



The King's CE School

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Newsletter 32 Friday 26th May 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

It has been a very busy, but wonderful, half term with so much going on in school. I can't believe how quickly this half term has seemed to go and that we are at the final Friday before half term. The Year 11s and 13s have made an incredibly positive start to their exams and I hope they manage to enjoy some down time during their studies in the next week before the exams restart. In addition to the bank holidays, this half term we have also enjoyed Year 8 and 11 visits to Shrewsbury and Kenilworth respectively, our re-arranged Easter concert, our annual Diversity Day, a joint 6th Form Open Evening with St. Peter's school and Year 7 and 8 students have had the opportunity to take part in the Bike Ability scheme. Lots of wonderful and positive experiences for our students and I want to thank all of our staff for their continued hard work and support in offering these.

Our new catering service, Innovate, have been in school for 2 half terms now and as I have said previously, we are keen to receive, and then respond, to any feedback we get from parents and students regarding this important service. Last week I met with Innovate and you should shortly be receiving an electronic survey link in order to provide us with detailed feedback. We have also spoken to Innovate about reviewing their pricing and also have now secured a daily water station in the canteen offering students free, naturally flavoured water.

We have also paid to have three brand new water fountains fitted in the canteen, so students have regular access to fresh drinking water. As a result, and also in an effort to reduce our reliance on single use plastics, we are encouraging students to bring with them reusable water bottles with them to school so they can fill them up as required. After half term we aim to have some brand-new school branded water bottles available to purchase at a discounted price.



After half term we enter our final half term of the academic year! We have lots going on with external exams, Year 12 Residential, Year 13 rewards trip, Year 11 Prom, Year 6 transition, a range of external visits for different year groups, Pride of King's Award evening and our End of Year show. Sports day is also scheduled for Wednesday 12th July.

A reminder that we have Inset days scheduled for:

- Monday 10th July
- Monday 24th July
- Tuesday 25th July

The final day of term will therefore be Friday 21st July, with an early finish. More details will follow after half term.

I wish you and your families a very happy and restful half term break.

Many thanks,

Mr Parry

Vice-Principal



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Congratulations to our House Stars of the Week

York *Maya*
Lichfield *Max*
Canterbury *Jesse*



Duke of Edinburgh

Well done to Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh pupils on their practice walk on Sunday at Cannock Chase!



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FORM GROUP STARS



Well done for all students involved in last week's inter-house dodgeball competition!



Canterbury were the winners!

Congratulations to our Year Stars of the Week

Year 7 *Max*
Year 8 *Tobi*
Year 9 *Richie*
Year 10 *Chloe*
Year 11 *Ruby*
Year 12 *Harry*
Year 13 *Saber*



King's Got Talent

To finish this half term students have joined in and watched The Kings Got Talents Finals 2023 - all students have voted for their favourite performance and the competition was close. A fantastic well done to the acts that performed, we had students performing from years 7-10. Well done to everyone involved - the performers put in a lot of hard work to create an absolutely brilliant show.

Congratulations to the winner of KGT 2023

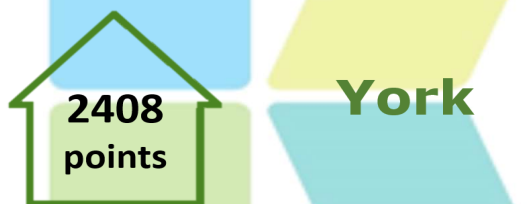
Tamia Year 9

2nd place The Three Shades



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HOUSE OF THE WEEK



5 wellbeing apps to help your teen through exams

Kooth
Free, safe and anonymous mental wellbeing support for teens

Calm
Calm
Meditation, sleep stories, inspiring masterclasses + more

Catch It
This diary helps them see where their moods are coming from

Blueice
Helps teens in times of anxiety with CBT (Cognitive-Based Therapy) techniques

Chill Panda
Breathing techniques, yoga, exercise and calming games to help them feel better

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Art Workshop

On Wednesday we welcomed Year 5 pupils from West Park Primary School to take part in an Art workshop. We have looked at the theme of 'Motion', creating a Matisse inspired paper collage, using organic and geometric shapes, and printing a moving figure on top. Great work!



Music Performance

Wolverhampton Music Service performed a 50 minute concert to Years 7 & 8 on Wednesday. Students enjoyed the opportunity to listen to a range of musical styles and different instruments.



Careers Fair

The re-arranged careers fair will now take place on 21st June from 9.20am to 1pm. There will be employers, apprenticeship and training organisations, further and higher education institutions for you to see and talk to. This is your opportunity to meet face to face and see what opportunities are out there.

Year 7 IT Day.

On 8th June Year 7 will be taking part in an IT day. This will be an exciting day for Year 7 students who will be able to take part in practical and engaging IT activities throughout the day.

Mrs Thomas

Head of Work Faculty & Careers Lead



Exams w.c 5th June 2023.

