liquids. Fantastic work Y11 – keep up the effort! *Miss Patel*



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LOWER PREP

1M

Olivia J for her use of alliteration and amazing adjectives about vegetables. Mrs Martins

3S

Raphael M for doing extra maths work that really challenges him. Miss Sumners

4S

Beatrix S for excellent work in being independent in her writing. Miss Smith

U9A Rugby team for a phenomenal effort in their match against Homefield for their first contact match, coming out winners. The pupils showed fantastic sportsmanship, as well as showing all three of the KHS values. Mr Westcott

UPPER PREP

5F

Vlad M for great work in Maths working with formulae and angles. Ms Forbes

6B

Freddie L for keeping all our energy and morale up when our class was down to 4 students on Monday! Mrs Bastable

6S

To all of 6S for the considerate and respectful pieces they each wrote and performed for their assembly last week. A huge well done from Madame Swift.

Max W for using his own time to help Ms Bastable to clean up a particularly messy art room – thank you! Mrs Bastable

Teddy C-E – great focus and participation in every science lesson. Mr Barratt

Gaby C-A for showing superb effort and team work in HRF. Mrs Jennings

Cyril B-D for showing continued motivation in HRF. Mrs Jennings

7B

Angus V - Great fortitude during physiotherapy. Mr Barratt

Henry S for good work ethic in asking for help to improve his work in art class this week. Mrs Bastable

7W

Oscar E for great work in lessons and continuing to impress in PE. Mr Westcott

Tom F and Oscar P both scored highly on their English test. During our class reflection task, both boys went around the class and helped those who were struggling. Mrs Bray

Well done to Oscar E and Rufus J for some lovely Stem and Leaf work. Keep working hard. Mrs Lindley

8C

Gabriel C for having a great start to term and getting stuck into different aspects of school life like Sport and Drama. Mr Cowie

Henry R – a hard worker in Maths - every day. Mr Barratt

Henry R has been working quite diligently in French and is never afraid to answer all of Mr Regeling's many questions. Monsieur Regeling

UPPER PREP continued...

Disputes

8J

Daniel G for his dedication, focus and commitment in Hockey. Mrs Jennings

8L

Well done to Freija K, Alifie Y, Pippa T, Dylan N, Derin U and Alyssa C from the form who have been awesome all week in drama production rehearsals and are ready to go for Thursday night! Break a leg. Mr Laudy

Well done Bastie V who has been bring more consistency to his maths lesson and has been helpful to those around him. Mrs Lindley

A mention for the entire U13A Rugby team - fantastic match against Tower House last Wednesday - their first contact game and they won a close game 30-25. Mr Cowie

SENIORS

9B

Max W focused and engaged during form time. Great integrity and resilience. Mrs Bray

9R

Enzo R for using Morrisby effectively in study period and for teaching others about different career opportunities. Mr Regeling

Well done Jonathan B for some lovely Pie chart drawings. Mrs Lindley

Teaching group 9K for great contributions in PSHE on the topic of global issues. Madame Swift

9L

Archie N for doing a fab job at being a buddy to Benji Briggs this week & making sure he settled in his first week at KHS! Mr Sukhdeo

10B

Charlie L is always polite and listens carefully. He is working hard for the drama production and always gives 100%. Mrs Black

Faizahn J has volunteered to take on a large speaking role in the upcoming 10B assembly - well done for working as part of a team with the rest of the form. Mrs Black

Henry S for always having excellent manners and treating others with kindness. Miss Patel

10P

Tharani V for his fantastic organisation and efforts keeping on top of his D of E skill section – some of the dishes he has cooked up sound divine! Miss Patel

Year 10 Maths - Great work from all the class showing curiosity and asking insightful questions about their Transformations work. It is pleasing to see them improving their skills and endeavouring to do their best in every lesson. Mrs Lindley

11H

Jess D for always being so lovely and kind to everyone around her, but also for speaking out when she sees the need. Mrs Haunstetter

Tommy C for mastering factorising and solving quadratics and whizzing through the work with accuracy! Mrs Lindley

11W

Mrs Weston was pleased to hear that Ted Hartley showed true gratitude and respect thanking a member of staff who had helped him by reading and scribing in the exams. Mrs Weston

All of the Zombie Apocalypse Club attendees throughout the school. Another fantastic week for Science enrichment. Well done to all of you, you are doing a fantastic job! Mrs Black

House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 316

Marlborough - 259

Nelson - 290

Wellington - 303

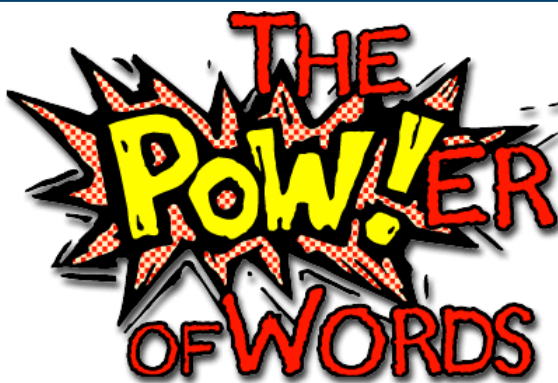
House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 1056

Marlborough - 1053

Nelson - 1159

Wellington - 1112



Following an interesting conversation I had with a boy in my class one morning this week, I thought I would look into the origins of the signs of the Zodiac.

The Western Zodiac originated in Babylonian astrology, and was later influenced by the Hellenistic culture. Each sign was named after a constellation the sun moved through



annually while crossing the sky.

We are currently in the sign of **Aquarius**. This represents the 'water carrier', which is what the name translates to in Latin. Aquarius is one of the oldest constellations documented in historical record, first recorded in the second century by the Greek astronomer Claudius Ptolemy. According to an American astrologer, there are the least amount of births in January and February, making Aquarius the rarest Zodiac sign. *Madame Swift*

Year 10 have been working with Mrs Bray on creating revision resources for their upcoming exams. The focus has been on Macbeth.

These are some examples of the students' favourite revision methods.

Mrs Bray

KHS vs Duke of Kent & Belmont

U14A round robin tournament—see *photos below*. Player of the Match was Elliot N (9B) who was our try scorer and a special mention to Max R (9L) for fantastic defence. *“Our U14 players were depleted in number, but we went to Duke of Kent and played two 8-side matches. The pupils showed really good heart and managed to score two fantastic tries both from Elliot’s efforts. With lots of the team missing due to the drama production rehearsals, it was a great opportunity for a run out for the remaining pupils that were in sport that afternoon. I was really proud of their efforts and we all learnt a lot”*. Mr Westcott



KHS vs Cranmore

U13A Mr Cowie reports back on the U13A fixture against Cranmore which ended up with mixed KHS and Cranmore teams as we were a far stronger side and it seemed more beneficial to mix the players and produced a large sided rugby game; our U13A players had a great afternoon as a result! All the boys learnt a lot about the larger sided game and look forward to taking this experience onto the rest of the season. See photos and U13B report next page.



'15 Minutes With...' Mrs Jennings:

PE Teacher & 8J Form Teacher

Favourite car – *Any car with parking assist!*

Favourite place – *There's no place like home!*

Favourite food – *Anything and everything ... I love food!*

Favourite band or singer – *Lighthouse Family, Dua Lipa*

Favourite film – *The Shawshank Redemption*

Favourite smell – *Fresh linen*

Favourite sport / team – *NFL Philadelphia Eagles*

Who in the world would you like to be? – *I am happy just being myself!*

What were you like at school? - *I was very much into my sports and played on literally every team. I also really enjoyed English and my ambition was to be an English teacher, but then I realised that I would rather be outside running!*

What is an interesting fact about yourself – *I adopted an Italian greyhound (named Suzie) 2 years ago. Drake house got to see a photo of her during their recent assembly and asked many questions about what it is like to be an owner of a very special breed of dog indeed!*

My 12 choices either / or **in bold**:

Dog / Cat

Netflix box set / **Cinema trip**

Phone Call / Text

Facebook / Twitter – neither!

Swimming / **Sunbathing** – has to be both!

Take away / **Fine dining out**

Skiing / Surfing

Passenger / **Driver**

Pen / Pencil

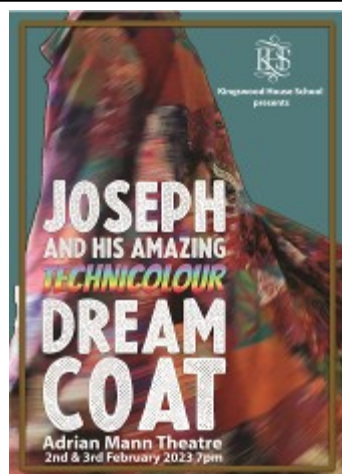
City / **Countryside**

Paperback book / Kindle

Colourful / Monochrome



Thank you for your responses
Mrs Jennings—it is nice for us all to learn
more about you!



Ahead of our KHS school production of 'Joseph' at the end of this week, the cast and crew are fortunate to have received well-wishes from someone who has donned the technicolour dream coat with aplomb many times!

Thank you to Lee Mead for sending in a personal message to inspire our boys and girls! **#performingarts**





JOSEPH AND HIS AMAZING TECHNICOLOUR DREAM COAT



Colourful scenes at the weekend rehearsals of 'Joseph'...not wanting to give too much away before the show on Thursday and Friday this week at the Adrian Mann Theatre, Nescot—but it looks a feast for the eyes and ears!!



Our Deputy Headmaster, Mr Mitchell, skilfully wove an enlightening Assembly on Wednesday around the KHS termly value of 'Integrity', coupled with mention of KHS alumni Quentin Crisp, with celebration of the national LGBTQ+ awareness theme for this month all wrapped up in Sting's popular hit, *An Englishman in New York*!

There is a fabulous display in school which explores aspects of LGBTQ+ history and curates some useful vocabulary and definitions when speaking on the subject—with many thanks to Ms Timothy for her hard work on this.



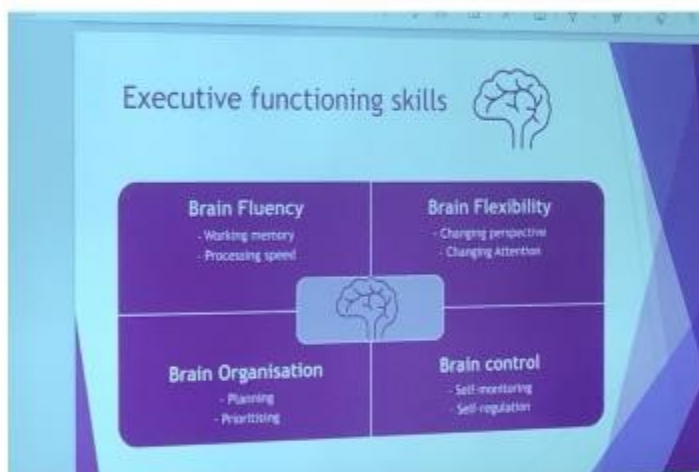
Science Enrichment—Zombie Apocalypse!

This week in Science Enrichment, the Zombie Club worked hard to create the most durable neck protectors. The protectors had to include fastening mechanism and fit around the model. Each team had different ideas and some even joined forces. Next week we will be testing their creations. Well done to all of the Zombie club! *Mrs Black*





To the left, to the right...! Miss Sumners' maths group have been exploring angles as turn and directing each other through an obstacle course using mathematical language. A Hogwarts robe makes an excellent blindfold!



Study Centre Coffee Morning

At Thursday's Study Centre Coffee Morning, our Occupational Therapist Aneisa Blore gave a presentation to parents about 'Executive Functioning' - the ability to organise, prioritise, plan, focus attention and remember instructions. These key life skills can be compromised if there are elements of neuro diversity in both children and adults alike, but there are, of course, strategies that can be adopted and used that can help enormously. Mrs Angus and Mrs Ibbison were delighted at the record number of parents attending the informal session.



You don't need a degree in listening to lend an ear.

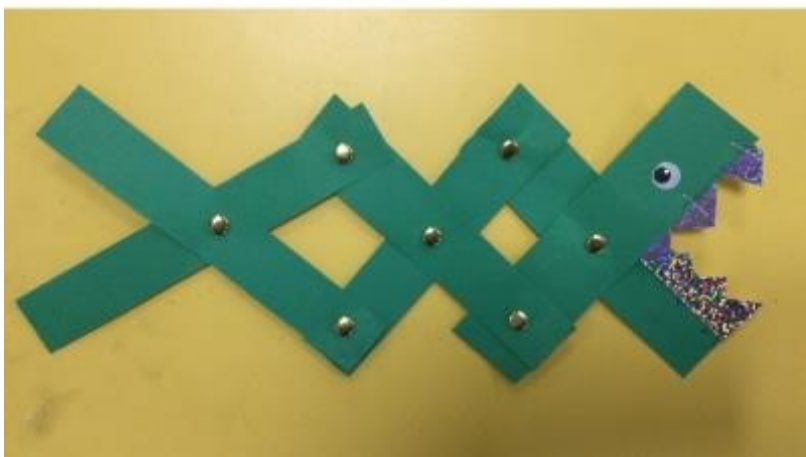


Thursday drew our attention to conversations about mental health; letting someone know you are listening; feeling heard and validated; starting a difficult topic...

More information can be found [here](#) for parents to support children and young adults.

DT in Year 1

Year 1 pupils have created a moving toy ...a snapping crocodile lever toy, linking to our History topic looking at old toys and STEM. This toy was made using cardboard employing a scissors mechanism and split pins. The class worked really carefully to complete the project. Well done, everyone! *Mrs Martins*





Miss Smith's maths group have been excellent mathematicians when working out equivalent fractions.

They made their own fraction walls out of paper to find out which fractions were bigger or smaller; they were using unit and non unit fractions and Miss Smith was very impressed—top work!



Our KHS production of 'Joseph' had a successful opening night on Thursday; it was a colourful, lively and vibrant affair attended by past KHS staff and pupils alongside a full-house of current families. Mr Murphy commented: "I'm so proud—a real team effort—and the good news is that we get to see it all over again on Friday night!"



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

LOWER PREP

1M

Bacchus M-D for a great understanding of our maths money topic; he is able to break down mixed coin values to come to an overall total. Well done! Mrs Martins

3S

Bailey M for his integrity. Ms Sumners

Hattie C for knowing how to say the words for colours in French. Madame Swift

4S

Ted R - excellent work when creating a dinosaur skeleton in science enrichment! Miss Smith

Matviyy H for excellent knowledge of food items in French. Madame Swift

UPPER PREP

5F

Alex L for always being so polite and thoughtful. He exhibits the KHW all the time. Ms Forbes

Vlad for the great progress he has made in French, he works hard in all lessons and retains a lot of the vocabulary we cover in class. Madame Swift

6B

Elody T for reading very well this week and Torin A-I for an excellent start to his activist poster. Mrs Bastable

6S

Cameron E, Dexter B and Fraser S for their enthusiastic performances in 'Joseph'. Madame Swift

7B

Harvey M for increased performance and great questions in Science. Mr Barratt

7W

Aurelia G, Darcey S, George P and George W for their fantastic performance in 'Joseph', I very much enjoyed watching the show on Friday night! Mr Westcott

Isla M for her great work on 'Hey Jude' - she went above and beyond in learning the melody line on the piano outside of the lessons - well done! Miss Livsey-Barnes

8C

Freddie T did amazingly well in the French listening assessment and his French pronunciation in the speaking was even more impressive. Keep it up, Freddie! Monsieur Regeling

Freddie T for an excellent half-term's work on 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas', including his consistent efforts in contributing his ideas in the classroom. Mr March

Zac M for improved focus in lessons and greater understanding too. Mr Barratt

Rex T for holding the door open for all of Lower Prep when they were going to lunch. Madame Swift

8J

Zachary Y, William B, Zach G, Harry H, Khishaan T and Lauti Y for being absolutely incredible in the school production and making 8J very proud! Mrs Jennings

Ezra O-W for effort and understanding in his Science lessons. Mr Barratt

UPPER PREP *continued...*

8L

Jensyn A and Darcie F have been working hard across the board and are going from strength to strength. Keep it up after half term!
Mr Laudy

Well done to Amalie L who is finishing this half of term off positively and confidently. It is great to see you smiling more! Mr Laudy

SENIORS

9B

Henry T, Liam McB and Dylan B for their excellent performance in the school musical 'Joseph'. I thoroughly enjoyed watching them!
Mrs Bray

Max L for putting in extra time and effort with his artwork, which is really paying off! Mrs Bastable

9L

Avaneesh G, Conor T, Theo M, Ed C and Theo J for their amazing performance in the school play. Mrs Lindley

Max R for working beyond expectations in Maths. Mr Barratt

Archie N for doing a fab job at being a buddy to Benji B and making sure he settled in his first week at KHS! Mr Sukhdeo

9R

Shoutout to everyone in the production from Mr Regeling in particular to those in Y9R whose artistic performance was simply impeccable. I enjoyed every single minute of the show. Good job!

