



Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope that this newsletter finds you well. Thank you to the many of you who sent in messages of condolence in response to my email last week regarding the death of a Year 7 student at King's. It was another reminder of the kindness of our school community and every message was very much appreciated. We are collating the messages of support into a book for the student's family, along with messages from staff and Year 7 students.

Theme of the week:
Big Questions
What happens to people
after they die?

As ever the weeks have flown by this term and there is now only one week remaining until half term. Next Friday is a normal school day and students will be dismissed at their usual time, either 2:55pm for KS3 or 3:00pm for KS4 and KS5 students.

Dates for your Diary

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| Week Commencing Monday 10th February | Timetable week One |
| 11th, 12th and 13th February | Oliver! School Production |
| Monday 24th Feb- ruary—Tuesday 4th March | Year 11 and Year 13 Mocks |
| Monday 17th - Friday 21st February | Half term |

Our production of Oliver! runs on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings next week, starting at 7pm. There are only a few tickets remaining now so act quickly to secure yours if you intend to join us for a performance but haven't booked yet. There is a palpable buzz around the school and we are looking forward to seeing the fruits of the hard work of our wonderfully talented students and their committed teachers.

The temperature is set to drop again this weekend and cold weather is expected. Our fantastic site team will ensure that the site is gritted as required and safe for students next week.

I wish you all relaxing weekends.

Mrs Price

Student of the Week

- Year 7** Miya B for her excellent performance representing the school in trampolining, but mostly for being kind to others in her form.
- Year 8** Ezra A-J For being a caring friend.
- Year 9** Aiden J for his outstanding contributions to Mr. Pearce's science lesson, sharing his knowledge around components of blood.
- Year 10** Leni R for great work in Science



Theme of the Week: What happens to people after they die?

This week, we tackled the big question: What happens to people after they dies? No one of course really knows the answer, but we used it as a springboard for more discussion, getting students to share their thoughts and think about how it shapes the way they live. We also looked at how different religions and faiths approach it, giving a broader perspective on the topic.



Parent Prayer Group

The Parent Prayer group meets to pray together for King's School, and is open to all parents who want to engage in Christian prayer together. We meet in Meeting Room 1 (opposite the school office) on some Thursday mornings from 9.15am-10.00am.

Upcoming dates for this term are: 27th February, 13th March, and 27th March.

We also have a what's app group if you'd like to receive prayer points and updates. Contact Amanda.roberts81@hotmail.co.uk

OLIVER! Tuesday 11th—Thursday 13th February

We are nearing the show dates now and there is a real buzz of excitement from all involved. Nearly 100 students are involved, backstage, onstage and in the orchestra.

The last remaining tickets are on sale, with Thursday night's performance already sold out. Please see ParentPay for details.

The performances commence at 7pm and the estimated end time is 9.30pm.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL CAST, CREW AND BAND of OLIVER

Saturday 8th February 2025 Rehearsal

On Saturday 8th February we have a crucial all-day rehearsal onsite from 10am-4pm. Please send your child in with a water bottle and a packed lunch plus snacks (no nuts or sesame, please) as they will NOT be allowed off site during the course of the day. Students will be expected to remain in the canteen or courtyard during free-time; this is to ensure they are supervised. **If they are arriving late or leaving early, please can you email c.grosvenor@kingsschoolhove.org.uk so we are aware.**

Monday 10th February 2025

We will be running an all day, in school rehearsal on Monday 10th February from 8.30am to 5pm. **This is a slight change to the previous end time.** Please make sure they have sufficient food as this will be a long day. They do not have to wear uniform in school that day, but must be dressed in appropriate attire (no overly revealing or short clothing, no offensive slogans/images). Students arriving in inappropriate clothing will be sent home to change.

Tuesday 11th February 2025

We will be running a second all day, in school rehearsal on Tuesday 11th February from 8.30am to 3pm. Students do not have to wear uniform in school that day, but must be dressed in appropriate attire (no overly revealing or short clothing, no offensive slogans/images). Students arriving in inappropriate clothing will be sent home to change.

Performance Days – Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th February 2025

Students should be in normal school uniform on these days for the school day. On the days of the performances I would request that you make arrangements for your child to be offsite from 3:00pm until the arrival time of 5.30pm. We would ask that you try to find some way they can be accommodated at this time, perhaps with a friend who lives near the school if getting home and back is an issue. This is to allow staff a break after their teaching days. I anticipate the performances will be over by 9.45pm and your child will be free to go but must sign out with a member of staff before leaving.

Late start mornings

On Wednesday 12th, Thursday 13th and Friday 14th February students will be allowed to come in a little later should this be helpful. Students can either arrive for an 8.30am start, as per the normal school day, or arrive on site at 8:55am, ready to join lessons in school uniform at 9:00am.

