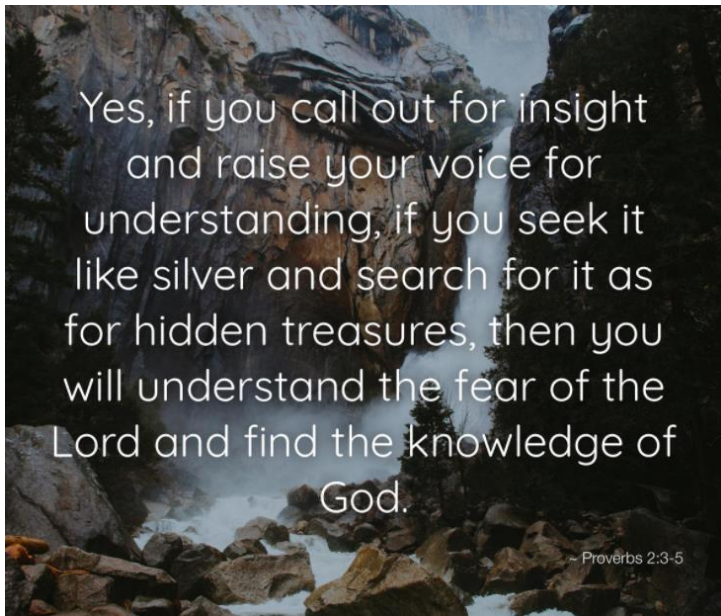


Theme of the Week: Living Wisely – Spiritual Life



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope you are all well and looking forward to the half term break next week. Students (and staff!) have worked really hard this term and are ready for a rest and recharge. Year 11 will of course want to be revising ahead of their second mock examinations, but I hope that they can balance the necessary work with some proper rest and relaxation. Congratulations and well

done to the entire cast and crew of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream'! This year's production was a joyful triumph and I hope that many of you enjoyed it and were able to appreciate the students' hard work and commitment over many months. For such a young cast to tackle a well-known and well-loved Shakespeare play so successfully is incredible. It is always a particular joy for me to see all the students who shine and find their confidence in backstage roles too; thank you to all those who played in the band, helped direct the production, made set and costumes, helped with sound and lighting, and worked the backstage areas – you are all stars! Thank you also to our selfless and hard-working PTA who provided refreshments and uniform sales at all three performances. We have also had a lot of sporting fixtures recently and a great deal of success across a wide range of sports; thank you for your support in giving permission for your children to join fixtures. We are aware that the communication around fixtures could be improved and we are working on a solution to this which we hope to roll out soon.

I wish you all a very pleasant half term.

Mrs Price

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Forthcoming Events

Thursday 17th and Friday 18th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 intervention – invitation only
Monday 21st February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 second mock series begins
Thursday 24th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Parents' Evening (online)

NHS COVID Pass for International Travel

To help support international travel, the NHS COVID Pass service for 12 to 15 year olds now includes the option of a digital NHS COVID Pass.

The NHS COVID Pass for international travel can be accessed through the NHS website for those aged 12 years and over. For young people aged 13 and over, the NHS App can also be used to access the NHS COVID pass.

Further information on [how to get an NHS COVID Pass](#) is available on the NHS website.

Student of the Week

Students of the week

Year 7	Chelsey D
Year 8	Alice W
Year 9	Troy B, Jas B
Year 10	Kamal D
Year 11	Millie B

Royal Society Young People's Book Prize

Over the past term, Science Club have been participating in the Royal Society Young People's Book Prize. We were sent six brilliant science books to read and review. Our students had to give feedback on areas such as ease of reading, interest, look and feel and inspiration. We submitted our scores and overall winner to the Royal Society along with many other schools and organisations across the country. Our students chose '100 Things to Know About Saving the Planet' by Rose Hall as their favourite book. The book that received the most votes overall will be crowned the winner and we look forward to finding out which one it is. If you are interested in reading any of the books, please speak to your science teacher.