Zac H has demonstrated really good citizenship and great integrity by finding another KHS pupil's art folder on the train, taking it home for safe-keeping and with help, tracing the family to let them know the work was found and could be reunited with its owner! Mr Regeling

10B

Olly W for thinking about ways to close the 10B assembly - well done for getting involved. Mrs Black

Aaryan K for making insightful contributions during the PSHE lesson. Mrs Black

Daniel P and Lucas C for their fantastic effort with the new topic of vectors! Mr Sukhdeo

Matthew M for his constant focus and 'can do' attitude in English. Mrs Bray

Matthew M for coping with the move into the top maths group and his positive work ethic in lessons too. Mr Sukhdeo

10P

Archie S, Oscar D'A and Patrick G for their fabulous thespian efforts in the production! And a special mention to Bogdan P who trooped into all the rehearsals but was too ill to perform on the night sadly. Miss Patel

Lukas C for his contribution to Pupil Briefing - offering some insightful thoughts about internet safety and online risks. Mr Sukhdeo

11H

Jess D, Folu A and Ted R for their brilliant performances in 'Joseph'. Absolute stars! Mrs Haunstetter

11W

Congratulations to Jack B-A and Will M for their equally impressive roles in the production: Jack learning all the words and musical numbers without fault and Will for his tireless help behind the scenes which was very much appreciated by Mrs Horley.
Mrs Weston

Enan A for a superb mock interview with Mr Sukhdeo! Good luck next week with you Sixth Form interview. Mr Sukhdeo

Jack B-A for his improved work ethic and confidence with his maths this half term. Mr Sukhdeo

To all the cast of 'Joseph' for their musical hard work during show week. It all paid off and you put on a fantastic show - huge well done to you all! Miss Livsey-Barnes

SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Homefield

U13A 40-5 win; Player of the Match awarded to Finlay R (8C) and Special Mentions to Jensyn A (8L) and Alex M-K (7B) - the try scorers became too numerous to record! Mr Westcott tell us, *"Despite the fact that another game was affected by the external factor of the ambulance strike enforcing a non-contact game, the fixture was full of attacking rugby from start to finish. Some great passing from Finlay R put lots of our good runners into space through the Homefield defence. Another impressive display from our No. 9 Alex M-K and some great running from Jensyn A, Basti V (8L) and Harvey M (7B) throughout the game. We were able to use what we have been working on in training and put it into a touch fixture"*.

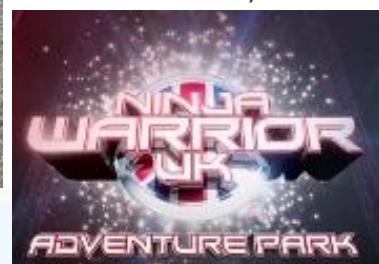
There have been lots of great House fixtures over this last week; the results are being finalised and points awarded and results will be published at the start of next half term...watch this space!



Ninja Warriors!

Zac Bl (5F) and Zach Bo (5F) were rubbing shoulders with the stars last week when they attended the launch party of the new Ninja Warrior Park in Guildford - they had a great time as the pictures show!

Chris Kamara MBE and Ben Shephard, both commentators on the hit ITV show, were there to open Guildford's venue just in time for half term family fun!



House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 368

Marlborough - 396

Nelson - 438

Wellington - 415

House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 1424

Marlborough - 1449

Nelson - 1597

Wellington - 1527



Feel Good Science

Lower Prep pupils used cornflour and water to create a viscous substance and experimented with colour mixing.

The substance was solid to pick up initially, yet turns to a more liquid form when it drops.

All the children were so engaged and loved experimenting with the different textures.

Miss Smith



Senior Bikeability Qualification

Some of our Year 11 GCSE PE students were given the opportunity to gain their Level 3 Bikeability to go towards their enhanced practical skills.

They had to learn basic maintenance of their bikes to keep them roadworthy, as well as demonstrating road safety awareness and knowledge in busy, urban environments.

Our pupils enjoyed the practical element of the course that was taught to them, despite the misty, cold start to the day!



LET'S CONNECT

Place2Be's
CHILDREN'S
MENTAL HEALTH
WEEK

6-12
FEBRUARY
2023



The theme this year for the week is 'Let's Connect' and it drives home the importance of connection with others and a feeling of community and belonging, that you are not alone... when we have healthy emotional connections with others, our mental health and well being is greatly enhanced and supported.

Here at KHS, we hold a Well Being Week annually to promote the importance of speaking out about concerns, talking about issues and showing staff and pupils that there is always someone ready to listen and support. As a school we are proud to be in the vanguard of schools who are addressing such topical and far-reaching issues with our pupils and staff.

We marked Safer Internet Day on Tuesday with workshops delivered by David Blake for pupils, staff and parents and on Thursday Jeremy Indika talked to our Senior pupils relating his personal narrative of his experience of childhood sexual abuse and how it led him in adulthood to challenge his abuser and begin to move forward and urge others to speak out.



THINK

T = Is it True?

H = Is it Helpful?

I = Is it Inspiring?

N = Is it Necessary?

K = Is it Kind?



We were delighted to welcome back to school David Blake to put across the message about digital, online etiquette for all ages—*be kind online!*

Safer Internet Day on Tuesday recognised how great devices are for making connections between friends, being inclusive and providing a form of 'down time' and relaxation—all an important part of our mental well being and good health—but not when the content is hurtful or aggressive towards us.

15 Minutes With... Mr Cowie

Director of Sport & 8C Form Teacher

- Favourite car – *Shelby Ford Mustang 1967*
- Favourite place – *Anywhere on the top of a mountain. Preferably with some snow!*
- Favourite food - *Pizza*
- Favourite band or singer – *Red Hot Chilli Peppers or Razorlight*
- Favourite film – *Remember the Titans or Coach Carter*
- Favourite smell – *Petrol or Cut Grass*
- Favourite sport / team or player – *Cricket – Shane Warne*
- Who in the world would you like to be? – *Michael Jordan*
- What were you like at school? – *Not great... spent most of my time in detention...*
- What is an interesting fact about yourself? - *I have completed the world's biggest bungee jump in Queenstown, New Zealand.*

*Have a great time on the
ski trip Mr Cowie!
Thank you for your
answers...*

My 12 choices, either /or!

Dog / Cat

Netflix box set / Cinema trip

Phone Call / Text

Facebook / Twitter

Swimming / Sunbathing

Take away / Fine dining out

Skiing / Surfing

Passenger / Driver

Pen / Pencil

City / Countryside

Paperback book / Kindle

Colourful / Monochrome



Part 2 of our *astrology research* from Madame Swift

The star sign **Pisces** follows Aquarius. Pisces is Latin for *fishes*, and the name was given to this star sign by Ptolemy. He was the greatest astronomer in the Greco-Roman world and he lived about 1900 years ago. Its representation of two fish are the Greek love gods Aphrodite and Eros, who turned themselves into fish to escape the god of the strong wind, Typhon.

Pisces people are known for being emotionally sensitive, gracious, and emotionally aware. Pisces characters are regarded for being among the most sympathetic of the zodiac signs, and they will go to great lengths to ensure the happiness of those around them. They're also creative and imaginative—is this you???





In French, to celebrate the impeccable progress of our Y9 French super stars, we went outside to play le sport le plus français : la pétanque!

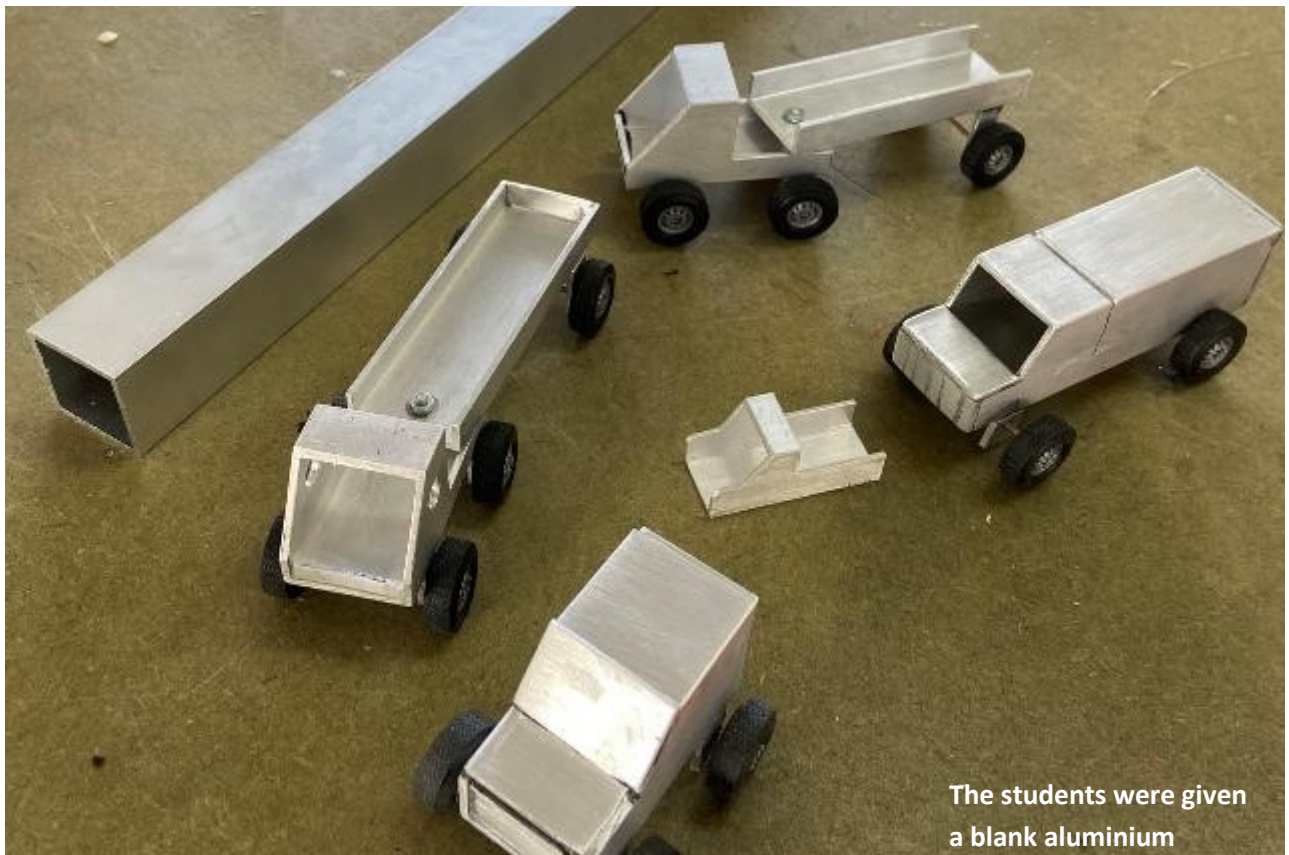


JOSEPH AND HIS AMAZING TECHNICOLOUR DREAM COAT

The annual 'Production Week' at KHS is always a highlight in the calendar and this year was no exception; with the biggest cast to date, Mrs Horley and her team had been enthusiastically rehearsing since September to pull off the popular hit musical 'Joseph and His Amazing Technicolour Dream Coat'. After long hours at the Adrian Mann Theatre and an encouraging 'break a leg' message from a former Joseph in the West End—Lee Mead—our pupils gave it their all to a sell-out house on both nights. It was a joyful, vibrant, energetic feast for the eyes with swirling multi-coloured umbrellas, scarves, t-shirts and the all important coat worn so well by Jack B-A (11W) taking the lead role of the fated brother. All the pupils beamed throughout and were rarely given a moment off stage; their joy was infectious and obvious to behold! Aside from the acting, singing and dancing opportunities the show presented, the production always reveals pupils in a different light to that seen in the classroom, as many hidden talents come to the fore and combine into an impressive whole. Congratulations to all! *See over for pictures from the show...*



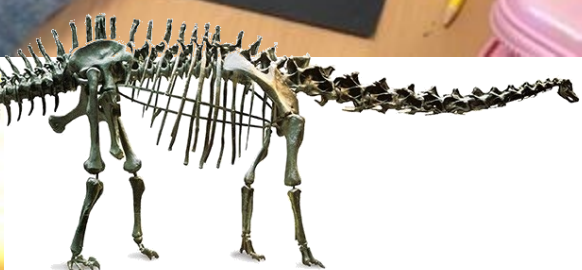




The students were given a blank aluminium square bar and instructed to design their own wheeled truck. These are some of the finished models which will be accompanied by a PowerPoint presentation of their design work. *Mr Bailey*

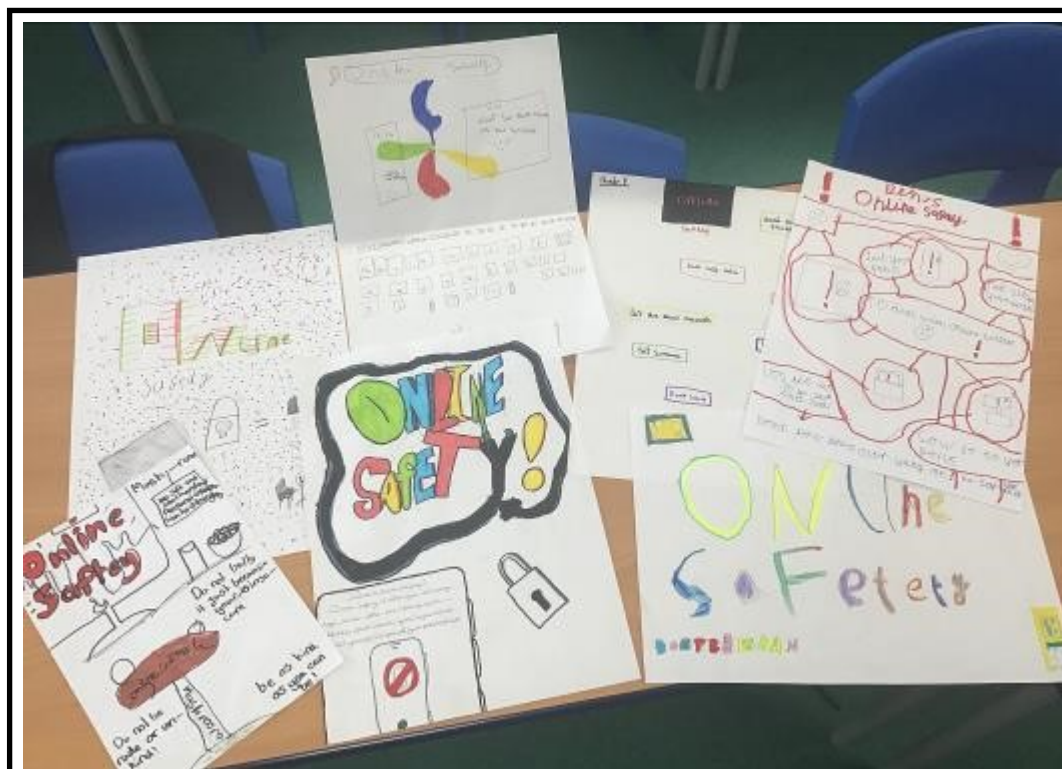
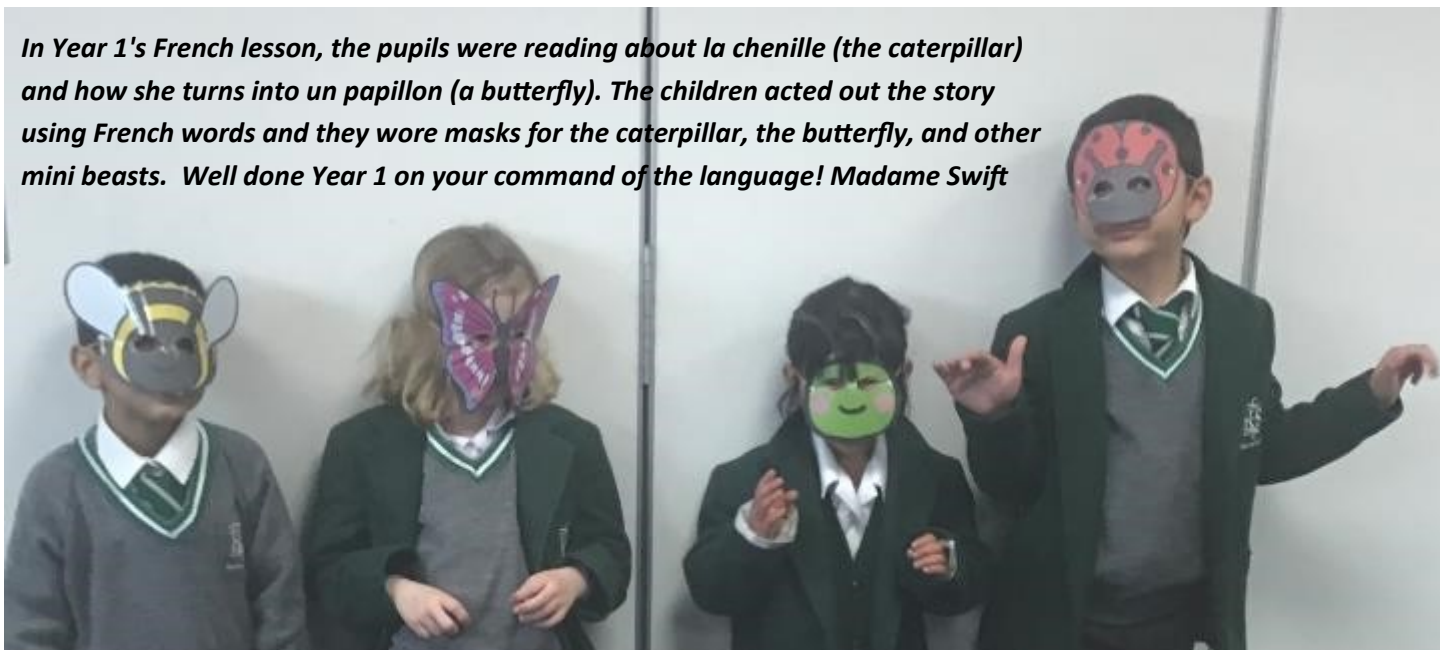


Dippy the Diplodocus Watch out...! Lower Prep pupils enjoyed learning about the fascinating creatures that are dinosaurs... they looked at the many amazing different types of dinosaur and studied their features and various shapes. The pupils then used dried pasta to create the skeleton shapes. Super work from all the boys and girls, great learning and it was great fun in class too! Miss Smith



The inspirational Dippy the Diplodocus from the Natural History Museum in all his skeletal glory!

