

NEWSLETTER



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UPDATES FOR THE PARENTS OF KINGS'



MEET THE PUPIL LEADERSHIP TEAM - PART 1



I'm Milly, I'm 15 and heavily involved in the Scouting movement. I really enjoy being a part of the school productions, managing and helping with the backstage and lighting elements

I like helping out around school, as a prefect and part of the PLT, but in other years, have done things like being a pupil librarian and Tutor Rep on the Year Council. There have been so many fun parts too - the trips and residential such as the Yr 10 Ardeche trip have been absolutely amazing and I loved them!

I really hope, while I'm Head Girl, I can increase focus on the Pupil Voice and ensure all the students are happy and comfortable by listening to what they're saying. I think mental health is exceptionally important, and I want to try and make everybody feel as safe and cared for as I can, while I have this responsibility.

I'm Elsie, I'm 15 and I love sport, in particular athletics, especially when I qualified to represent Hampshire at the English schools championships.

Highlights of my time at Kings' include breaking the 100m and 300m sports day record, representing the school in athletics, netball, hockey and cross country





EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER



I'm Kasio, I'm 15 and my interests include volleyball, mountain biking, basketball, music and reading



When I first joined the school from abroad, it was a brand-new experience for me to try and fit into the school community and make friends. Along the way I have met a lot of amazing people, my knowledge about the culture and community in the school has broadened because of them, it has been a truly unforgettable experience.

What I hope to contribute to Kings' School during my year in the PLT is to make pupils' voice possible, allowing students to voice their concerns without feeling pressured. I also hope to bring unity to the school, where pupils from different backgrounds, status, age and identity can get along with each other, creating a friendly and safe environment for everyone at Kings'.

I'm Elspeth, I'm 15 and I love doing dance and drama outside of school.



The highlight of my time here at Kings' has to be when I went to the Ardeche with my classmates. It was the most eye-opening experience and brought everyone together through teambuilding exercises and memories that will last a lifetime. I connected with people I hadn't before and am grateful for the lessons I learnt and what I learnt about myself.

I hope to inspire everyone to work the best they can and be kind to everyone because in today's world, I feel it's important. I want to help reduce any bullying or anti-social behaviour through the school with my fellow teammates and I want to help be a mouthpiece for the students to voice their concerns.



SPOTLIGHT ON STAFF

MR T BEST

DEPUTY HEAD OF YEAR 9
TEACHER OF MATHEMATICS



What attracted you to a career in teaching?

Before going into teaching I originally worked with professional sports clubs doing both coaching and performance analysis. I had always been interested in undertaking a job that allowed me to be active and working with a wide variety of people. I soon began working at my first school as a part of the PE Department, supporting Maths before transitioning to join the Maths team full time. Beyond this I have then progressed from my initial role as a tutor to joining the Year Teams at my previous school as well as Kings'. I enjoy the daily challenges of pupils learning new content, and achieving success in topics they didn't think they initially could! As well as this it is privilege to support our pupils outside the classroom and watch them grow as individuals. No day in a school is the same, but it is fantastic to see our young people excelling and forming wonderful relationships within our school community.

Tell us why pupils enjoy coming to your lessons?

Maths can be an incredibly challenging subject, with several different processes being used within a variety of different topics. For several pupils this can have an impact on their confidence, and lead to them believing 'I can't do Maths'. I hope that students within my lessons feel that they are in an environment where it is okay to get things wrong, and to try, even if the content is new. Within the right environment I truly believe that all of our pupils can excel, and that over time pupils within my classroom will not only academically progress but also develop their own confidence within the classroom.

What do you enjoy most about working at Kings'?

No one day is the same and each can certainly present its fair share of challenges, yet every day I see amazing successes and pupils going above and beyond what any of us would expect. As well as the exceptional stories from our pupils I am also fortunate enough to work with some incredible staff: the Maths and pastoral team work tirelessly for our pupils but also to support one another on a daily basis, encompassing our beliefs as a school.



KINGS' SCHOOL CAREERS & EMPLOYABILITY FAIR



Careers and Employability were at the forefront of Inspiring Futures at Kings' last week. Students, parents and carers networked with over 35 providers to raise their awareness and aspirations for future education and career opportunities. A big thank you to our education, training and employer partners who supported the event.



REMEMBRANCE AT KINGS' 2023

November is a time of remembrance, thankfulness, and awareness. At Kings', We truly believe that it is through reflection and community that we demonstrate our Exceptional Character, coming together as a school to pause and think about what the poppy means to us.

