



Headteacher's Update

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Dear Parents/Carers,

The students are certainly ready for the half term break after a busy and very productive first half of the term. I hope they have a restful and restorative week and that the weather is kind to us all!

A reminder that it is important for our Year 11 students to continue to revise across the week in an organised fashion. These days of independent revision really can make all the difference to their results. They have been strongly encouraged to set up a revision timetable, which enables time for rest and recreation as well as revision, and stick to it. Thank you for supporting them in their efforts. It won't be long before they can enjoy a long summer break!

Theme of the week: Healthy Ambitions

Key Stage 3 students and Year 12 students will sit end of year summative assessments in the weeks after half term. Read on in this newsletter for more information from Mr Stevenson on how these assessments run and how students can prepare. We do not want students to be unduly anxious about these assessments. It is important that they prepare and do their best so that we can see what they have learnt and retained this year, and where they might need more support going forwards.

I wish you all a fantastic half term break.

Mrs Price

6 June, 5:30-6:30pm	PTA AGM
13 June	Year 10 Parents' Evening
25 June	Immunisation Session Y9
5 July	INSET Day—school closed to students
8 & 9 July	Enrichment Days
12 July	Sports Day
18 July	King's Day
19 July	Last day of term—students dismissed at lunch time

Student of the Week

- Year 7** Lilie D for continued good work across a range of subjects.
- Year 8** Masen B for his exemplary work in English.
- Year 9** Year 9 SOTW is Lucas Bushara for great work in Maths!
- Year 10** Finlay S for consistently keeping up with work and achieving some great scores with his mock exams. Finlay also recently participated in the school Geography trip, for the whole day, handling the experience with commendable poise and enthusiasm.
- Year 10** Sam D for great work in crafting a speech about the benefits of football skills vs the issues with education in English. It was a thoughtful, well written presentation.

Theme of the Week

We finished this half-term with a focus on ambitions. We opened discussions between the students and teachers talking about how our staff's ambitions led them here to King's. We also looked at what areas of our lives we are most ambitious about and completed an interactive quiz to see which career paths matched up with our students' interests and skills.



Sixth Form

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

[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 sixthform@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 \(padlet.com\)](#)

PTA AGM

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At King's we have a hard working and committed PTA who raise funds for the school and provide refreshments at school events. New members are always very welcome to join - please email pta@kingsschoolhove.org.uk if you'd like further information about joining the Committee.

The PTA's Annual General Meeting will be held on Thursday 6th June from 5:30-6:30pm on the school site. Anyone is welcome to attend if you would like to hear more about the work of the PTA.

Recruitment

We are currently recruiting for the following roles:

Teacher of History (Full time or part time considered)

Teacher of MFL (0.6)

Please visit our website for further information.

[King's School - Vacancies](#)



Year 11 Exams

Year 11 have been working really hard and have been completing these exams in a sensible and serious manner. I have been impressed by them and the work they are obviously putting in. Following half term we move to a slightly different arrangement as study leave begins. This means students must only attend when they have exams. Please make sure they check really carefully when their exams are and ask if they are not sure.

Full school uniform still applies and we will still be running revision sessions before the exams. Students should attend these sessions as they are an excellent way to check their revision and to ask any questions before the final exam starts.

Students will need to sign in and out. If they would like to study in school we can provide an area for them, please let us know if that is the case.

The timings of exams remain the same. We expect students to be in school for 08:25 for a morning exam and by 13:15 for an afternoon exam. We can't vary the time of the exams or delay them for latecomers, so getting to the school on time is very important!

WEEK 4	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
STUDY LEAVE	03/06/24	04/06/24	05/06/24	06/06/24	07/06/24
Open before school	Maths in rooms	Meet in Hall at 08:25	Meet in Hall at 08:25	Meet in English Rooms	
AM Exam (Students meet in the Main Hall at 8:25)	Maths: paper 2 (Calculator)	Spanish: Papers 1 and 3 (Listening and reading)	Geography: Paper 2	English Lang: Paper 2	
3 and 4 Revision session	PE revision session PE1	History revision session full cohort in the hall	Business revision session (LRU BS1)	DT revision session (DT4) Science revision session	Science revision drop in (P3 and 4 ACO)
PM Exam MUGA at 13:20	PE: component 2 <i>Russian</i>	History: Paper 2 Period 7 Geography Gg1	Business: paper 2		Biology Paper 2: (combined and Triple)

WEEK 5	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
STUDY LEAVE	10/06/24	11/06/24	12/06/24	13/06/24	14/06/24
Open before school	Maths in rooms	Meet in hall at 08:25			GG1 – PWE available
AM Exam Students meet in the Main Hall at 8:25	Maths: Paper 3 (Calculator)	Chemistry: Paper 2		Period 1 and 2 Music revision session. ALL EXPECTED TO ATTEND.	Geography: Paper 3
3 and 4 Revision session	Spanish revision session MFL	History revision session full cohort in the hall		Geography drop-in revision Gg1	Physics revision session (SC1)
PM Exam Students meet on the MUGA at 13:20	Spanish: Paper 4 - writing	History			Physics paper 2

