

## Her Royal Highness Queen Elizabeth II

Dear Parents/Carers,

Staff and students at King's were deeply saddened to learn of the death of Queen Elizabeth II yesterday afternoon and we join the country in this national period of mourning. Tutors delivered a reflective session for students this morning in tutor time: students had the opportunity to watch a short video outlining the key events in Queen Elizabeth's life, and looked at some photos taken from across her long reign. Students were invited to pray, giving thanks for the example of selfless

public service given by the Queen, and asking for God's blessing on her family and those who mourn her passing at this time. Acting Headteachers Mr Chamberlain and Mr Stevenson will ensure that they keep fully abreast of plans for the national period of mourning and any impact this might have on the operation of the school. We will continue to give thanks as a school community for the Queen's life of selfless public service and the example of Christian faith in action she gave us.

Mrs Price



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### Forthcoming Events

<b>Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Year 11 information evening</li> </ul>
<b>Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>PTA Colour Run</li> </ul>
<b>Friday 16<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Whole school individual photos</li> </ul>



## Ethos

At the beginning of this new term, we have been thinking about our school values and specifically exploring what we mean by **Love** with staff and students. In the Bible there are different words to describe different kinds of love. Our core value of Love is what the Bible refers to as Agape. Agape is the love of God for His people and the corresponding love that Christians have for other people. Whereas our common notion of love is emotional, the focus of Agape love is an act of the will. It is not just about feeling, it is action. Love, in this Christian sense, should be self-sacrificial, generous, unconditional and boundless. This love is seen most clearly in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Paul's description of Love in his first letter to the church in Corinth reminds us of what it looks like to live out this kind of love day to day. Please pray for our school community as we seek to love one another in this way, as Christ loves us.

Love is **patient**, love is **kind**, it is **not envious**. Love **does not brag**, it is **not puffed up**. It is **not rude**, it is **not self-serving**, it is **not easily angered** or **resentful**. It is **not glad about injustice**, but **rejoices in the truth**. It **bears** all things, **believes** all things, **hopes** all things, **endures** all things.

Love **never ends**.

**1 Corinthians 13:4-8**

## Rewards and Consequences

Rewards and consequences will all now be recorded on Bromcom and pupils and parents can monitor these through their new logins. This year one of our key priorities is to work with pupils and staff to develop a brand new rewards system that motivates all our learners and ensures we can recognize achievements in all areas of school life. We very much look forward to sharing the outcomes of this work with you later in the academic year.

Behaviour at King's is usually excellent and OFSTED recently recognized it as 'exemplary'. However, inevitably there are times when pupils need to be given a consequence for behaviour which is contrary to our school ethos and disrupts learning. All staff have been trained to follow a clear consequences ladder start with verbal reminders. For the vast majority of pupils a verbal reminder (C1) or a short 10mins detention at lunch, or at the end of the school day, (C2) will be sufficient to address any behavioural concerns. Staff will use this time to have a constructive conversation with pupils and re-set expectations. For more serious or persistently poor behaviour, pupils may be given a Friday afternoon Senior Leadership Detention (C3) or may require a period of isolation away from peers (C4 or C5). We always try to avoid suspension, but there are occasions when it is appropriate for pupils to be removed from the school for a number of days to reflect on their actions (C6). The reasons why we may choose to suspend are set out in the school's Behaviour Policy.

**C1** - Verbal or written reminder

**C2** - 10mins detention either at lunchtime or after-school

**C3** - SLT detention of either 30mins, 60mins or 120mins on Friday afternoon

**C4** - Internal isolation of six periods, usually lessons 1-6

**C5** - Internal isolation from 1pm to 5pm for serious behavioural incidents

**C6** - Suspension from school

## Attendance and Lateness

As a community we should be very proud of our attendance record, with pupils in all years showing tremendous resilience and fortitude throughout the period of the pandemic. This year we will once again have a challenging attendance target of 96% and will be encouraging all pupils to meet or exceed this. We will regularly reflect on attendance in tutor time and ensure all pupils who have good attendance are recognized and rewarded. Please see the recent letter from Mr Chamberlain for more details about attendance.

This year we will no longer be issuing daily detentions for morning lateness. Instead, form tutors will monitor and record the times pupils arrive to their tutor room. If a pupil is late on two or more occasions, without a valid reason, or there is a pattern of lateness, they will be placed in a 30mins C3 detention on Friday. Tutors will also be in contact with you as parents and carers to discuss any punctuality concerns. If there are any reasons why your child may be regularly late to school, please ensure their form tutor is aware of the issue.

## Uniform

We have not made any changes to the school uniform and all staff will continue to encourage the pupils to wear their uniform well and look smart throughout the whole school day. Uniform checks will be carried out during tutor times and it will be possible to temporarily lend items of missing or damaged uniform from our lending facility. You can find full details of the uniform and footwear expectations by clicking the following link: [Uniform Policy](#)

## Homework

As we begin the school year we will be talking to students about the importance of their learning, both in the classroom and outside of it. As part of this, we will be emphasising the importance of engaging with and completing home learning (homework) tasks.