In Year 1's French lesson, the pupils were reading about la chenille (the caterpillar) and how she turns into un papillon (a butterfly). The children acted out the story using French words and they wore masks for the caterpillar, the butterfly, and other mini beasts. Well done Year 1 on your command of the language! Madame Swift



In the Year 6 Teams lesson on Friday, discussion centred around 'Safer Internet Day' and what it meant to the boys and girls to be safe online.

They got into groups and designed posters to raise awareness of the event that is on 7th February 2023.

The posters were then displayed around the school.

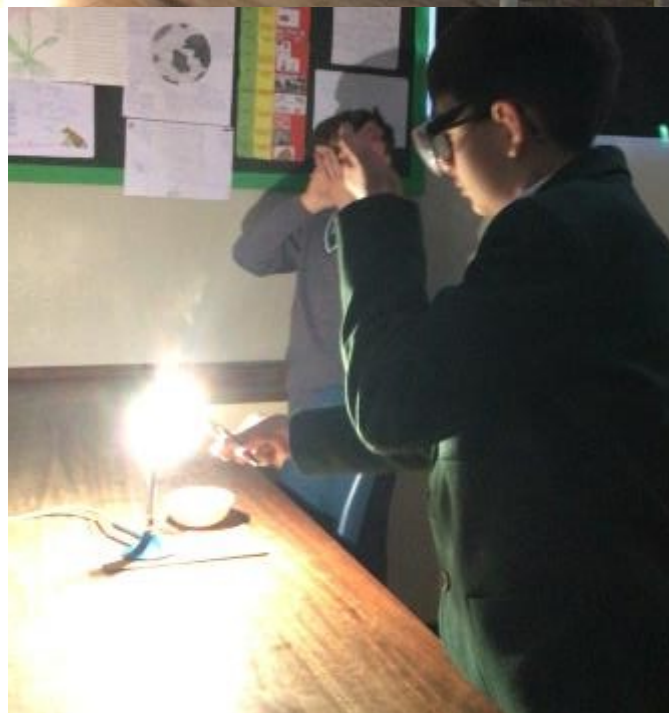
This week is **Feeding Tube Awareness Week** and we are more than happy to support this cause due to having a pupil with us in Year 8 in this situation.

His mum has very kindly shared with the school a blog post written by his older brother Sam to raise awareness; Sam has now been tube-fed for ten years, and does everything he can to stop this from holding him back, as you will see in his narrative. The brothers share the same very rare stomach condition that inhibits digestion and feeding in the usual way, however Sam has been determined to lead a normal life and has paved the way for his younger brother to do the same. As you will read, Sam has faced challenges head on, with a level of tenacity and resilience that we can all admire.

You can find the blog post [here](#) – it's an inspiring 5-minute read with a cuppa...

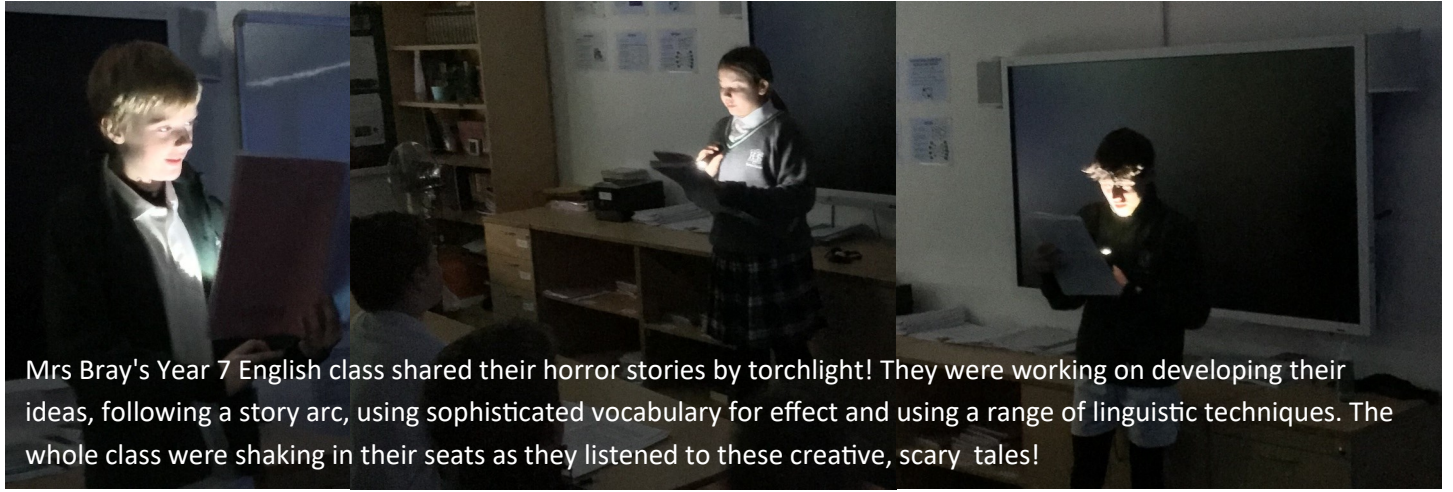


Science News Year 8 have been observing the combustion of Magnesium to determine what compounds are made through the reactions of metals and oxygen. They showed some great practical skills and stayed safe throughout, listening to instructions carefully and following them closely. Well done Y8! *Miss Patel*



Year 11 have been completing more required practicals this week; they predicted and observed the behaviour of infra-red radiation. We were lucky enough to be able to use an infra-red camera to help validate our data. Some great scientific investigation skills – well done! *Miss Patel*





Mrs Bray's Year 7 English class shared their horror stories by torchlight! They were working on developing their ideas, following a story arc, using sophisticated vocabulary for effect and using a range of linguistic techniques. The whole class were shaking in their seats as they listened to these creative, scary tales!

On Thursday, Year 10 took part in the “Study Sensei” seminar. The seminar aimed to support students with utilising the syllabus to frame study, structure and review organised notes, utilise practice exam papers and learn how to revise independently. Year 10 were really engaged and feel a lot more confident as they prepare to revise for their upcoming exams. *Mrs Bray*





Our school community gathered in the beautiful environs of Christ Church on Thursday morning for our half term assembly. Form 10B led a thoughtful narrative about 'connections' - both online and in person to reinforce key messages from our Well Being Week.

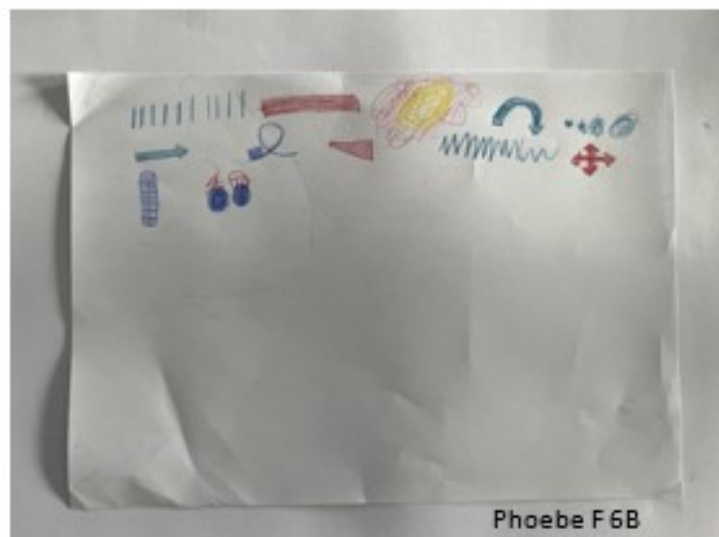
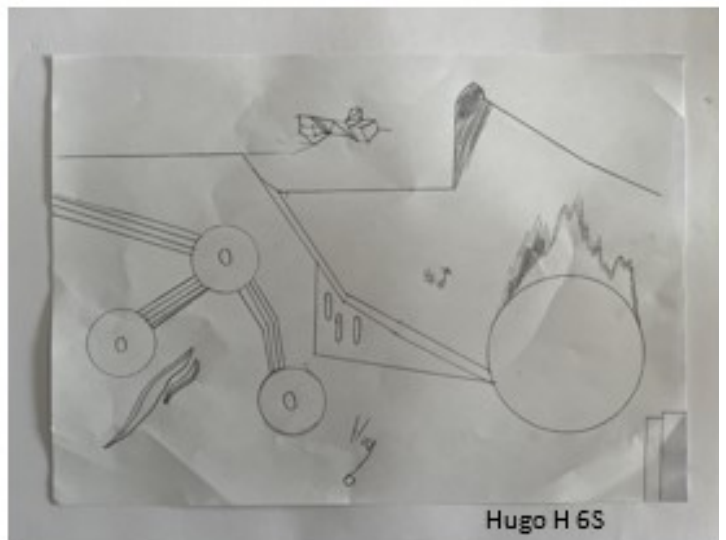
Mr Murphy then offered a heartfelt tribute and a moment of reflection for those affected by recent events both locally at Epsom College as well as further afield in Turkey and Syria.

Year 6 Music

Year 6 have been exploring the question 'What is Music?' this half term.

Pupils have drawn their own graphic scores and have translated the shapes and colours into a piece of music.

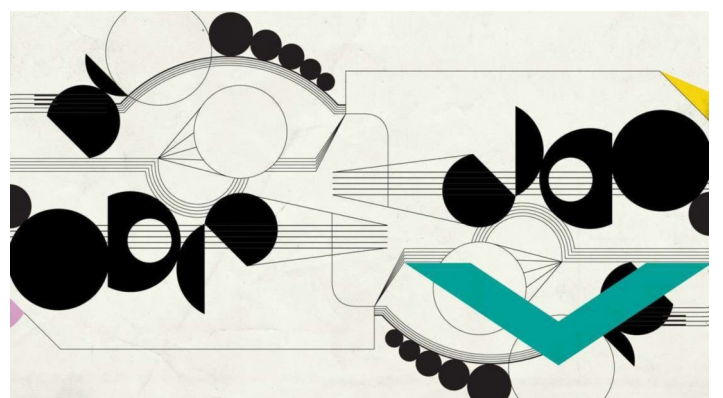
Here are some of the excellent scores...



Cross-Curricular Creative Arts Links...

Miss Livsey-Barnes has overseen some super cross-curricular work with her Year 6 pupils this week creating colourful, visual representations of musical scores! The shapes and colours were then translated back into sounds and notes.

We look forward to next half term's **Creative Arts Enrichment** subject focus! More details to follow soon...watch this space!



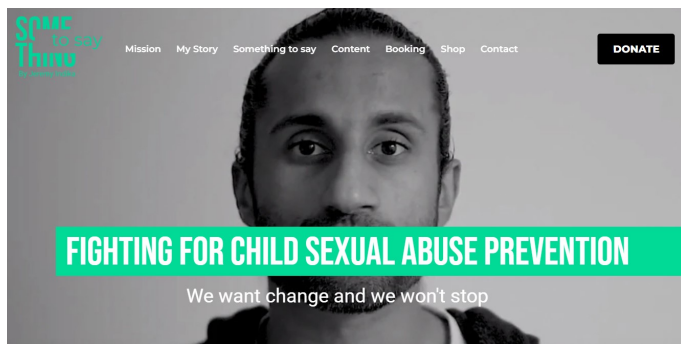
Visiting Speaker—Jeremy Indika

Our final session in Well Being Week was a visit from [Jeremy Indika](#) who spoke to our Senior pupils, and later their parents online, about his childhood experience of sexual abuse and the challenges he faced as an adult in seeking some form of 'closure' in tracking down and facing his abuser.

Jeremy had previously visited KHS and delivered an INSET to staff and it was so well-received and so powerful, that we felt our older pupils could learn a lot from him as well.

Not a squeak came from the room as he began to tell his story to our pupils who were thoroughly engaged from the start.

His message was all about speaking out and telling somebody—something we vehemently hope our pupils would do, and would know where, and who, to turn to in school.



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

LOWER PREP

1M

Well done to Karen L for learning a new skill on the school trip - Skiing - she said it was "super fun and cool, I was able to balance by myself"! Mrs Martins

Year 1 for their fantastic line dancing and being able to keep it synchronised throughout the entire routine. Mr Westcott

3S

Scarlett W for an excellent start to KHS and to Hattie Clarke for being an excellent buddy and helping her settle in. Miss Sumners

4S

Maye B for excellent work with fractions and finding equivalent fractions of numbers! Miss Smith

Aidan K deserves a big mention for the effort he has put in recently in the Study Centre where he has worked so hard over the last three weeks to improve his cursive writing — he tells me he wants to be a perfectionist! Mrs Wood

UPPER PREP

5F

Oliver R for excellent engagement in lessons. Ms Forbes

Alex L for making a big effort in his French lessons, especially in his written work. Madame Swift

Zach B offered to carry Mrs Bray's books to Langlands after Pupil Briefing – nice to witness a random act of kindness. Mr Clarke

6B

Elliot W for being engaged and answering lots of discussion questions in PSHE. Mrs Bastable

Ben S for being a fabulous Screen Printing assistant in art this week! Mrs Bastable

6S

Josh G for excellent knowledge of French verb conjugations. Madame Swift

7B

Dollie M so settled and happy at school! Mr Barratt

7W

Eddie B for fantastic behaviour and as the ski instructor said, being the most polite boy he has ever taught. Also Indie D for brilliant work on the slopes. Mr Westcott

8C

In advance of Kieran S's proposed talk to the Lower Prep pupils about awareness of online bullying and the Breck Foundation, Mr Sukhdeo would like to extend a big thank you to him for this selfless act.

