



Headteacher's Update

No 264 20th September 2024



**Theme of the week:
courageous advocacy for
ourselves**

Dates for your Diary

Week Commencing Monday 23rd September	Timetable week Two
Thursday 26th September 5.00pm—8.00pm	Open Evening
Monday 30th September —Friday 4th October	Year 6 Open Mornings
Monday 7th October	Flu vaccination

Dear Parents/Carers,

We are well into this autumn term now and school is a very busy place with open events starting to run and students settling into their learning.

We are very pleased with the start that students have made this academic year. Attendance has been good, students' attitudes to learning have been positive, and we are seeing plenty of safe and respectful behaviour around site. Thank you for your continuing support with our high expectations of our students.

It is always a pleasure to introduce prospective parents/carers and students to King's at this time of year. Our staff and students market the school so well that there is really very little for me to do! Thank you for allowing your children to participate in open events and to act as ambassadors for the school. It is so positive for their self-confidence, and for developing their oracy and ability to interact with people from all walks of life.

Year 11 students will be thinking about their next steps this term. We warmly encourage them to seriously consider King's Sixth Form for their post-16 education. We have a fantastic curriculum offer here with exceptionally high quality teaching and some lovely new facilities. Our Sixth Form Open Evening will take place on 12th November and students are welcome to talk to school staff at any time about the offer we have here and their suitability for various courses.

I wish you all a pleasant weekend.

Mrs Price

Student of the Week

Year 7	Max K-F for making an excellent start to life at King's.
Year 8	Natalia W for showing kindness to other students.
Year 9	Sherlock R for making a great start to the year across subjects.
Year 10	Josiah W for great effort in RP.
Year 11	Tiffany H for showing mature and strong leadership and starting the term really well.

Theme of the Week

This week we began to unpack the concept of advocacy with a specific focus on how to advocate for ourselves. We discussed advocacy in recent news, spotlighting Abraham Ghebre-Ghiorghis, a former refugee from Eritrea who retired after 37 years of public service at Brighton and Hove City Council. Our Biblical focus was on David who righteously stood up for himself against Goliath.



Attendance

"Year 7 have made a fantastic start to their first year at King's with attendance so far of over 97%. Well done Year 7 - keep it up!!"

Open Events

Please find below some information on Open Events running this term. Please do share this information with anyone who is interested in coming to see what we offer at King's.

Open Evening - Thursday 26 September, 5-8pm. This is not a bookable event, please attend which ever session works best for you and your family. This event will include an opportunity to tour the school and attend a talk with Headteacher Sarah Price. The Headteacher's talks will start promptly at 5.30pm, 6.15pm and 7.00pm. If you plan to attend the Headteacher's talk at 7.00pm we would advise that you arrive at 6:15pm to tour the school beforehand as the school will begin to close shortly after the 7.00pm Headteacher's talk.

Open Mornings - Monday 30 September, Tuesday 1 October, Wednesday 2 October, Thursday 3 October and Friday 4 October. Sessions run at 9am and 11am on each date (please note that the 9am session on Friday October is only for the families of students with an existing EHCP; priority for the 11am session on Friday 4 October will be given to families of children currently attending Aldrington School). These events will include an opportunity for a student led tour of the school on a normal working day and to attend a talk with Headteacher Mrs Sarah Price. Booking is essential and places can be booked via our website here: [King's School \(kingschoolhove.org.uk\)](http://King's School (kingschoolhove.org.uk))

Year 7 Settling Session

Thank you to all the parents and carers who came to school on Tuesday for our Year 7 Settling in Evening. There was a great atmosphere at school, and we hope everyone found this a valuable opportunity to meet with each other, to see the school, and to get to know their child's tutor. If you have any queries or were unable to attend the evening and want to find out more, please do get in touch with either your child's tutor or Mr Walker as Head of Year 7.



The Wellbeing Hub

We are delighted to be able to write to you with details of **The Wellbeing Hub**. This is a fabulous resource that can now be accessed for free by all of our students, staff and parents. We are hugely grateful to Roedean School who have gifted us a membership so our whole school community can benefit from it.

You can sign up for a login by scanning the QR code below. Parents can access a wide range of live and recorded talks, a vast resource bank and up-to-date research on supporting the wellbeing of your child. We will be sharing details of the forthcoming talks and presentations in our school newsletter each week. I hope you find the materials useful and it would be great to get your feedback on the content in the coming weeks.



[Link to login](#)
[Teen Tips](#)

Road Safety

During the week commencing 30th September we will be speaking to all our students in assemblies on road safety. This is an issue that continues to concern us given the volume of traffic, bus stops, parking issues, drop-offs and layout of Hangleton Way. This week Mrs Price has again written to Brighton and Hove Council to urge them to take action, particularly in relation to having an effective crossing point.

As parents and carers, you can support us by ensuring that you do not park or drop off on the yellow zig zag lines. We have also placed signs on the pavement at the start and end of the day to discourage this. Please speak to your child about crossing the road safely, either by crossing with a member of duty staff at 3pm or walking down to the Primary School crossing point, denoted by a red painted square on the road.