One of the flagship events at Kings' School is our annual service of Remembrance, which this year will take place on Friday 10th November 2023 from 10.30am.

If you are a serving member of any branch of the armed forces, or a veteran, we would love you to attend. As in past years, the presence of uniformed members of the community adds a certain gravitas and dignity to the day and helps our pupils to recognise its significance.

If you wish to attend, please complete the form below.

<https://forms.office.com/e/3JwJhXyoYz>

We look forward to welcoming you on this very special occasion in the school calendar.

Mrs Miles





THERE IS NOTHING LIKE A NEW BOOK!

This term, Key Stage 3 tutor groups will be reading their first book as part of our Tutor Reading Programme. Throughout the year they will read at least 3 books, all carefully selected to expose the pupils to varied high-quality texts from a range of authors spanning a variety of cultures.

Key Stage 3 pupils should now all be issued with Reading Trackers to keep track of their reading for pleasure. Pupils are asked to read for at least one hour a week at home and also have the opportunity to enjoy reading their books in English lessons throughout the week. Every time a pupil finishes a book, they should hand in their tracker to their English teacher in exchange for a credit!

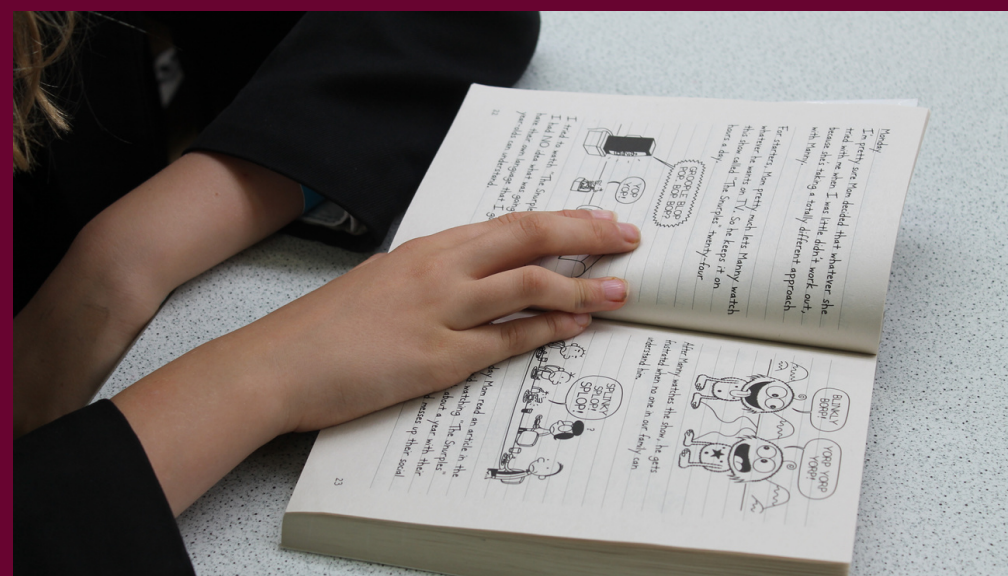
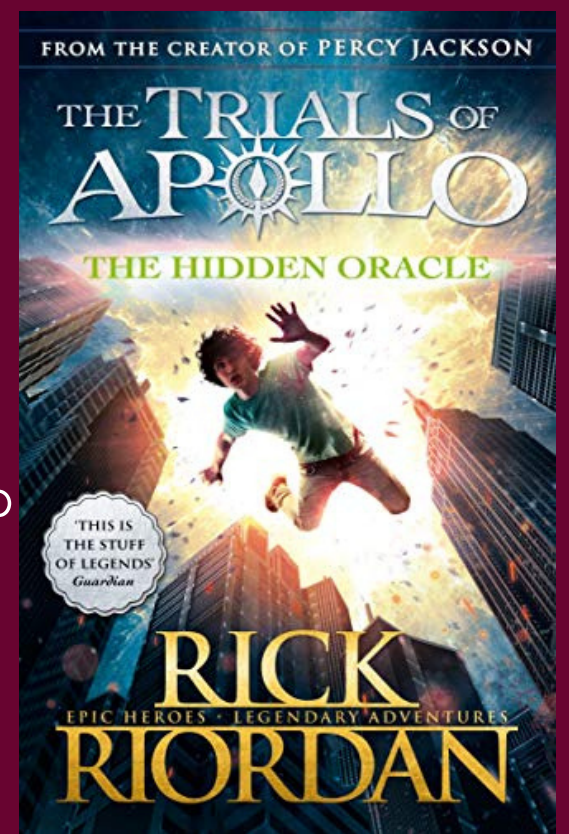
Year 7s will be introduced to the library during their English lessons this half term. Mrs Miles will be showing them how to navigate their way around the library, and how to select from our vast range of fiction and non-fiction titles. We're really excited to see what books the pupils pick to read.

