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Updates for the parents of KINGS'



### Pupil Librarians in their own words

Pupil Librarian badges have been awarded to this outstanding group. Many new Year 7s have brought their energy and enthusiasm to the Library and have augmented our already brilliant team.

A senior librarian in Year 9 writes, "This is my third year of being a pupil librarian and as well as being great fun, the library is a beautifully quiet place to be. It is also a stepping stone to other responsibilities, like prefect, and a lovely excuse to read books!"

A pupil in Year 7 adds, "I love how there are millions of books to choose from and how it smells nice. It's my favourite place,"

And another pupil, in Year 8 says, "I could not imagine my life without it. It's a safe haven from the chaos of lunchtime ... where else can we relax and work hard at the same time?"





## MEET THE PUPIL LEADERSHIP TEAM - PART 2



I'm Amélie, I'm 15 and I love swimming and running

Highlights of my time at Kings' include being on the school council, various athletics and cross country events as well as other sports competitions, and of course, the Ardeche trip to France.

During my year in the PLT I want to help the rest of the team set up an anti-bullying scheme at Kings' and help younger students feel happy and safe to voice their concerns.

My name is Geraint, I'm 15 years old, and I'm highly interested in Maths and Chemistry and I enjoy playing basketball in and out of school. I also do a lot of cycling and love going cycling with my dad. My favourite time at Kings' is the House events especially House Basketball and House Dodgeball and I'm proud to say I attend as many House events as possible. Hopefully I can create a sense of safety and security for younger years in the school while I am a member of the PLT and help to further improve the pupil attitudes/ mindsets within the school





I'm Kian, I'm 15 and I love photography in and out of school and editing my photos in creative ways. In my free time I spend lots of time in the kitchen cooking or baking for my family or playing lots of video games.

For me, the highlight of every year is Kings' Got Talent, my favourite house event.

During my year in the PLT I hope to help foster an environment where everyone from every year group feels safe at all times.





# Spotlight on Staff Miss J. Mansbridge Senco

#### What attracted you to the role?

I grew up in Winchester and attended another excellent school in the area (that shall remain nameless) so have always known of Kings' fantastic reputation and was keen to be a part of it. The Resourced Provision offer for students with Physical Disabilities was also a major selling point for me as my background is in Physiotherapy.

### What makes working at Kings' different?

Working in SEND has changed drastically over the past 5 years in terms of the support that mainstream schools are required to provide. Kings' is thinking 'outside of the box' and being creative in how to meet the needs of students in challenging times where funding and resources are in short supply nationally. It is refreshing for so many staff to be seeking solutions rather than focusing on problems.





### DATES FOR THE DIARY

14 - 416 October - Battlefields Trip

17th October - Internet Safety Talk

19th October - Year 7 Meet the Tutor

19th october - Year 7 Forum in

the Training Suite 20th October - Close for Half

Term

21 - 22 October - D of E Bronze Expedition, Petersfield camping



We are recruiting;

IT Network Manager IT Technician Dining Room Assistant Learning Support Assistant Pupil Support Exams Coordinator Invigilators

Head of Science Teacher of Science Teacher of Maths

Please see our website for further details



### **INSPIRING FUTURES**





I just wanted to say a fond farewell and thank you to all the wonderful parents and pupils I have met over the past 14 years as Receptionist at Kings'. It has been such a pleasure and privilege to meet you all and especially those that have become more like dear friends over the years as their families have passed through these doors. I shall really miss the daily buzz of Kings' School and its community life and hope to still have the opportunity to meet up with some of you again at school events in the future. Thank you also for the kind messages and gifts that some of you have left for me this past week. I wish all the parents and past and present pupils, I have known, the very best for their future at Kings' and beyond, with kind regards

Mrs Clare Gratton.

## 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/3JwJhXy0Yz

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



#### Mrs Miles



### ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE



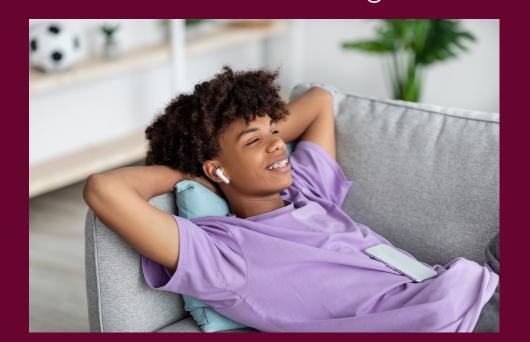


### There is nothing like a new book...

But the next best thing is an electronic book.

We are extraordinarily fortunate to have the most marvellous eLibrary in the form of Sora. Every pupil has access to it through the school's Sharepoint. Here they will find a vast collection of titles, many of which are available as audio books. There are many wonderful magazines too, and a great choice of books in languages other than English.



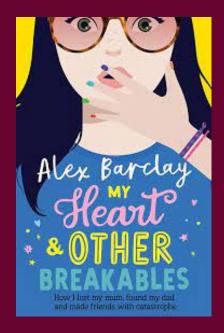


### Recommended Read

Both heart-breaking and hillarious, this is a truly memorable read. Told in the form of a diary, it follows the experiences of Ellery Brown and her rather challenging relatives. You'll be laughing out loud one minute and reaching for the tissues the next, as Ellery takes us with her on a journey of personal discovery about both herself and her family.