ParentPay Reminder

We kindly remind you to check and top up your child's school meals account to ensure they have sufficient funds for their meals.

Please log in to the payment portal to check the balance and make any necessary payments at your earliest convenience.

[ParentPay - Leading Cashless Payment System for Schools](#)



Flu Vaccination



The Immunisation Team will be coming into school on **Monday 7th October** to administer the Flu vaccination (nasal spray) to students in Years 7 to 11. Parents and carers of students in years 7 to 11 will have recently received communication regarding this, together with information from the Immunisation Service with details of how to give or refuse consent for this vaccination.

If you did not receive this information, please email the school office via admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk to request the information to be re-sent to you.

The online consent form must be completed by 11am on **Wednesday 2nd October**, in order for a student to be included in the vaccination session at school on Monday 7th October.

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

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 \(padlet.com\)](#)

FLOURISH MENTORS

Making sure no young woman is invisible

This week we have Flourish come in to the Sixth Form to run a workshop after school on confidence and self care for our female students.

They were given the opportunity to learn practical self-care techniques. Thank you to the great volunteers who gave up their time for our students.



Parents and Carers

As part of our Careers provision this year we are looking for of parents and carers from a variety of careers to come and talk to our Year 10 students. If you would be willing to come and talk for up to 15 minutes during an assembly slot about your career then we would love to hear from you.

Please email Mrs Coles if you are able to help with this.

a.coles@kingsschoolhove.org.uk

Year 11 – Dates for your diaries to explore Post 16 Options across Brighton



King's School Hove Open Evening

Sixth Form

12th November
6 - 7.30pm

Find out more about the range of courses available
Speak to our skilled and dedicated subject staff
See our great facilities

All parents and students welcome from schools across the area
Refreshments will be available

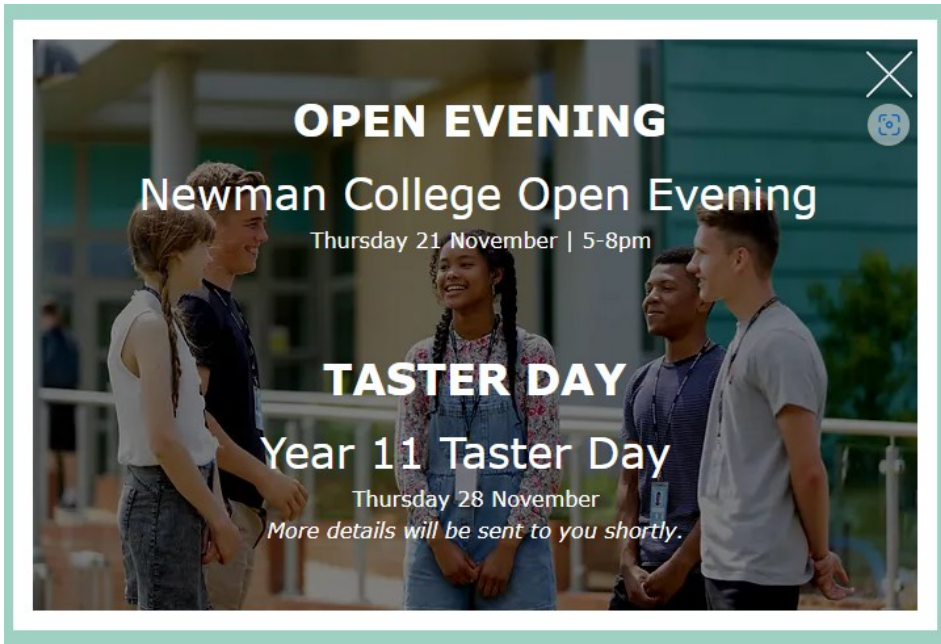
Please visit our website to register your interest



SCAN ME

If you are unable to attend our Open Evening but would like to arrange a tour at another time, please email sixthform@kingschoolhove.org.uk

To apply, please visit www.kingschoolhove.org.uk/event-6th



Welcome to BHASVIC

BHASVIC- Wednesday 13th & Thursday 14th November, 4pm - 8pm 2024

Join us for our Sixth Form Open Evening at Shoreham Academy - Thursday 7th November 2024 - 6pm - 8pm

SHOREHAM ACADEMY SIXTH FORM
"Start here...Go anywhere"

Volunteering
Student Leadership
UNIVERSITY EXPERIENCES
Oxbridge Programme
Medical Mentoring
Humanities Society
Social Opportunities
Silent Study Room
Academic Enrichment
EPQ **unifrog**
Dedicated UCAS co-ordinator
UCAS
Personal Statement Writing Support
Apprenticeships Support
Your Journey, *is* Our Journey

EXPEDITION
JULY 2022
SAFARI TRIP

ADVENTURE
ZAMBIA & BOTSWANA
INTERNATIONAL EXPEDITIONS

PROFESSIONAL PERFORMANCE ACADEMIES
3rd Year
Dance Company
Gymnastics Academy
Football Academy

Excellent Pastoral Support
Personal Monitoring using VESPA system
Employability Skills & Latest Careers Advice & LABOUR MARKET INFORMATION
EXPERIENCES OF THE WORKPLACE
Any time 9am-1pm
YOUR CAREERS ADVISOR IS MISS SILVERMAN

If you would like a tour of the Academy and sixth form, we can arrange this with you. The tours will take place after Shoreham students have departed the academy for the day.