LGBT+ History Month

LGBT+ History Month takes place nationally in February every year. It was founded 20 years ago, when Section 28 was repealed, by an education charity called 'Schools Out', to help increase the visibility of LGBT+ history and to support schools to provide environments in which every LGBT+ person can feel safe and seen and flourish. At King's we think it's important to mark LGBT+ history Month every year, to ensure that students are educated on LGBT+ history and to ensure that this continues to be a school in which all students, of whatever sexual orientation, are welcomed, respected, loved, and can flourish. Mrs Price led assemblies this week for LGBT+ History Month for Years 7, 8, 11 and the Sixth Form. Assemblies for Years 9 and 10 will follow next week. The assembly covered the background to LGBT+ History Month and Section 28. It also looked at the theme for the month this year, which is 'Activism and Social Change' and highlighted several LGBT+ activists including the founder of the National Trust, Octavia Hill. The assembly also looked briefly at the current position of rights for LGBT+ people across the world, and the number of countries in which it is still illegal to be homosexual. Mrs Price spoke to students about Bishop Mariann Budde's call for mercy and compassion during the National Prayer Service for the inauguration of President Trump as an example of peaceful and powerful Christian activism. Students will be reflecting on LGBT+ History Month in a tutor session next week and in a further tutor session after half term as the month of February continues.



Year 9 Football

On Tuesday night our Year 9 boys did us proud, as they came up against a Patcham team that brought with them some 'lively' supporters. King's were dominant from the first whistle, controlling large percentages of the game, running out 7-0 winners. Some solid performances from Ollie S (3 goals, 1 assists), Milo L (1 goal, 1assist), Oscar E (1 goal, 3 assists), Gabriel O (1 goal, 1 assist) and Sherlock R (1 goal, 1 assist).

Well done boys!



Girls' Football Update

No matches this week, however after the Y8/9 quarter-final cup win last week we have been awaiting news of our opponents for the Semi-final. Last night Blatch played PACA in their quarter-final, with Blatch coming out 8-2 winners and therefore progressing through to meet us in the next round. The match has to be played by March 24th, I have already been in contact with Blatch to get the fixture booked in. The girls recognise that this will be a tough match but are keen to take on the challenge and be gracious either way.

Upcoming fixtures

We also have 2 fixtures booked in against Brighton Girls' School:

The Yr8/9 team will play Brighton Girls' School at King's on 25th February.

The Y7 team will play Brighton Girls' School away on 17th March.



League Standings

Y8/9 have already won their league but a win for this match will see them undefeated in the league this season.

| | GP | W | D | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS |
|----------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|----|-----|
| Kings | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 2 | 4 | 9 |
| PCS | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 13 | 7 | 6 | 6 |
| D Stringer | 4 | 2 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 6 |
| PACA | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 9 | -6 | 3 |
| Brighton Girls | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 9 | -8 | 0 |

The Y7 match is a top of the table clash, a draw for King's will be enough to win the league, but a loss would mean that Brighton Girls' take the league. So, all to play for in this match.

| | GP | W | D | L | GF | GA | GD | PTS |
|----------------|----|---|---|---|----|----|-----|-----|
| Kings | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 17 | 2 | 15 | 9 |
| Brighton Girls | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 5 | 0 | 5 | 7 |
| PCS | 3 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 8 | 10 | -2 | 4 |
| Hove Park | 3 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 8 | -4 | 3 |
| Longhill | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 16 | -14 | 0 |

Year 8 Netball

Our wonderful Year 8 netball squad competed in the annual city wide netball tournament.

This year it was hosted at Patcham High School and the squad came up against Hove Park, Dorothy Stringer and Patcham in their pool. Although the girls didn't get through to the semi-finals, they played some fantastic netball. Player of the tournament was given to Millie M.

Well done to everyone who competed last Tuesday: Eleanor C, Amy W, Nathania G, Millie M, Libby S, Bethany C, Ella G, Erin B-W & Emma C



Climbing Competition

We recently had 18 students participate in an interschools climbing competition, with the top 8 students scores contributing toward our team score.

King's School came first out of 18 schools and will be participating in the finals in a few weeks' time. Congratulations should go to Rafferty H, Jonah M and Sam V who will all be representing King's in the final. Raff came 4th overall and Jonah and Sam came joint 2nd. Well done everyone!

