

# KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Summer Term  
30 June 2023

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Dear Parents

At the time of writing, we are very much hoping that the running track will have dried up for next Thursday's rescheduled Senior Sports Day, and hope to see many of you there.

Well done to all those boys and girls who have undertaken trips in the last few days; there has been an array of super photographs of KHS pupils far and wide and I am grateful to all the teaching and support staff who have made such important learning beyond the classroom possible.

Last Saturday, I enjoyed a great evening at the Summer Party – many thanks to Jean Towers, Tasneem Shafiq and the KHA committee for their excellent arrangement of this event.

Please note that Monday evening sees our formal Prize Giving at Epsom College with Sir Anthony Seldon as guest speaker; this is an opportunity to celebrate individual and collective successes at the culmination of a busy school year and should be a fantastic way to come together as a community.

Earlier in the week, our inaugural review for the Good Schools' Guide landed on my desk. It is a wonderful tribute to the school and I look forward to sharing it with you in full before too long.

In the meantime, please do see some extracts from it below as a 'taster' and I wish you a relaxing weekend in advance of the last week of term; for your information my Headmaster's blog is available [here](#) today.

Yours sincerely

Duncan Murphy

Headmaster & CEO

**“Traditional in feel,  
mainstream in approach.  
A place where – if they  
can be supported –  
bright, neuro-diverse  
children who want to  
learn can flourish”**

*The Good School's Guide on Kingswood House*



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

2023	JULY	Art Exhibition & Music Festival Week	
Monday	03	0730 1400 1800	SLT Meeting Prize Giving Rehearsal Prize Giving at Epsom College Marquee
Tuesday	04	All day 1500-1700 1600-1700 1700 1700-1930	Winning House Outings Day Second Hand Uniform Sale—Dining Room Hand Over Staff Meeting 'Private View' Opening of Art Exhibition for Year 11 pupils & families Year 11 Leavers BBQ
Wednesday	05	0930 Afternoon From 1600	Lower Prep Forest School Lower Prep Park Trip Summer Music Festival & open viewing of Art Exhibition—all welcome
Thursday	06	0900-1200 0900-1300	Grandparents Morning <i>Rescheduled</i> Senior Sports Morning
Friday	07	0900-1100 <b>1230</b>	Jollies <b>TERM ENDS</b>
<b>Holiday dates</b>			
<b>JULY</b>			
Monday— Friday	10-14 17-21 24-28	0900-1600 0900-1600 0900-1600	Kingswood Active Holiday Camp Kingswood Active Holiday Camp Kingswood Active Holiday Camp
<b>AUGUST</b>			
Thursday	24	1000-1200	GCSE Results Day for Year 11 pupils and families
Tuesday — Friday	29 August- 01 Sept.	0900-1600	Kingswood Active Holiday Camp
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>			
Wednesday	06	0830	<b>SCHOOL RETURNS—Autumn Term 2023</b>

**LUNCH MENU for week beginning 03.07.2023**

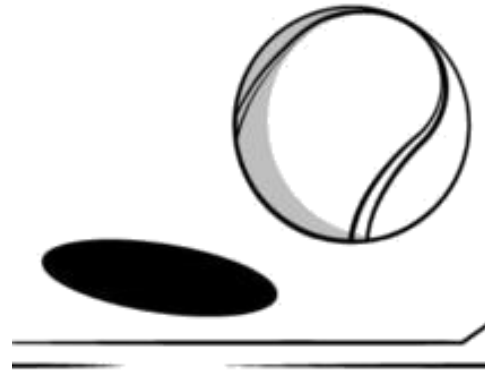
Monday		Tuesday		Wednesday		Thursday		Friday
Pesto Pasta with Garlic Bread (GF, V)	Fresh Fruit; Jelly	Butcher Sausages; Veggie Sausages (V) with New Potatoes & Peas	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Chicken Tikka Marsala; Veggie Tikka Marsala (V) with Wild Rice	Fresh Fruit; Yoghurts	Beef Enchiladas; or Cheese Enchiladas (V) with Pickles, Salad & Tomato Salsa	Fresh Fruit; Cornflake Crunchy Cake	NO LUNCH SERVICE

Will be published in the last week of term as many year groups, and staff, are out on residential trips this week.