School Production

Thank you to all who came to our School Production of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' this week. Students put in a lot of hard work and effort into the production, showcasing their skills in dancing, singing, acting and playing instruments... all to the tune of a groovy 70's soundtrack! We are very proud of all of our students who were involved, and are grateful as always to Mrs Grosvenor, Mrs Brennan, Miss Agius and the team for planning and facilitating such a fantastic show.

In addition, thank you to everyone who supported the PTA by buying refreshments over the three performances, over £350 was raised for a new trampoline for the school.



Safety and Wellbeing

After half-term we will be joined by the Youth Prevention Team for sessions on preventing knife crime across the city. The team are visiting all schools and have an engagement van which allows young people to hear more about the issue of knife crime and what steps they can take to prevent it. We frequently hear stories in the media about the rise in young people carrying knives and so it is crucial that schools continue to play their part in reducing knife crime through high quality education. Sussex Police have an excellent section on their website dedicated to the issue and you can access this by clicking here: [Stop Knife Crime](#). The Police frequently brief schools and have made it clear that any young person carrying a knife in Brighton will receive a caution.

We would also like to draw your attention to the issue of 'training knives' (example pictured below) which are freely available online. These training knives are treated as offensive weapons and should never be carried in public or brought into school.

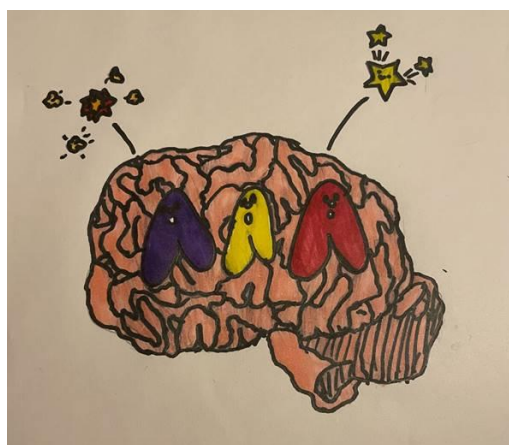


Chestnut Tree Hospice

On Saturday 5th February, Eliza D (Year 10), Lottie H and Joe H (Year 9) cooked and served a three course dinner to ten people to raise money for the Chestnut Tree Hospice. They planned the menu and prepared and served the food to the assembled guests! Well done to all three students who raised over £200 at the event.

BHISS AAA Logo Competition

Alfie C (Year 7) has won the Brighton and Hove Inclusion Support Service's AAA Logo Competition. Ms Gillett from the service will be coming into school on 23rd February to present Alfie with his prize of a £20 Amazon gift voucher. Congratulations Alfie!



Water Bottles

If your child has lost a waterbottle please ask them to come to reception to have a look in lost property. Any existing lost property bottles (pictured) will be disposed of on Monday 28th February if not collected.



Year 7 Parents' Evening

Year 7 Parents' Evening will take place online on Thursday 24th February. Parents will now have received information on how to log in and book appointments via [SchoolCloud](#). Booking for appointments opened yesterday, please contact the office via admin@kingschoolhove.org.uk if you have any questions about booking.

Year 11 Mocks

The next set of Year 11 mocks will take place after half term from Monday 21st February to Friday 4th March. Each student will be given an individual mock timetable, but you can view the full timetable below. **Please note the History exam previously scheduled on the 24th February will now take place in lessons in the week following the mock exams.**

