

KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



Spring Term
15 March 2024

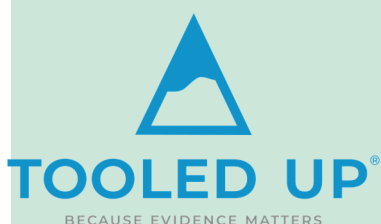
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Dear Parents

It was hugely inspirational to listen to Alex Hibbert this week delivering our Senior Lecture; it goes without saying that the challenges he has had to overcome, and conditions endured, are beyond our average comprehension, however, we can all learn from his spirit and tenacity. I see many of our pupils facing their own personal trials on a daily basis—big or small—and they conquer them in the same way which I'm immensely proud of them for.

In the week when Coldplay announced their fifth (!) headline appearance at Glastonbury this summer, we also had our own headline acts both at the Tea Time Music concert on Thursday—well played to all — and performing for the GCSE Drama examiner on Friday. Top billing everyone!

Wishing you a wonderful weekend and a very Happy St Patrick's Day on Sunday!

Yours sincerely

Mr Liam Clarke Interim Headmaster



Some of our Year 4s enjoying the grotto at Painshill Park...sheltering from the rain!



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

2024 MARCH			
Monday	18	0430 1500-1700 1700-1900	GCSE Geography trip to Iceland departs KHA Second Hand Uniform Sale—Dining Room 8L Parents' Evening via SchoolCloud
Tuesday	19	1700-1900	8C Parents' Evening via SchoolCloud
Wednesday	20	0845-0915 0930-1025 1315-1400 1700-1900	Lower Prep Assembly Lower Prep Forest School Year 8 'Chocolate & Chat' in the Dining Room Year 11 Form Teacher Meetings
Thursday	21	1600	GCSE Geography trip returns from Iceland
Friday	22		



The most delicious slice of apple pie and custard to help celebrate π day on Thursday...!

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Thank you Jane and team in the kitchen.

LUNCH MENU week beginning 18 March 2024

Meat Free Monday	Thai Chicken Curry	Beef or Chicken Burgers in a Bun	Sweet & Sour Chicken	Burritos with various fillings—
Chunky Mediterranean Veg in Tomato Sauce with Pasta	Rice	Tomatoes, Lettuce, Onions, Gherkins to accompany	Noodles	Minced Beef, Lettuce, Cheese, Beans, Guacamole, Jalapenos, Sour Cream
Spicey Tomato Sauce	Fine Green Beans	Variety of salads	Sweetcorn	Variety of salads
Peas & Sweetcorn	Variety of salads		Variety of salads	
Variety of salads/bean salads				
As above	Thai Vegetable Curry	Veggie Burger	Sweet & Sour Veg	Vegetable & Black Bean Burrito

Jacket potatoes served daily with a selection of toppings including baked beans - grated cheese - tuna mayo;

Soup served daily during colder months;

Fresh fruit available in bowls on the table plus a selection of hot and cold puddings daily



Please find the pupils who have been the subject of a '**Staff Shout Out**' below,

LOWER PREP

AbdurRahman O'S (2M) for his complex repeated patterns in maths. Well done. Mrs Martins
Leo J (4S) for being an excellent friend. Miss Sumners

UPPER PREP

Matviy H (5F) for continuing to achieve success in Fencing outside of school - very proud of you! Mrs Jennings

Zayn J (5F) for staying behind and tidying up. Miss Forbes

Maye B and Aidan K (5F) for some lovely character descriptions. Miss Forbes

Class 6F for scoring 17 out of 20 in the World Book Day Footie Book Quiz which was a national competition live-streamed on World Book Day. Mrs Seiver

Blake P (7B) for catching up on the work he missed during his absences. Mrs Seiver

Gregory C (6S) for excellent map work and reaching the extension work in our last Geography lesson. Mrs Seiver

Leonardo A (6S) for his commitment to Science this term - I am so pleased with your progress! Mrs Jennings

My form 6S for staying true to their factions when following a dystopian society from the book 'Divergent' in book week. Madame Swift

Hugo vH (6S) for baking brownies for all the class, simply as a kind gesture. Madame Swift

Toby H and Gregory C (6S) for receiving commendations for excellent pieces of descriptive writing in English. Madame Swift

Seb H (7A) for always pushing to achieve more in Games and showing the Kingswood House Way. Mrs Jennings

Kaydon J (7B) for his enthusiasm and great listening skills in Games this week. Mrs Jennings

Ava D (8C) for showing resilience and independence when her LSA was absent. Mrs Weston

Isla M (8L) performed brilliantly in her Geography exam this week. A little bit of belief in your own ability goes a long way! Well done. Mr Laudy

SENIORS

Henry R (9A) showed great resilience in his science lesson when working on a multiple step equations, he then understood it so well he successfully taught other students! Miss Patel