## SPORTS RESULTS

### KHS vs Harrodian

**U13 Tennis**, Mr Westcott reports back from the courts "The Year 8 tennis team went to Harrodian for a match in which there was some pleasing tennis on display. Harrodian were a very strong side but KHS, despite the losses in all but one match, put up a good show of character. The opening doubles matches all went Harrodian's way, followed by the singles, down to the last game out of eight; Lauti Y (8J) stepped on court to play some great tennis and managed to pull off the win. It was a good fixture to play, and I enjoyed the improvements the pupils have made".



### KHS vs St Edmunds

**Seniors Cricket**, umpired by Mr Westcott who says, "The Seniors played their last match of the year on Tuesday. It was a great day for it, and we had a returning Joe S (11W) who captained the team, after being away doing exams. We started off the batting and managed to get a total of 142, with a great innings by Rory S (10B) who got 54 not out. Some good bowling by the opposition meant that we lost all our wickets. In reply, the opening two batsmen managed to get 50 each, and then the next batter came in to claim the final runs of the match. There was some good cricket being played. Player of the Match went to Rory S—well done"



# SENshine

Look up at the sun, not down at your feet

## Touch Typing for 6 years to Teens

A great opportunity for children to begin learn how to touch type. The group will be no more than 4 children so able to personalise learning for any level. As Dyslexia Specialists, we will also focus on the reinforcement of spellings which will be integrated into our touch typing lessons.

### Dates:

17<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023 (9 am – 10.30 am)

31<sup>st</sup> July – 4<sup>th</sup> August 2023 (9.30 am – 11.00 am)

Where possible, students should bring their own laptops. We can provide these if necessary.

£160 for 5 days

Based in Effingham

To Book, please call 07970 072676



### *First Mathematics Challenge*

Year 3 and Year 4 took part in the First Mathematics Challenge. This is the first in a series of mathematical challenges that the school takes part in as the children move up through the school. Everyone who took part did extremely well.

The following children received awards:

**Bronze Award**—Maye B (4S); Zayn J (4S); Matviy H (4S); George W (3S); Yanik M (5F); Alfie L (4S)

**Silver Award**—Dillen S (3S); Theo A (4S)

**Gold Award**—Bailey M (3S); Phoebe W (4S)



Year 4 went to Box Hill to support their Science learning this term on 'Habitats'. They learnt about the different habitats that they have at Box Hill, food chains and life cycles. They also did a plant count of the different plant species in a cross section. The boys and girls enjoyed their outdoor learning and were exceptionally well behaved.

*Miss Smith*



*Year 4 enjoying the great British outdoors up at Boxhill's adventure play trail!*







Many thanks to our dedicated and tireless KHA team who organised a wonderful Summer Party for parents, staff and governors at the Queens Stand, Epsom Downs racecourse on Saturday. The sun shone on the aperitifs and the disco lights bounced around the floor later on as everyone enjoyed themselves long into the night.