	Monday 21 February	Tuesday 22 February	Wednesday 23 February	Thursday 24 February	Friday 25 February
Morning	English Language Paper 2	Comb. Science - Biology F & H Biology H	Maths Paper 2	Comb. Science - Chemistry F & H Chemistry H	English Language Paper 1
Mid Morning	Spanish Listening Foundation Tier	French Listening Higher & Foundation Tier	Spanish Listening Higher Tier		RP
Afternoon	Maths Paper 1	Geography Paper 1 - Physical	Drama PE Paper 1	Maths Paper 3	French/Spanish Writing Both Tiers
	Monday 28 February	Tuesday 1 March	Wednesday 2 March	Thursday 3 March	Friday 4 March
Morning	Comb. Science - Physics F & H Physics H	English Literature	Computer Science 2	Business Paper 2	
Mid Morning	History 2 – Cold War	French/Spanish Reading Both Tiers	Geography Paper 2 - Human	CATCH UPS	
Afternoon	Media Studies Computer Science Paper 1	Music DT Business Paper 1	PE Paper 2	CATCH UPS	
			French & Spanish Speaking Exams All Day	French & Spanish Speaking Exams All Day	French & Spanish Speaking Exams All Day

LEGO CODING CLUB
Monday After School

Using Lego Spike Prime kits, we're exploring programming a bunch of different projects, each built from Lego. We've been investigating sensors and motors this half term. We're hoping to develop our skills and enter the national Lego League competition next year.

If you'd like to learn more, come and see Mr. Kent in Science 5 or sign up through the office. We have plenty of space for any robotic enthusiasts. No coding experience necessary!

Sports Round-up!

Basketball

We had two teams in the B&H basketball tournament earlier this week. Our Year 11 team were leading the tournament after winning all their games and then in the last match needed to beat King's Year 10 team to seal the tournament win. However, it was our Year 10 team who triumphed in an entertaining and intense match 5-3! This meant our Year 11 team came joint top and lost out on goal difference to Blatch. Our Year 10's performed well against a lot of Year 11 teams and won 3 of their games, finishing 4th overall.

Rugby

Our Year 9's played our first school rugby match in two years this afternoon. They took on a very good Blatch team but more than held their own for the majority of the match. King's were impressive in contact and the high tackle count showed their commitment and courage. They also grew their attacking game and some silky running from Alfie and Luca scored our 2 tries. Despite having a couple of players in their first match our discipline and positioning was impressive but the experience of Blatch showed through and the score ended up 6 tries to 2. Despite the scoreline, the boys should be very proud of how well they played and is a great platform to build on. Special mention to Malachy and Riley who were fantastic in their first ever rugby match!



Girls' Interhouse Football

On Wednesday 23rd February, there will be a KS3 girls interhouse football competition after school until 4.30. Students can sign up during their tutor times after half term.

Library Volunteers and Invigilators

Thank you to the parents/carers and friends of the school who have offered to be volunteer librarians so far. We are very grateful for you! We are still welcoming any volunteers who would be interesting in helping out, ideally Monday or Thursdays after school. Please email HR@kingsschoolhove.org.uk for more information.

We are still accepting applications to join our invigilation team if any parents/carers or friends of the school would be interested in joining us. This is a great casual role and helps to facilitate one of our key tasks as a school.

Please see www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/vacancies.php for more information.

LGBT+ History Month

It has been great to see staff and students engaging with LGBT+ history month so far, and we are looking forward to our assemblies and visitor after half term. A reminder that we are running a poster competition for all students, with prizes for the best posters in Keystage 3 and Keystage 4. Students should make a poster showcasing an LGBT+ person (or group!) and explaining why that person is important to them. Posters should be handed to the front office or emailed to admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk. Please see our existing hall display below, it would be lovely to have some student made posters on display too!



FOOD

Jack Monroe (1988-)



Food writer and poverty campaigner

Became famous for affordable recipes on award-winning blog

Non-binary transgender person

Photo: Fox Fisher

Body Positivity Month

As well as being LGBT+ History Month, February is celebrated as body positivity month. This is an opportunity for individuals to be thankful for all our bodies do for us, rather than focusing on what we are uncomfortable with or any shame we might have. Dove have released a range of resources for parents/carers to support their children with body positivity and wellbeing.

Click here for more information:

<https://www.dove.com/uk/dove-self-esteem-project/help-for-parents.html>



Unifrog

Students have been introduced to the Unifrog careers platform this week through assemblies. We are currently working to get emails with student login details out to all students. Tutors will then work with them to get them logged on and using the site after half term.