Please contact sixth.form@shoreham-academy.org

Many thanks

Jim Coupe, Kieran Felton & Susie Brooks

Shoreham Academy Sixth Form Leadership

[Home | Shoreham Academy \(shoreham-](#)

Vardean College - <https://vardean.ac.uk/>

Open Day

Saturday 28 September 2024, 11am - 2pm

BACA

[Brighton Aldridge Community Academy - BACA College Open Evening \(baca-uk.org.uk\)](http://baca-uk.org.uk)

BACA College Open Evening 2024

We are delighted to invite all Year 11 students and their families to our BACA College Open Evening on **Thursday, 17 October 2024, from 6-8 pm**. This is a fantastic opportunity to:

- Meet our dedicated teachers
- Tour our state-of-the-art facilities
- Discover the incredible opportunities available for Sixth Form students

Plumpton College 25 September 2024 17:00 - 19:30

<https://www.plumpton.ac.uk/>

SupaJam

[Open Evenings | SupaJam Education | Swanley, Canterbury and Brighton \(semmuk.com\)](#)



SupaJam Brighton
Open Evening

Wed, 09 Oct | SupaJam Brighton

Dv8 Sussex Open Days.

Year 11 - Interested in Games, Media or Music?

The Dv8 Sussex Open Days will take place at the following times:

Wednesday 9th October 5pm - 7pm

Saturday 12th October 10am - 12am

<https://www.dv8sussex.com/year-11-open-events-24-25/>

In-house Open Day - AM

Saturday 28th September
10am - 12pm
BN1 Studios, Vantage Point

BN1

[About BN1 Arts | BN1 Arts](#)

Lots more links here for SEND students [Learning providers for young people post 16 \(brighton-hove.gov.uk\)](#)



OLIVER!

We have had a busy week with 83 students passing through auditions for Oliver! 2025. The standard, as always, has been really high and making decisions will be a challenge. Lots of students have asked about when the cast list will go up. Call backs are on Monday 23rd so the list should go up outside DS1 and Music by the end of next week.

Rehearsals will begin at the start of the week commencing 30th September and letters will be sent to parents of all students involved with a timeline, rehearsal schedule and details.

Many students have now applied to help with tech and backstage. I will endeavour to involve as many students as is practically possible and further details will be sent out to students via tutor groups - listen out for messages in tutor times.



KS3 Drama lessons

This term we will focus on the following key terms and vocabulary in Drama.

Do encourage your child to discuss with you what they have been doing in their drama lessons and to use these words to describe their drama experience.

Year 7 Serious fun

- Freeze frame / still image
- Verbal communication
- Non-verbal communication
- Vocal
- Projection

Year 8 Comedy and Commedia

- Stock characters
- Exaggeration
- Commedia dell'arte
- Physicality

Year 9 Lizzie Borden

- Devising
- Technique

Calling all parental musicians!

I am on the look out for any parents who would be willing to play in the Stage Band for our next whole school production - Oliver! I am looking for anyone who plays Flute, Clarinet, French Horn, Trumpet, Violin and Cello. The music is roughly grade 5 standard, and I can get parts to you for practising.

The show will be on Tuesday 11th-Thursday 13th February with a Saturday rehearsal preceding that on the 8th Feb. Rehearsals will be in school, with students, on Thursday afternoons 3.15-4.15pm but other rehearsals can be arranged if necessary.

Please do email me directly if you feel you can help: j.brennan@kingschoolhove.org.uk

Many thanks!



Exploring a career in Prosthetics and Orthotics

>>> Are you **aged 14+** and considering a career in healthcare?
 >>> Are you interested in **design, engineering, science and technology**?
 >>> Would you like to find out more about **Prosthetics and Orthotics**?

Join us to learn more about the different roles and ways to get into the Prosthetic and Orthotic profession (including apprenticeships)

Norfolk & Waveney AHP Faculty

Online via Microsoft Teams
 Tuesday October 15th 2024
 5pm - 6pm

Scan the QR to register your interest

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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PLAYER PERFORMANCE TRIAL

Football Development Pathway for Boys. Our Player Performance Centre Trials provide players the opportunity to showcase their skills and talent with the hope of being successful and invited into our Chelsea FC Player Development Programme on a permanent basis. To confirm attendance please scan the QR code and book on!

Area	Venue	Activity Date
Sussex Lancing	Sir Robert Woodard Academy, BN15 9QZ	Wednesday 25th September
Timings	Ages	Players
Start - 18.45 Finish - 20.00	U12 / U13/ U14 School Year 7 - 9	Boys Trial



Be sure to share our Discover! Creative Careers Webinar offering you the chance to explore all the exciting opportunities available this year. This is for parents and students.

Tuesday 1st October | 6:30pm - 7:30pm | Virtual Open Evening