



Headteacher's Update

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Dear Parent/Carer,

It has been a strange week in school as we have had our INSET day and spent time remembering the life and contribution of Mr Jenkins. We were grateful that members of staff were able to be together and remember him, and I know some of you were able to watch the stream as well. We will be thinking about ways to remember him as we go through this year. I would like to thank all of you who have been in touch with lovely messages about the impact he had and with messages of support for the school community. We really appreciate your kind words and it reminds me what a special community we have here at King's. It can be easy to focus on the negatives, but I am always grateful for the kindness and love showed by your children and yourselves.

I hope you all have a restful weekend and are able to take advantage of the opportunity to recharge and relax.

We are now gearing up for our school production of Grimm tales, to which I am really looking forward. If you are able, please do buy a ticket and come and see what I am sure will be another memorable production.

Theme of the week: Educational Equality

Mr Stevenson

Wednesday 31st January	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 6th to 8th February	School Production
Friday 9th Feb- ruary	Last day of half term Ski Trip

Student of the Week

- Year 7** Kati H for positive contribution in English.
- Year 8** Tyler C for a nomination from Mrs. Dendy-Arto for his work in RP
- Year 9** Katli R for work in Science and supporting the reading programme!.
- Year 10** Ben E for great work in French and for always being mature, focused and resilient with his learning and his day to day attitude.
- Year 11** Vagelis N for always being on time and always giving 100%, he continually shows the school values in his uniform, work ethic and punctuality .

Theme of the Week

This week we have been discussing educational equality and how that looks throughout the world as well as here at King's. Like last week, we referred to scenarios our students may find themselves in here at school and opened discussions about how they would feel and respond.



Sixth Form

Applications are now open for a September 2024 start in year 12 at King's.

Key Dates for 2024 Entry:

- February 2024 – Internal and external students attend progression meetings to discuss their course options and their specific needs during their Post 16 studies;
- March 2024 – Provisional offers sent out via email.

Please [visit our website](#) for more information.

[Video for Parents 1: Choosing your sixth form courses | Resources | Net Sixth Form](#)

For any Year 11 student that is struggling with what subjects to study post 16, please see this helpful video to help you make your decisions. If you need further help in school, please do contact Mrs Coles at sixth-form@kingsschoolhove.org.uk who will be more than happy to have a conversation about options across the city and at our sixth form.

There is also a useful resource to help you decide your options across the city if you are struggling to decide where to go [Best Next Steps - Colleges and FE application portals \(padlet.com\)](#)

Brighton and Sussex Cross Country Races

It was great to see so many of our athletes take part in the two cross country races over the last few weeks at Waterhall. In the Brighton X-C we had over 30 runners across different age groups with lots of year 7's racing for the first time. All students should be commended for running and finishing the tough course in very cold conditions! There were some standout performances: In year 7 Ella (3rd place and getting a bronze medal!), Gabby (6th), Ronnie (8th) and Samuel (13th). In the year 8/9 girls Iris came 3rd and Thea came 15th. In the boys, we had 4 top 20 finishes with Herbie (5th), Elliot (12th), Miller (16th) and Arthur (20th) meaning the year 8/9 boys came 2nd place! In the year 10/11 races Greta and Alex came 5th, Seren in 15th and Sam in 17th.

In the Sussex X-C the standard is significantly higher and each race had close to or over 300 runners in it. Again, students did really well to compete and finish the course the second week in a row with some great results - Greta (22nd), Iris (31st) and Herbie (35th). A huge congratulations to all involved!

E-safety Talk

eSafety for Parents – Tuesday 30 January 7.30-8.00pm

The Russell Education Trust are running an online information event for parents for all five of the schools in our Trust where they will be able to provide you with an update on the ever-changing online landscape and its risks. You will find the link below. If you are unable to attend though, don't worry, we'll record it and send out a link afterwards. In the meantime, if you'd like some further information or support about online safety then please visit the school eSafety page here where you will also find details of how you can download the free Qustodio app for monitoring and managing your children's devices.

Link for the meeting: [E-Safety Talk for Parents](#)

eSafety page: <https://www.kingsschoolhove.org.uk/esafety>

Grimms Tales

Team Arts have been busy rehearsing for their production of 'Grimm Tales'. 'Grimm Tales' are the old fashioned versions of some of our best loved fairytales and we will be presenting four, 'Hansel and Gretel', 'Ashputtel', 'Little Red Cap' and 'Snow White', accompanied by original music, composed by King's students.

Performances will take place on Tuesday 6th, Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th February from 7pm in the main hall.

We would love to see as many parents and carers as possible to watch our talented students perform this piece they have worked so hard on. Tickets are available to buy through ParentPay.

The PTA will be present on all evenings, selling refreshments for you to enjoy at the beginning and the interval of the show. There is also a PTA raffle, tickets are available through ParentPay or you will be able to buy a ticket with cash on the night. Lots of great prizes up for grabs!

We look forward to welcoming you into the land of fairytales...

KING'S SCHOOL HOVE PRESENTS:

Adapted by Carol Ann Duffy,
and dramatised by Tim Supple



GRIMM TALES

Tuesday 6th February;
Wednesday 7th February;
Thursday 8th February;
At 7pm.
Main Hall

Tickets available on ParentPay.

This amateur production of "Collected Grimm Tales" is presented by arrangement
with Concord Theatricals Ltd. on behalf of Damuel French Ltd. www.concordtheatricals.co.uk

Poster credit: Ashley M, 11C

Departmental Competitions



King's School Hove



Departmental competitions in January are:

History – Y7 Christmas Homework Awards

PE – All Years Football

Speak to your subject teacher about how to enter!

King's School Fund

Raising money to enrich and expand our students' experiences.