Unifrog is an award-winning careers platform that allows students to access the latest information from careers pathways, to apprenticeships, to national and international university degrees. In addition, students can build up a portfolio of their experiences which can be used to write college and university applications and to produce high quality CVs for their future careers.

As per the letters I have sent out recently, please take the time to login yourself so you can support your child with the ongoing careers education.

Any queries please get in touch.

Mr Walker

Nirvana Day

Nirvana Day is an annual Buddhist festival that remembers the death of the Buddha when he reached Nirvana at the age of 80.

Nirvana is believed to be the end of the cycle of death and rebirth. Buddhism teaches that Nirvana is reached when all want and suffering is gone. Most Buddhists celebrate Nirvana Day on the 15 February. Others celebrate it on 8 February. It is also known as Parinirvana Day.

Buddhists may celebrate Nirvana Day by meditating or by going to Buddhist temples or monasteries. In monasteries, Nirvana Day is treated as a social occasion. Food is prepared and some people bring presents such as money, household goods or clothes.

On Nirvana Day, Buddhists think about their lives and how they can gain the perfect peace of Nirvana. They

remember friends or relations who have recently died. They reflect on the fact that death is a part of life for everyone.

The idea that nothing stays the same is important to Buddhism. Buddhists believe that loss and change are things to be accepted rather than causes of sadness.

We wish anyone who is celebrating a Happy Nirvana Day.



RP Film Club

Year 8 and 9 students enjoyed Part 2 of The Island as part of the RP film club. This film explores the theme of cloning which is covered in the Year 9 topic of medical ethics in RP. We are looking to run these one-off clubs each half term. Please look out for announcements of the next one.



Varndean College Taster Days

Varndean College's **Year 10 Taster Days for 2022** will take place on the following dates:

Friday 1st July

Friday 8th July

Monday 11th July

Further details about the taster days and how to apply will follow in due course.

Varndean College's open events for Autumn 2022 are as follows:

OPEN DAY - Saturday 24th September

IB INFORMATION EVENING - Tuesday 11th October

OPEN EVENINGS - Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd November

International Day of Women and Girls in Science

Today (February 11th) is the United Nations International day of Women and Girls in Science. To celebrate this important day, King's students have been learning about and discussing the work of important women from the world of STEM. In addition, the Science Department is launching a half term homework competition for Years 7-10. Each student will need to research and present their findings on a woman or girl, past or present, who has made an impact in a STEM field. The deadline for this homework competition is 25th February. More details can be found on Class Charts.



United Nations

International Day of Women and Girls in Science, 11 February

Science Club

This week at science club the students enjoyed making hand warmers and testing out their bath bombs that they made in a previous lesson. It was great to see the range of colours and smells. We even had lots of fizzing! Well done to the Year 7 student who demonstrated great practical skills in both tasks.



Very well done to all the entrants this week and we look forward to seeing the results from the rest of the Year 8 cohort!



History Trenches Project

This week, Year 8 began their trench homework competitions. Students had been set homework to create their own trenches of which they could use any resource to do so. Entries included intricate drawings, minecrafts creations, cake trenches along with wood work and playdoh. Esme G even dug up half of her garden!

Mrs Cager's classes were visited by our Deputy Head Mr Stevenson who spoke with students about their trenches before choosing a winner. Winners were chosen by Mr Stevenson based on accuracy and creativity and students also voted for a further winner from each group. Winners this week include, Alex E, Henry C, Annesimon I, Esme G, May B and Arnaud W.

