

Theme of the Week: Creating a positive working environment - relationships



Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy and purposeful start to the new academic year with our new Year 7s settling in brilliantly. Miss Staples and the tutor team have been delighted by their enthusiasm and willingness to go with the flow. All of the little things that are a worry ahead of starting a new school are evaporating rapidly and getting lost is definitely becoming more of a rarity! Please be reminded that we have the Year 7 settling in evening on Tuesday 20th from 6pm-7pm. This will be a

great opportunity for parents to meet one another and discuss any matters arising with your child's form tutor.

Assemblies and worship this week have focused on our core value of **responsibility** with our Heads of Year and tutors exploring how we can create a positive environment through our relationships. As always, a big thank you to Mr Kent who will be producing all of our beautiful worship resources throughout the year.

It was fantastic to see so many parents at the Year 11 Information Evening on Monday which was led by Mr Stevenson and the Heads of Department. The key messages for our Year 11s were clear: don't panic or become despondent, revise little and often and trust in your teachers. Mr Stevenson will be in touch throughout the year with news of intervention and revision sessions for our Year 11s. We wish them luck in their final year and are confident they will go on to achieve fabulous results.

Finally, a big thank you to the PTA for another hugely successful Colour Run Event. It was a joy to see around a hundred members of the community taking part in the run.

Mr Chamberlain

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Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 20th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 6 Taster Sessions (3:30-5pm), Year 7 Settling in Evening (6-7pm)
Monday 26th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rosh Hashanah (Judaism)
Thursday 29th September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Evening
Monday 3rd to Thursday 6th October	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Open Mornings

Monday 19th September- Bank Holiday

Following the announcement of the death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, a period of National Mourning has now started and will continue until the end of the State Funeral. The official date of the State Funeral is Monday 19th September. This day will be a bank holiday and settings that are normally closed on a bank holiday have been asked to close on this day as a mark of respect. This will include schools and colleges. Therefore, please be aware that King's School will be closed on Monday 19th September and pupils will be expected to return at 8.30am on Tuesday 20th September.

Road Safety- IMPORTANT

At the start of the new academic year, we would ask that you have a conversation with your child about road safety. The roads in the surrounding area can get very busy at the start and end of the school day. Please remind your child to cross at the road at the end of the day with the member of staff on duty. When crossing busier roads, they must use a pedestrian crossing. Pupils riding bikes and scooters must travel slowly until they are clear of the pupils leaving both King's and West Blatchington Primary School. We do get a number of emails each year from concerned residents who have had near misses with pupils both on foot and on bikes. We will continue to reinforce these messages in school so we can avoid accidents.

BeReal – E-Safety Warning for Parents and Pupils

Please be aware that there is a new app called 'BeReal' that some students have on their phones. The app will take a photograph of the person taking the picture as well as those in front of the camera. Please can you discuss this with your child and remind them that people should not have their photograph taken without permission. Photographs of other people should not be distributed around.

Sets and Streaming

We have had a few queries regarding how students are placed into classes and sets.

Many classes are mixed ability, research has shown that this is often the best way for all students to do as well as possible, although we do have some classes where students are set. We don't do streaming – where students are placed in a higher or lower ability stream for all their subjects, so all tutor groups are mixed ability. In some subjects the classes will be across the year group (6 classes at the same time) and in some they will be split into different sides of the year (so 3 classes at the same time). This is generally to make the timetable work! In all cases classes are kept on review and there is movement where this is in the best interests of the student's education.

For further questions please contact departments directly using the contact us page on the website.

Maths

In Maths, students are set initially in Year 7 based on SATs results. Groups are reviewed every 6 weeks and there is movement between classes during the year and at the end of the year. Year 8 and 9 sets are then based on end of the year exam results, as well as teacher judgement. Due to sides of the year group, Sets 1 & 4 are highest ability, sets 2 & 5 are middle ability, and sets 3 & 6 are lower ability. Sets are reviewed every 6 weeks, so students have opportunities to move up based on their effort.

This setting continues in Years 10 and 11. Maths has Higher and Foundation tiers of entry for GCSE, and in KS4 the higher sets will be entered for Higher and the lower for Foundation. This is decided based on in-class assessment and mock exams.

English

In Years 7-9 students are taught in mixed ability groups. In Years 10 and 11 they are broadly grouped into 2 higher, 2 middle and 2 lower sets. There are no tiers of entry in English, so all grades are possible for all students in all classes.