WEEK 6	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
STUDY LEAVE	17/06/24	18/06/24	19/06/24	21/06/24	22/06/24
Open before school		Meet in hall at 08:25	Meet in Hall at 08:25		
AM Exam (Main Hall at 8:25)	DT revision drop in (DT4) 9 – 11)	DT: Paper 1	Food Preparation and Nutrition		
3 and 4 Revision session	Music revision session (MU1)	Food Drop in (DT4)			
PM Exam MUGA at 13:20)	Music: Paper 1				

Year 8 Athletics

More good news from our talented students and on this occasion it was our Year 8s who competed in the city wide Super 6s athletics competition at the Withdean Stadium on Tuesday 21st May. On a wet and slippery Withdean surface, our students performed exceptionally in their running spikes.

Performances to note were:

Elliott M - 3rd Boys 800m

Sherlock R - 1st Boys 100m, 2nd Boys Long Jump

Arthur R - 3rd Boys 200m, 1st Boys Javelin

Ollie S - 2nd Boys Javelin

Iris H - 2nd Girls 800m, 3rd Girls Long Jump

Izzy L - 2nd Girls Long Jump

Neve T - 2nd Girls Javelin

Boys 4x100 relay - 2nd

Mixed 4x100m relay - 1st

Some brilliant results here against some really tough competition. It was great to see our students encourage and celebrate each others successes and represent King's with class! King's came in 2nd place overall which is a brilliant result! Well done to all involved.



Attendance

Congratulations to Year 11 who have shown fantastic attendance and punctuality for their GCSE exams – well done!

Year 9: Tetanus / Diphtheria / Polio and Meningitis ACWY vaccinations

The Immunisation Team will be coming into school on **Tuesday 25th June** to administer the Tetanus / Diphtheria / Polio and Meningitis ACWY vaccinations (previously known as the Teenage Booster vaccination) to students in Year 9. Parents and carers of Year 9 students will have received a reminder email regarding this, together with information from the Immunisation Service with details of how give consent for these vaccinations.

The online consent form must be completed by 11am on Thursday 20th June, in order for students to be included in the vaccination session at school on 25th June.

If your child is in Year 9 and you have not received any information regarding this, please email admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk

Please note that vaccinations will not be given without parental consent.

Reporting absence due to illness

Our preferred way of reporting illness absence is via Studybugs. This is a very quick reporting system for parents, and also immediately feeds the information into our registers. Parents can register for Studybugs by going to www.studybugs.com. You can either use Studybugs online via your web browser, or by downloading the free Studybugs app.





KINGS SCHOOL UNIFORM DAY

Saturday 29th June
10am – 4pm

10% DISCOUNT IN STORE

Appointments will be available in 30 minute intervals.

To book an appointment, please call our office or email us on the details below.

If you don't book an appointment but are still attending, please bear in mind there may be a delay.

sales@logosports.co.uk

01273 321209

Unit 1, Industrial House, Conway Street
Hove, BN3 3LW

Safeguarding

Safety and Wellbeing: Many of us will be looking forward to the half-term break and having the chance to switch off and relax. However, for some pupils who rely on support in school, either from staff or friends, the break can be unsettling and have an impact on mental health. Ahead of the holiday I wanted to make sure that all parents, carers and pupils have key information regarding local services should they need them.

If your child is experiencing is experiencing poor mental health or has reached a crisis point, you can use the contacts below to seek immediate support:

[Child and adolescent mental health \(CAMHS\) :: Sussex Partnership NHS Foundation Trust \(sussexcamhs.nhs.uk\)](https://www.sussexpartnership.nhs.uk/camhs)

Between the hours of 9am-5pm Monday to Friday you can contact the CAMHS Duty Clinician on 0300 304 0061.

Out of these hours, in a crisis, contact the Sussex Mental Healthline on 0300 500 0101.

If it's an emergency, go to A&E or if unable to call 999 for emergency medical attention.

You will also find a list of services who can support you with the following issues:

Eating issues or disorders: Always see your GP first. You can also seek advice from <https://www.sussexpartnership.nhs.uk/eatingdisorder>

Self-harm: Always seek advice from your GP first. You can also find out more here: <https://www.nhs.uk/mental-health/feelings-symptoms-behaviours/behaviours/self-harm/getting-help/>

You can access the family service directory here: [Family Service Directory | Useful Information \(familyinfobrighton.org.uk\)](https://www.familyinfobrighton.org.uk)



Departmental Competitions



King's School Hove



Departmental competitions in May are:

Drama – KS3 & KS4 Monologue Competition

History – Y8 Trench Competition

Science – Y9 & 10 Biology Challenge

Speak to your subject teacher about how to enter!

