

12th March 2020

Dear Parents/Carers,

King's School Sixth Form

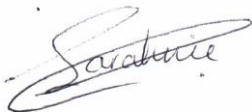
As you may know, King's School was opened as an 11-18 school but we have had to delay the opening of our sixth form due to ongoing site issues.

I am writing to inform you that governors, in consultation with the Russell Education Trust, have taken the decision to open the King's School Sixth Form for entry in September 2023; our current Year 8 year group will therefore be the first year group who will be able to progress into our sixth form. There are two main reasons for opening in 2023: this year group is larger than the three year groups above it which will enable us to recruit more easily to ensure the success of our sixth form; and the school requires a good 'lead in time' to opening to prepare the curriculum and ensure appropriate staffing.

Whilst we are very excited to now have a concrete date to work towards, we recognise that the timing of the opening will be disappointing for our current Year 9 and Year 10 students and we apologise for this. We will work with students in these year groups, as we have done with our first three cohorts, to ensure that they are well-advised and supported as they make decisions regarding their post-16 education.

I will keep you updated on our preparedness for the opening of our sixth form as plans progress.

Yours sincerely,



Mrs S Price
Headteacher