Science

In Years 7-9 students are taught in mixed ability groups based on side of the year group (although in Year 9 there is some broad setting). In Year 10 classes 1-4 are

mixed ability and 5 and 6 are for students where more support may be needed. Science does have Higher and Foundation papers as well as having to decide between triple and combined science for students. We are careful not to block students from being able to take any of these exams for as long as possible. By Year 11 we have a good idea who we would like to enter for triple science (usually the top 1 or 2 groups) and who is suitable for Higher and Foundation papers in the other groups. This is monitored through assessment and mock exams and discussed with students as well.

PE

In PE, students are set through practical ability in Years 7-9. We review these groups each term and make changes if appropriate. Groups are mixed gender and students have access to exactly the same curriculum as their peers. DT classes are the same as PE groups as both have slightly smaller class sizes than other subjects. In these subjects there are no tiers of entry for GCSE and so the exams are not separated into Higher and Foundation.

Humanities, Arts, Computer Science, PSHE

These are all Mixed ability groups based on their side of the year group. In these subjects there are no tiers of entry for GCSE and so the exams are not separated into Higher and Foundation.

Attendance

Whole school attendance is over 96% - a fantastic first full week back! Keep it up!

Student of the Week

Students of the week

Year 7	Lily K
Year 8	Ronnie O
Year 9	Joseph C
Year 10	Ellie T
Year 11	Libby-Rose T

Get into Music

On Monday of this week Year 7 enjoyed a "Get Into music" concert as presented by our wonderful teachers from "Create Music". Mike Johnson, the director, introduced the full range of orchestral and pop instruments available for students to learn at King's, not forgetting singing! The Year 7 students had the chance to hear the individual sonorities of all the instruments and then appreciate how exciting the instruments can sound when played together in a large ensemble. The teachers performed a wonderful range of music for the students, from classical favourites to well-known pop songs. To round off the event the students joined in with keeping the beat for "Uptown Funk" and finished the afternoon with a rousing chorus of "Sweet Caroline"! There was rapturous applause and a lot of smiling faces by the end of the afternoon.

If your child is interested in instrumental or vocal lessons, please do follow the link below to sign up for lessons. Individual as well as group lessons are available, please do consider carefully what is best for your child. This opportunity is open to all students of all year groups. <https://createmusic.org.uk/>

If you have any questions, please feel free to email me directly on j.brennan@kingschoolhove.org.uk

Sixth Form Open Evening – Thursday 3rd November.

The Sixth Form at King's will be opening in September 2023 and will accept both King's students and students from other local schools. We will be offering an appropriate academic curriculum, delivered by an enthusiastic and highly skilled staff team, alongside excellent pastoral care and bespoke support, to ensure our students reach their full potential in Key Stage 5. We are incredibly excited about this final phase in the growth of our school.

Please [click here](#) for the presentation from our recent Sixth Form Information Evening, held in July 2022. Please [click here](#) for a video from Mr O'Sullivan who is the Leader Adviser for Sixth Forms across the Russell Education Trust.

Please [click here](#) for our Sixth Form prospectus.
Please [click here](#) for our Sixth Form video which should give you a good flavour of our plans for our exciting new Sixth Form.

Our Sixth Form Opening Evening will be held on Thursday 3rd November 2022. More details will be released in due course.

Stay tuned to this page and our social media feeds for updates!

Instagram: @kingsschoolsixthform

Twitter: @kingsschoolsix1

Year 11 Intervention

Thank you to all parents and students who attended the Year 11 Information evening on Monday. This was a really useful evening, and I am incredibly grateful to our Heads of the core subjects who attended and presented. It was also good to see the new video for the Sixth Form! For those who were unable to attend, the presentation is now available on the school website. <https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/year-11-information.php>.

Some of the key dates from this presentation are:

21 st October	Year 11 Reports issued
Wb 21 st November	Year 11 Mock 1
12 th January	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Wb 20 th February	Year 11 Mock 2

Some subjects will be inviting some students to after school interventions from now, some will be waiting until it is more appropriate for their subject. These are based on students who have identified gaps in either their knowledge or exam skills. These are not extra lessons. In general, the thing that will differentiate a student who does well and one who is disappointed in their results is the work and revision they put in at home. We recommend students start revision now (tips on this are in the presentation) and a good thing to focus on now is preparing for the first set of Mock exams in November. Teachers will be able to tell

students what to revise for this paper in addition to the usual work students are being asked to do.