Sam W (9A) for his insight into dreams during PSHE this week. Mrs Jennings

Henry R (9A) for his valuable contributions to discussion in English lessons. Mr March

Theo M (10R) excellent games master during tutor time! Madame Rudenko

Joel M (10P) wished me a Happy International Women's Day last Friday completely out of his own accord! A great show of integrity! Miss Patel

Noah S (10G) Sergio A-H (10G) and Sam C (10P) – well done for presenting your HPQ presentations, you overcame the nerves and should be proud of yourselves. Miss Hylands

Mingwan K (11W) thank you for always being so polite and helpful. Miss Hylands

Year 11 geographers have made a great start to their paper 3 mock, keep up the hard work, we are on the final straight! Mr Laudy

House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 477

Marlborough - 434

Nelson - 480

Wellington - 433

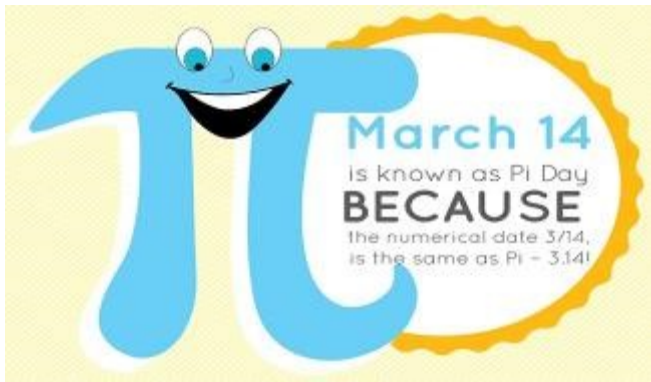
House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 4159

Marlborough - 4399

Nelson - 4378

Wellington - 4180



An opinion without 3.14 is just an onion... was an excellent start to **International Pi Day** from Mrs Pengelly and the Maths Department on Thursday morning! Year 2 enjoyed their circle / Pi related craft making bead bracelets...



SPORTS NEWS



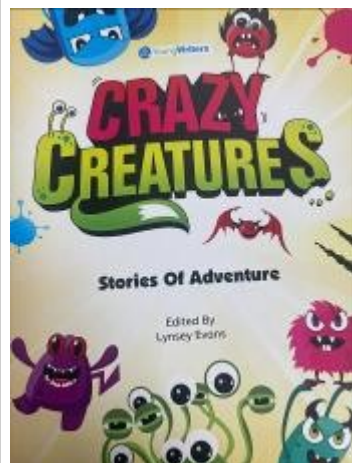
The U11As played at the Ewell Castle hockey Festival this week; they all represented the school in such a positive manner both on and off the pitch. They achieved a great scorecard with 2 wins, 1 draw and only 1 loss. Well done! Mr Westcott

Some Lower Prep learning...

Year 2 are learning about shapes in maths, including repeated patterns with found objects; they created a great variety of them! *Mrs Martins*



In Science, Year 4 explored how sound travels by creating string telephones and investigating sound waves the old fashioned way! *Miss Sumners*



Year 4 and 5 took part in a young writer's competition earlier in the year.

They had to write short stories about a monster. Some of the pupil's work was published in the Crazy Creatures book, *left*, a huge achievement for them!

Well done.

Miss Sumners



PAINSHILL



Miss Sumners reports back,

"Year 4 went on a soggy adventure to Painshill Park in Cobham on Tuesday. They explored the grounds during a treasure hunt and our guide Adam taught us all about famous Greek myths and legends. We had a great time despite the rain!"



Year 7s enjoyed their 'Chocolate & Chat' session this week with staff who dropped in as well to enjoy the chat and refreshments—many thanks to Jane and her team in the kitchen for providing. Year 8s have their session to look forward to, next week.

"IT'S GOOD TO TALK"



Thanks to Y9 for their Assembly this week celebrating International Women's Day last week with a long roll-call of fabulous females from Rosa Parks and Emeline Pankhurst actively demonstrating for equality alongside Frida Kahlo and Amelia Earhart breaking down gender barriers in their respective fields.

Our Senior pupils enjoyed a lecture from Alex Hibbert, polar explorer on Thursday. He is the world record-holding polar traveller who has skied further on an unsupported Arctic journey than anyone in history .



Do have a look here for Alex's [published books](#) use code FREESHIPPING at checkout for free delivery.

Any orders placed within a week will be SIGNED as well!