Roedean Academy Week Two

Our Year 10 students attended Week 2 of the Roedean Academy on Tuesday and took part in some fantastic workshops. Katli and Madi braved the Hip Hop Street Dance Experience while Nat, Flo, Amelia, Luka, Bonnie and Theo opted for a more sedate Introduction to Screen Printing. Bonnie B studied Innate Animal Behaviour and Dan and Matilda explored the Psychology of Social Change. In Session 2 students were able to consider the reasons behind the return of Donald Trump, the importance of bees, how to win arguments and one ambitious sounding workshop entitled Life, the Universe and Everything! I was delighted with how our students engaged in the sessions, especially Flo who demonstrated superb knowledge of US politics. Thank you also to Mr Bellve for joining us at the academy this week.

Mr Chamberlain



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 **WEBINAR**



Coming up this week

Wednesday 12th February

WEBINAR: Healthy masculinity and relationships with Fredi Beard, Director of Operations at Voicebox, an organisation tackling unhealthy masculinity

Sign up now club.teentips.co.uk

[CLICK HERE](#)



The Complete Destinations Platform

In keeping with our commitment to provide students with outstanding careers guidance and tailored support when choosing their next steps after school / college, we use Unifrog: an award-winning, online destinations platform. All students in Years 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13 now have access to this website.

Unifrog is designed to support learners in making informed decisions about their futures, and it has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups. Each student has their own account, where they can explore career options, plan next steps, and find information on everything from building skills to writing a CV. Students have access to a wide range of video and written content, and interactive quizzes and tests, including:

Students access the platform by clicking a link in their welcome email in their school account. They can then create a password and begin using the platform. They sign in to Unifrog using their email address and password, and they can do this from any computer, tablet, or smartphone. We encourage you to use the platform with your child, so you can support them through the process of deciding their next step.

| Section of the platform | Examples of what students can do | Suitable age range |
|-------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Quizzes | Finding their interests, personality type, preferred work environment, and skillset. | Years 7-13 |
| Exploring | Explore careers, career sectors, subjects, sign up to free webinars, explore courses, and find wider reading materials. | Years 7-13 |
| Recording | Record their in-class and extracurricular activities, record examples of their skills, and see the record of careers-related events the school has added to their accounts. | Years 7-13 |
| Searching | Find scholarships, activities, and bursaries to support their HE journey. Find and compare degrees in the UK and overseas, live apprenticeships, and FE courses. | Years 10-13 |
| Materials | Write their CV, cover letter, UK personal statement, and more. | Years 11-13 |
| Applications | Track their applications, record their Post 16/18 intentions, and sign up to Talent pool to receive bespoke opportunities from universities and employers. | Years 11-13 |

You can also have your own Unifrog account. You'll be able to:

- research careers,
- compare pathways,
- and attend webinars delivered by Unifrog, employers, and universities to learn more about the opportunities available to your child.

The sign-up code you need is: **KSHOp**arents and you can sign up here: www.unifrog.org/code. You can also sign up to Unifrog's parent / caregiver newsletter when you first sign in to get expert advice and guidance on supporting your child with their next steps.

For more information, go to www.unifrog.org



March Monthly Lecture Series

Our Monthly Lecture Series continues in March with another fascinating talk, this time from Dr Emma Taylor-Gallardo.

Ever wondered what doctors get up to out-of-hours and what an on-call shift looks like? Dr Taylor-Gallardo shares her experiences of medical school, qualifying as a doctor in the NHS and what a surgical on-call looks like.

Join her for an interactive lecture simulating an on-call shift and the opportunity to explore what life as a resident doctor is really like. [Book Here.](#)

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Peterhouse Modern and Medieval Languages Webinar 2025

Do you have students interested in studying languages at university?

They can join an online webinar to find out about the Modern & Medieval Languages (MML) course at Cambridge, as well as related courses such as History & Modern Languages (HML), and Asian & Middle Eastern Studies (AMES).

The webinar will include contributions from Peterhouse Academics and current students, who will discuss their experiences and how to make a competitive application to these courses.

The webinar will take place on Tuesday 11th March at 18:30 pm via Zoom and is free to attend.

For more information, and the link to sign up, please see this webpage: <https://www.pet.cam.ac.uk/peterhouse-modern-and-medieval-languages-webinar-2025>

Fitzwilliam College Competitions

This year Fitzwilliam College will be running essay competitions in Ancient World and Classics, Archaeology, Economics, Land Economy, Medieval World and Slavonic Studies.

In addition to the Essay Competitions, there will be an Architectural Design Competition and, new for 2025, the launch of French and German translation competitions. Please read the competition rules and submission guidelines carefully before entering a competition.