This is a busy and stressful time for Year 11. We will support and guide them as much as possible and want to work as closely with parents as possible. Please do be in touch if you have questions about any of this. The best first point of call is form tutors/head of year for Pastoral questions or concerns, and subject leaders for questions about subjects. All contact details can be found on our "contact us" page on the website. <https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/contactus.php>

There will be some holiday intervention sessions. We will send the details of these out next week. These are also not extra revision sessions but targeted intervention. It is likely the ones in the October Half Term break will be focused on completing NEAs where needed. It is a good idea to be expecting Year 11 students to be working and revising through the holidays from now – obviously factoring some time in for rest and relaxation as well!

Mr Stevenson

Careers Provision for Year 11

The start of the new school year sees the start of our careers' education and provision at King's School. Students will take part in a number of careers focussed events, will be invited to attend talks and trips with a focus on their future, and will have specific careers focussed lessons in PSHE.

In addition, we are particularly aware of the needs of our Year 11 at this time of the year. All Year 11 students have access to an independent careers' advisor this term with the first of these one-to-one interviews taking place this week. Students will be offered advice on potential careers and career paths and will discuss their options for post 16 education. With that in mind below is a link to all the Sixth Form providers in the local area. Whilst we hope our current Year 11 will stay on at King's to take advantage of our new Sixth Form, we also want students to be able to make the right choice for them and to be aware of everything that is available in our city.

Mr Walker

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College	Date of open event		
Brighton Aldridge Community Academy (BACA) College Brighton Aldridge Community Academy - Home	Wednesday 19th October 2022, 6-8pm	Northbrook College and Brighton MET College (campuses in Central and East Brighton, Shoreham, Durrington and Worthing) www.gbmc.ac.uk	Brighton MET - Central Campus and East Campus Wednesday 12th October 2022 Saturday 19th November 2022
Institute of Contemporary Theatre (previously BRICCT) https://www.ictheatre.ac.uk/diploma/ Extended Level 3 Diploma study for Performing Arts Pathways in Dance, Musical Theatre and Acting	Saturday 8th October 2022 - Diploma Open Day & Auditions	*MET is also a training provider for apprenticeships. You must have an employer to be an apprentice	Tuesday 14th March 2023 Northbrook College - West Durrington, Broadwater and Shoreham Airport Campuses Wednesday 5th October 2022
BRIT School - Croydon The BRIT School - Home	Thursday 29th September & Wednesday 12th October 2022		Saturday 12th November 2022
BHASVIC Welcome to BHASVIC http://www.bhasvic.ac.uk/	Wednesday 9th & Thursday 10th November 2022 www.bhasvic.ac.uk/admissions/open-events		Tuesday 7th March 2023
BIMM (Brighton Institute of Modern Music) www.bimm.co.uk/brighton	Saturday 8th October 10.30am - 2pm www.bimm.ac.uk/open-days/bimm-brighton-diploma-open-day-08-10-22/	Brinsbury College www.brinsbury.ac.uk/ *Brinsbury College is also a training provider for apprenticeships. You must have an employer to be an apprentice	Saturday 15th October 2022, 10am-1pm Saturday 11th March 2023, 10am-1pm
Brighton College Opening Doors: 20 free places for Sixth Form	Brighton College is an independent, fee-paying college - they offer 20 free places each year under their Opening Doors initiative. See link for details.	Cardinal Newman - Newman College Welcome To Our School	Wednesday 16th November 2022 6-9pm. www.cncs.co.uk/sixth-form/college-open-day/ Additional quieter Talk and Tour with a smaller capacity at 4.30pm in the afternoon of the 16th.

