

KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term
12 May 2023

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The Kingswood House Way



Dear Parents

On behalf of the teaching and support staff at KHS, I wish our Year 11 students the very best of luck as they commence their GCSE exams in earnest from Monday – we are all rooting for you and remember that the results will not define you but your character and values will do! #breakaleg

In other news, “trips season” is well and truly upon us. At the time of writing, we have two intrepid Duke of Edinburgh expeditions being undertaken for bronze and silver awards respectively. I very much hope the weather is conducive!

Early on Sunday morning, the award-winning Year 9 “Making of Modern Britain Trip” also departs. This bespoke week visiting key landmarks across the length and breadth of the country is the culmination of a lot of hard work from Mr Mitchell – and, without fail, the pupils return to school each year with their eyes well and truly opened to the cultural journey that has helped form the identity of the nation we call home.

It has given me great pleasure to see 60 families visit KHS over the course of this week, primarily at today’s Open Morning, who will take away a strong impression of our distinctive educational brand. Many thanks to all the tour guides who were terrific ambassadors for the school as well as to you, our parents, who so often are the source of positive enquiries thanks to “word of mouth”. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

Please note, Mr Mitchell, Mr March and myself will all be out of school next week on trips or at conferences. As such, in the event of a concern, please speak to your child’s form teacher or contact the office who will direct you to the appropriate Divisional Head for a follow-up conversation.

In the meantime, I wish you a relaxing weekend.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster & CEO



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

2023 MAY GCSE Exams begin—week 1			
Monday	15	All week 0730 0845-1600 1000-1500 1430 1430 1600	Year 9 Trip on MOMB tour—Ironbridge & Quarry Bank SLT Meeting Year 8 IPQ presentations Year 3 Trip to RHS Wisley Gardens U13 A, B & C Cricket vs Thomas' Battersea (H) U13 Girls' Cricket vs Harrodian (A) 10P Careers Meetings for Parents via SchoolCloud
Tuesday	16	0845-1600 1600 1615	Year 9 MOMB Trip—Liverpool Year 8 IPQ presentations 10B Careers Meetings for Parents via SchoolCloud Staff Meeting
Wednesday	17	0845 0900 0930 1430 1430 1430 1430	Year 9 MOMB Trip—Manchester Upper Prep Divisional Head's Assembly Quiz Club round 1—Danes Hill School for Year 5 & 6 Maths Quiz Club pupils Lower Prep Forest School Colts A & D Cricket vs Ewell Castle (H) Colts B & C Cricket vs Ewell Castle (A) U13 A Cricket vs Tower House (A) U13B & C Cricket vs Tower House (H)
Thursday	18	1430	Year 9 MOMB Trip—Kinder Scout Hike U8/9 A & B Cricket vs Ewell Castle (A)
Friday	19	1415	Years 5 & 6 School Production Auditions—no Drama Club Year 9 MOMB Trip —Old Trafford and return home
Sunday	21		IAPS U13 Fencing Championships at Millfield School

LUNCH MENU for week beginning 15.05.2023

Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday	
Bacon & Tomato Sauce; Spicy Tomato Sauce (V) with Pasta or Rice (GF)	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Toad in the Hole; Veggie Sausages (GF, V) with Potato Wedges	Fresh Fruit; Jelly	Roast Chicken & Roast Potatoes; Cauliflower Cheese (V) with Fresh Cabbage	Fresh Fruit; Apple & Pear Crumble	Cottage Pie (GF); Quorn Mince Cottage Pie (V) with Peas	Fresh Fruit; Pineapple Upside Down Cake	Homemade Pizza (GF, v) with Coleslaw	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts

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

LOWER PREP

1M

Olivia J for completing extra homework and creating a beautiful Art piece! Mrs Martins

3S

Mahe Nau A for always showing kindness. Miss Sumners

4S

Beatrix S – always trying her best in every lesson and having a go at challenges! Miss Smith

