

# KINGSWOOD WEEKLY NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents

I write this introduction whilst sitting in the lounge at Keflavik airport on the way back from Iceland.

One of the major perks of working in education is the fantastic trips and adventures you get to experience; this week is a great example as I was fortunate enough to join the GCSE Geography trip to Iceland. Firstly, I have to say that trips are undoubtedly made by the people travelling and I want to personally thank my staff and our KHS pupils for making this one so enjoyable.

The land of ice and fire was simply spectacular as you would have likely seen via our social media platforms throughout the week; I thoroughly recommend putting the destination on your list to tick off.

We were lucky to have had the time for ten visits in total including 3 waterfalls, a power plant, a black sand beach, a glacier, a lava show, a plate boundary, an incredible Geysir and a volcanic crater. In truth, each visit was as spectacular as the last; as well as witnessing some of nature's most beautiful sites, we learnt so much at the same time that essentially supports the GCSE Geography curriculum.

A wonderful few days away, but I look forward to being back in school for the end of the week and catching up with all KHS events closer to home as we approach the final part of this Spring Term.

Wishing our Year 11 students all the best with their GCSE Core Subject Mocks next week.

Have a relaxing weekend.

Yours sincerely

Interim Headmaster

Mr Liam Clarke



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

2024	MARCH	Year 11 GCSE CORE SUBJECTS Mock Exams	
Monday	25	1345-1600 1800-1900	GCSE Core Subjects Mocks begin  Year 8 GCSE Options Evenings
Tuesday	26	0845-1600 1700-1800	GCSE Core Subjects Mocks  Year 10 Headmaster’s Dinner
Wednesday	27	0845-1600 1115-1200 1430	GCSE Core Subjects Mocks  Whole School Assembly, Christ Church  Lower Prep Easter Egg Hunt!
Thursday	28	0830-0930 0845-0915 1210 1220 1230	Year 10 Devised Piece Exam—Drama GCSE  House General Knowledge Competition  Years 1-6 Break up for Easter  Years 7-8 Break up for Easter  Years 9-11 Break up for Easter
Monday— Friday	8-12 April	0900-1600	<b>Kingswood Active</b> see website <a href="#">here</a> for details and how to book



More great news about our budding gymnast star Owen who finished 31st in the under 18s at the British Championships last weekend; a pleasing result when you consider the scale and magnitude of this event! He has improved his GB ranking overall and as he will still be in the same age category in 2025, if he qualifies again next year he can have another opportunity with a year’s growth and physical development behind him!

You may have caught the headline that Max Whitlock—*left*, seen in this selfie with Owen—claimed gold on pommel horse at this competition as he seeks to defend his Olympic title at the 2024 Games in Paris this summer; an inspiration for our Owen for sure!

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Week beginning 25 March 2024</b>				
<b>Meat Free Monday</b>  Macaroni Cheese   Cauliflower Cheese   Steamed carrots & peas	Chicken Goujons  Roasted sweet potatoes/ crushed new potatoes   Corn on the cob   Variety of salads	Roast Pork & Apple sauce  Roast potatoes   Fresh broccoli & Peas   Variety of salads	<i>No lunch service— finish Midday</i>	<i>Holidays!</i>
As above	Vegetarian Goujons	Roasted Haloumi in a Green Pesto Pastry		
Jacket potatoes served daily with a selection of toppings including baked beans - grated cheese - tuna mayo;  Soup served daily during colder months;				



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

### LOWER PREP

Arthur H-H (4S) for being incredible during sports practice last week. Not only did he work hard, he supported others so well and showed particularly impressive listening skills - great work! Mrs Jennings

### UPPER PREP

Oliver R (6F) for his fantastic participation in History last week. Putting his hand up lots and contributing some excellent points to the lesson. Mrs West

Oliver R (6F) participated so well in Hockey during his PE lesson; he was really getting stuck in and challenged others for the ball. Well done! Mrs West

Arjan P (6S) for always exploring new ideas and challenging established opinions. Mrs Seiver

Leo dB (6F) for always producing prep that is on-time and of a high quality. Mrs Seiver