The intention of our curriculum is to teach our students to become **wise**. We want our students to be able to make wise choices and to live wisely, both inside and outside school. Wisdom is more than gaining knowledge, it is being able to apply understanding to a

situation. Home learning provides an opportunity for us to help our students to develop wisdom, through setting **regular, relevant** tasks which are **reviewed**.

### ***What will home learning look like for our students?***

**At KS3** pupils will be set home learning tasks, in line with department home learning plans, weekly. Home learning tasks should take approximately 30 minutes per subject set, per week. By year 9 pupils may receive up to 60 minutes per subject per week in core subjects.

Year 7 students will be set optional home learning tasks in the first half term, compulsory core and optional tasks in other subjects in the second half term and a full home learning timetable after the Christmas break.

**At KS4** pupils will be set home learning tasks as deemed appropriate by teachers, with a minimum of one piece per subject per week. Home learning tasks should take approximately one hour per subject, per week. At KS4 there is an increasing emphasis on developing independence in study. Students will need to combine home learning tasks set by their teachers with their own independent revision and study.

### ***Where can your child view their home learning tasks?***

All home learning tasks will be set on Bromcom, and are viewable by students and parents via the Bromcom parent and student apps.

More detailed information will follow home separately about how we will be monitoring and reporting on engagement with home learning this year.

## Y7 & 8 Boys Interhouse Football Tournament

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> September

3.00 - 4.15 on the school field

Please wear appropriate football kit/King's PE kit including shin pads. Boots/astro boots are recommended.

## Year 7 First Day

Welcome to all of our new students! Our new Year 7 cohort had their first day at King's on Wednesday this week. They seem to have settled really well into life at King's and we have enjoyed having all students back at school. As we closed the gates on the first day a beautiful rainbow appeared over the school.



## Beauty and the Beast, School Musical February 2023

We are extremely excited to begin working on this year's school production, BEAUTY AND THE BEAST which will be performed in the Hall next February. Students from ALL year groups are welcome to audition and we are looking for actors, singers, actors who can sing, dancers, backstage helpers and technical support people to do props, set and costumes, as well as lights and sound. We love having a big team working on shows and believe the learning that goes on off stage is just as valuable as what happens on stage!

Next WEDNESDAY 14<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER at 3pm-3.20pm in the DRAMA STUDIO we are holding a pre audition meeting where students can find out more about the process of auditioning. It is advisable that they attend, but we do appreciate they may have other commitments. If this is the case, please ask them to come and speak with myself or Mrs Brennan or you can e mail [arts@kingsschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:arts@kingsschoolhove.org.uk) and we can send on any details. The following WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> September we will run the auditions.

Students will be briefed by their form tutor about this at the start of the week, but please do let them know about the meeting and audition date in advance.

## Arts round up

King's day saw a multitude of celebrations and performances from start to finish. During our two communion services we were very proud to see our King's Worship Band leading the music, making it a beautiful and reflective time for all of the school to enjoy. We then went on to celebrate the talents of a variety of students across KS3 as they participated with great enthusiasm in our King's talent Show! And then finally we had a brilliant musical showcase featuring wonderfully talented singers and musicians. We raised money for the next production and everyone had a thoroughly excellent evening of entertainment. None of this would happen without the hard work and commitment of our Head of Music, Mrs Brennan. Well done to the whole music department and all the brilliant students who took part.

Leo in Year 10 had his photograph displayed at the Royal Academy this summer. Ms O'Sullivan visited and was delighted to be able to see a King's student's work hanging in such an esteemed institution. We are exceptionally proud of Leo.

At the end of September we are entering our first round of Arts Award Bronze work. Eight students are working hard to finalise their mixed arts activities for moderation. There will be more information coming directly to those parents involved via e mail and also to all parents about how your child can get involved in the future. We are starting small and thinking big !

## Attendance

It has been wonderful to see the school full of students at the start of term – keep up the fantastic attendance!

## Young Carers

### WHAT DO YOUNG CARERS DO?

A young person may do one or more of the following types of caring, which can have a huge impact on their lives. They have to undertake these tasks because of someone else's illness or disability. They are caring tasks usually carried out by an adult or paid Health Care professional.



#### DOMESTIC

(cleaning, cooking, washing up, washing clothes, ironing, shopping, looking after siblings alone, taking siblings to school, paying bills, repairs, gardening)



#### EMOTIONAL

(motivating, keeping safe, spending time with, keeping company, making feel wanted/needed)



#### PERSONAL

(all aspects of dressing, washing, toileting, feeding, other tasks such as hair brushing, make up, shaving etc.)



The PTA regularly accept donations of disposable cups, refreshments and packaging suitable for sweets. They are always looking for match funders, if you would like to offer this support please contact the PTA on [pta@kingschoolhove.org.uk](mailto:pta@kingschoolhove.org.uk).

Payments for PTA events can be made using the sum up link [here](#). Events can be paid for in advance, you will receive confirmation of booking within 5 working days via an email from the PTA. If you would like to buy uniform, please email the PTA for stock and only make payment after you have the items.