UPPER PREP

5F

Hugh H for his work in creating circle patterns using a compass. Ms Forbes

6B

Elody T for a really positive few days and effort put in across her lessons – keep it up! Mrs Bastable

6S

To members of 6S, 6B and 5F for their excellent behaviour when they attended the production at Epsom College last week.
Madame Swift

Year 5 & 6 for their fantastic contribution during the PSHE talks - you were all so engaged and offered some insightful feedback.
Mr Sukhdeo

7B

Angus V for his positive attitude. Mr Barratt

7W

To all of form 7W for being extremely calm whilst their classmate was having a medical emergency. The teamwork shown to get the help, from going into the nearest classroom for a phone, to running to the office, was exemplary. They also showed great awareness in moving themselves away from the situation so it could be handled by adults and the following period of sitting patiently with Mrs Parsons without fuss was amazing. A very proud Mr Westcott.

8C

Alex H for great attitude and endeavour at the tennis match against Lingfield. Mr Cowie

Harry P on making two beautiful presentations on French-speaking countries in Africa with lots of captivating details. Monsieur Regeling

Harry P for some great Maths on Real Life Graphs. Mr Barratt

8J

George E for showing impressive effort and focus during tutor time activities. Mrs Jennings

8L

Harrison W has been making a concerted effort over the last two weeks in all areas of school life. This has been noticeable in all his academic lessons. Mr Laudy

Year 8 English - Ezra O-W (8J) and Derin U(8L) for their constant engagement and focus in English. They are well-mannered and are making great progress. Mrs Bray

UPPER PREP continued...

A big shout out to all of 8h teaching group who worked very diligently on their timeline of Michael Morpurgo's 'A Medal of Leroy' #Endeavour. Monsieur Regeling

My nominee is Darcie F for the thorough and detailed work she has completed on our novel, 'A Medal for Leroy'. Mr March
Year 8 Art - Joshua S and Ozaan M for some excellent classwork in art showing off their paper manipulation techniques. Mrs Bastable

SENIORS

9B

Max W despite being on crutches, Max has endeavoured to achieve his best in all subjects and shown great resilience. Mrs Bray
Noah S – for his fantastic performance in a Cricket Cup Game last week against KGS - some impressive figures, 5 for 12!
Mr Sukhdeo

9L

Well done Year 9 for all those who are ready and prepared for their D of E this week. Mrs Lindley

9R

I would like to say thank you to Charles R for the interesting discussion we had in Y9 about the differences between Queen Elizabeth's coronation and King Charles's – most enlightening and observant! Monsieur Regeling

10B

Ozzy S consistently works during his study periods to complete his DoE work - well done Ozzy. Mrs Black
Olly W also works hard during his study periods to complete his DT work - keep up the good work. Mrs Black

10P

Yaseen K and Ben T for some very insightful contributions to PHSE lessons! Miss Patel

Huge congratulations to Mingwam K who has made massive progress in the last few weeks. He has just completed 2 exam type questions and has scored significantly better than previously. Mrs Haunstetter

Ben H for showing fantastic effort in Javelin and achieving a distance of 30 metres! Mrs Jennings

Mr Sukhdeo's Year 10 maths set for starting this term's maths with such enthusiasm and working hard in lessons.

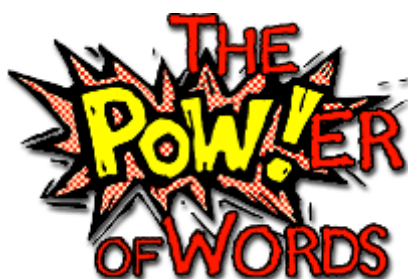


Year 1 pupils enjoying working in clay to create lucky horseshoes with reference to their local geography topic focused on Epsom and the Epsom Derby...

Study Centre News...