Happily measuring
circle circumferences
around school on Pi day!
Mrs Pengelly

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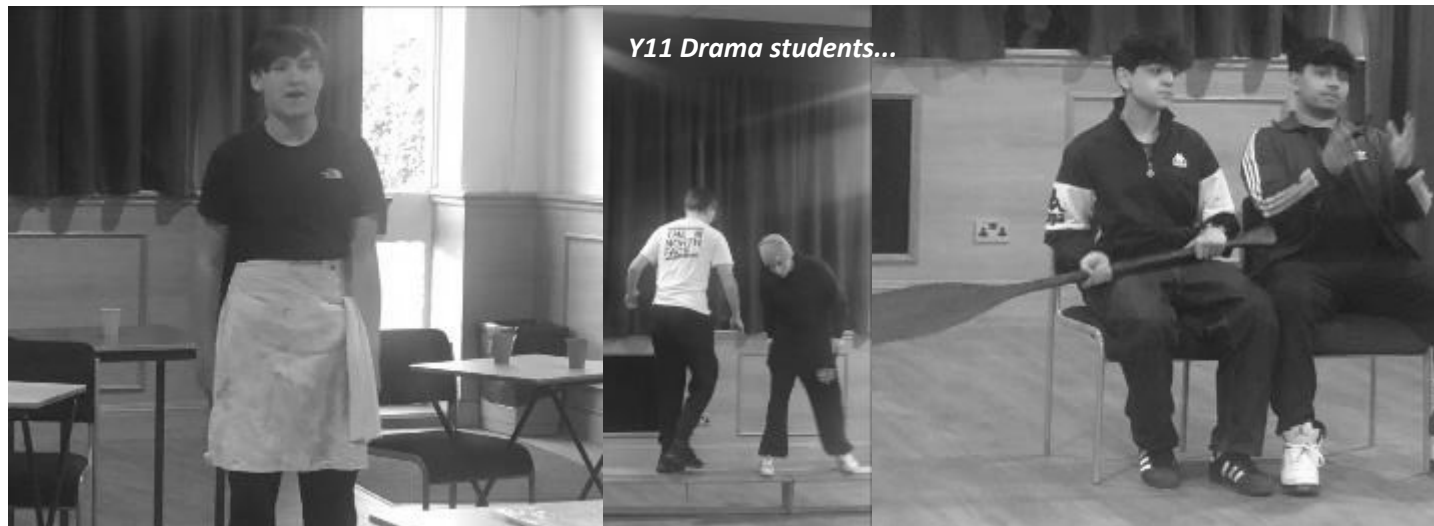


Senior Science

After observing photosynthesis a few weeks ago Y9 have been applying their knowledge of limiting factors of photosynthesis to build mini-greenhouses! The aim of the project was to maximise the growth of cress – students were asked to research how farmers in the UK provide us with the crops we eat year-round and research sustainable farming methods. A special shout out to Sam W who implemented the use of a blue-light LED torch and banana skin as fertiliser! I am thoroughly impressed at the effort and innovative designs the students have created – well done Y9!!
Miss Patel

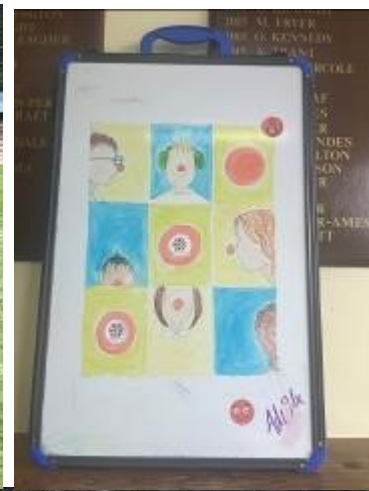


...also this week in school we managed to fit in another visit from [Jackson the Therapy Dog](#)—this time with Year 2 pupils (see below) a Teat-Time Music concert—congratulations to all those that performed, some strong GCSE Drama Performances who were examined as part of their course (also below, mid-rehearsal!!) and [Red Nose Day](#) Mufti on Friday (see over) in aid of Comic Relief—thank you for your financial support of this.



Y11 Drama students...





**RED
NOSE
DAY**

15 March



Dear Parents, you may recall we had an external company in taking individual and sibling portrait photography recently and the contact sheets are now available for you. Please see message below.

Your child's images are ready for you to view and purchase.

LOOK OUT FOR YOUR GALLERY DETAILS which will be sent home as a contact sheet with your child.

FREE DELIVERY PERIOD

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Sibling Images

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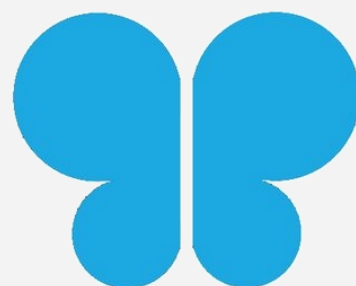
Please note that for individual images we provide five fully finished images and some unfinished ones. Any unfinished images ordered will be finished for you (backgrounds cleaned lighting adjusted if required).

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