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NEWSLETTER



UPDATES FOR THE PARENTS OF KINGS'



RACE FOR LIFE

Last Sunday morning, 20 cast members of Beauty and the Beast along with Mr Clarke and Mrs Lee ran the Winchester Race for Life in aid of Cancer Research UK.

The pupils were totally amazing, working together to encourage each other to get over the finish line and work as a team. Kings' School is so proud of them and they were a credit to themselves and the school. They received a huge shout out from the commentator and the pupils and parents were clearly delighted with their achievements! So far, in total, they have raised £2500.

Message from Headteacher

Our first half of the summer term has been crammed full of opportunity and success. Many of our pupils throughout the school have enjoyed school trips and we have seen confidence and creativity abound in House activities such as Kings' Got Talent. The drama department have begun rehearsals for the school production 'Beauty and the Beast' which we are looking forward to seeing in July.

Our Yr11's have made a fantastic start to their GCSE exams. The level of maturity displayed by the pupils in preparing for and sitting their examinations has been impressive. We are confident that this attitude will go a long way in ensuring they achieve results which they can all be very proud of.

We are delighted that our new OsKings' building is open to pupils and staff. There will be an official opening event for this next half term to celebrate the collaboration between Kings' and Osbourne School, providing a mutually beneficial relationship for our staff and pupils alike. Landscaping will be completed over the coming weeks, but it is great to see the pupils learning in their new classrooms.

We are looking forward to seeing the return of the school summer fayre next half term, 10.30-2.00 on Saturday 11th June. We hope that the weather will be kind to us and that we will be joined by as many of the Kings' school community as possible. It promises to be a cracking day.



VISIT TO WINCHESTER COLLEGE

A selection of Yr10 Media Studies pupils met with pupils from Winchester College to work in collaboration on an exciting film project. Over the next couple of weeks, the teams will meet to plan and film a short film segment in a genre of their choosing. Using Drones, Gimbals and DSLR's equipped with Mini Shotgun Mics our Media pupils worked together on their films.



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BASKETBALL TRIP

On Sunday 15th May, we took 43 pupils across all year groups to the British Basketball Finals at the O2 Arena. It was an amazing day of basketball with two highly competitive games. London Lions beat the Sevenoaks Suns to clinch the women's BBL title. In the men's final the Leicester Riders beat the London Lions in a thrilling back and forth game that came down to the last possession. The pupils thoroughly enjoyed themselves and were impeccably behaved, A real credit the school.





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YR11's - Pupils vs Teachers Basketball

The Year 11 boys' and girls' basketball teams faced the staff in a heated Basketball match to raise funds for the Year 11 Leavers' Prom. It was a close game but the pupils managed to take the win with a score of 29-22. Over £130 was raised from the event and a great time was had by those involved.



Celebration Assembly

Thursday 12th May we celebrated the Year 11 Celebration assembly. This was a fantastic 2 hour event which saw each Tutor deliver a special goodbye message to their tutees; ranging from video montages to poems, 13 Prom Pound prizes were awarded; including a pair of Air Force One trainers and finally, the Head of Year team reminisced on the past 5 years of the pupils time at Kings' School. The pupils have taken the start of their GCSE in their stride and as a school, we are incredibly proud of them. We look forward to seeing them return together for the Leavers' Prom on the 1st July.



KINGS' GOT TALENT

"Thursday was our most successful event of the year: Kings' Got Talent. With over 300 students and staff in attendance, the atmosphere was as phenomenal as our talented performers. From dramatic reading, to rock bands, to rappers, the students really showcased their capabilities, and the huge turnout in support of them epitomised what makes Kings' School special.

Our champions of the event were:
1st place: Connor Hewitt - 8WAL
=2nd place: Lyla Burner - 9PAL
=2nd place: Rowan Rushell - 9PAL
3rd place: Esther Chan - 10PLE

A special shout out to our House Captains, Joseph Foster and William Sinclair, without whom the event could not have succeeded.