This Friday, 12th May, is *International Nurses Day*. It is celebrated annually on the anniversary of the birth of Florence Nightingale and celebrates the commitment and bravery of nurses around the world. International Nurses Day has been celebrated by the International Council of Nurses since 1965. Florence Nightingale was known as 'The Lady with The Lamp', as she made her rounds at night tending to wounded soldiers during the Crimean War. It is fitting that during a service held each year to mark this day, a lamp is carried as part of a procession, followed by student nurses to signify the transfer of knowledge to future generations of nurses and midwives. This service usually takes place at Westminster Abbey, however due to the Coronation of King Charles III, this year it will be held at St Paul's Cathedral.

Here in the Study Centre we would like to say a huge thank you to all nurses for their hard work, and for looking after us! *Mrs Angus*



Following on from the coronation, I thought it would be nice to have a small insight into Buckingham Palace. *Madame Swift*

The palace takes its name from the house built for John Sheffield, the Duke of Buckingham in 1705. It was bought in 1762 by George III for his wife, Queen Charlotte, and became known as the queen's house. By order of George IV, John Nash initiated the conversion of the house into a palace in the 1820s.

Buckingham Palace has 775 rooms, these include 19 State rooms, 52 Royal and guest bedrooms, 188 staff bedrooms, 92 offices and 78 bathrooms, it also contains a swimming pool, which has been dubbed 'Goddess of the Sea'. Buckingham Palace also has secret underground passageways, which lead from the palace to the Houses of Parliament and also to Clarence House.

Unfortunately it only ranks as the 8th most beautiful palace in the world, the Palace of Versailles is number one and is said to be the most luxurious!



House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 337

Marlborough - 347

Nelson - 345

Wellington - 302

House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 1097

Marlborough - 1042

Nelson - 1026

Wellington - 957

SPORTS RESULTS

KHS vs Chinthurst

Colts Cs loss; Player of the Match went to Hugh H (5F) and a Special Mention for Elinor F (6B) for stepping in last minute to play, and played very well.

The match report from Mr Westcott *"With the weather on our side we managed to get a great cricket match in! It was played with high spirits by both teams, and the sportsmanship was exemplary. KHS fielded first, and did a great job in their first fixture, they managed to stop the ball going over the boundaries and worked hard. Chinthurst batted really well and scored a grand total of 290. KHS went into bat, they batted well against a strong bowling team, but unfortunately did not get the grand total needed although they made a very creditable 225. The pupils should be proud of their efforts and sportsmanship showing Kingswood House Way".*



Somewhere over the rainbow...! Spotted by Mrs Angus as she was leaving school on Wednesday evening



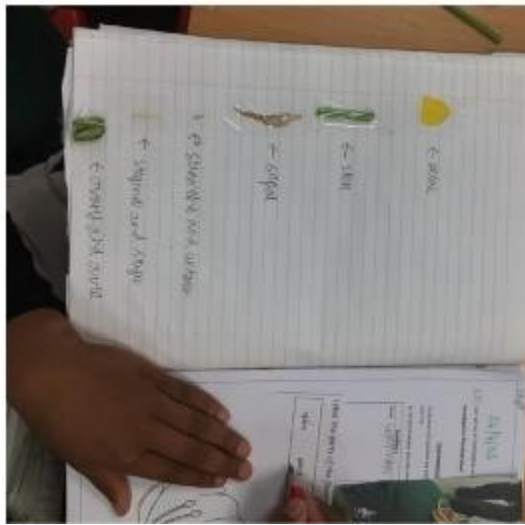
The Summer Party

The KHS Summer Party is nearly here!
We are busy planning a great night for everyone to celebrate the end of year in style.

There is still time to support the KHA by donating a raffle prize or advertising in our brochure.

Please contact KHA@kingswoodhouse.org to donate or advertise.

Thank you from everyone at Kingwood House Parents Association



Learning about Plants!

In Year 3 Science we have been exploring plants. On Tuesday the pupils dissected some daffodils to explore the anatomy of plants and learn about pollination; they wrote up their results carefully and used good scientific vocabulary.

Miss Sumners



Mr Sukhdeo's assembly on Wednesday spoke about the importance of teamwork in school—from sportsmanship out on the field, to collaboration in class; a cohesive element recognised in the recent ISI report:

"...the school helps its children to develop strong teamwork and social skills..."