Mon 05 Jun	09:00	01:45	AQA	8700/1	English Language Paper 1	GCSE/9FC	128
Mon 05 Jun	13:30	02:00	OCR	H567/03	Psychology: Applied Psychology Wtn	GCE/A	11
Mon 05 Jun	13:30	01:15	EDEXL/GCSE	1FR0 4F	Writing [F]	GCSE/9FC	17
Mon 05 Jun	13:30	01:20	EDEXL/GCSE	1FR0 4H	Writing [H]	GCSE/9FC	8
Tue 06 Jun	09:00	02:15	EDEXL/GCE	9GEO 02	Paper Two	GCE/A	11
Tue 06 Jun	09:00	01:20	EDEXL/GCSE	1AA0 4F	Writing [F]	GCSE/9FC	1
Tue 06 Jun	09:00	01:25	EDEXL/GCSE	1AA0 4H	Writing [H]	GCSE/9FC	1
Tue 06 Jun	09:00	00:45	EDEXL/GCSE	1SP0 1H	Listening [H]	GCSE/9FC	6
Tue 06 Jun	09:00	01:00	EDEXL/GCSE	1SP0 3H	Reading [H]	GCSE/9FC	6
Tue 06 Jun	13:30	02:00	EDEXL/GCE	9MA0 01	Pure Mathematics 1	GCE/A	12
Tue 06 Jun	13:30	02:40	EDEXL/GCE	9AA0 02	Translation Into Arabic	GCE/A	1
Wed 07 Jun	09:00	01:30	EDEXL/GCSE	1MA1 2F	Calculator [F]	GCSE/9FC	78
Wed 07 Jun	09:00	01:30	EDEXL/GCSE	1MA1 2H	Calculator [H]	GCSE/9FC	57
Wed 07 Jun	13:30	02:15	OCR	H420/01	Biology A: Biological Processes Wtn	GCE/A	9
Wed 07 Jun	13:30	01:45	OCR	J411/12	Hist B: Ppl Hlth Elizabethans Wtn	GCSE/9FC	59
Wed 07 Jun	13:30	01:45	EDEXL/GCE	9BIO 01	ADV.Biochem Micro. & Gen.	GCE/A	1
Wed 07 Jun	13:30	03:00	AQA	7262/W	Drama and Theatre ADV Written	GCE/A	1
Fri 09 Jun	09:00	02:00	AQA	7192/2	Sociology ADV Paper 2	GCE/A	5
Fri 09 Jun	09:00	02:15	OCR	H556/02	Physics A: Exploring Physics Wtn	GCE/A	8
Fri 09 Jun	09:00	01:30	EDEXL/GCSE	1GB0 02	UK Geographical Issues	GCSE/9FC	46
Fri 09 Jun	13:30	02:30	AQA	7042/2R	History ADV Paper 2 Option R	GCE/A	2
Fri 09 Jun	13:30	01:45	AQA	8461/2H	Biology Paper 2 Tier H	GCSE/9FC	25
Fri 09 Jun	13:30	01:45	AQA	8461/2F	Biology Paper 2 Tier F	GCSE/9FC	7
Fri 09 Jun	13:30	01:15	AQA	8464/B/2H	Combined Sci Trilogy Biology P2H	GCSE/9DA	18
Fri 09 Jun	13:30	01:15	AQA	8464/B/2F	Combined Sci Trilogy Biology P2F	GCSE/9DA	77

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From the Chaplain....

At The King's CE School we believe that everyone is unique and created in God's image. We encourage all to achieve their God-given potential to grow, learn and aspire; to transform their lives and the lives of others and to journey in faith without limits, within a unified, respectful and harmonious community.

We wrote our school vision a few years ago now and I remember that there was some conversation at the time around the exact choice of words. Do we 'empower' or 'enable' all to achieve their God-given potential? In the end, we chose the word 'encourage', but any one of these words would fit our Bible story this week, in which a fearful band of disciples were transformed into able and confident speakers by God pouring out on them his Holy Spirit.

As a Methodist I was yesterday invited to a service to celebrate 'Wesley Day' a commemoration of the day 285 years ago when John Wesley, already an ordained vicar, suddenly felt his heart warmed and knew for certain that he was completely loved by God and that all his past was forgiven and forgotten. Like those first disciples it was a moment which would change his own life and would fill him with the conviction and energy in his ministry which would empower him to go and make a difference in the lives of so many others.



So what empowers us? Who or what is it that gives us the confidence and the motivation to live life to the full, to speak out for the truth, to venture out of our comfort zones and to achieve our God-given potential? For me, it is a growing awareness of God's deep love for me and for each one of us. His is a love which longs to see us grow and flourish. His is a love which believes in us, even when we can't believe in ourselves. His is a love which stays with us, biding his time whilst we distract ourselves with fruitless or even harmful activities, and waits until we ready to recognise and accept him. And this amazing love is for all.



In the last days, God says,
I will pour out my Spirit on all people,.
Your sons and daughters will prophesy,
your young men will see visions,
your old men will dream dreams. (Joel 2:28)

How can we become a part of what God is doing? How can we be the ones who empower and encourage others? I am sure that as you reflect on those who encourage and inspire you, will come up with plenty of your own suggestions, but here are some to star you off... By showing them we care and standing by them, no matter what. By trusting them and giving them opportunities to grow and to make mistakes, without fear of judgement or a withdrawal of our care . By being gentle, patient and honest, but always there. By recognising and celebrating their successes and joys, no matter how small.

May God's Spirit enliven and empower you to become all that you might be and may your half term be restful and refreshing.

Amen

The Theme for Worship w.c 5th June 2023

The great commission

Matthew 28: 16-20



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