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



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Sixth Form Taster Morning

Friday 5th July



King's School Hove, Hangleton Way, BN3 8BN

- A great opportunity to see the wonderful facilities and outstanding teaching
- A snack will be provided at break time
- Non-school uniform

Opportunities at King's Sixth Form

- Trips & Retreats
- Leadership Opportunities
- Team Building
- Links with Oxbridge
- Barista Training
- Links with Brighton & Sussex Medical School



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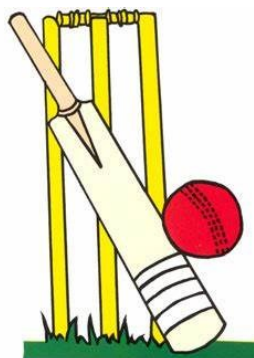
Sussex Cricket

The new cricket season is well underway, and it has been a good start to the season for Sussex, who currently sit top of Division 2 in the Vitality County Championship!

Sussex Sharks begin their Vitality Blast T20 campaign on **Friday 31st May**, where we will host the Gloucestershire Gladiators at the 1st Central County Ground from 7pm.

We are delighted to be able to offer all of our school network a special ticket offer for this game, where you can claim **20% discount** off individual tickets. This is open to students, families, staff, friends and/or anyone else connected to you and your school who would be up for a night at the Cricket! To purchase a ticket please visit our website - <https://sussexcricket.co.uk/> and enter the following code at the checkout:

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Opportunities at King's Sixth Form



Links with Oxbridge and Brighton and Sussex Medical School



Barista Training



Leadership Opportunities

Trips and Retreat days



Team Building



Parents' Prayer Group

A group of parents, led by Mrs Suzanne Smith, meets on the school site to pray at 9:30am on the first and third Friday of the month. Generally, the group uses a small room in school for this purpose or if attendees are all able bodied and without buggies they sometimes walk the perimeter of the school site for gently active prayer. All parents and carers are very welcome to join this group to pray for the school - no booking or advance notice of your intention to attend is required. The group will next meet on Friday 7th June.

Mrs Smith runs a WhatsApp group for parents/carers interested in praying for the school. No individual students or staff members are mentioned in the group, and only admins can post, but parents/carers can submit requests for prayer, or requests to join the WhatsApp group to Mrs Smith via Suzisworld@icloud.com

We are grateful to Mrs Smith for the time and energy she invests in supporting parents/carers to pray for the school.

Cultural Diversity Week

Two of our Sixth Form students, Miriyam M and Jasmine G, are taking the lead in organising a 'Cultural Diversity Week' for the school which will take place in the week commencing Monday 17th June. At King's we are proud to be a diverse community and we look forward to this opportunity to celebrate the cultural diversity that exists here. Events which are planned for the week are:

A student led filmed assembly on the cultural diversity which exists within the school.

A bake sale at lunchtime, featuring baked goods from different cultures, to benefit Compassion UK.

A cultural dress day - certain students and staff will be invited to wear cultural dress for the day; the clothes worn will then be displayed in the following days for students and staff to view.

Cookery class for Year 12 students featuring cuisines from around the world.

Tutor activities to further educate students on the diversity that exists within our school.

Thank you to Miriyam and Jasmine for their ongoing hard work to prepare for the week!

Brighton & Hove HAF—Thirdspace Theatre Holiday Clubs



Brighton & Hove HAF

Summer HAF activities will appear during half-term break (week commencing 27th May), when you can start to register interest. Those who register interest will be sent a reminder to complete their booking request on the day of launch. If your child has additional needs, you can also use this time to message the provider to explore reasonable adjustments that are required to meet individual needs. All bookings will go live the week commencing 3rd June. Eligible participants are permitted to book up to 16 HAF sessions over Summer HAF 2024, with one session available per day. What is the Holiday Activities and Food programme? HAF provides free activities during the school Easter, summer, and winter holidays, for school aged children in Reception to year 11 who receive benefits-related free school meals. Email haf@brighton-hove.gov.uk to request to be added to the distribution list to receive all updates directly. Thank you to the Department for Education for funding this programme.

29th July – 1st August at Brighton Youth Centre

27th August – 30th August at Hanover Community Centre

ThirdSpace Theatre are hosting two drama holiday clubs this summer with separate age groups bookable for those aged 7-11 and 12-16 years. Sign up now for three days of theatrical adventure with this award-winning theatre company.

No previous experience needed. The emphasis is very much on having fun! A deliciously healthy hot lunch is included every day.

BACA College Year 10 Taster Day

We are excited to invite your Year 10 students to our [BACA College Taster Day on Friday 12 July 2024](#). This event will provide a fantastic opportunity for students to explore courses from our diverse offering, including a wide range of A Levels, Level 3, and Vocational courses such as Psychology, Business, Digital Media, Sport, Childcare, and Construction.

BACA College also boasts specialist academies in Cricket, Football, and Construction. We are proud to be one of the top state schools in the country for Cricket. Additionally, our recent exam results show that students at BACA College achieve on average at least one third of a grade higher in A Levels and at least one and a half grades higher in Level 3 courses compared to other colleges, according to our Value Added data.

The day will feature interactive sessions, meet-and-greets with staff, and insights into college life. We believe this experience will be invaluable for students as they start considering their post-16 options. BACA College is easily accessible via bus, train, or car, ensuring convenient travel for all attendees.

For more information and to sign up, [please visit our Taster Day webpage](#).

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FRIDAY 12 JULY

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