Research Competence and Educational Quality Inspection Report
Kingswood School
16th 2023

Excellent in all areas



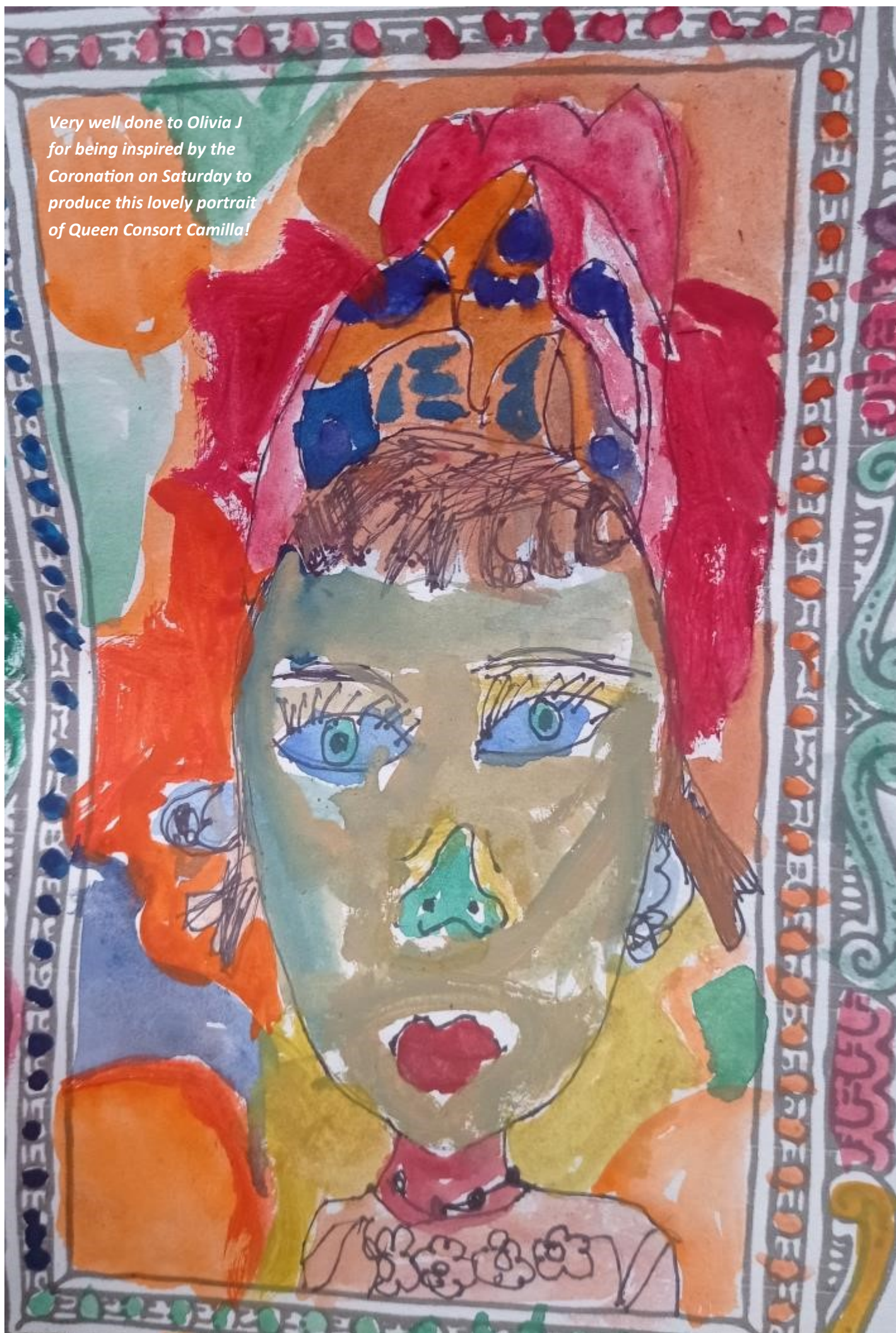
Salty Goings on in Year 1!