8J

Olly F for always being enthusiastic and eager to take part in tutor time activities. Mrs Jennings

8L

Pippa T demonstrated every aspect of the Kingswood House way on the ski trip, despite a broken arm she was determined to have a brilliant holiday! Mr Laudy

Well done to Dylan N, who, throughout the week was cheerful and happy and clearly having a wonderful time with a smile on his face! Mr Laudy

SENIORS

9B

Isaaq G - I am really impressed with how he welcomed Jamie into our form; Isaaq is an asset to Kingswood House. Mrs Bray

9L

Well done to 9L for improved organisation of their bags, better lining up and listening skills overall. It certainly does to help make things go smoother and it sets a great example to our younger pupils. Good job! Mrs Lindley

Youssef M for always putting his hand up to answer questions. Mrs Black

9R

The Y9 Frenchies for their lovely game of *pétanque* before half term where they played beautifully together as the strong team that they are. Monsieur Regeling

Sam C and Ethan C for being incredibly welcoming to new pupils who come in for a taster day, showing them how kind we are here at KHS. Monsieur Regeling

Ibrahim MY9 Maths – Huge consistent effort in the weeks before half term. Mr Barratt

Josh McC for remaining focussed and working well in Science. Mrs Black

Toby C for working well and showing endeavour with radiation half-life calculations. Mrs Black

10B

Tedd B-A; even though he was tired from the ski trip, Tedd has remained positive and in good spirits this week. Mrs Black

10P

Ben H for always being polite and helpful during form periods. Miss Patel

Tharani V for working exceptionally hard in GCSE PE and making excellent contributions in class. Mrs Jennings

11H

Miss Timothy passed on extremely positive feedback about how engaged and respectful the students were during the talk by Jeremy Indika. Great to hear - well done! Mrs Haunstetter

Pete D has been really helpful recently in collecting and reminding others of the need to hand in History prep, yet done in a very unassuming manner. Mrs Haunstetter

Pete D, Folu A Max G and Jess D for the effort they showed in completing their half-term homework essays. I am sure that that their excellent attitude to learning will pay off in their upcoming GCSE exams! Mrs Bray

11W

Archie E is to be congratulated for achieving a place at Seaford College for his post-16 choices. Mr Sukhdeo

Jack B-A who has started this half-term with his customary enthusiasm and engagement. Mr March

Also – a huge well done to Tyrwhitt B, Nick H and Barney H (11W) and Tommy C (11H) for completing their D of E expedition presentations yesterday! Their expedition sections have now been signed off and Tyrwhitt is one report away from completing his whole silver award. Miss Patel

A note on the ski trip from Mr Clarke...

The ski trip was fabulous; Pippa T (8L) fractured her wrist on the first day of skiing – she was up and skiing again by day 3 – true Kingswood House Way spirit in action– well done Pippa!

Sam and Ethan C (9R) Eddie B (7W) and Jasper W (9B) became adopted members of the Clarke family last week – it was sad to hand them back at the end of the trip.

Jamie C (5F) started the week as a first time skier – by the end of the week he was fabulous!

KHS vs Lingfield—Rugby

U16A lost; Player of the Match awarded to Barnaby H (11W); try scorer was Ted R (11W) and Pete D (11H), and Ben Hu (10P) deserve a Special Mention for their match play.

**KHS vs Belmont—Hockey**

U13A 2-2 and 5-0 wins; Player of the Match went to Indi D (7W) and Chris K (7W); our goal scorers were Indi x2, Chris K x3, Alex M-K (7B) x2 and a Special Mention to Freddie T (8C) for his fantastic defence. Mrs Jennings says of the match, *"Playing their first hockey game of the season, without a goalkeeper due to injury, the pupils got off to a slow start conceding early. However, they battled back strong and scored two fantastic goals. Belmont came back into the game in the last minute to score an equalizer. In the second game of the afternoon, the pupils worked the ball around well and managed to score within 30 seconds. From then on they were determined to keep going and using the ball well and utilizing the space available to them. The pupils then managed to score 4 more quite quickly and were pushing for the sixth goal. Overall a fantastic effort. Well done to them all!"*.

U13B 12-2 win; Player of the Match awarded to Conor M-A (8C) with a Special Mention to Ethan B (8C). Ms Forbes who watched the game commented, *"The B team had a great game. The pace was fast and exciting. They all worked well together as a team. Conor was amazing managing the team on the pitch and was everywhere!"*.

Colts A 5-3 loss; Player of the Match went to Hugo H (6S), our goal scorers were Cyril B-D (6S) x2, and Seb P (6S), and a Special Mention to Elodie T (6B). Mr Cowie reports back from the fixture, *"Playing our first game of hockey this term, the team really impressed with their formation and defensive skills. Throughout the game, Hugo was a rock at the back in defence, stopping many attacking cross from entering our D. Having gone down 3-0 at half time, a few technical and tactical adjustments allowed the team to understand how to attack better and resulted in Cyril and Seb scoring three fantastic goals. Seb finished a fantastic ball into the D with one foul swoop of the ball. Bringing the scores back to 3-3 KHS could not quite hold on for the draw, allowing Belmont to score 2 whilst pushing for the winner themselves. I was extremely impressed with the team having only had one training session prior to this game and a lot was learnt in preparation for their next hockey game. Well done all!"*

Colts B 4-2 loss; Gaby C-A (6S) & Zach B (5F) shared our Player of the Match award; with a Special Mention to Gregory C (5F). Mr Laudy says of the game, *"Well done to all of the B team who enjoyed a tough fixture this week. It was wonderful to see everyone working hard as a team. Despite conceding two early goals, they kept their spirits high and quickly scored two in return. Some outstanding defending and ball control kept us in the game right to the end"*.

Colts C 2-0 loss; Player of the Match Hugh H (5F); Special Mention to Oli R (6B). Mr Cowie comments on the game, *"The Colts C's enjoyed a really competitive fixture against Belmont, having only had one training session the day before as a result, all the players enjoyed learning more about the game of hockey. Mr Cowie was particularly impressed with the defensive skills of Hugh and the dribbling skills of Oli throughout the game. We had many scoring opportunities but not only could we not beat their goal keeper, some of our shooting was not quite accurate enough. All players showed fantastic endeavour throughout the game and tried right up until the final whistle!"*.



SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Belmont—Hockey

U9A 4-2 loss; Player of the Match Yarick M (3S) and a Special Mention to George W (3S). This was the U9As first game of the season and they played exceptionally well! Great teamwork, great communication. George W even got a handshake from the referee for good sportsmanship and play—great to see!

U9B 4-0 loss; Player of the Match Zayn J, (4S) and a Special Mention to Mahe B (4S). This was their first game of the season, and without any practice, the pupils played well, and managed to focus on the match in hand. Tackling was brilliant and there was some good passing on display too. They played with real integrity and respect. What a fantastic effort by them all.



KHS vs Boxhill — Netball

U13 Mrs Jennings reports back, “On Wednesday 22nd February the Year 7&8 girls played in their first home netball fixture of the Spring term against Box Hill. After much rain in the morning, the weather fortunately brightened up allowing the game to go ahead. The girls played really well and showed superb determination on court. It was a challenge, but they kept their heads up right until the end. The final score was 15-0 to Box Hill and I am so proud of the way Kingswood House girls conducted themselves in such a challenging situation. Alyssa did a splendid job as captain for the team and she was even voted Player of the Match by the Box Hill team! There will be more opportunities for the girls to train together and compete in more fixtures and I look forward to seeing how they progress in the future! “.



Don't forget we are celebrating World Book Day on Thursday next week, 2nd March...

Time to raid the dressing up box, dig out those onesies and come dressed as a favourite Literary Character!





An array of sporting fixtures this week saw KHS pupils in action on the netball court against Box Hill and on the hockey pitch against Belmont School.

We are deeply saddened by the major earthquakes that have hit the southern-eastern part of Turkey and northern Syria. Several major towns in the area have been destroyed as an effect of the initial earthquakes with magnitudes of 7.5 and 7.8. A humanitarian crisis is developing where many people have lost their homes and their nearest relatives; currently it is thought that more than 40,000 people have lost their lives with millions also displaced from their homes. Immediate relief in the form of food, shelter, water and medicine to help the areas that were hit by the massive earthquakes is urgently needed.

JustGiving Menu Start Fundraising



Kingswood House School Charities

**Kingswood House School's fundraiser
for Turkey Mozaik Foundation**

Kingswood House School Turkey Earthquake Emergency Relief Fund

In the spirit of the Kingswood House Way, we are fundraising to provide immediate relief and long-term recovery for survivors of the earthquake. This is a way for the school community to show its global reach and support where it is most needed.

Kahramanmaras Earthquake Emergency Relief Fund has been set up by the **Turkey Mozaik Foundation**, which is a UK-registered charity (registration no: 1174968) that gives grants to grassroots and civil society organisations in Turkey. Some Kingswood House parents personally know the founders of this organisation and trust their transparency and accountability implicitly. The

foundation's generous donations have so far participated in search and rescue operations, provided food, clean water, clothing, mobile toilets, heaters, tents, hygiene kits, power banks, shopping cards, toys & books, psychological first aid and counselling to the survivors in the affected areas.



As we approach **Eating Disorders Awareness Week 2023**, we are pleased to inform you of a parent/carers webinar run by the charity STEM4, Supporting Teenage Mental Health Helping Parents and Carers Manage Eating Disorders and Body Image Issues in Young People.

Eating disorders are complex mental ill health conditions and often require specialist treatment. Early intervention is key to minimise the impact. Whilst eating disorders arise due to a complex network of factors, low self-worth is seen as a core contributor. There are also a range of eating difficulties associated with sensory or neurodevelopmental issues which cause parents and carers significant concern. Register for the free webinar [here](#)

House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 454

Marlborough - 383

Nelson - 445

Wellington - 397

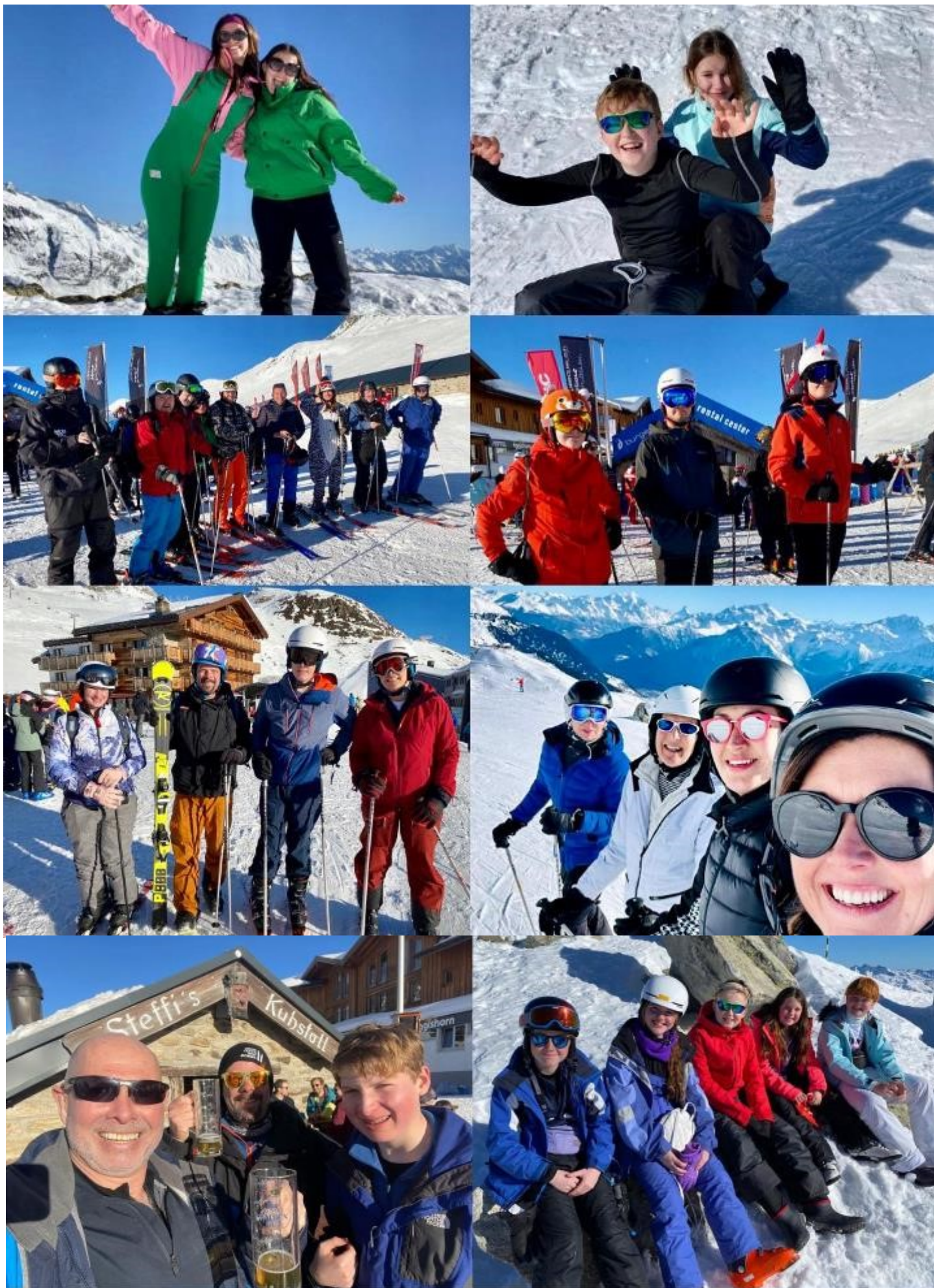
House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 1878

Marlborough - 1832

Nelson - 2042

Wellington - 1924



FIESCH SKI TRIP 2023: Note the fabulous 'Kingswood House green' ski outfits and the smiles all round... a wonderful week in Switzerland! A big 'Thank You' to all the staff who went on the trip and accompanying parents for your good company and of course well done to all our skiers!





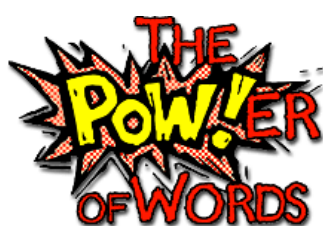
DT News...

Year 5 have been experimenting with making their own wooden catapults in DT. This involves the safe use of the workshop tools and machines, as well as linking cross-curricular to their History topic studying Roman machines of war. The boys completed their project by holding a Smartie (other sweets are available!) throwing competition, to see whose catapult was the most effective.

Meanwhile, our Year 11 pupils studying the Design and Technology GCSE course, were fortunate to gain entry to the Farnborough Engineering and Technology Exhibition before half term. This show is normally open to trade customers only who would be looking for new equipment and products for their businesses. The students spent the day talking to trade exhibitors and witnessing some every advanced machinery linked to their GCSE studies. A little insight in to what is available when they move on to further studies after their GCSEs this summer.



History Brought to Life! Year 8 children enjoyed a thoroughly engaging and informative session delivered by Mrs Newman on artefacts from the First World War. Mrs Newman's husband is an avid collector of items from the Great War and regularly visits the battlefields around Ypres in Belgium and the Somme in northern France. The students were fortunate to see a variety of objects including helmets, bottles that would have been used for gassing and shrapnel from inside shells - a tiny fraction of Mr Newman's collection - complementing their current learning about the First World War. They asked some brilliant questions and were clearly fascinated by all that they saw and heard.
Mrs Haunstetter



Aries is the next star sign, for those of you who have a birthday between March 21st and April 19th. The constellation was first catalogued by the Greek astrologer Ptolemy, in the 2nd century. The sign is represented by a ram, which identifies with the Egyptian god Amon, and in Greek mythology Aries was the god of war. Those born under the sign of Aries are known to be bold, ambitious and always up for a challenge, and they make confident leaders. *If you are an Aries can you identify with these characteristics? Madame Swift*





Class 1M thoroughly enjoyed Shrove Tuesday when pancakes were subject to lots of cross curricular learning including maths fractions and following recipe instructions.