Suitable for all readers, aged 11 and up.

Available on Sora as an eBook and as an audio book.



# Open Events 2023



On the mornings of Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th September, and then again on Thursday evening, we opened our doors and welcomed local families to come in and enjoy all that Kings' School has to offer. Over the three events more than 1,500 people were given guided tours of the school by our outstanding prefects.



Children from local feeder primary schools were able to enjoy being "hands-on" as all our busy departments threw open their doors and welcomed them in with excellent displays and activities.







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## EXCEPTIONAL CHARACTER

Nancy completes a work experience placement at Print Week in London



Nancy described her day below:

I am very grateful I was able to be involved for work experience in LONDON of all places. I found it very interesting, like how the magazine is produced and made.

Getting to London was a bit of trouble because of traffic. I'm not surprised there was traffic, it's Monday and it's London. Luckily, I was with a member of staff, Rebekah Ings, which made the journey there and back more entertaining.

When we did arrive, we went into the church (yes, the office was in the church) to go into the office where we met Darryl Danielli, the editor and publisher of PrintWeek. Darryl led me to the PrintWeek office where I met most people who work in the company. I felt like the people working there did make the office livelier, it was nice hearing every one laugh and getting along, it also made the job feel less pressured..

The first thing I did was take interesting aspects out of an article and write them in my own way. It was hard trying to make die cutters sound interesting, well for me at least!

After doing my first piece of work I had lunch, I realised I would rather do something more to do with graphic design. So, when we came back to the building, I asked if I could do something that involves graphic design. Darryl and another worker there told me I could check out their new official company website layout and find some things that the new layout can improve on. I really enjoyed doing that and I think I found some good points when I was showing my ideas in a little meeting.

Of course, doing these kinds of jobs include a lot of team work and group effort, you need to see everyone's views and opinions. I enjoyed near the end of the day since I found something I was comfortable in. I'm very grateful to the people who helped plan the work experience day :0)



INSPIRING FUTURES



# Little Lunch Club

Monday 23 October until Friday 27 October 2023.



FREE nutritious, freshly-made children's lunches available daily from Projects Store, for school-aged children from low-income families living in Winchester City and District, who receive free school meals. Also for families who are worried about affording food for their children throughout the Half Term. Just ask Projects' Staff for the Little Lunch Club menu. Special dietary requirements? Use the QR code or link below to direct message Projects Café ahead of your visit and they'll happily cater to your needs. www.instagram.com/ projectsstore

Can't get to Projects? No problem! Families from participating schools\* can collect a food parcel from their school instead from 18 October. Each parcel contains ingredients for 10 x Little Lunches. Yum!

Want to stay and play? Kids craft activities available. No need to book. Available Monday 23 October until Friday 27 October 2023. Just ask staff for a Little Lunch Club menu.

\*Sun Hill Jr. School, Kings Worthy Primary, Weeke Primary, Stanmore Primary, Winnall Primary, Bishop Waltham Jr. School

### **Projects Store & Kitchen**

6 Middle Brook St, Winchester SO23



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# **PETA Apprenticeships**

### Who are PETA?

Our purpose is to create fair opportunities for young people to advance from education to employment. Our mission is to ensure all our apprentices are 'career ready' and become a valued part of a business they join.

Engineering, Business Administration, Digital Marketing, Software Development, Welding, IT Technician , Management , Network Engineer ...

Aspire to learn, Apply to advance

### PETA APPRENTICESHIP COURSES:

#### **Business**

Finance

### IT & Digital Marketing

- IT Support
- Software Developer

### Engineering

- Mechanical Engineering 0
- **Electrical Engineering** 0
- **Process Engineer** 0
- **Design Engineer** 0
- Maintenance Engineer 0
- Network Engineer
- **Digital Marketing Executive** 0
- Welder Ó.
- Machinist 0
- Toolmaker 0
- Fitter 0



Scan our QR Code to view current PETA Apprenticeship Vacancies





# Save the date! Please note the new time

#### SCHOOL · WINCHESTER

### Thursday 30th November 2023

4.00pm - 6.00pm In the school hall



# CRACKER

Come along and get into the spirit of the season

CRAFTS - HANDMADE GIFTS - LOCAL HONEY CAROL SINGING - MU試定D WINE - SWEETS AND TOEATS - FESTIVE FACEPAINTING



#### 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

WINCHESTER CONTINENTAL & AMERICAN O GAUGE MEET

# MODEL RAILWAY EXHIBITION

# Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup> 2023

Kings' School, Romsey Road, Winchester, Hampshire SO22 5PN 10am to 4pm

Adults £7 Children £2 Family £10

Working Layouts, Trade Stands, Test Track, Bring & Buy, Specialist Societies, Refreshments including Cooked Breakfast, Free Parking

http://winchesterogaugemeet.co.uk

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