### Probability Challenge

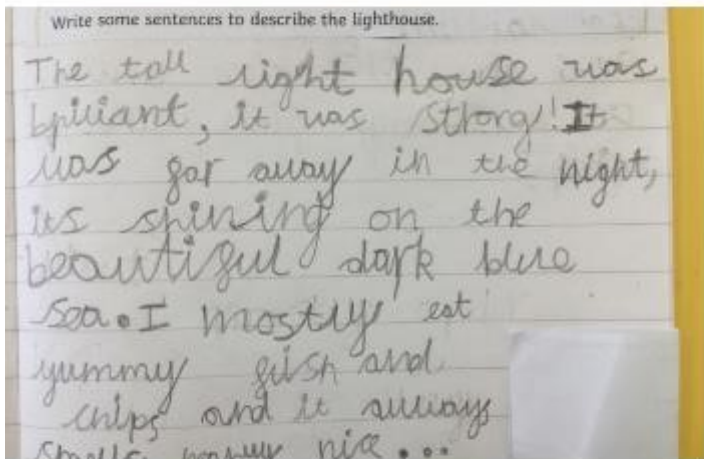
Mrs Lindley's Year 7 Maths set have spent the last week learning about probability and outcomes. They then used their skills to create games that involved these mathematical skills. They first designed their games, calculating the chance of winning and losing and honing the rules of their game.

Each team then created their game and tested the game to make sure it was fun, but with an adequate challenge. Congratulations to all of them. Their new games were inspiring and fun, and it was delightful to see their creativity shine through with Maths!

Mrs Lindley







Year 1 very much enjoyed their learning based around 'The Lighthouse Keeper's Lunch'; they responded creatively using chalk pastels and collage, as well as writing sentences. *Mrs Martins*

**Leavers Ties**

If your child is leaving us this Summer you may wish to purchase a KHS Leavers tie for posterity! They are silver grey and green and charged at £12. Please email the [Office](#) for more details, or call 01372 723590 and speak to Mrs Harding.

We're sorry to see you go...do keep in touch and let us know what you're up to!

**Alumnae News**

Congratulations to Angelo Cooper—an ex KHS pupil—who recently returned to complete a period of work experience with us.

Angelo is doing really well at Esher College studying History, Classics and English Literature and has just received UCAS offers of A\*, A, A moving forward to study teaching.

The future looks bright indeed Angelo, we wish you all the best!





Please join us to view  
our Art Exhibition



**Tuesday 4th July from 1700; PRIVATE VIEW**  
for Year 11 pupils & parents during our Leavers' BBQ event

**Wednesday 5th July from 1530-1700 at pick-up;** all welcome,  
please park in surrounding roads to the school and sign in at the  
Office.



#### *Senior Lecture*

Many thanks to Mr Peter Dazeley who spoke to our Senior pupils on Monday about Dyslexia being his 'super power'.

He spoke passionately about how he has not let his 'neuro diversity' hold him back in any area, but instead feels it has enabled him to find different ways to achieve his goals.



Peter is known for his fabulous photography work and is a fellow of The Royal Photographic Society, which is the highest accolade and recognises original work and outstanding ability—all this after leaving school with no formal qualifications!

[Peter Dazeley](#)





*The Year 7 French trip have had a wonderful time doing all manner of activities this week from learning about traditional French baguette making and producing goats cheese, to enjoying the aquarium at Nausicaa.*





*A day out at the Bagtelle amusement park and, on another occasion, petting goats, proved very popular with our pupils.*



*A tour of a biscuit factory and time for souvenir shopping were appreciated by all on the last day. Many thanks to all the staff who accompanied our pupils and a huge, 'Merci Beaucoup' to Monsieur Regeling for overseeing the trip.*







For more photos please see over...







*Well done to our intrepid adventurers in Year 6 for pushing yourselves at every step and embracing the many challenges thrown your way.*

*A big 'Thank You' to the staff accompanying them and smoothing things over when the path got a bit rocky!*



# Eid-al-Adha 2023

*Wishing our children and families celebrating Eid a very joyful time!*

## Extra-Curricular Activities

**GET INVOLVED!**

A new **Dance Club** will be starting in September—Motion Dance—will be coming into school next Thursday lunchtime to give a taster session for anyone who is interested in joining.

We are considering starting a Judo class next term if there is enough interest... so speak up now!

Please could anyone whose child would be interested in this let Mrs Miller know [a.miller@kingswoodhouse.org](mailto:a.miller@kingswoodhouse.org) and state the age of your child / the year group he / she is currently in. Thank you.