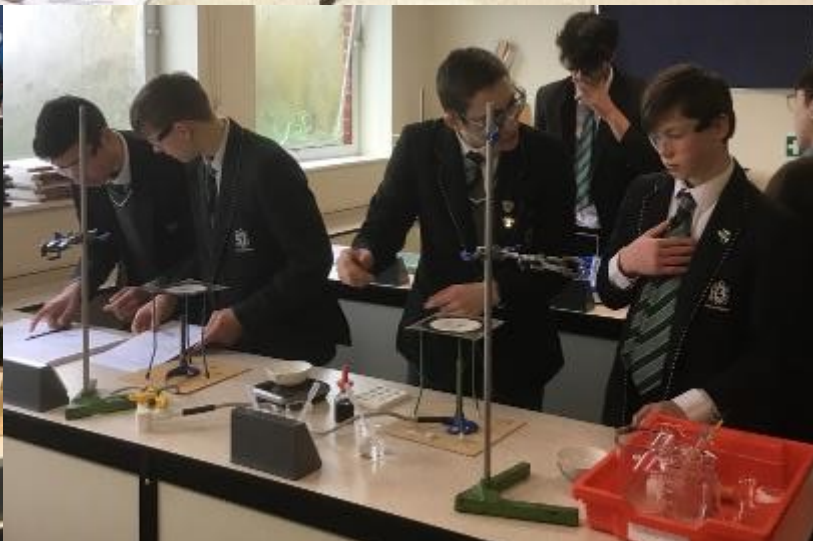
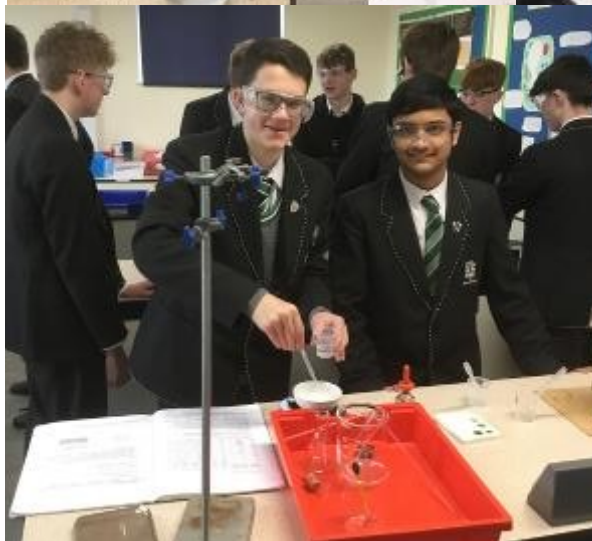
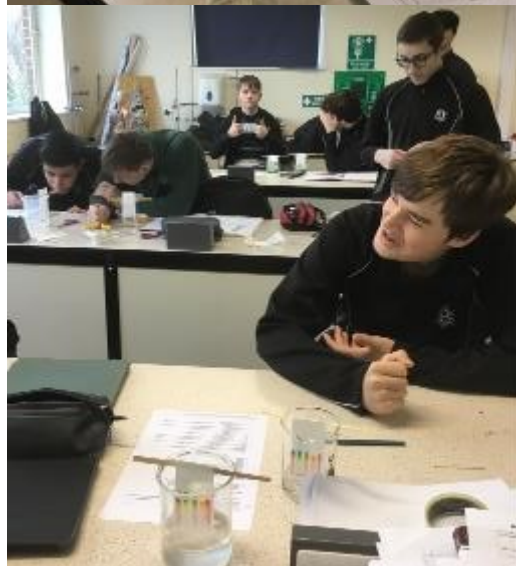
VICTORIOUS—Rugby Success!
Well done to the KHS U13s Rugby Sevens team who played hard and won every game at the Belmont Rugby Festival just before half term; Mr Mitchell thoroughly enjoyed his time on the touchline with them—well played, everyone!



Science News

This week, Year 11 have been carrying out their water purification and chromatography practical work. This has involved the pupils' learning about the different separation techniques, measuring the pH, calculating

Rf values and more. Well done to you all.
Mrs Black



Year 4 got to grips with fractions through creating paper pizzas! Miss Smith comments, "Year 4 have been pizza making...and working out fractions at the same time! The children enjoyed making their pizzas and adding toppings before working out the fraction of toppings per slice of pizza".



Teachers are incredibly proud of Joel M in 9R who has, in general, been taking very mature and thoughtful decisions this term so far.

We are particularly impressed with his respectful decision to help an elderly lady in a wheelchair who was struggling to get out of her chair at the theatre, whilst our pupils were on a school trip this week.

This is the exact embodiment of our term's precept of **Integrity**: doing the right thing, even when no one is watching. Keep it up, Joel!



Mrs Bray's English Year 7 English class had lots of fun acting out Romeo and Juliet. They were looking at the key themes of love and death, understanding how complicated true love can be!

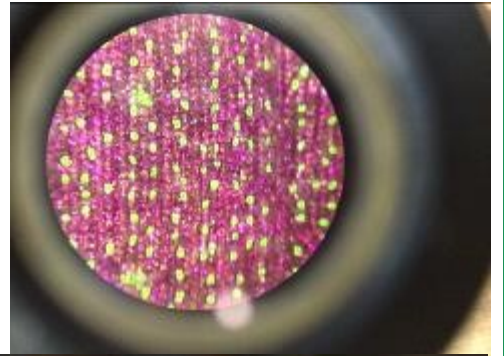


Duke of Edinburgh Silver Expedition Presentations

A huge well done to Tyrwhitt B (11W), Tommy C (11H) Nick H (11W) and Barney H (11W) for completing the last bit of their silver expeditions – the

presentation. The boys spoke well about their aim of Nature Photography and what they had learnt from the expedition. The students said their favourite part was being able to make a fire and toast s'mores! This completes their expedition section – now all they need to do is get the other sections signed off which I am confident they will do imminently! *Miss Patel*

Something's GROWING on in Year 9 Science...! Y9 have been doing some fantastic investigation work on stomata and guard cells as part of their photosynthesis topic. They were able to successfully sample areas of a leaf and determine stomata density. Well done 9s!



They have also produced some fantastic green houses to maximise the growth of cress seeds – we are harvesting their cress on Friday to determine the winner (see next week's Newsletter for pictures!) *Miss Patel*



LGBTQIA2S+ HISTORY MONTH



Did you know that Miss Timothy, our wonderful ELSA, has a great range of books that she is more than happy for pupils to browse or borrow if there is an issue they would like to find out more about...?

There is a huge wealth of literature available these days covering a wide-age range...

Do speak to her to find out more!

LGBTQIA2S+ HISTORY MONTH

- 1 **BEING GAY IS OKAY**
A service that gives online information and advice for under 25-year olds.
Website - www.bgiook.org.uk
- 2 **THE BEAUMONT SOCIETY**
A national transgender support network offering emotional support via a weekly helpline, as well as general information and support groups.
Website - www.beaumontsociety.org.uk
- 3 **STONEWALL**
Provides information and support for lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender young people.
Website - www.stonewall.org.uk
- 4 **THE MIX**
Offers support to anyone under 25 about anything that's troubling them.
Website - www.themix.org.uk
- 5 **PINK THERAPY**
Pink Therapy has a directory listing qualified therapists throughout the UK who work with the LGBTQ+ community from a positive stance.
Website - www.pinktherapy.com
- 6 **LGBT FOUNDATION**
Support services for lesbian, gay, bi and trans people, which are delivered by a team of dedicated staff and volunteers.
Website - www.lgbt.foundation
- 7 **MERMAIDS**
Family and individual support for gender diverse and transgender children and young people
Website - www.mermaidsuk.org.uk



LGBTQ+ BOOKS

for toddlers to tweens



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 his descriptive poem on 'Plants' as part of our Science topic - good use of sound, rhyme and format. Mrs Martins

3S

All of Year 3 for their efforts with their assessments and Mahe A for being a good friend. Miss Sumners

4S

Phoebe W – super skill and determination when learning touch typing. Miss Smith

UPPER PREP

5F

Leo DeB – A Random Act of Kindness! - one of the class lost their football. A few days later Leo brought in a new ball to replace the lost one. Ms Forbes

5F for completing their French revision books when they had a cover lesson. Madame Swift

6B

Phoebe F for always trying her best and quietly getting on with things – it doesn't go un-noticed! Mrs Bastable

6S

6S for excellent behaviour on the Junior Citizenship trip. Madame Swift

7B

Oscar P– a fabulous week all-round. Mr Barratt

Harrison W for his excellent drama performance as Romeo in our class production. Mrs Bray

Lily-Rose M for scoring a superb and vital goal during the hockey fixture against Harrodian, securing a brilliant victory for KHS! Mrs Jennings

Sophie T for representing KHS admirably during the hockey fixture against Harrodian. She created many opportunities for the team and showed impressive attacking and defending on the pitch! Mrs Jennings

7W

George W for a good week, and good work in PSHE. Mr Westcott

Aurelia G for being incredible in defence during the hockey fixture against Harrodian and being voted Player of the Match. Mrs Jennings

8C

U13 Girls Hockey Team - unbelievable result against Harrodian 1-0 win (Mr Cowie's old school...). All the girls played extremely well and showed great endeavour and fantastic work rate. Mr Cowie and Mrs Jennings were extremely impressed with their hockey skills considering none of the girls opted to play hockey this term. Well done all of you! Mr Cowie

Congratulations to Alex H for scoring the highest mark in French in Y8. You've worked so hard and I'm glad that's reflected similarly in your final grade. Monsieur Regeling

8J

Tom R for always showing outstanding respect and kindness to others during tutor time and in lessons. Mrs Jennings

Daniel G - Mr Regeling is very impressed with your writing (94%/100%). Bravo! Monsieur Regeling

UPPER PREP continued...

8L

It is great to see Harrison West back in class following a period of time away from school. He has been working hard to catch up on the exams he's missed and is always full on energy. Well done! Mr Laudy

Alyssa C for her excellent work as captain and being voted Player of the Match during the netball fixture against Boxhill. Mrs Jennings

James D and Max P for giving up their break to help me with the Student Council display board. Mrs Bray

Well done to Year 8 for some amazing Maths results in your recent exams all around - keep working hard. Mrs Lindley

SENIORS

9B

Eliot N for his calm and focused attitude in the mornings and during study period. Mrs Bray

9L

Avaneesh G consistently hard working, well organised, respectful, endeavouring to try new things and always shows Integrity. Mrs Lindley

9R

Josh I revised so much for his History test last weekend and this has clearly borne fruit. Well done, Josh! Keep it up. Monsieur Regeling

Sam C— consistently high quality note taking in Maths. Mr Barratt

When the Senior Drama pupils attended the theatre last week, Joel M noticed an elderly lady that was struggling to get out of her wheelchair, he took himself over to her and asked if she needed any help. The daughter thanked Joel for his kindness but stated that she could manage. Really kind gesture! Miss Hylands & Mrs Horley

10B

Henry S is always polite and holds the door open for teachers. Mrs Black

Tommy W showed endeavour to find his missing chrome book this week - it has now been safely returned! Mrs Black

Faizahn J has worked well in form time this week and made the most of his independent study time. Mrs Black

10P

Owen C took part in the U16 British Gymnastics Championships at the Telford Centre over the weekend and achieved an impressive 6th overall in the Vault! This is an amazing achievement! Well done Owen. Mr Cowie

Tharani V for zipping up Ollie Ward's coat to keep him warm on his way to Town Leave! Mrs Haunstetter

Year 10 Maths -- Yaseen AK, Henry S and Faizahn J have really pushed themselves with their simultaneous equations learning. Mrs Lindley

11H

Alan R - I received some lovely feedback on how positive and hard-working Alan has been in some of his recent lessons. Great to hear! Mrs Haunstetter

Ted R is to be congratulated for securing an offer to pursue his sixth form studies at Seaford College.

11W

Oli K has shown more resilience since the mocks and is working hard in his subjects – good effort, keep it up. Mrs Weston

Ted R is noticeably working hard and impressing his various subject teachers – excellent application. Mrs Weston

Disputes

SENIORS continued...

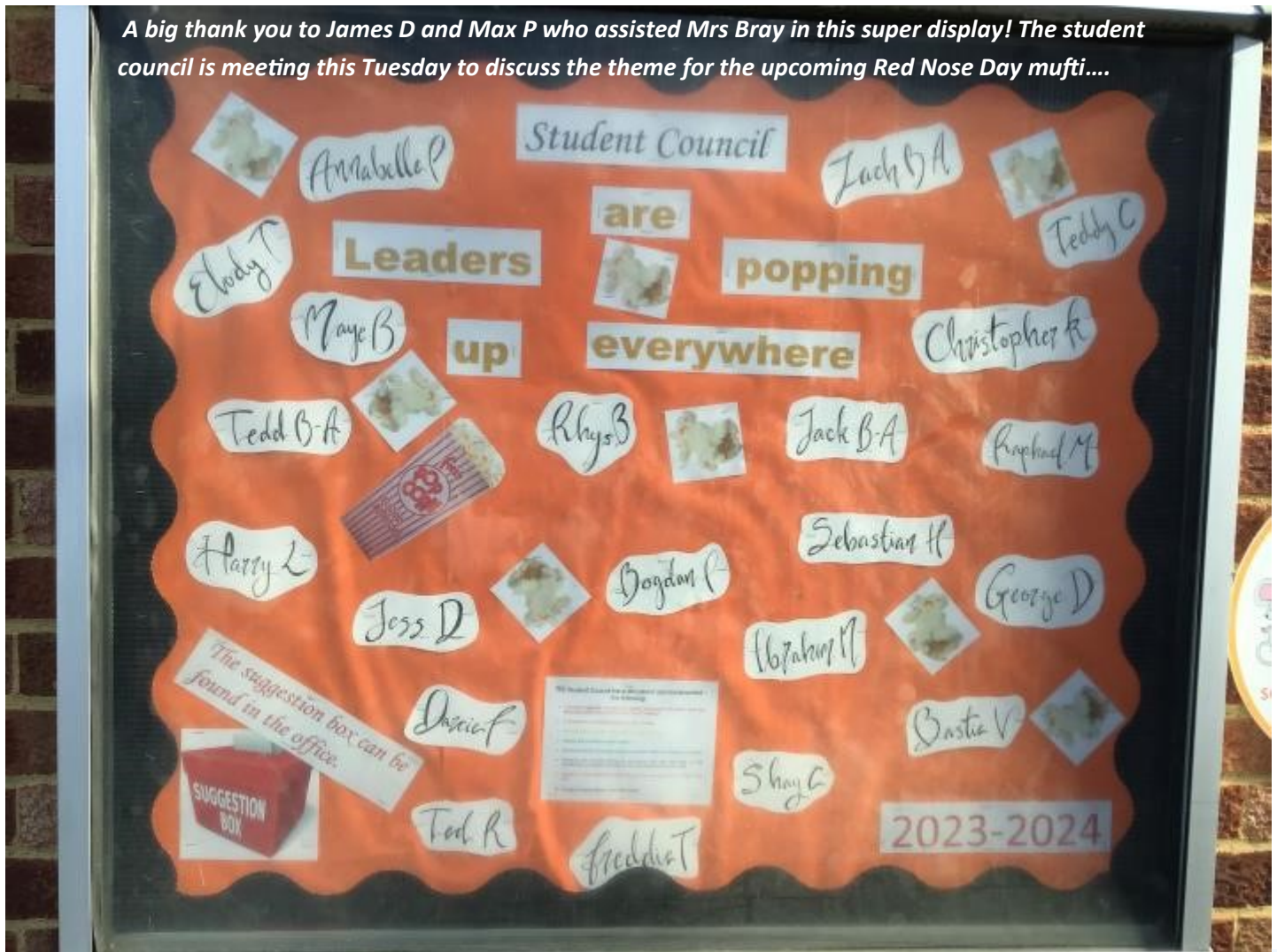
11W

Jack B-A has caught up on all the classwork, prep and exam questions that he missed as a result of the school production. Furthermore, all this work has been completed to a really high standard. Well done! Mrs Haunstetter

Year 11 Maths - Mrs Lindley's class for becoming more consistent with prep and getting it on time. Please stay up to date with your deadlines. Mrs Lindley

Well done to Tommy C (11H) and Nick H (11W) for putting extra time and effort into their art project last week – keep it up! Mrs Bastable

A big thank you to James D and Max P who assisted Mrs Bray in this super display! The student council is meeting this Tuesday to discuss the theme for the upcoming Red Nose Day mufti....



House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 403

Marlborough - 346

Nelson - 363

Wellington - 429

House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 2282

Marlborough - 2179

Nelson - 2407

Wellington - 2354

SPORTS RESULTS

KHs vs Box Hill—Hockey

U14A Lost 5-6 Our Player of the Match- Zachary H (9R) and A Special Mention to Theo J (9L) and Arlo S (9R); our goal scorers were Theo M (9L) with 3 and Zachary H with 2.

Mr Westcott comments: *"On Tuesday 28th February, I had the pleasure in taking the U14 hockey team to an away fixture against Box Hill. The game was played on a smaller pitch size than the team were used to but they adapted quickly and supported each other well. The ball could be played off the sides, so it was a fast-paced game and highly entertaining with action from end to end. KHS took the first centre and scored the first goal of the game in super quick time! It then went a goal apiece and it was neck and neck right up until the final whistle. Zac captained the side brilliantly and although Theo J was unable to kit up as goalkeeper, he did a tremendous job as sweeper, saving numerous attempts at the goal. The end result finished 6-5 to Box Hill with Theo M scoring three goals and Zac sinking two goals for KHS. A particular mention also goes to Arlo for creating attacking opportunities and helping to set up some of the goals. It really was an exciting fixture and the whole team were incredible – well done team!"*

See photos below of some of the action...



Well done to our intrepid U14 Hockey team in their hard fought match against Box Hill this week...