Zach B-A (6F) for taking more time over his work recently. Mrs Seiver

Cyril B-D (7A) for his outstanding honesty. Mr Alle

Elliot W (7A) for his outstanding performance in basketball and achieving an accolade in Games. Mrs Jennings

Cyril B-D (7A) for showing honesty and integrity by handing in money he found in a classroom. Mrs Jennings

Kaydon J (7B) for contributing well during class discussions and for his fabulous manners. Mrs Seiver

Imogen E (7B) for being Imogen...! Mrs Seiver

Shout Out for Ryan B (7B) and his bunch of Warhammer affiliates who meet on Tuesday break, times – space for more – pop in and see – it might just be your NEW thing! Mr Barratt

Aran K (7B) for his sensible behaviour around the school. Mr Barratt

Cyril B-D (7A) the overall winner of the Y7 French Art competition! Madame Rudenko

Huge shout out for Oscar E (8L) – top in Y8 Science Exam and for Zak A (8L) – top in his Y8 maths set in the recent exam. Mr Barratt

Bigging up George W (8L) – impressive maths and science exam results recently. Mr Barratt

Ava D (8C) Enzo B-P (8L) and Izzy D (8C) for fabulous Science exams last week. Mr Barratt

And for the awesome Peter Summers (8L) who has exceeded Mr Barratt's expectations in the recent exams – Peter, you ROCK! Mr Barratt

Byron M, Ben C and Oscar E (all 8L) for excellent Classics exam results. Well done! Mrs Weston

Oscar P and Harvey M (both 8C) for excellent Classics exam results Well done! Mrs Weston

Sophie T, Darcey S, Angus V and Lily-Rose M (8C) for really great results in their English exams. Mrs Weston

### SENIORS

Alyssa C (9P) fantastic preparation for her speaking photo card assessment! Madame Rudenko

Adam C (9P) James M (9J) Max P (9P) Kittie C (9J) and Kieran S (9A) for all their excellent work in their enterprise lesson yesterday. Miss Hylands

Kittie C (9J) and Alyssa C (9P) – great teamwork in basketball yesterday. Miss Hylands





More **'Staff Shout Outs'**

**SENIORS** *continued...*

Thank you to Dylan N (9P) Dan G (9J) Khishaan T (9P) Derin U (9P) Ruby B (9P) and Alex W (9A) who attempted to put together the new green house! Luckily Ruby and I managed to crack it! Miss Hylands

Max L (10G) for his superb work in Games and displaying some particularly impressive basketball skills on court! Mrs Jennings

Noah S (10G) for being a great leader and for his ongoing support with sports practice each week. Mrs Jennings

Theo W (10R) Benjy B (10G) and Charles R (10P) for working so well in their depleted Y10 History class! Mrs Haunstetter

Ivan T (11H) for having better 'Pi' jokes than Mrs Pengelly on Pi Day! Mrs Haunstetter

Lukas C (11W) for his efforts in English. Mr March

Charlie L (11H) for his outstanding help in the recent drama exam. Mrs Horley

Ruari F (11W) for his support in D of E Club and helpful advice to our Year 9s. Ms O'Shea

Our Year 11 students doing their practical Drama GCSE piece which was externally seen and examined last week - true endeavour to get to that performance level! Ms Timothy

For those in the Y11 History class who continue to deliver and work hard in each and every lesson – you know who you are! Mrs Haunstetter

Freddie T (9A) Oscar D'A (11W) Tommy W (11H) Alfie Y (9P) Alfie L (5F) Toby H (6S) Elliot H (8L) and Zayn J (5F) for performing so well in the Rock and Pop Gig last week! Mr Allen

Well done to Zayn J (5F) Alfie L (5F) Leo J (4S) and Olivia J (2M) who won the Red Nose Day competition! Miss Hylands



**WELL  
DONE!**

*Congratulations to Cyril, far left, who showed integrity and honesty beyond his years and the pupils who performed in the Tea Time Music Concert; they all received a Green Star Head's Award from Mrs Jennings, on behalf of Mr Clarke, in Assembly this week.*

