

Headteacher's Update

No 284 7th March 2025

Theme of the week: Biblical Characters/Stories: Noah



Week Commencing Monday 10th March Timetable week Two

Dates for your Diary

Monday 24th March	Year 9 Tetanus / Diphtheria / Polio and Meningitis ACWY vaccinations
Friday 28th March	Enrichment Day 2
Tuesday 1st April	Easter Communion Services in school
Wednesday 2 nd April	GCSE practical drama exam
Friday 4 th April	Last day of term. Students dismissed at 12:25pm (KS3) or 12:30pm (KS4 and KS5)
Tuesday 22nd April	INSET day. School closed to all students
Wednesday 23rd April	Start of the Summer Term. All students in for an 8:30am start as usual

Key Events this week

Year 10 Cambridge trip Monday 10th

Depart 7:30am (students to be in school for 7:15am).

Return approx. 5pm

Year 10 Geography fieldwork trips

Tuesday 11th, Wednesday 12th, Monday 17th. 9am-3pm PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FROM 10th to 17th March

Year 13 Rutherford Laboratory trip for Physics Thursday 13th 7am - 7pm.

Young Musician of the Year Thursday 13th

6.30pm in the hall (email will follow to parents/carers of students who are taking part in the event.

Year 10 Art Exams Thursday 13th and Friday 14th

Year 9 Options Interviews start this week

with members of the Senior Leadership Team. Students will receive a slip with their appointment details. Parents/carers will be contacted if there are any issues with students' options choices or any changes required. Mrs Vincent (SENDCO) will be meeting with students with EHCPs and/or those on the SEND register who may need additional support with options choices.

Friday 14th Year 11 group photo

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Student of the Week

Year 7Peyton M for her excellent contribution to lessons in HistoryYear 9Martha C for a nomination from Miss Wallace in History.
Martha is a polite, hardworking student who always seeks to improve her workYear 10Matilda W

World Book Day

This week, King's celebrated World Book Day, with our own theme:

'Find the Magic in Literature'.

Inspired by this beautiful poster, handpainted by Esme G, students took part in a treasure trail of riddles to find the names of some literary characters with magical qualities.

In addition, some Year 9 students made some magical reading lists and staff shared with students books (both fiction and non fiction) which had brought magic into their own lives.

In the coming weeks, Mrs Butcher will be recording students giving their own reviews of books they have read and enjoyed, so if that is you, please make yourself known and we can spread the word about the joy of reading!

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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: 13th March, and 27th March.

Vaccinations

Tetanus / Diphtheria / Polio and Meningitis ACWY vaccination (Teenage Booster vaccination)

Yr9: The Immunisation Team will be coming into school on **Monday 24th March** 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 an email regarding this, together with information from the Immunisation Service with details of how give consent for these vaccinations.

Yr10 & 11: Most students will have received these vaccinations in Yr9. However, If your child is in Year 10 or 11 and they have not had these vaccinations and you would like them to have them in school, please contact the office via <u>admin@kingsschoolhove.org.uk</u> as soon as possible so that the consent form can be sent to you. Please note that we do not hold information regarding previous immunisations. If you are not sure whether your Yr10 or Yr11 child has had this immunisation, you will need to contact the Immunisation Team on: **01273 696011 x3789**

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

Attendance

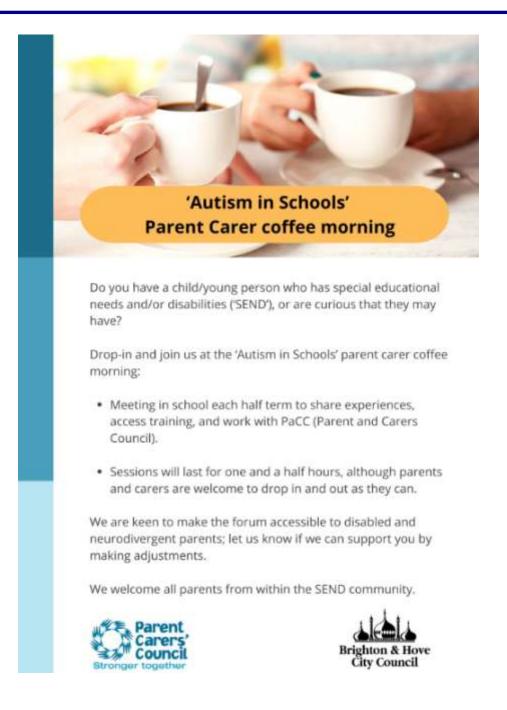
"Year 7 have had an incredible week of attendance. They have achieved over the school target of 96% for this week, and were over 97% on two days - fantastic!!"



Autism in Schools' Parent Carer Forum

As part of our involvement in the Autism in School's project, the Parents and Carers Council are working with us to establish opportunities for parents and carers of students with SEN to gather, access training and share experiences.