KHS vs Harrodian— Girls' Hockey

U13 1-0 win; Player of the Match to Aurelia G (7W); goal scorers were Lily-Rose M (7B) and a Special Mention to Sophie T (7B). Mrs Jennings was delighted and reports back, *"A great afternoon for the U13 girls Hockey team - playing 3 matches back to back against a mixture of Harrodian teams. The girls started slowly, having not played much (if any...) hockey this term, but grew into the first game. Some fantastic dribbling from Dollie, and work rate from Sophie allowed us to start being more confident with the ball. We produced numerous chances in the first game but could not convert them into a goal. In the second game, after a team talk from Mrs Jennings, we started to understand the game more. Our defence was impeccable, with multiple goal saving tackles from Aurelia and Isla. We attacked the D of Harrodian, and Lily was in on goal, she managed to dribble past a defender and slot it into the bottom corner. The crowd went wild! We created lots of chances in the 3rd and final game but couldn't finish either of them - again Lily had a reverse stick shot blocked on the line by a Harrodian defender! The girls were absolutely fantastic and Mrs Jennings and Mr Cowie were extremely impressed with their attitude and endeavour. Well done girls!"*.

KHS vs Homefield—Hockey

U13A 8-6 win; Player of the Match Freddie T (8C); goal scorers Indi D (7W) with 4, Chris K (7W) with 3 and Stanley B-D (8J) with 1. A Special Mention to Rufus J (7W). *"In a super match to watch and umpire, KHS pupils got off to a great start and managed to score 3 quick goals. The performance was structured and brilliant in the first half scoring 2 more before half-time, making it 5-1. By half-time, we scored 3 more to make it 8-1. However Homefield managed to bounce back and make advantage of us not having a goalkeeper and managed to score 5 goals in reply. But our players managed to hold them off and get the win. An overall fantastic performance!"*

U13B 3-0 win; Player of the Match was Rex T (8C); goal scorers were Ethan B (8C) Kieran S (8C) and Alex M-K (7B) with one each; A Special Mention goes to Ethan. *"In a close game with their goalkeeper being strong, we managed to get off to a quick start to score an opener in the first two minutes. Their goalkeeper was on fire and managed to keep them in it. But our defence was brilliant and we managed to keep them out of the D. In the second half the pupils managed to keep pushing for goals, then eventually we got a break through with a well taken goal, and was able to capitalize on another mistake and got a third. Overall, a fantastic performance"*.

KHS vs More House—Rugby

U13Bs (win) & Cs (loss) Player of the Match Year 7- Tom F (7B); Player of the Match Year 8—Joshua S (8J). Mr Clarke tells us, *"An excellent afternoon of rugby for the Year 7 and 8 boys. More House have not had any fixtures yet so we decided to leave our A team at school and take them on with our Bs and Cs. On arrival More House had split into a Year 7 and a Year 8 team so we adjusted and did the same. This was quite a change for us as we had practiced as a team and were now two separate teams. However, two fabulous games took place which were highly competitive. The Year 7 team won 11 tries to 8, whilst Year 8 lost with the same score. A great afternoon for school rugby: flexibility, boys having a lot of fun, highly competitive with a win and a close loss. Rugby was the winner!"*

KHS vs Banstead Prep – Rugby

U10A 9-3 loss; Player of the Match Gregory C (5F) try scorers Gregory C; a Special Mention to Henry for being a great captain who organised the team well, showed great leadership, ran with the ball effectively, played some good passes. Zachary B (5F) battled really well and got involved in lots of rucks and mauls—fought for the ball well, was very competitive. The match report says, *"Kingswood House started off well, playing lots of passes, moving the ball across the pitch into wide areas. Banstead had a very good defence, making some excellent tackles. Banstead started to improve as the first half went on and scored a few tries. Kingswood House kept battling, putting in some strong tackles so it was 5-0 at half time. KHS then approached the second half with great energy. We were able to find gaps in the Banstead defence, using Gregory's pace we were able to capitalise and make an impact on the game. Gregory scored 2 tries in the second half, while Henry showed great strength in setting up our third try. Meaning the 2nd half ended 4-3 to Banstead, much closer than the first! Great battling by KHS!"*.

U10B 12-1 loss; Player of the Match and try scorer Toby H (5F) plus a Special Mention to Leo de B (5F) for good work and never giving up. *"KHS started off slow, and conceded twice before Toby H ran half the pitch to score a fantastic try. The pupils tried hard, however Banstead Prep was just too strong for them and managed to run in 12 tries. The boys however didn't give up and kept trying to get a second try, but the defence from Banstead was too strong. Overall an admirable effort"*.



See overleaf for Mr Westcott's report on proceedings...

Game, Set, Match—for charity! Mr Westcott reports back on a fabulous time on court at the LTA...

"On Saturday afternoon, six of our pupils participated in the 24 hour tennis marathon held at the LTA Roehampton, for the charity [Bright Ideas for Tennis](#). They were involved for four hours and it was a fantastic event to be part of and witness. The pupils were partnered up with each other and mixed it up with former professional players including James Auckland (former Davis Cup player), Julie Hobbs (former British number 1), Lucy Isles (former British number 1), Marcus Willis (a current British player, made it to the second round of Wimbledon as a qualifier and played Roger Federer on Centre Court). A further exciting development for our pupils was when current British number 38, Jack Draper, came over to our courts and joined in for a period, followed closely by former British number 4 and multiple grand slam semi-finalist, Tim Henman who played for 20 minutes with our pupils. Whilst we were there, the charity showcased some of their operations with a demonstration of blind tennis—this is something that is of particular interest to me due to a close friend losing their eye sight but is now able to join in and play tennis. The pupils played really well, especially when Indi and Jess partnered up and managed to win three games off the professionals! Cyril and Jess also took 2 points off Jack Draper! Well done to the B-D brothers Cyril (6S) and Stanley (8J), Indi D (7W), Shay C (9R), Mickey S (9L) and Jess D (11H)".

Many thanks to our wonderful KHA team for hosting a competitive and entertaining **Quiz Night** last Friday – a tasty supper and snacks, some liquid refreshment and great company all round made the event a resounding success! Congratulations to the winning team 'BPM' - Year 10 parents!





Twitching in Year 3!

Miss Sumners comments on her class outing: *"We went to RSPB Pulborough Brooks to explore habitats and the creatures that live there. We spent our whole morning working scientifically and asking lots of questions. It was great fun!"*



Raising Awareness, February 27th.—March 5th. for **Eating Disorders Week**—more information [here](#).

At least 1 in 4 people affected by eating disorders are male. Yet many struggle to ask for help, and are often met with disbelief when they do. Time to bust the toxic stereotypes that prevent boys and men of all ages from speaking up.

The charity, [BEAT](#) is doing some great work to create supportive spaces and communities that anyone can turn to.



Budding "Jack in the Beanstalkers"?!

Year 1 children are learning about plants and in Monday's Science lesson with Miss Smith the pupils got the chance to plant their own seed and will be able to observe and watch it grow at close range over the next few weeks! Their first task was to carefully fill their pot with soil, water it sufficiently and then plant their bean seed and decide upon the best place to put them, to maximise growth potential. The children were so engaged and excited by this practical task of science in action. They then learnt about the different parts of a plant and the jobs they do in growing and developing. Well done, Year 1! *Miss Smith*



Sounding Out in Year 4

Year 4 pupils are learning all about Sound in our science topic. Their recent investigation was a visual way to show how volume and strength of vibrations are linked. The pupils used rice on a drum so they could hear, and see, the effect when hitting the drum lightly or hard. *Mrs Martins*



Year 6 — Learning Outside the Classroom

On Thursday 23rd February, Year 6 spent the morning at the Queen's Stand, Epsom Downs Race Course, attending Junior Citizenship Workshop.

This was a great opportunity for the children to gain knowledge from various public services, and to acquire essential life skills. They were taught how to administer CPR



and were able to practise on dummies, they were made aware of the dangers and consequences of being near electricity cables, and they had a talk about the dangers of taking drugs and alcohol.

Following on from our PSHE lesson last week, they discussed healthy eating and the number of sugars contained in food and drink.

The Transport Police talked to them about how to be safe on station platforms and at level crossings, and the Coast Guard, taught them lifesaving skills regarding how to stay afloat should you get into trouble while swimming.

The children were all very well behaved and hopefully came away with some valuable life-lessons learnt.

Madame Swift & Mrs Bastable





DT Reinventing the Wheel in DT? Not quite...!

Year 6 have just finished their Chassis project where they follow technical drawings to build a chassis and then design their own body to fit on top. The models were tested on a small 'hill climb' section of the playground and Gabriella CA (6S) was the clear winner. Following some less successful 'runs' we talked about the effect of friction, axles and shafts on their models - all learning points in this topic represent an early introduction to the GCSE curriculum.

Mr Bailey



Form 6B assembly referenced World Compliment Day on 1st March and reminded us all to give out more sincere compliments to each other!



Miss Smith reports: "Year 4 boys and girls are learning to sew as part of their new DT topic. They practiced their technique this week ready for making their sewn product next week. The children did so well, especially those who had not done it before. I was very impressed with their perseverance and effort at this new skill!"



Friendly Sibling Rivalry on the Rugby Pitch!

This is Tom F (7B) and his twin brother George from More House...guess who the U12/13 KHS fixture was against this week? Yes, you guessed it—More House!

The sibling build up has been great this week with Tom growing increasingly nervous and excited in equal measure. He told his Form Tutor he was so determined to perform at his very best he even upped his Weetabix intake from two to four on the morning of the big match – packing in those carbs!

It was a solid victory for KHS but pleasingly both players were smiling at the end!

Mr Barratt



Year 1 have been learning about plants in their Science topic.

This week they learnt about soil layers creating an edible vegetable patch. Raisins for the bedrock, Oreo's, Bourbons, and Coco Pops were used for the top and sub soil and mint leaves and fruit for the organic material. Wobbly worms to top it off! *Mrs Martins*



Later in the week the pupils were learning creatively once again— this time exploring Henri Matisse's fabulous work using cut apple shapes and paper stencils to respond to his colourful bold images.





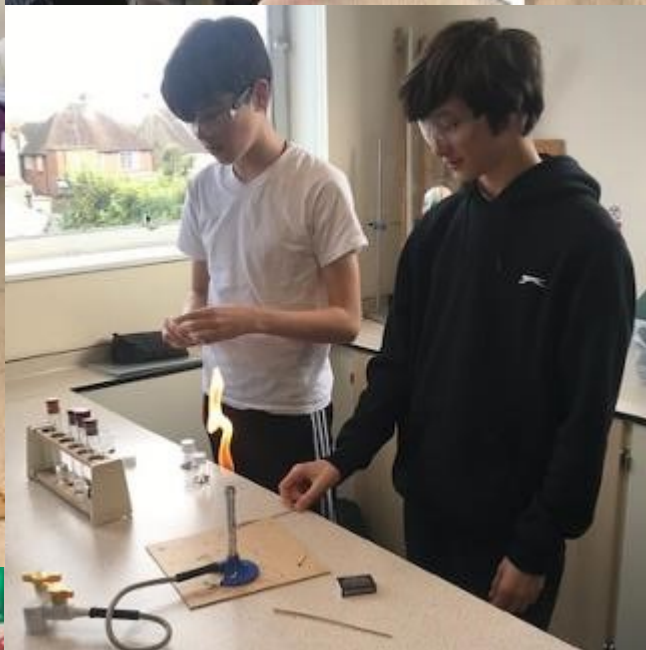
Miss Hylands and a very enthusiastic bunch of pupils in [Eco Club](#) joined forces to create a magnificent 'Bug Hotel' in our grounds the other day; pupils from Years 1-7 were helped by Year 8 Prefects.

Following a plea to staff for various materials with which to construct the eco-friendly edifice, the pupils set to work foraging for leaves, bark, twigs and sticks to ensure there were a number of different sized nooks and crannies to attract, we hope, a wide range of wildlife that will further enhance the habitat around them. Wooden pallets were placed down on the floor first and then the frame built up and finally the gaps were filled with the foraged material.

Such a stack is able to support all sorts of creatures from ladybirds and woodlice to worms, bees, spiders and even toads. It was lovely to see everyone working collaboratively and helping each other towards a final, common goal. *Miss Hylands*



Mr Barratt's Year 8 Science class explored acid and metal reactions – producing and testing for hydrogen – some great scientific skills on show! Well done.





World Book Day 2023!

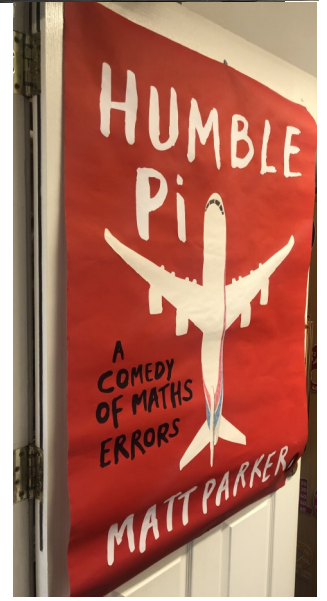
Thursday saw all manner of literary characters at KHS as the staff and pupils embraced the day with enthusiasm, originality and creativity! We are proud to celebrate this important literary festival each year—picking up a good book is an easy way to enhance mental health and augment learning of new words and creativity.



WORLD BOOK DAY

2 MARCH 2023





...and some staff were virtually unrecognisable—*did anyone guess the identity of Gandalf?* Well done to all for your efforts!

The Study Centre doors were beautifully transformed into giant book covers as well—fabulous!

Mr Murphy's

Dispatches

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

LOWER PREP

1M

Verity F for her great understanding of multiplication strategies such as equal groups and repeated addition. Well done! Mrs Martins

3S

Leo J for excellent work with fractions. Miss Sumners

Scarlett W - excellent enthusiasm in music - great to see how quickly you have settled. Miss Barnes

4S

Aidan K for excellent perseverance in lessons recently. Aidan has made a great effort to ensure he keeps trying, even if he is not sure! A great skill to have, keep it up! Miss Smith

Alfie L for showing outstanding effort and commitment in his dance lesson this week and performing some particularly impressive 'freestyle' moves! Mrs Jennings

UPPER PREP

5F

My whole class for trying so hard with their assessments this week. Ms Forbes

Gregory C and Leonardo A for being such good friends to their classmates. Ms Forbes

6B

Ryan B and Elliot W for their integrity displayed during circle time this week. Mrs Bastable

Oli R for a fantastic performance in the U11 rugby match vs. Banstead Prep last Wednesday. He showed real integrity and resilience to channel his energy and frustrations of the game into some fantastic running and tackling throughout the second half. Great sportsmanship at the end of the game also for thanking the referee for the match. Mr Cowie

6S

Dexter B for volunteering to be a buddy to a taster boy who joined 6S on Monday. Madame Swift

7B

Sophie T for a calm and productive week. Mr Barratt

Harrison W for his excellent oracy skills. I was so impressed by how he altered his tone of voice for effect and showcased a range of linguistic techniques in his speech. Mrs Bray

Oscar P and Angus V for writing excellent postcards in French showing good use of the near future tense. Madame Swift

7W

Darcey S for her good work in both PE and PSHE even motivating the other pupils to keep going. Mr Westcott

8C

Freddie T and Howard K for cleaning up so well at the end of the lesson and making the end of class a lot easier! Mrs Bastable

8J

Ezra O-W for being an incredible support in tutor time, showing impeccable behaviour and excellent attitude. Mrs Jennings

Disputes

UPPER PREP continued...

8L

Y8 French – a mention for the level of seriousness that the Y8s have shown in our Francophone Culture lessons on the topic of the Rwandan genocide. Monsieur Regeling

SENIORS

9B

Dylan B for his constant punctuality and professionalism. Mrs Bray

9L

At Kingswood House, we are particularly impressed with and proud of Youssef M (9L) who has been selected by King's College London Mathematics School to attend the weekly Outreach programmes: GCSE+ Maths and GCSE+ Physics.

9R

Josh I for being so proactive with Duke of Edinburgh. Keep it up! Monsieur Regeling

10B

Charlie L is always on time and prepared for the day. Mrs Black

10P

Archie S has been very helpful in preparation of the 10P assembly and in showing around a student on their taster day. Miss Patel

All of 10P for their efforts in the form Assembly. Miss Patel

A huge thank you to all the Y10 Silver D of E students who helped with the tranga training for the Bronze cohort – it was lovely to see them sharing their knowledge! Miss Patel

Patrick G and Bogdan P - both pupils are showing endeavour with Science. It is good to hear them talk about revision and what they are doing to prepare for their exams. Mrs Black

Year 10 GCSE Music students - great work on your recording last week - we are all looking forward to your end of term performance! Miss Barnes

11H

Alan R for articulating so well just how powerful and inspiring Will Bayley's story is, and how much we can all learn about resilience. Mrs Haunstetter

Ted R for his honest conversation with Will Bayley, after his talk, about shared experiences. Mrs Haunstetter

11W Tyrwhitt B and Will H have been working hard in Classics. Mrs Weston

Charity Contributions—Thank you!