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

Thank you for your support



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Recruitment

We are currently recruiting for the following roles:

- Administrator with SEND Admin
- Safeguarding Manager
- Teacher of RP
- Teacher of DT (with possibility of Head of Department responsibility)

Please [visit our website](#) for further information.

MMR Public Health Campaign

You may have seen in recent media reports, that cases of measles are rising across the country. The NHS have launched a catch-up campaign for missed MMR vaccines. Parents and carers in England are being urged to book their children in for their missed measles, mumps, and rubella (MMR) vaccine as part of a major new NHS drive to protect children from becoming seriously unwell.

Please see information regarding this from the NHS website:

[NHS England » NHS launches catch up campaign for missed MMR vaccines](#)

If you require further information or wish to discuss your child having the MMR vaccine please contact the Immunisation Team on: **01273 696011: x3789**

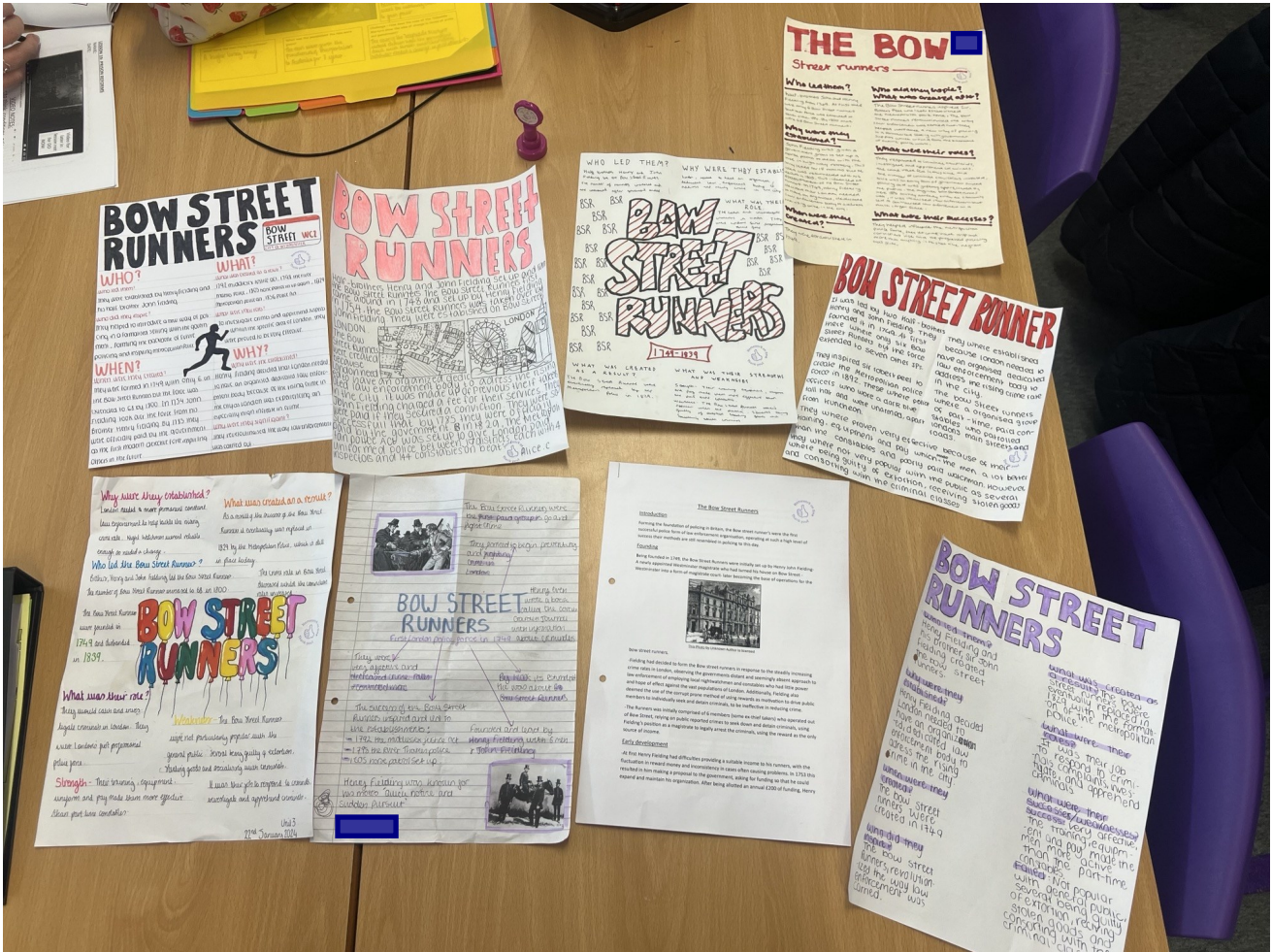
Historian of the Fortnight

Tilly is our Historian of the Fortnight due to her tenacious approach to her studies. Not only does Tilly work tirelessly to complete tasks to the best of her ability but she ensures extensions and extra work are also achieved. Tilly has shown strong resilience this year and continued to reach top marks whilst also being a part of the wider school enrichment programme. She is a natural historian who is keen to develop analytical understanding and enjoys debate. To add, her level of presentation is second to none! I am so very proud of Tilly for all these reasons, their good sense of humour and the care she takes in delivering work to the highest of standards.



Year 10 History

10A completed some excellent homework this week researching the Bow Street Runners. It is said that the Fielding Brothers, working as thief takers around the magistrate court at Bow Street were the inspiration for today's modern Metropolitan Police Force established in 1829 by Home Secretary Robert Peel.



Eddie B

Eddie B has been awarded a place on the GB National School of Racing foundation which is given to the top 20 riders in the country. Eddie has been busy attending GB training camps at weekends and is now able to show off his GB racing gear! A huge well done to Eddie and being a great ambassador for King's.