DOFE SILVER

Over the May Bank Holiday weekend 21 pupils successfully navigated through Exmoor suffering some extremes of weather for 3 days, in order to qualify for their assessed expedition in July. They set off from the delightful Tarr Steps on a hot sunny day navigated through the picturesque moorland and rivers before camping near Exford. Day 2 saw a deluge of rain and some challenging navigation through the Doone Valley and another night of challenging camping. Spirits remained high and despite rain sodden kit and a misty start to day 3 the expedition ended at the Valley of the Rocks in glorious sunshine. A really big well done to all those who took part.





EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER



DOF E BRONZE

Practice Expedition News

The Bronze-level Year 10s had their practice expedition in the New Forest on 7/8th May. Nine teams in total set off on a beautiful sunny Saturday morning from three different spots spanning the New Forest for a 15k walk. The walk on Saturday was supervised by their adult volunteer leaders who walked along with each team to check their navigation skills and teamwork in preparation for walking on their own on Sunday. All the teams converged at a campsite in the southern part of the New Forest for a campout, which included working as a team to set up tents and cook a hot meal on a camp stove. After packing up camp on Sunday morning, the teams set off on a different route from the day before and met up with their leaders at check points along the way. All the teams successfully navigated on their own and are ready to take on the final expedition at the end of June. A few guests came along for the weekend to get a taste of being a DofE leader and all are joining to expand our group of dedicated volunteers. We have more adult volunteer slots available and welcome enquiries about joining the volunteer team via doe@kings-winchester.hants.sch.uk.



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OPEN MORNINGS
 APPOINTMENTS ONLY. PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE FOR DETAILS.

TUESDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER
 WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER
 FRIDAY 30TH SEPTEMBER
 FROM 9.30AM - 11.30AM

OPEN EVENING WEDNESDAY 28TH SEPTEMBER
 FROM 6.30PM - 8.30PM



ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



HPQ

Congratulations to 32 of our Year 9's who have completed their Higher Project Qualifications!

This HPQ is a GCSE standard qualification in which pupils research and produce a project on any subject of their choosing. This qualification is the equivalent of half a GCSE.

There was a vast range of subjects explored - from Fast Fashion to Dissociative Identity Disorder. Pupils learnt key skills such as: referencing, ethical procedures, how to conduct primary research and the perils of plagiarism.

Not only did they research and write their project, but they also had to present a summary of their findings and their research methods to their peers and teachers at the end of the project.

All these pupils volunteered to take part in the HPQ programme and attended regular sessions after school as part of our clubs and co-curricular programme.

A celebratory lunch next half term has been organised by the English Department, to celebrate their success and perseverance. Well done !

Mrs K Payne



Platinum Jubilee

Just so you are aware, we will be marking the Queen's Jubilee with celebrations prior to our Summer Fayre



INSPIRING FUTURES



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ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

DATES FOR THE DIARY

- 6th June - Term begins
- 6-10th June - Yr7 Hengistbury Head trip
- 9th June Yr10 Romeo & Juliet trip
- 11th June - Summer Fayre
- 21st June - yr10 H&SC nursery trip
- 23rd June - Yr10 H&SC nursery trip
- 23rd June- Yr8 Parents Evening Band X
- 23rd June - DofE Bronze meeting
- 24th June Sports Day
- 27th June INSET DAY
- 28th June - Yr8 Parents Evening Band Y
- 29th June DofE Bronze meeting
- 30th June - DofE Bronze presentation to parents
- 1st July - Yr7 Interim reports to parents,
- 1st July - Yr 11 PROM
- 5th July - Yr10 PE Sport Studies trip
- 6th July - Yr8 Latin Fishbourne Palace trip
- 7th July Sports Award Presentation evening
- 14th July - Beauty and the Beast production
- 15th July - Yr9/10 interim reports
- 11th July-21st July Yr10 work experience
- 21st July last day



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