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<p>Chichester College www.chichester.ac.uk</p> <p>*Chichester College is also a training provider for apprenticeships. You must have an employer to be an apprentice</p>	<p>Tuesday 11th October 2022, 4.30-7pm</p>	<p>www.mpct.co.uk http://www.mpct.co.uk/</p>	<p>preparing for armed forces entry</p> <p>MPCT Events</p>
<p>Crawley College www.crawley.ac.uk/</p> <p>*Crawley College is also a training provider for apprenticeships. You must have an employer to be an apprentice</p>	<p>Thursday 13th October 2022, 4.30-7pm Saturday 5th November 2022 10am-1pm</p>	<p>www.plumpton.ac.uk</p> <p>Calendar of Events here</p> <p>*Plumpton is also a training provider for apprenticeships. You must have an employer to be an apprentice</p>	<p>Thursday 22nd September 2022 (evening)</p> <p>Monday 24th October 2022 (taster event in half term)</p> <p>Saturday 26th November 2022</p> <p>Saturday 21st January 2023</p>
<p>DV8 Sussex www.dv8sussex.com/ (Campuses in both Brighton & Bexhill) http://www.dv8sussex.com/</p>	<p>http://www.dv8sussex.com/ Please check the website for details.</p>	<p>Pro-direct Academy Brighton Academy</p>	<p>Football education programme with BTEC L3 in Sport & Physical Activity</p> <p>See website for details</p>
<p>East Sussex College (Campuses in Lewes, Eastbourne and Hastings) East Sussex College: Welcome *ESCG is also a training provider for apprenticeships. You must have an employer to be an apprentice.</p>	<p>Lewes: Wednesday 19th & Thursday 20th October 2022 Thursday 16th March 2023 Please check the website for Hastings & Eastbourne campuses.</p>	<p>Lagoon Watersports Ltd in partnership with Newman College BTEC Level 3 Outdoor Education in Brighton</p>	<p>See website for details</p>
<p>Hove Park Sixth Form Hove Park Sixth Form http://www.hovepark.brighton-hove.sch.uk/sixth-form</p>	<p>Tuesday 11th October 2022</p>	<p>Rewards Hair Academy https://www.rewardshairacademy.co.uk/ *Rewards is a training provider. You must have an employer to be an apprentice</p>	<p>Traineeships and apprenticeships in Barbering and Hairdressing</p> <p>Rewards is also a training provider for customer service/care/business admin and other sectors</p>
<p>King's Sixth Form King's School (kingschoolhove.org.uk)</p>	<p>Opening in September 2023 Please refer to the website for details</p>	<p>Collyer's College, Horsham https://www.collyers.ac.uk/</p>	<p>Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th November 2022</p>
<p>Military Preparation College in Eastbourne</p>	<p>Work towards BTEC L2 Work Skills Unit while</p>	<p>NEW! Supajam coming to Brighton in 2022</p>	<p>Music Business, Music Journalism and</p>

https://www.semmuk.com/	<p>Photography. Specialist Post-16 Music courses for students who need an inclusive, alternative education setting.</p> <p>See website for details</p>		<p>Wednesday 2nd November 2022, 4.30- 7pm</p> <p>Tuesday 24th January 2023, 4.30-7pm</p> <p>Monday 12th June 2023, 4.30-7pm</p> <p>Booking is essential - see website</p>
<p>Shoreham Academy Shoreham Academy Sixth Form</p>	<p>Thursday 3rd November 2022 6- 8pm</p>		
<p>Skills Training UK www.skillstraininguk.com *Skills Training UK also provides traineeships and apprenticeships.</p>	<p>Courses, traineeships and apprenticeships for 16-19year olds. See website for details.</p> <p>https://www.skillstraininguk.com/our-centres</p>		
<p>Steve Willis Training - apprenticeship provider https://stevewillis.com/ - Burgess Hill *Steve Willis is a training provider. You must have an employer to be an apprentice</p>	<p>Apprenticeships in Gas, Electrical and Plumbing.</p> <p>Check the website for taster days and recruitment events.</p>		
<p>Varndean College www.varndean.ac.uk</p>	<p>Saturday 24th September 2022, 11am - 2pm</p> <p>International Baccalaureate Diploma Presentation -Tuesday 11th October 2022, 6.30pm - 7.45pm (Doors 6pm)</p> <p>Tuesday 1st & Wednesday 2nd November 2022, 6.30pm - 9pm</p>		
<p>Worthing College www.worthing.ac.uk</p>	<p>Tuesday 1st November 2022, 4.30-7pm</p>		

Abraham A (Year 10)

Well done to Abraham in Year 10 who volunteered with the charity INTO Giving <https://www.into-giving.com/> as part of his DofE award. Abraham fundraised through baking lovely biscuits and cakes for his bake sale.