Speakers for Schools

Broadcasts are a great way for students to hear directly from leading figures from a range of industries, and have the opportunity to ask questions via a moderated Q&A. Speakers for school provide live and recorded broadcasts for students to participate in. Watch pre-recorded broadcasts from the library [here](#). Next week's broadcast schedule is below:

Date	Friday 11 th February 10-10:45am
Speaker	Alessandra Bellini, Chief Customer Officer, Tesco & President, Advertising Association For KS4-5/S4-6
Info	Ever wonder what a Chief Customer Officer does day to day? How do you maintain a brand's image, globally? How do you take on the challenge of working in a large organisation? Don't miss this opportunity to hear from Tesco's Chief Customer Officer. Click here to register

Date	Monday 28 th February 2-2:45pm
Speaker	Mathew Dunn, CFO, ASOS For KS4-5/S4-6
Info	More details to be announced Click here to register

Date	Wednesday 2 nd March 2-2:45pm
Speaker	Jasmine Whitbread, Chair, Travis Perkins For KS4-5/S4-6
Info	More details to be announced Click here to register

Date	Tuesday 8 th March 10-10:45am
Speaker	International Women's Day Broadcast: CeCe Sammy, Vocal Coach & TV Presenter For KS3-5/S1-6
Info	We are looking forward to hosting another broadcast with CeCe Sammy, this time for International Women's Day. CeCe will be speaking about what International Women's Day means to her, how to develop your confidence and the women who inspire her. Click here to register

Date	Tuesday 8 th March 2-2:45pm
Speaker	International Women's Day Broadcast: Ella d'Amato, Managing Director, Investment and CMO, True & Former Chief Commercial & Marketing Officer, Not on the High Street For KS3-5/S1-6
Info	We are excited to welcome back Ella d'Amato for another broadcast. Ella will be joining us on International Women's day to speak about the women who inspire her, the important advice she has been given throughout her life and career, and why it is important to celebrate International Women's day. Ella is looking forward to answering some more of your questions! Click here to register

Date	Wednesday 9 th March 10-10:45am
Speaker	National Careers Week Broadcast: Hospitality with Joanna Kurowska, Managing Director for UK and Ireland, InterContinental Hotels Group For KS3-5/S1-6
Info	Are you interested in working in the hospitality industry? Perhaps you already have experience of working in hospitality and want to learn more about where it could take you in the future? Join us for a broadcast with Joanna Kurowska, who started out working in hotels and has worked her way up to be Managing Director for UK and Ireland, at global organisation IHG Hotels & Resorts. Joanna is excited to share her industry insights with you and answer your questions! Click here to register

Date	Wednesday 9 th March 2-2:45pm
Speaker	National Careers Week Broadcast: Entrepreneurship and Growth Mindset with Oliver Duffy-Lee, Founder, Launch Pad Academy For KS3-5/S1-6
Info	How do you train a growth mindset? How can having a growth mindset help me at school and in my future career? Join us for a broadcast with Entrepreneur Oliver Duffy-Lee to have your questions about Growth Mindset answered and to find out some of the skills you need to be an Entrepreneur! Click here to register

Date	Thursday 10 th March 10-10:45am
Speaker	National Careers Week Broadcast: Careers in Law with Chris Daw, Queen's Counsel (Barrister) at Lincoln House Chambers and Millennium Chambers, author and broadcaster For KS3-5/S1-6
Info	Are you interested in a career in Law? Join us for a broadcast with one of the country's leading Lawyers, Chris Daw QC to find out what a lawyer does and the different types of lawyer you could become. Click here to register

Date	Thursday 10 th March 1-2pm
Speaker	Green Skills Week Tamara Finkelstein, Permanent Secretary, (DEFRA) Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs For KS4-5/S4-6
Info	Did our Green Skills Week campaign inspire you to take action last year? We are excited to welcome Tamara Finklestein, Permanent Secretary, (DEFRA) Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. During this broadcast, you will learn about some of the main responsibilities of DEFRA and how it is working to tackle waste and improve our natural environment. Click here to register

Northbrook MET | Open events

Campuses: West Durrington, Broadwater and Shoreham Airport*

Wednesday 2 March 2022 5pm - 8pm

*includes degree/university level Motorsport Engineering

[Book now](#)



Brighton MET | Open events

Campuses: Central Campus* and East Campus

Wednesday 9 March 2022 5pm - 8pm

*includes degree/university level Computing

[Book now](#)