We were delighted to send off a donation for £361 to the tennis charity [Bright Ideas for Tennis](#) following the recent mufti day and sky dive voting.

Mr Westcott, who organised our some of our pupils' participation in the recent tennis marathon at the LTA, will be revealing the results of the sky dive vote very soon... *watch this space!*



15 Minutes with... Miss Barnes - Director of Music & 7W Form Teacher

Favourite car – *Any car that gets me from A to B*

Favourite place - *Barcelona*

Favourite food – *Mexican or Indian food*

Favourite band or singer – *At the moment... Léon/Harry Styles*

Favourite film - *The Truman Show*

Favourite smell – *Warm pine trees*

Favourite sport / team or player – *Any Leicester team!*

Who in the world would you like to be? – *I'm happy being myself*

What were you like at school? *I loved all creative subjects - music, art and design and technology. I was very well behaved and I was never once given a detention!*

What is an interesting fact about yourself? – *I love solo travel and I spent a month in Costa Rica last year*

And your 12 choices 'either / or'...

Dog / **Cat**

Netflix box set / Cinema trip

Phone Call / Text

Facebook / Twitter

Swimming / **Sunbathing**

Take away / Fine dining out

Skiing / **Surfing**

Passenger / Driver

Pen / Pencil

City / **Countryside**

Paperback book / **Kindle**

Colourful / Monochrome



GTI News...

At Kingswood House, we are particularly impressed with and proud of Youssef M (9L) who has been selected by King's College London Mathematics School to attend the weekly Outreach programmes: GCSE+ Maths and GCSE+ Physics. Both programmes of enrichment are for

students who enjoy the subjects and wish to explore ideas that surprise, intrigue, and inspire them to make unexpected connections between various topics and concepts.

We asked Youssef how he feels about this achievement and he shared how he's very excited to learn more about the 'deep mathematics' and about how many doors this is going to open up for him in the future. We wish you all the best with the programme, Youssef! *Mr Regeling*



SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Chinthurst—Hockey

Mrs Jennings tells us, "On Wednesday 8th March we took the Colts A,B and C teams to play mixed hockey away against Chinthurst. Due to the snow, the games took place inside and everyone adapted brilliantly to the different surface and modified rules of the game. The matches were fast paced and highly entertaining, with spectators enjoying the play from the viewing balcony.

Every player supported their teammates, worked hard and were an asset to KHS! The scores were very close: the A team lost 3-1, the B team were narrowly defeated 3-2, the C team took a nail-biting 2-2 draw! Cyril B-D (6S) Elinor T (6B) and Ryan B (6B) were our Players of the Match—well done!"

All the other fixtures were cancelled due to the weather conditions this week however we are hoping—at the time of writing— for the Rugby Festival to go ahead later at Ibstock Place...results to follow next week!



House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 345

Marlborough - 386

Nelson - 413

Wellington - 371

House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 2627

Marlborough - 2565

Nelson - 2820

Wellington - 2725

A message from Avaneesh in Year 9, "Hello everybody, as a part of my Duke of Edinburgh Volunteering, I am doing a family-friendly "Little Steps of Hope" 10k walk on Saturday 18th March to fundraise for the National Autistic Society, Sutton Branch, as well as to raise awareness about neurodiversity.

This cause is extremely close to my heart. Please can I ask for your kind support by donating any amount, big or small, to my fundraiser, link [here](#)

Thank you so much in advance. Let's all make a world that's inclusive to everyone, by taking little steps of hope..."

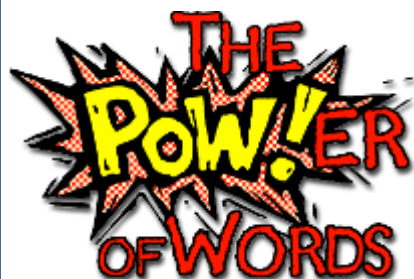


Last week, **House meetings** took place where all the children met in each of their four Houses. The meeting was about important charity days that are coming up for everyone at KHS.

The first is **Red Nose Day** on 17th March. The mufti theme has been decided by our School Council which is blue and white, to represent and show thanks to our wonderful NHS. Add a red nose to your outfit too! This can be a real red nose or a painted one if you want to be eco friendly....it is all for a great cause: Comic Relief. On Red Nose Day, we will also be splitting the money raised to another important cause. There have been major earthquakes in Turkey and Northern Syria. The Turkey Mozaik Foundations' generous donations has so far participated in search and rescue operations, provided food, clean water, clothing, mobile toilets, heaters, tents, hygiene kits, power banks, shopping cards, toys & books, psychological first aid and counselling to the survivors in the areas affected. Your donations will literally save and improve lives. (add in the link here!)

We also have **Nelson House Day** coming up – this is a DATE CHANGE from the calendar; it is now on Tuesday 28 March. We look forward to seeing what Nelson pupils will be setting up for others to raise money for another important charity – NSPCC.

This week we are looking at the Zodiac sign of **Gemini**—21st May to 21st June.



In Latin Gemini literally means 'twins'. In this case, the twins were Castor and Pollux. Castor was the mortal son of King Tyndarus, while Pollux was the immortal son of Zeus. Pollux asked Zeus to let him share his own immortality with his twin to keep them together, and so they were transformed into

the constellation Gemini. Those born under the sign of Gemini are said to be intellectually curious, they are social butterflies, quick-witted and have the ability to talk to anyone about anything! Is this you???? *Madame Swift*



"7W have embraced the topic of **Gothic Literature** and produced their own tales. To say they nailed it would be an understatement". Mrs Seiver. She has collated a sentence or two from each pupil to share with us here.

I sat there as my jaw dropped. "You monster." I repeated, "You monster, you monster. How could you?." (George W)

It was a delightful sight to see; he loved the sight of gore in the morning. (Christopher K)

The weeks passed and strange things started to happen in the castle. Knocking was heard at doors and windows, but no one was ever there. (Peter S)

The local villagers told strange stories about ghostly happenings. (Elliot H)

With a dry, rasping stutter he muttered,

"Come to me. Come now."

As if stuck in a block of ice, I froze. Paralysed, I was unable to move, I was unable to speak. The being was in front of me. I had no way out.

With a snarl and a sneer, The Being spat,

"You puny little human, entering my house, my place of living. How dare you" (Jensen W)

A mischievous smile was on her lips;

"Do I look like your mum?" (Euan B)

Frozen with fear, she stared. His skin was dried up and flaky, silver streaks of hair stuck up wildly across his head. The man's eyes were bloodshot and long, slanted fingers hung loosely from his cracked hands. Chloe stood motionless. (Byron M)

It was a lonely, dim night as the moon shone on the fields below. Grass rustled. The breeze blew carefully. (Aurelia G)

It lived for millions of years in its dark, creepy, long-forgotten castle, sitting on its leaden-diamond throne. (Enzo B-P)

His heart was pounding as he crept downstairs trying not to awaken the sleeping floorboards or the eyes on the walls that he felt were watching his every move. (Indi D)

The sky was as dark as oil and clung to the haunted house. (Rufus J)

The monster started pulling out her insides, carving up her torso like a pumpkin. (Darcey S)

Once on the boat, the sky was a dim and heavy grey, filled with rain. While he was on board he thought he saw through the dark, murky water something that looked like long, twisting tentacles. All around the boat. (Eddie B)

Horne resided in a cracked Victorian mansion in Wiltshire. (George P)

The couple lived in a dark, creepy house with their baby who had magic hair. The monster wanted the baby's magic hair which could help it to stay young. (Ava D)



The cut drilled deeply through her blazer and T-shirt into her skin, leaving a terrible piece of art openly painted on her body. (Isla M)

With its blood red eyes staring into Quandale's soul... (Oscar E)

Wednesday 8th March marks ***International Women's Day*** (IWD) – a day to celebrate the social, economic, cultural and political achievements of women.



The aims of IWD are to create awareness of the progress made throughout the years toward achieving gender equality in work spaces and at home, as well as in society.

The first official IWD was celebrated on 19th March 1911 in Austria, Denmark, Germany and Switzerland. It is now a global campaign, with this year's theme being all about embracing equity. The aims of this year's theme are to encourage conversations on why equal opportunities aren't enough and why equal doesn't always mean fair.



HERE'S TO
STRONG WOMEN
MAY WE
KNOW THEM
MAY WE
BE THEM
MAY WE
RAISE THEM

So what is the difference between equity and equality?
Equality means each individual or group of people is given the same resources or opportunities, but, equity recognises that each person has different circumstances, and allocates the exact resources and opportunities needed to reach an equal outcome.

“
Every woman's
success should be an
inspiration to another.
We're **strongest** when
we cheer each other on.
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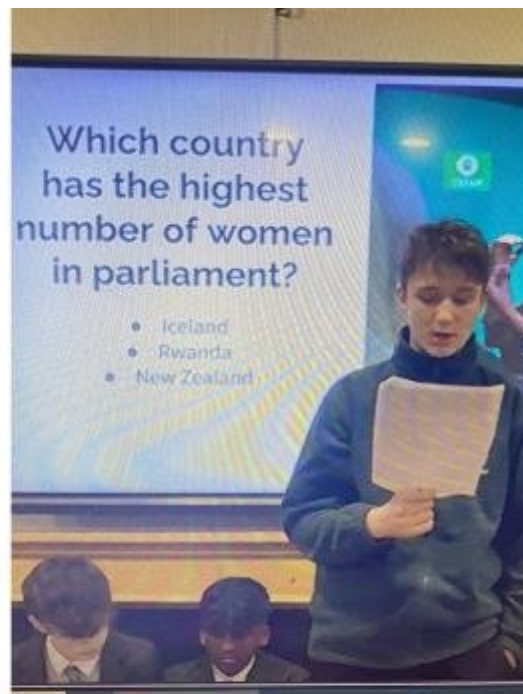
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To truly embrace equity, means to deeply believe, value and seek out difference as a necessary and positive element of life. To embrace equity means to understand the journey required to achieve women's equality. *Mrs Angus*



Staff and pupils alike enjoyed fabulous Q&A session, plus demonstration from Will Bayley MBE—gold medal winning Paralympian—when he visited this week and spoke of his resilience and endeavour from a young age to achieve what he has done; a very inspiring afternoon!





Thank you to Class 10P for presenting their Assembly on [International Women's Day](#)—Wednesday 8th March— in which they spoke with clarity and insight about the importance of diversity, equality and inclusion in society at large. The theme this year for IWD was **#Embraceequity**

A note from Miss Patel, 10Ps Form Teacher, "10P's assembly this week fell on March 8th and so we chose to celebrate International Women's Day within our school community. 10P students undertook research on the history of International Women's day, famous figures and the reasons why we should all celebrate the women in our lives! As part of our assembly we were lucky enough to receive a video from some female Army paramedics in Ukraine to highlight the importance of International Women's Day around the world". Miss Patel

Mr Regeling further comments, "During this week's Assembly on the topic of International Women's Day, Bogdan shared an inspirational video of female soldiers of the Ukrainian National Army who personally addressed their video to our school and our pupils in particular, and reminded us that 'the darkest hour is always before the dawn'. Very brave words - thank you for sharing these words of wisdom with us, Bogdan! "





Ladoo Coconut balls!



Year 1 Topic work...in the Snow!

In class the pupils have made Coconut Ladoo which are traditional sweets, coloured with food dye, in celebration of the Indian Holi Festival. Responding to the weather Year 1 then decide to take their learning outside and use the snow as a brilliant canvas to make Rangoli inspired patterns with paint. Both activities were part of their RE topic exploring different cultures, faiths and places of worship. *Mrs Martins*



On Monday evening our parents benefited from the vast experience and expertise of Alicia Drummond—The [Well Being Hub, Teen Tips](#)—who talked them through techniques and tips to support their teenagers' emotional health and well-being.

Her popular 2013 book, *Why Every Teenager Needs a Parrot* is a positive and practical guide to understanding and parenting teenagers. It is an easy to use manual that will help you find the right balance between letting your teenagers go and keeping them safe as they negotiate all that the modern world will throw their way.

Senior Science Last week Year 9 carried out their photosynthesis practical. They used two methods to measure the rate of photosynthesis by counting and collecting Oxygen gas produced by the pondweed. Well done Year 9! *Mrs Black*



The **Eco Club** are very excited to announce that we appear to have some blue tits that are nesting in the new bird box at the back of Lower Prep!

Thank you to Mrs West who is keeping us updated on their movements, they seem to be coming and going with lots of bits for their new home. We have not been out with the camera yet, as we were keen not to disturb them or frighten them off, until they are well established in their residence! *Miss Hylands*



Our enthusiastic Colts Rugby team bonding well off the pitch and improving their play on the pitch!

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

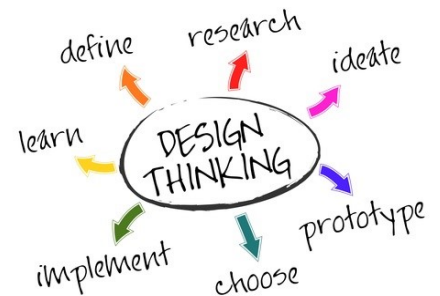
Year 11 Maths - great work and concentration from Archie E (11W) this week. He has been asking insightful questions and has been using drop-in times to practice and hone some of the weaker areas. Mrs Lindley

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).

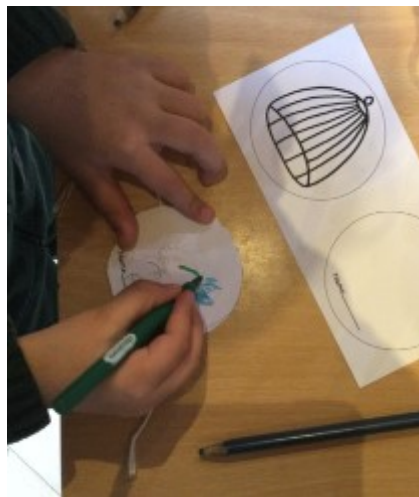
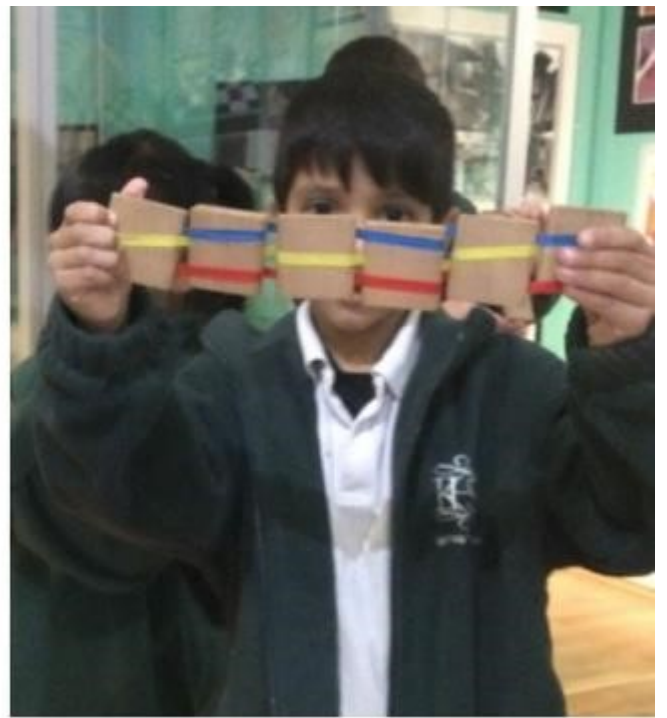


"The U14's enjoyed an afternoon of rugby sevens at the Downsend Tournament on Tuesday. The boys came up against some fierce competition but in true KHS styles demonstrated outstanding resilience and teamwork. The afternoon culminated in a close fought game vs Caterham with Dylan B scoring an outstanding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



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.