The first forum at King's will be held on **Friday 21st March** between **1.30pm and 3.00pm**. If you would like to join us for this session, please let us know you will be attending via the linked form. <u>https://forms.office.com/e/FdHCp77uyL</u>





Sixth Form update

It has been a busy time in the sixth form. The Year 13 have just finished completing their second set of mocks and offers from a wide range of Universities have been flooding in. Year 12 are starting to learn about the changes to their personal statements for 2026 entry and exploring different options for work experience week at the end of the summer term.

Year 13 students have received offers from some of the following universities and colleges for a wide range of courses from pharmacy to maths, to interior design, veterinary nursing, sports business and coaching and many more!

The hard work needs to now happen to get the grades for these wonderful offers. We look forward to celebrating with them in the summer!



Careers

Free webinar for students & parents: The UCAS Personal Statement is Changing

UCAS have recently amended the personal statement format from one longer essay to three structured questions, affecting all students applying to a UK university from next year onward.

To support your child in navigating these changes, **InvestIN** is hosting a **free**, **interactive webinar led by experts**, covering everything they need to know to make their application stand out.

We strongly encourage **parents of Year 11 and Year 12 students** to attend alongside their child to gain valuable insights into the new format and understand what skills and experiences will help them craft strong responses.

Date & Time: 26th March, 6-7pm Online - Register <u>here</u>

If you cannot attend live, please register to automatically receive the recording.

UCAS

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On Campus Meet & Greet – April 2025

Medical Teaching Building, University of Sussex Campus, Wed 23 April, 13:30-15:30

We invite prospective students to <u>visit BSMS</u> for our on-campus Meet & Greet event. There will be a Welcome Talk, a chance for visitors to meet with current medical students, a campus tour and a Q&A in the Medical Teaching Building.

All are welcome to the BSMS Meet and Greet sessions, however booking is essential as places will be limited to 60 attendees in total. Priority will be given to those who are offer holders who have not visited the campus before. Please find the online booking form <u>here.</u>

BSMS Online Admissions Talks

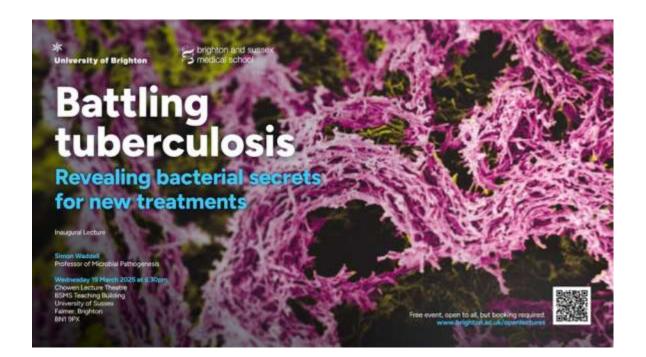
We will also be running four online admissions talks at the end of April. We hope these will be especially useful for those students who cannot attend our in-person Meet and Greet, though students are welcome to register for both.

<u>Getting into Medicine</u> – Thursday 24 April 2025, 5-6:30pm <u>Journey Through the NHS</u> - Monday 28 April 2025, 5-6pm <u>UCAT Preparation</u> – Tuesday 29 April, 5-6:30pm <u>Student Life: What is it like to be a medical student?</u> - Wednesday 30 April, 5-6:30pm

Monthly Lecture Series

There's still time to book a place for our March Lecture, delivered this month by BSMS alum Dr Emma Taylor-Gallardo. Join us for an interactive lecture simulating a surgical on-call and to hear about Dr Taylor-Gallardo's experiences of medical school and qualifying as a doctor. <u>Book here.</u> This event is online on Zoom only.

Inaugural lecture – Battling tuberculosis: Revealing bacterial secrets for new treatments



Wednesday 19 March, 6:30pm, Chowen Lecture Theatre, Medical Teaching Building, University of Sussex, Falmer

Prof Simon Waddell, Brighton and Sussex Medical School, will reflect on his adventures exploring how these bacteria adapt during infection and how this information can contribute to the development of new treatments for mycobacterial diseases. <u>Register here.</u>. This is an in-person only event.

Gresham College: Upcoming lectures

This month, Gresham College are hosting two fascinating lectures which the public can book to attend for free.

Join the Gresham Professors to find out what goes on inside **The Turbulent Brain** on Tuesday 18 March, and ask "**How Do Vaccines Work?**" on Wednesday 26 March. Both begin at 6pm.

Register on the Gresham College website now to book your place online or in-person in London.

<u>The Turbulent Brain: Rhythms and Waves</u> – Tuesday 18 March, 18:00 <u>How Do Vaccines Work?</u> – Wednesday 26 March, 18:00

<u>University of Southampton LifeLab are hiring for their Summer Term Youth Panel – PAID ROLE, deadline 13</u> <u>March</u>

Applications are open for young people aged 14-18 and interested in a project about ultra processed foods to join the LifeLab Summer Term Youth Panel.

Meetings will be online on Mondays, 4:30-5:30pm + 2 hours' work per week at home.

This is a paid role with the University of Southampton.

Closing date for applications is **13 March.** Interviews will be held on **19 and 20 March.**

Read the Role Descriptor here.

Find the application form here.