Mrs Marsh

READING RECOMMENDATIONS

Reading for Pleasure is the name of the game, and nothing beats a bit of escapist fantasy. Rick Riordan rose to fame with his marvellous reinvention of Greek myths in the Percy Jackson series. Young people all over the world love his magical mix of mythology and contemporary life, with a dollop of humour. The Trials of Apollo series can be found in the school library along with the rest of Rick Riordan's fabulous imaginary world.

Mrs Miles



EUROPEAN DAY OF LANGUAGES



Pupils across the school joined together to celebrate European Day of Languages on Tuesday 26th September. Pupils gained a valuable insight into different European languages, increased their cultural capital and their understanding of why learning a language is important in today's society. We hope to have inspired any budding linguists to be ambitious and challenge themselves in learning a new language in the future. It was wonderful to hear so many different languages being spoken by pupils and staff, well done everyone. A special thank you to Mr Wooldridge and the catering team for the wonderful European themed lunch. Merci, grazie, gracias, danke!
Languages Department



Kings' Catering
European Day of Languages



Tuesday, 26th September 2023

At Breakfast
Continental Breakfast
Chocolate Croissants

From the Main Counters
Cordon Bleu
Bread-crumbed Chicken Breast stuffed with Ham & Cheese
Dauphinoise Potatoes, Chantenay Carrots & French Green Beans
With an Optional Creamy Dijon Sauce

✓ Vegetable Paella
Spanish Rice with Vegetables & Herbs

White Chocolate Panna Cotta
Creamy Italian Dessert

From the Express Counters in the Gym
Pizza Napolitana
Mozzarella Cheese, Baby Plum Tomatoes & Green Pesto

From the Salad Bar
Warm German Potato Salad
With Bacon, Red Onions & Mild Mustard

For allergy advice please ask a member of the catering team



EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUB LISTS

CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE HERE:
[HTTPS://KINGS-HANTS.COM/CLUBS-ACTIVITIES/](https://kings-hants.com/clubs-activities/)



2023-2024

YEAR 7 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

YEAR 8 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

YEAR 9 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

YEAR 10 & 11 CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

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PE EXTRA CURRICULAR CLUB LISTS

CAN BE FOUND ON OUR WEBSITE HERE:
[HTTPS://KINGS-HANTS.COM/PE-AT-KINGS/](https://kings-hants.com/pe-at-kings/)

PE EXTRA CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

See what is on offer in our wide variety of extra-curricular offerings.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

30 SEPTEMBER - DUKE OF
EDINBURGH EXPEDITION,
PETERSFIELD CAMPING

02 OCTOBER - YEAR 9
BATTLEFIELDS PARENTS' MEETING
- IN SCHOOL

04 OCTOBER - YEAR 11 PARENTS'
EVENING - ONLINE

12 OCTOBER - GOVERNORS' FULL
GOVERNING BODY COMMITTEE

14 - 15 OCTOBER - BATTLEFIELDS
RESIDENTIAL



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WE ARE RECRUITING;

- TEACHER OF SCIENCE
- TEACHER OF SCIENCE & KEY STAGE LEAD
- LEARNING SUPPORT ASSISTANT
- RECEPTIONIST
- DINING ROOM ASSISTANT
- COVER SUPERVISOR
- SCIENCE TECHNICIAN
- PUPIL SUPPORT COORDINATOR

PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE FOR
FURTHER DETAILS



SPOTLIGHT ON A PUPIL

MILLY WESTALL

AGE 15



Over the summer, I attended the World Scout Jamboree, which is the world's largest scouting event, held once every 4 years all around the world, and this year it was in South Korea. 57,000 members of the scouting movement from across the globe came together in a campsite on the south-west coast of the Korean Peninsula (near SaeManGeum) to take part in the event and all the activities involved.