The PTA also run a school lottery, details of which can be found on the poster below. Your support really does make a big difference, over the last year just 32 supporters buying a £1.00 ticket has raised over £800. That has bought a visualiser for the Maths department and two table tennis tables for the PE department! Please contact the PTA for more details.

## King's School Fund

Raising money to enrich and expand our students' experiences.

Visit <https://www.justgiving.com/campaign/kings-school-fund> or click on this image to be taken to the page.

Every donation has an impact on a student's education experience.

Thank you for your support



King's School Fund

- Please help give our fundraising a much-needed boost
- Tickets cost just £1 a week
- Cash prize winner EVERY week
- Win up to £25,000!

To support your school, go to:  
[yourschoollottery.co.uk/play](https://yourschoollottery.co.uk/play)  
 and search for: **King's School**

Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Offer ends 25<sup>th</sup> June 2022. Terms and conditions apply (see website for details).

## PTA Events

Upcoming events from the King's School PTA:

- 15<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Colour Run
- November/December 2022 – Christmas hampers.





**School Crossing Patrol Vacancies**

Balfour Road for Balfour Primary School - 7 hours 30 mins

Millers Road/Highcroft Villas Brighton for Stanford Infant and Junior Schools - 8 hours 45mins per week

Port Hall Avenue Brighton for Stanford Infant and Junior Schools - 6 hours 40mins per week

The Green, Rottingdean for Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School - 5 hours per week

County Oak Avenue, Brighton for Carden Primary School - 5 hours 25 mins per week

Church Road, Portslade for St Peter's Primary School - 7 hours per week

Lustrells Vale, Saltdean for Saltdean Primary School - 6 hours 15mins per week

Training, uniform and equipment will be provided to successful applicants.

**Interview date:** 3 October 2022

**Closing date:** 25 September 2022

For an informal discussion, please contact Emily Tester, Road Safety Training Manager on 01273 293847

**TO APPLY** [Job Details](#) | [Brighton & Hove City Council \(brighton-hove.gov.uk\)](#)

Your starting salary will be pro rata



## LET'S BRING IN HOPE THIS HARVEST..

**£1** Drink  
Squash

**£2** Puddings  
Rice Pudding  
Tinned fruit  
Custard

**£3** Treats and lunchbox items  
Chocolate bar  
Crisps  
Biscuits

**£4** Toiletries  
Shower gel  
Conditioner  
Shampoo


**£4** Cleaning items  
Toilet cleaner  
Surface spray  
Washing up liquid  
Bin bags  
Sponges and cloths

**£5** Dinner ingredients  
Tinned vegetables  
Pasta and sauce  
Tuna  
Pulses

**£6** Breakfast  
Cereal  
Tea bags, coffee or hot chocolate  
Jam or peanut butter

**£7** Toiletries  
Loo roll  
Soap  
Sanitary towels

OFF THE FENCE





Cash is key this year, enabling us to buy the food needed. So:  
No date sorting  
No storage  
Can buy what we need when we need it

**You**

HOW TO HELP

CONTACT US  
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[fundraising@offthefence.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@offthefence.org.uk)



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**'THE BEST CLUB SHE'S BEEN TO ... IT'S JUST EAT, SLEEP & DRAMA NOW!'**

*Sussex Parent*

## WEEKLY DRAMA CLASSES

CLASSES START FROM 12 SEPTEMBER

NEAR YOU!

TRIAL CLASSES\*

voice confidence



**ENROL FOR AUTUMN TERM NOW!**

**email: [sussex@helenogrady.co.uk](mailto:sussex@helenogrady.co.uk)**

**visit our website: [www.helenogradysussex.co.uk](http://www.helenogradysussex.co.uk)**

approved activity providers

or call Gareth: 07980 607139







\* Ts & Cs apply



HELEN O'GRADY  
DRAMA ACADEMY, SUSSEX

## HELEN O'GRADY DRAMA ACADEMY, SUSSEX

DEAR PARENT OR GUARDIAN,

Our drama and acting clubs promote **confidence, clarity** and **creativity** in your child's **communication** and **language** skills. All of this is taught via a carefully crafted, termly curriculum with the special ingredient of **MASSES OF FUN!** Our relevant drama programme draws on current arts education thinking and has great benefits for life:

- Public speaking and performance skills
- Meeting and making new friends
- Mindfulness, self-esteem & renewed resilience
- Discipline through listening, movement, and teamwork
- Presentations, performances, and rewards

We are proud of our track record promoting confidence, encouraging clear speech, and nurturing young people's creative talents through 'theatre-thinking' in a healthy and positive environment.

Our mantra is 'work hard and be nice to each other' 🙌

What our Sussex Parents + Carers say:

'Your academy has had such a positive effect on our son. He loves going to class and loves his teacher. The difference in him has really been noticed during school, but also on a wider level. His confidence has changed significantly. Fantastic!!!'

'The classes my daughter attended are wonderful. She was struggling with her speech and language development and has come an leaps and bounds under her teacher's tuition!'

Call for a chat or email me about your child to book in your **2 x week trial now** and join the #HOGDAfam this term!

My warmest wishes, Gareth Corke (Principal)

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