House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 733

Marlborough - 764

Nelson - 809

Wellington - 782

House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 3360

Marlborough - 3329

Nelson - 3629

Wellington - 3507



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



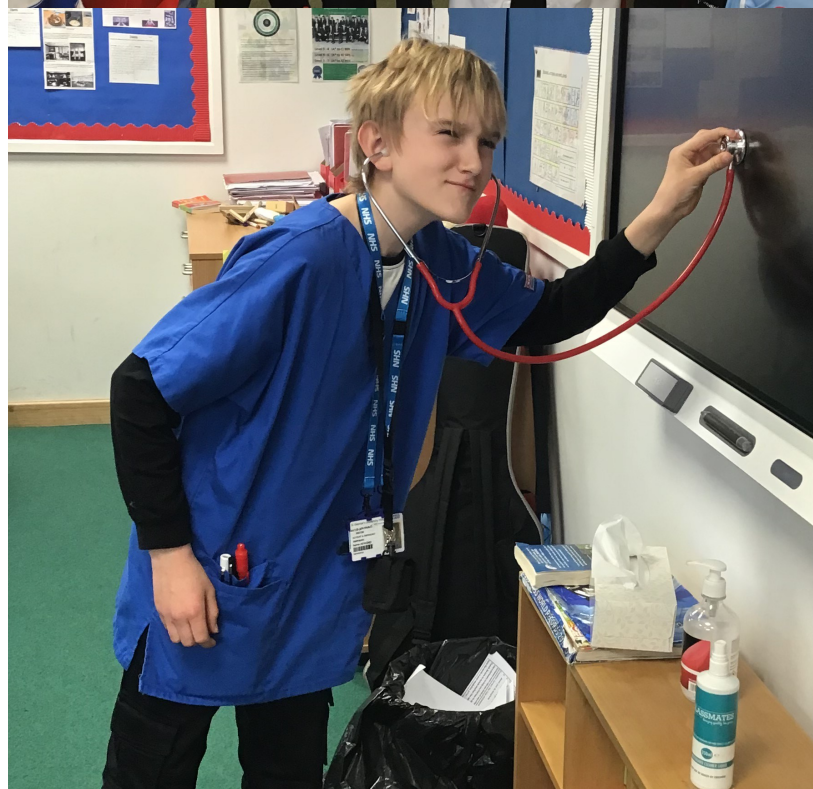


A young class of doctors in 1M with their KHS class bear!



"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



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

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.



Mothers can come in many forms

motherSHIP



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...

Please find Mr Murphy's topical thoughts for the week and the pupils who have been 'Mentioned in Dispatches' for something note worthy recently 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 Darbshire 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".

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

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"*.

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.

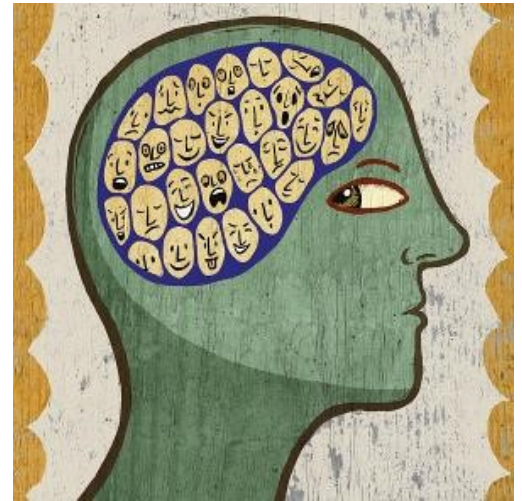
BENVOLIO
 It's sad. Love looks like a nice thing, but it's actually very rough when you experience it.



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,



By Henry T (9B)

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.

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

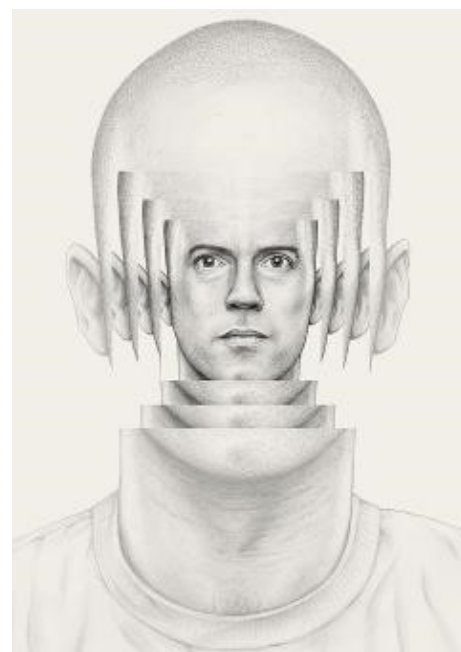
Schizophrenia, a monster
That lurks within the mind,
A fearsome foe to face alone for those who are confined.

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.

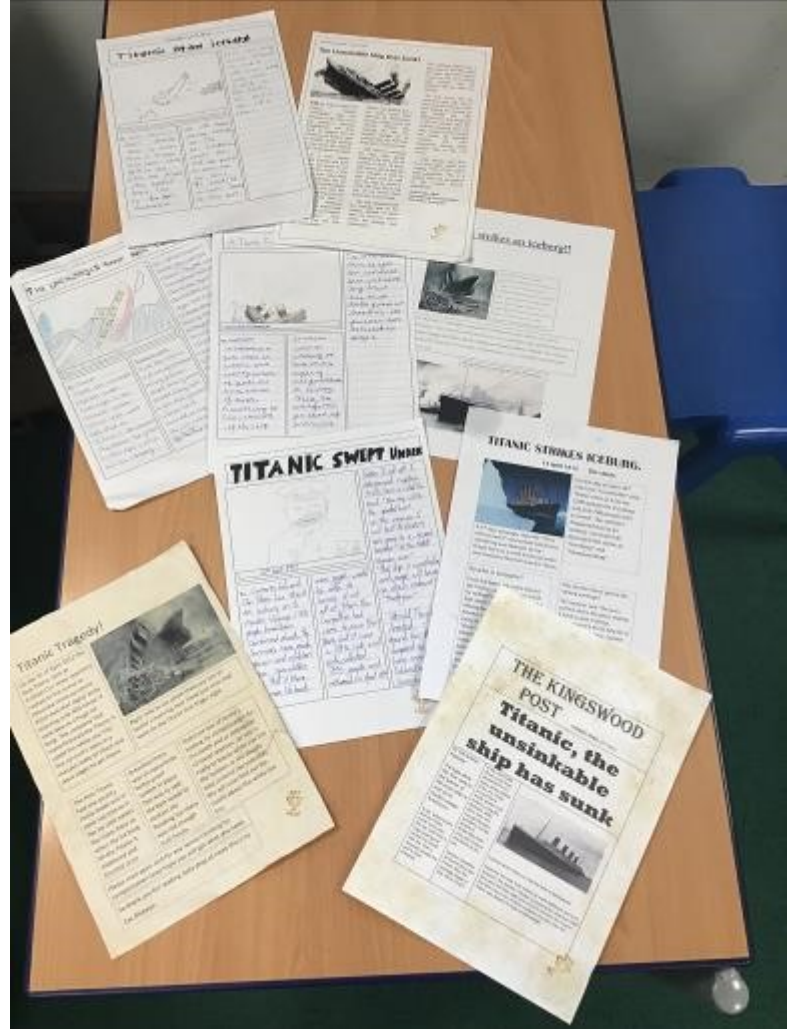
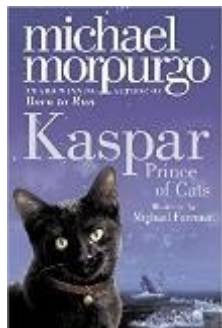
Friends and family stand afar,
Unable to comprehend, the terror that takes hold of the one they cannot mend.





"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.



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!"*



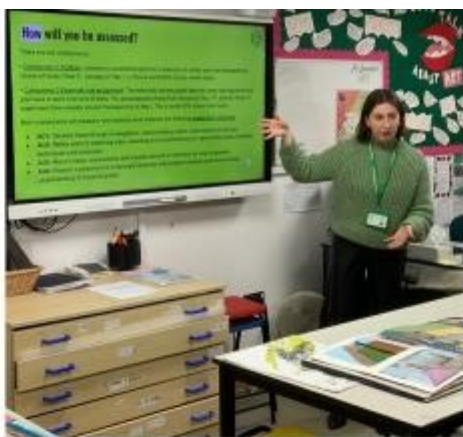


Places of Worship

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*

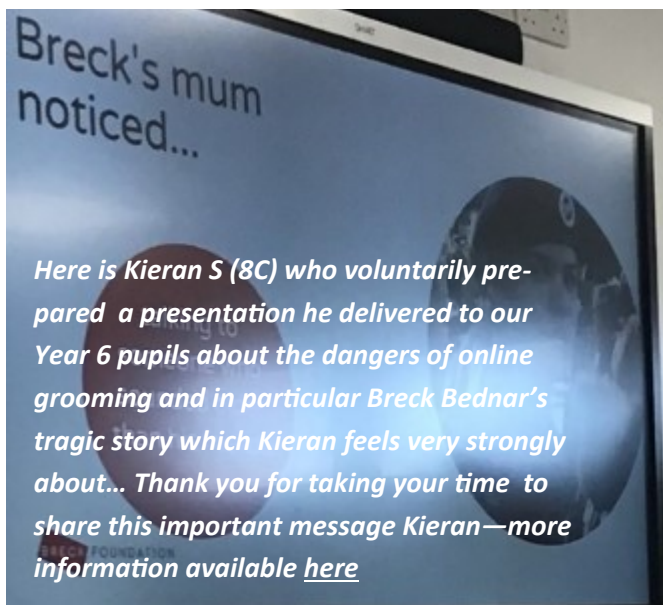


Year 3 have been getting into the Easter mood by making Easter nests. In the spirit of the Kingswood House Way the class decided to give some of their Easter nests to the rest of the pupils in Lower Prep which was very kind of them! They didn't last long....yum! *Miss Sumners*





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



Here is Kieran S (8C) who voluntarily prepared a presentation he delivered to our Year 6 pupils about the dangers of online grooming and in particular Breck Bednar's tragic story which Kieran feels very strongly about... Thank you for taking your time to share this important message Kieran—more information available [here](#)



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!



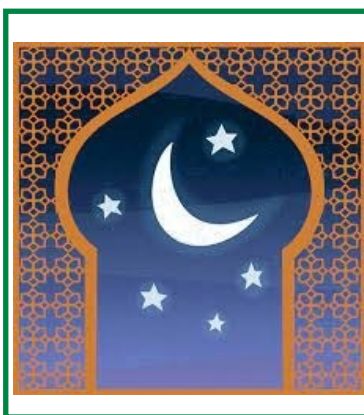
Some wonderful Year 8 self-portraits completed in watercolour from a digital starting point having looked at a range of artists for visual inspiration! The images were created by asking the pupils to consider initially about what makes us feel or look powerful; they might have used a certain pose or 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 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.. 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 and we are happy to support our pupils who are seeking to observe this.

The following pupils received recognition in **Rugby** this term... The following pupils received recognition in **Hockey** this term...

Team & Award	Player
U16	
Player of the Season	Barnaby H (11W)
Player of Potential	Ben Hu (10P)
U14	
Player of the Season	Dylan B (9B)
Player of Potential	Sam C (9R)
U13 A	
Player of the Season	Basti V (8L)
Player of Potential	Max K (7B)
U13 B	
Player of the Season	Tom R (8J)
Player of Potential	Eddie B (7W)
U11 A	
Player of the Season	Oliver R (6B)
Player of Potential	Hugo H (6S)
U11 B	
Player of the Season	Gabriella C-A (6S)
Player of Potential	Dexter B (6S)
U10 A	
Player of the Season	Zach B (5F)
Player of Potential	Gregory C (5F)
U10 B	
Player of the Season	Hugh H (5F)
Player of Potential	Toby H (5F)
U9	
Player of the Season	Alfie L (4S)
Player of Potential	Beatrix S (4S)
U8	
Player of the Season	Bailey M (3S)
Player of Potential	George W (3S)



Team & Award	Player
Senior A	
Player of the Season	Will M (11W)
Player of Potential	Joseph S (11W)
U14 A	
Player of the Season	Zachary H (9R)
Player of Potential	Theo J (9L)
U13 A	
Player of the Season	Indi D (7W)
Player of Potential	Conor M-A (8C)
U13 B	
Player of the Season	Ethan B (8C)
Player of Potential	Dan G (8J)
U13 Girls	
Player of the Season	Freija K (8L)
Player of Potential	Amalie L (8L)
Colts A	
Player of the Season	Cyril B-D (8J)
Player of Potential	Fraser S (8C)
Colts B	
Player of the Season	Elinor F (6B)
Player of Potential	Oliver R (6B) & Seb P (6S)
Colts C	
Player of the Season	Gregory C (5F)
Player of Potential	Max W (6S)
Colts D	
Player of the Season	Jamie C (5F)
Player of Potential	Oliver R (5F)
U9 A	
Player of the Season	Matviy H (4S)
Player of Potential	Phoebe W (4S)
U9 B	
Player of the Season	Zayn J (4S)
Player of Potential	Mahe Nau A (3S)

Class	Pupil
1M	Olivia J
3S	Mahe Nau A
4S	Aidan K
5F	Zachary B
6B	Elinor F
6S	Gabriella C-A
7B	Tom F
7W	George P
8J	Ozaan M
8C	Sam W
8L	Alfie Y
9R	Joel M
9B	Dylan B
9L	Ayaan S
10B	Ivan T
10P	Archie S
11H	Ali Al-R
11W	Tyrwhitt B

The following pupils achieved their Bronze D of E certificates.

Well Done to,

Ozzy S (10B)



Congratulations to all the pupils, left, who received their Kingswood House Way Integrity Badge today in Assembly.



Class photos were taken on Monday by the company IMAGO

Details to follow about their purchase.

House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 594

Marlborough - 629

Nelson - 623

Wellington - 546

House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 4235

Marlborough - 4196

Nelson - 4546

Wellington - 4313



Congratulations to the following achievements in the **Art Enrichment Book Cover**

Competition—

Mrs Bastable was very pleased with you all!



Lower Prep Winner: Zayn J (4S)



Upper Prep Winner: Elliott H (7W)

Lower Prep Runners Up: Ted R (4S) & Phoebe W (4S) Upper Prep Runners Up: Ryan B (6B) & Freddie L (6B)





Year 1 have been enjoying a very creative crafty Easter time, *above and right*, and the whole of Lower Prep enjoyed their annual Easter Egg hunt around the grounds, *below*.





'The Band With no Name' - as coined by Mr Murphy (!) played the Oasis hit superbly in our end of term Service at Christ Church; very well done to Oscar, Tommy, Charlie and Patrick. Future number one stars in the making for sure...





Despite the threatening rain and damp conditions, **Nelson House** rallied together to provide a fun afternoon for the rest of the school with games and sweet treats galore!

We are sure they would have raised a great amount for their chosen charity.



A super evening at Tyrells Wood Golf Club celebrating our inclusive 'sport for all' culture with guest speaker Eric Peters—former Bath and Scotland Rugby Union International—royally entertaining 100 pupils, parents, staff and governors. Thank you to the Sports Department for all your hard work both on the evening and throughout the school term.



Our end of term Service at Christ Church saw Lower Prep sing for us, Year 11 recall their favourite memories of times at KHS, numerous awards given out including to Nelson who have swept the board in the House Competition this term and the band played!!



Head Prefect

Jack Bunyer-Ames

Senior Deputy Head Prefect

Ted Reece

Senior Prefects

Enan Abdul

Ali Al-Rubaie

Tyrwhitt Burn

Tommy Collins

Jess Dunn

William Hamilton

Barnaby Hill

Nicholas Hill

William Moffatt

Joseph Seager

Year 11 House Captains

Drake

Alex Hone

Marlborough

Archie Eperon

Nelson

Alan Rifat

Wellington

Max Garrett

Senior Music Captains

Folu Ayeni

Tedd Bunyer-Ames

Oscar D'Avino

Sports Captains

Football – Boys

Max Garrett

Finlay Rosindale

Hussain Khan

Rugby

Ted Reed

George Dyson

Hockey – Boys

William Moffatt

Stanley Brockett-Deakins

Netball

Alyssa Chung

Cricket – Boys

Joseph Seager

Sebastian Versace

Deputy Head Prefect

Kieran Schmitt

Deputy Upper Prep Head Prefect

Pippa Taylor

Derin Ucer

Upper Prep Prefects

Tristan Bush

Alyssa Chung

James Dowling

Jack Guiney

Alex Haworth

Dylan Newman

Henry Ruscoe

Joshua Seemampillai

Lauti Yasnikouski

**Lower Prep Monitor**

Phoebe Whiting

Football—Girls

Freija Kruger

Hockey—Girls

Pippa Taylor

Cricket—Girls

Freija Kruger



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