As a part of the UK contingent, I had to fundraise around £4000 over 2 years, alongside training camps and cultural days within my unit travelling with me. I was a part of the Unit 59 Hampshire Knighthingales, made of scouts from all over Hampshire and we all met for training weekends once or twice a month to prepare for the trip, in July/August this year, which was so much fun, meeting people from around my local area who were interested in similar things to me. Quite a few of our group had never been on a plane before, so when we took off it was a whole new experience.

Whilst still being fun, there were a few setbacks while onsite. Unfortunately, there was severe flooding in that part of the country in the run up to the event, followed by extreme heatwaves as we all arrived. The temperature reached around 40 degrees, but at 95% humidity, most weather stations put out a 'real feel' of 50, and began issuing public safety warnings, asking people to not be outside or take part in any strenuous activity. For all of our safety, the UK contingent team decided to remove all their Scouts from the site, and put us into hotels in Seoul, the capital, much further North. As the biggest contingent, with over 4,000 young people and around 9% of all members attending, we made a big impact decision and other countries followed us away. After we arrived in Seoul however, we received news from the site that a typhoon was headed directly over the area, and the rest of the countries would have to leave as well, so we were no longer the only scouts in Seoul.

Even though things didn't go quite right, I still had an amazing time, I met people from so many other countries, and am still in contact with lots of them. So many of the activities would have been incredible to try; e.g. paragliding and quadbiking, and it was still the most incredible experience. Because we weren't onsite, I got to experience so much Korean culture (like the traditional dress, Hanbok!) and learn about things I never would have known. The next Jamboree will be in Poland, 2027, which, despite all the challenges we faced, I would still encourage every single member of the Scouting movement to go on. It was really a once in a lifetime experience.



COMMUNITY OPEN DAY AT PORTSMOUTH INTERNATIONAL PORT

On Saturday 7 October from 10am-4pm, Portsmouth International Port will be opening up its doors once again for a community open day, including their new carbon-neutral terminal extension.

Open from 10am – 4pm on Saturday 7 October, the Open Day will be a chance for the public to experience the port's innovative net carbon neutral terminal extension, made possible through £11.25m of Levelling Up funding to transform the city's visitor economy.

The Open Day will showcase what the maritime industry does for Portsmouth, maritime employment, and also efforts to protect the maritime and port environment.

There will be stands from the port's partners, a range of interesting vessels alongside free harbour tours and activities for the kids. Portico will again be bringing a wide range of their impressive cargo handling equipment over to the port for an interactive demonstration.

Free tickets here: <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/710333284977?aff=oddtcreator>



**PORTSMOUTH
INTERNATIONAL
PORT COMMUNITY OPEN DAY**

SATURDAY 7 OCTOBER 2023 - 10AM - 4PM

PORTSMOUTH INTERNATIONAL PORT,
GEORGE BYNG WAY, PORTSMOUTH PO2 8SP

**A BEHIND THE SCENES
LOOK AT PORT
OPERATIONS**

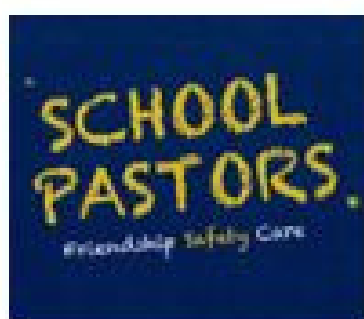
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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

**ACCESS TO SHIPS
AND MACHINERY**

INTERACTIVE EXHIBITORS

ACTIVITIES FOR ALL THE FAMILY



Winchester School Pastors

*Request the pleasure of your company at the launch of
School Pastors for our city*

*on Wednesday 11th October 2023 at 7.30 pm
at Kings' School, Romsey Road*

*The principal speaker will be Bejoy Pal, CEO of
the Ascension Trust, our licensing authority*

RSVP Mark Hibbert-Hingston – winchester@streetpastors.org.uk or 07740 288654



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SAVE THE DATE!

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THURSDAY 30TH NOVEMBER 2023

5.00PM - 7.00PM

• IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Christmas

CRACKER

Come along and get into the spirit of the season

CRAFTS - HANDMADE GIFTS - LOCAL HONEY
CAROL SINGING - MULLED WINE - SWEETS AND
TREATS - FESTIVE FACEPAINTING

FREE ENTRY

We welcome applications for stalls from parents in our community

Please complete the form to register your interest - we will contact you with more information in due course.

<https://forms.office.com/e/gfV2wSMVd8>