# SPORTS NEWS



Mr Westcott says, *"Our U9s hockey teams played superbly against Homefield—we had 1 win and 1 loss, but all pupils played extremely well demonstrating the KHS way. They always worked as a team and did a fantastic job. A massive congratulations to the Year 4s on a great Hockey season".*

## House points - this week - Whole School

Drake - 976

Marlborough - 1023

Nelson - 917

Wellington - 917

## House points - totals - Whole School

Drake - 5135

Marlborough - 5422

Nelson - 5295

Wellington - 5097

Year 6 Maths with Mr Clarke explored lots of fun concepts using Dienes colourful cubes during their lesson on Red Nose Day! Fundamental maths work is greatly enhanced by practical, hands-on building and construction fun, actually seeing the numbers in three-dimensional form can make such a difference to learning—a great approach for our students. *Mrs West*







Huge ***Congratulations*** to Henry (11H), who has just received a special award from Surrey Police for the work he does in cadets.

We are all very proud of you—great citizenship shown.

*Mrs Haunstetter*



*Q: "How many members of Eco Club, plus D of E students does it take to assemble a greenhouse veg cover sent with no instructions...?!"*

*A: "A good few it seems!"*

## ***Around school this week...***



Year 7 had a lot of practical fun and hands-on learning in History showing how the Agricultural Revolution in the 1700s changed the landscape - with strip farming being replaced by enclosure.

*Mrs Haunstetter*







### ***Lower Prep's First Assembly!***

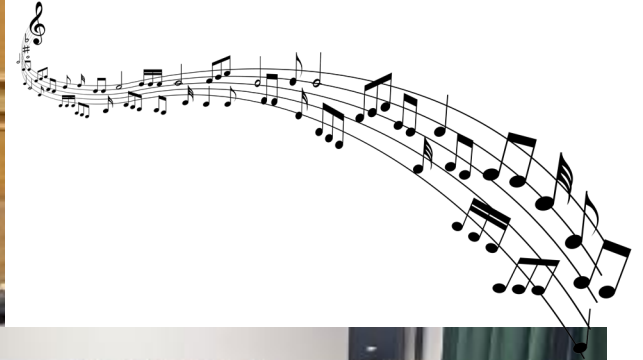
Well done to our Lower Prep pupils who gave their first Assembly in Langlands this week.

They spoke about their recent trips to Hobbledown and Painshill Park as part of their learning outside the classroom.

*Miss Sumners & Mrs Ibbitson*







*A Huge WELL DONE to all our talented and hard working musicians who performed in last week's Rock & Pop Tea Time Gig!*





Year 8

'Chocolate & Chat'

session was  
appreciated by all!



HOT CHOCOLATE TALK

Thank you  
Mrs Jennings  
for  
organising  
and the  
Kitchen Team  
for  
facilitating!

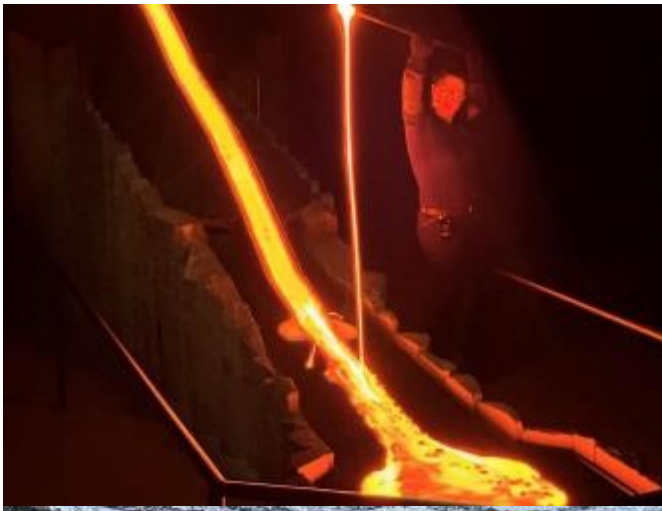




*Iceland 2024!*







*A note from the company who took the individual pupil and sibling portrait photographs.*



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