The Wellbeing Hub





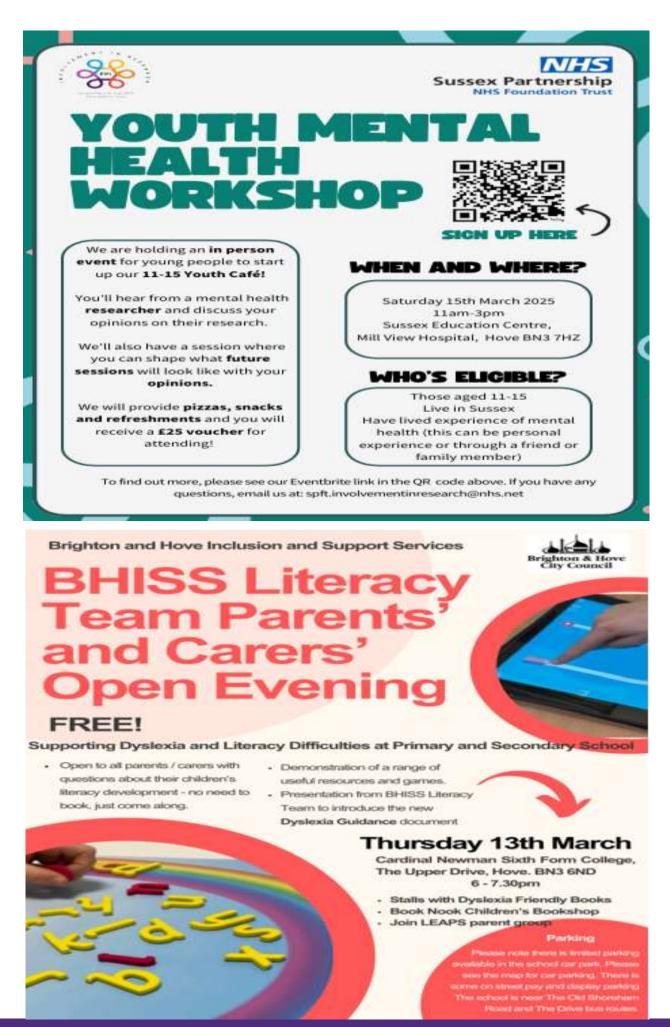
Wellbeing

This week's content

Week commencing 10th March PODCAST: Strategies for tackling tricky issues: compulsive gaming, obsessive phone use and anxiety with Anita Cleare, Director of Positive Parenting Project and Alicia Drummond, Therapist and Founder of The Wellbeing Hub

Listen now club.teentips.co.uk





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GIRLS ONLY ACTIVITY SESSIONS

If you are aged 12- 16 years old and identify as a girl, come and join some free and fun casual activity taster sessions.



We are Offering:

Gym Sessions with the FMG Project

Swimming Sessions





Casual Football

Introduction to contact Rugby



See the back of this flyer for the information on these sessions and how to book on



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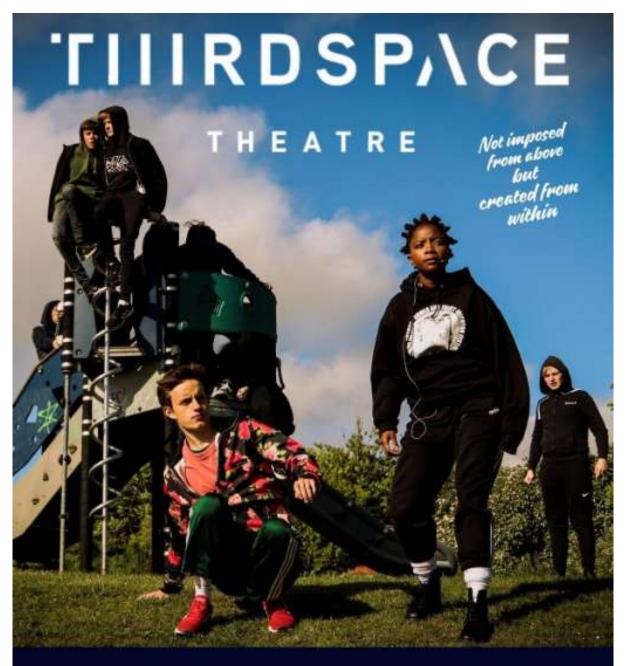


Session Timetable

Sessions	Dates and times	Booking Details:
Gym Sessions with the FMG Project 24 Kensington St, Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN1 4AJ	Friday 14th, 21st, 28th March and 4th April 2025 6-7pm	
Swimming Sessions St Luke's Terrace, Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN2 9ZE	Tuesday 8th and 15th April 2025 Thursday 10th and 17th April 2025 2:30-3:30pm	
Casual Football Tongdean Ln, Withdean, Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN1 5JD	Wednesday 19th and 26th March 2025 5-6pm	
Introduction to contact Rugby Tongdean Ln, Withdean, Brighton and Hove, Brighton BN1 5JD	Wednesday 2nd April 5- 6pm Wednesday 9th April 2025 4-5pm	







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