KINGSWOOD HOUSE SCHOOL

*Samuel*

Enhorabuena a Sam por realizar el curso preparativo de Español. Se le otorga este -

**CERTIFICADO**

Fecha julio 2023



Clases dadas por  
*Sandra O'Shea*

Congratulations to Sam W (8C) Lauti Y (8J) and Tommy V M (8J) that have attended Spanish Club with Mrs O'Shea and completed the introductory course of Spanish. *¡Muy bien!*

**Congratulations** to Rory S (10B) and Ozzy S (10B) who have all achieved success in their **Functional Skills English** exams this year. They have all worked extremely hard to gain this qualification. Miss Smith is very proud of you and the hard work you have all put in and she says she is looking forward to working with you again next year.





*Year 5 diving in—literally—to their residential!*

IT'S NOT ALWAYS EASY.  
BUT IT'S ALWAYS  
WORTH IT



*Day 2 for our Year 5 pupils on their residential trip saw them engaged in all manner of land-based activities including abseiling, archery, buggy building and climbing. Lots for them to get stuck into, challenge themselves with and overcome any fears they may have had—well done everyone!*





A reminder for pupils in Years 5 and above and their families about **Prize Giving** next week, Monday 3rd July at Epsom College.



Serva Fidem

**Headmaster: Mr. Duncan Murphy** BA (Hons), MEd, FRSA  
Member of IAPS & Society of Heads

26<sup>th</sup> June 2023

### **PRIZE GIVING**

**Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> July, 6.00pm - Epsom College, "The Marquee"**

**Guest of Honour: Sir Anthony Seldon**

Dear Parents

I warmly invite you to the end of academic year Prize Giving on Monday 3rd July at 6.00pm where our guest of honour will be Sir Anthony Seldon, Head of Epsom College & Historian. Please note that this is a **compulsory event for all Upper Prep and Senior pupils (Years 5 – 11)**. Whilst it is not compulsory for the children in Lower Prep to attend (unless they are prize winners), we do hope that you may wish to join us for such a special occasion; please liaise with Mrs Ibbitson about your intention to attend. Due to the growing size of the school, I ask that each boy or girl is accompanied by a maximum of two adults.

All prize-winners should arrive no later than 5.30pm, when they will be guided to their seats. Parents are requested to be seated by 5.45pm in order that we can start promptly at 6.00pm. Pupils in the Upper Prep and Senior divisions will sit with members of staff. Please ensure that your child wears smart uniform (blazers but no jumpers) with polished shoes and neat hair. You should enter the school by the main entrance in College Road and follow the one-way system past the marquee to the car park. If you are unsure where Epsom College is situated, you can visit their website at [www.epsomcollege.org.uk](http://www.epsomcollege.org.uk) in order to download a site map. Given the logistics for the evening, this is strongly advised.

This summer, in keeping with our model as a 16+ school, the focus on leavers at Prize Giving will concentrate predominantly on Year 11. However, prizes will be awarded throughout all year groups for effort, attainment and citizenship; additionally, there will be announcements in respect of positions of responsibility in Year 8 and Year 11 for the autumn term. Please note, we would love to officially recognise every child at Prize Giving but it is simply not feasible; consequently, we ask for your understanding in respect of our decision-making process, which is well-considered and fair. Many more accolades and awards will be handed out in our showpiece end of term assembly at Christ Church on the penultimate day of term, so all children will feel recognised.

Finally, a special thank you to Mr Mitchell and Mr March in advance of all their hard work in preparation for Prize Giving during the course of the next few days. I look forward to a lovely evening of celebration and reflection upon an historic and highly successful school year.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'DM', written over a horizontal line.





KHA PRESENTS

## ***SECOND HAND UNIFORM SALE***

Second Hand Uniform Items, All Ages

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> July 2023

3.00pm-5.00pm

Access via main reception, all visitors must sign in  
before proceeding to the Dining Hall

**CASH ONLY PLEASE**