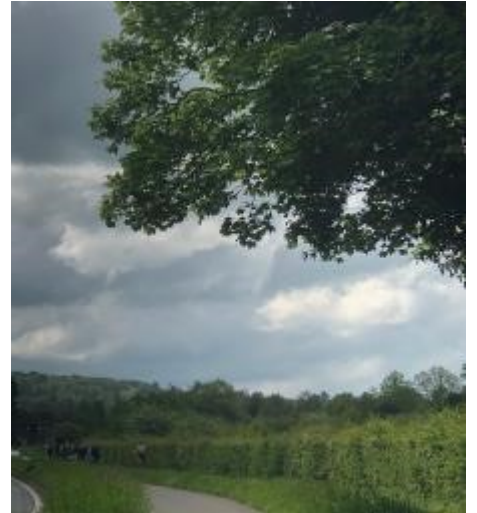
Mrs Martins tells us about an extended project of local and notable interest that the class have been engaged with...

"Year 1 pupils have been learning about Epsom within our Geography topic as a local example to us; one famous aspect linked to the town was the discovery of [Epsom Salts](#) in the Seventeenth Century which even prompted a visit from the famous diarist Samuel Pepys in 1663; it remains a popular product for many today who use it after exercise to relieve sore and tired muscles! Epsom Salt was discovered by Henry Wicker on Epsom Common in 1618 during a period of drought. The class created mini mineral salt bottles using Epsom Salts, essential oils, lavender from our local field and rose petals. We even painted with salt, using its bleaching agent to create abstract pictures inspired by our trip to Epsom town-centre recently".



*Very well done to Olivia J
for being inspired by the
Coronation on Saturday to
produce this lovely portrait
of Queen Consort Camilla!*





A great start for our intrepid students on their current Bronze Duke of Edinburgh expedition...

Re: Tooled Up Education



Dear Parent/ Guardian

I am excited to announce the launch of a new collaboration with **Tooled Up Education**; a truly inspiring online digital library of evidence-based resources, for parents and teachers, on all aspects of parenting, education and family life. The founder, Dr Kathy Weston, has collated the best and most up to date research from around the world and distilled it into usable resources that are easy to understand and which can be instantly applied to all of our daily lives. We really hope to see the majority of our parents sign up and use the platform as their child / children continues their daily education here at KHS with us.

To launch the school's subscription to the site, we are holding a 1 hour webinar for parents including a live Q and A session with Dr Weston. Our staff have recently undertaken INSET training on this as well.

At the webinar, all attendees will also receive instructions on how to create their account on Tooled Up Education along with our unique School PIN code that is required to register. Once registered you will have immediate access to the entire library of articles, videos, tips to try, worksheets and podcasts, specifically curated for parents.

Kingswood House School and Tooled Up Education,

Optimal Ways to Support Your Child's Mental Health, Resilience and Ability to Thrive Academically:

a talk by Dr Kathy Weston

(Founder of Tooled Up Education)

Date: Wednesday 24th May 2023

Time: 6-7pm

Registration information: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_KFiZgg9LTgiiQosqiAR-Gw

In this talk, Dr Weston shares a range of evidence-based ideas, tips and resources with parents and carers and importantly hands over the 'digital keys' to the world of Tooled Up for all parents and carers within our school community. Don't miss this important talk and the chance to register for free to her resource library.

Please do attend this webinar if you are able to and make sure you register for access to this unique library of resources. As a school, we have paid for you to have access to these very effective and informative resources created from the highest quality studies conducted in collaboration with some of the world's most reputable researchers.

I hope to see you online there.

Yours sincerely

Mr Liam Clarke

Assistant Head, Head of Upper Prep



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KHA PRESENTS

The Summer Party

Saturday 24th June 2023
7pm to midnight

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

The Jockey Club
Epsom Racecourse
KT18 5LQ

Dress to impress!

Tickets £85.00