More information about the competitions, eligibility criteria, and competition rules, can be found on the webpage

<https://www.fitz.cam.ac.uk/event/fitzwilliam-college-competitions>

Fitzforward

FitzForward is a programme for students from under-represented ethnic groups who are in Year 11 and who are beginning to think about Higher Education. The programme consists of two online sessions (17th and 20th February) which will run from 14:00-15:00 and an in person visit day in the summer (date to be confirmed).

For more information, and the link to sign up, please visit the webpage: <https://www.fitz.cam.ac.uk/event/fitzforward>

Magdalene College Subject Taster Webinars

Magdalene College are hosting online Subject Taster webinars throughout January-March. These sessions will be led by Magdalene College Fellows, covering a variety of subjects offered by the University of Cambridge, including Medicine, Mathematics, Geography and more!

For more information and the link to sign up, please see the webpage here: [Magdalene College Subject Taster Webinars | Undergraduate Study](#)

Schools Mental Health Service



Is your child struggling to go to school?

Do you need support with your child or want to meet others in the same situation?

The next informal drop-ins for parents of children struggling to attend school will be held at Alcampo Bar, 84-86 London Road BN1 4JF.

Dates are:

Weds 26 February — Secondary age

Weds 12 March — Primary age

Weds 19th March — Secondary age

The sessions run between 10am and 11.30am.



We also have 2 online sessions on 5th March and Wednesday 23 April from 7 – 8.30pm.

Email jo.roeg@brighton-hove.gov.uk to register

Find out more

Please contact Sharyn or Jo who run the group and are Family Support Workers with the Schools Mental Health Service: Sharyn.brazier@brighton-hove.gov.uk OR jo.roeg@brighton-hove.gov.uk

Schools Mental Health Service



Webinars from SMHS

Webinars now available to watch any time

Our EMHPs (Education Mental Health Practitioners) have recorded webinars on some of the most common concerns they see. These are available to watch at any time:

[Let's talk about Low Mood](https://tinyurl.com/ytb3t53j) <https://tinyurl.com/ytb3t53j>

[Supporting your Child with Sleep Difficulties](https://tinyurl.com/z7ncutef) <https://tinyurl.com/z7ncutef>

[Helping your child to cope with their fears and worries](https://tinyurl.com/4b23uv4a) <https://tinyurl.com/4b23uv4a>

[Supporting your Child in the Transition to Year 7](https://tinyurl.com/ycxa9yht) <https://tinyurl.com/ycxa9yht>

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London Philharmonic Orchestra



LPO Junior Artists:

Overture Day

Bohunt School, Worthing

Thursday 17 April 2025



London Philharmonic Orchestra



Calling all young orchestral musicians!
If you're aged 10-15 and Grade 3+ on your orchestral instrument, come and join us at our free LPO Junior Artists: Overture day at Bohunt School, Worthing on Thursday 17 April.

LPO Junior Artists: Overture days are fun orchestral skills days, where participants play alongside LPO musicians, get tips on musicianship, and find out what happens behind the scenes of a professional orchestra.

In this Overture day we will play music that will take us to magical, mythical lands, including extracts from Tchaikovsky's *The Nutcracker*, Grieg's *In the Hall of the Mountain King*, and music from Dreamworks Animation's *How to Train Your Dragon*.

This LPO Junior Artists: Overture day is delivered in partnership with West Sussex Music.

Applications are open to all but priority is given to young musicians whose backgrounds are currently underrepresented in professional UK orchestras, who may be eligible for the main LPO Junior Artists programme in the future.

LPO Junior Artists: Overture Day

Thursday 17 April 2025

11.00am – 4.30pm
Bohunt School Worthing
65a Broadwater Road
Worthing
BN14 8AH

For further details and to apply by 17 March 2025 visit:

lpo.org.uk/overture

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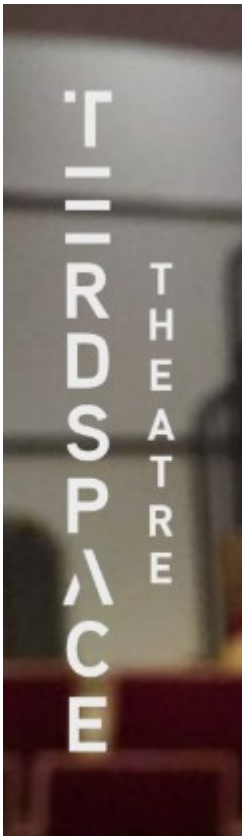
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ThirdSpace Theatre runs a drama club every Monday at Hove Park, Valley Site, for ages 11-16. We offer FREE spaces to those from low-income families and have concession rates available. Our alumni include King's School alumna Miranda Mufema, currently starring in Stranger Things West End. We provide an inclusive environment where students can train to be actors or simply make friends and have fun. We also run clubs most days of the week across Brighton and Hove.

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