2021/2022 Get Active Challenge

Our Year 8 cohort took on the 'Get Active' Challenge at the end of last academic year. This week we would like to celebrate 8C who raised funds and awareness for the Martlets Charity. Martlets is a local charity that provides terminally ill people in Brighton and Hove, with the very best care and support. The Martlets thanked 8C for their thought and charitable work, by sending through some Martlets rock and decorations to put up in their tutor base and around the rest of the school. Well done 8C!

Colour Run

Students and parents enjoyed our Colour Run which took place on the school field yesterday evening. Well done to everyone who took part and thank you to our PTA for running such a fantastic event for the second year running.



Brighton and Hove Barbarians

Alfie D, Ethan W, Jamie R and Theo D represented the Brighton and Hove Barbarians (local Brighton state schools) against Cardinal Newman this week. They played this match before the summer and beat Newman, but on this occasion they lost and the series is now level at 1-1. Huge congratulations to the boys who are playing with the best rugby players in the city. In addition, a massive congratulations to Alfie D who was selected to represent the Brighton Lions (all the state schools in B&H) who are taking on Brighton College this Friday 16th September at Brighton RFC – KO is 5.30pm.

Local sports clubs and opportunities:

If you are interested in taking your sporting experience wider than secondary school, here are some local sports clubs that may be of interest:

Brighton Bees Netball Club –

<https://brightongirls.gdst.net/brighton-bees/>

Brighton Bees provides netball opportunities for players at all levels, ranging from Year 4 up to Year 9. Training is very Tuesday evening and the club compete in local leagues and tournaments. Everyone is welcome from the Brighton community. Their focus is getting everyone enjoying netball, keeping fit and making friends.

PSG Football Academy –

<https://brightongirls.gdst.net/community-lettings/paris-saint-germain-first-girls-only-football-club/>

PSG football academy is the first girls-only Paris Saint-Germain Football Academy in the UK. It was launched at Brighton Girls in 2019. Training is held at Brighton Girls school every Monday night from 5pm.

Brighton Gymnastics –

<http://brightongymnastics.co.uk/>

Takes place at Brighton Girls School. They have a range of experienced gymnastics coaches at the club. To book your place,

contact enquiries@brightongymnastics.co.uk or call directly on 07421 039000.

BSGA South East Trampoline Competition 10/11th December (TBC) - Competition information to be released in a week or so. The British Schools Gymnastics Association was formed to promote participation in, and the development of gymnastics in UK schools. It embraces all gymnastics disciplines and is fully inclusive of able-bodied children and those with disabilities. Venue: Worthing Leisure Centre, Shaftesbury Ave, Goring-by-Sea, Worthing BN12 4ET

Surgery Live

SurgeryLive course is an innovative and interactive virtual course that gives students a real glimpse of what it's like to be a surgeon in an operating theatre, delivered by practicing NHS surgeons. There is a £90 enrolment fee. The day course includes:

1. A glimpse into the day-to-day life of a surgeon
2. Solving real-life surgical cases, including history taking and anonymized scans
3. Live virtual operations - showing step by step how common surgeries are carried out
4. Learning how to suture with a live follow-along demo (students will be sent their own suturing kit, the same ones used by medical students and doctors)
5. A chance for students to interact with practicing surgeons and doctors

For more information and to enrol, please visit the link below:

<https://doctorslive.co.uk/surgerylive/>

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PTA Events

Upcoming events from the King's School PTA:

- November/December 2022 – Christmas hampers.

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.

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.

Aim: We would like you to look around your local area and take photographs of objects/items/views that relates to your view of Science. An example might be bee pollination or the night sky.

Deadline: Friday 23rd September 2022

Prizes: Amazon vouchers for the winning entries (one winner from each year group) and the opportunity to see your photographs on display

How to enter: Email a max of 3 of your images with your name and form to science@kingsschoolhove.org.uk by the deadline and include a sentence or two about how we see the Science in your photograph

We look forward to viewing how you see Science around you this Summer!

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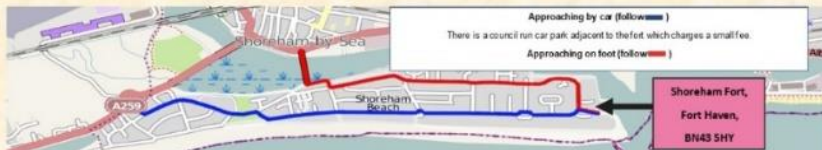
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September 17th 11:00 ~ 16:00

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- A chance to talk to 'Sgt Baines' about our new education workshops coming this academic year

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