

Theme of the week 'Destiny'

For I know the *plans*
I have for you,
declares the Lord,
plans for welfare and not for evil,
to give you a
future
and a *hope.*
Jeremiah 29:11

the right time, and impressing us all with their mature attitudes towards the extra support that is being offered to them. Our U14 badminton team won the Brighton and Hove tournament and will now represent the district at the Sussex School Games. Our Year 10 geographers were a credit to us all on their fieldwork trip to Juniper Hall near Dorking. It was fantastic to welcome our Year 9 parents' in for parents' evening on Thursday and to see our Year 9 students animatedly discussing their GCSE options choices with their teachers. Read on in this newsletter for more positive news from our busy and focused school community.

Mrs Price



Dear Parents/Carers,

In the week which began with 'Blue Monday' it has been affirming and uplifting to see so much positivity at King's. Our Year 11s have been throwing themselves back into intervention sessions; ensuring that they are in the right place at

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GCSE Pod and Year 11 Update

To re-emphasise what Mrs Price has mentioned in her newsletter piece this week, we are delighted with how Year 11 students are working in our intervention

Forthcoming Events

5th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 11 English & Maths Evening
8th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 Parents' Evening
22nd February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 10 Parents' Evening
8th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 7 Parents' Evening
26th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichment Day

sessions, both after school (Period 7) and in tutor time. Their attitude and engagement have been fantastic and there is real purpose and momentum building for individuals and for the year group as a whole. We are very proud of them and their efforts.

Key dates coming up for this year groups are as follows:

Tuesday 23rd January 3.15pm – 4.00pm: English whole cohort intervention session

Tuesday 30th January 3.15pm – 4.00pm: English whole cohort intervention session

Tuesday 6th February 3.15pm – 4.00pm: English whole cohort intervention session

Thursday 8th February: no Period 7 sessions due to Year 10 parents' evening

Half term intervention sessions will run as follows:

Monday – targeted students: subjects to be confirmed

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Wednesday – targeted students: subjects to be confirmed

Thursday – NO SESSIONS

Friday – NO SESSIONS

A letter will be sent to all targeted students and their parents outlining the sessions they are expected to attend.

Monday 26th February: mock examinations start

A final Year 11 note is a well done to those Maths students who recently took a Level 3 examination in Statistics (Gavin) and Algebra (Talula, Gavin, Jude, Ben, Josh, Reuben, Maria, Yann, Josh and Beth). We look forward to getting their results!

Geography Trip

Year 10 departed for their GCSE Geography field work trip on Monday afternoon. We spent two freezing days



standing in rivers and completing data collection for urbanised areas. Students engaged well despite the cold, focused throughout their tasks and contributed well to class and seminar discussion. Students were able to effectively compile reliable data to be used for their case study exam next year. Our stay was comfortable and it was nice to see students making their own lunches and getting in to their daily routines. I would like to commend students on organisation throughout the trip and their ability to work independently and successfully



in groups.

Parents' Evenings

Thank you to all Year 9 parents who attended our parents' evening this Thursday. We hope that you found your appointments informative and useful and that you and your child/children now have a clearer idea of the options choices they wish to make. Please find a reminder of forthcoming parents' evening dates below:

- 8th February – Year 8 Parents' Evening
- 22nd February – Year 10 Parents' Evening
- 8th March – Year 7 Parents' Evening

English and Maths Year 11 Evening

A reminder that Year 11 parents have been sent a letter regarding a mathematics and English curriculum

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evening which we are running on Monday 5th February from 6-7pm in the school hall; parents and carers are strongly encouraged to attend this evening. Mr Bridges and Mrs Vincent will be walking parents through the exam papers your children will be sitting in the summer. They will be advising on revision and ensuring that parents are clear on what students need to do to obtain the good grade 4 pass and to achieve higher grades. Please do all you can to clear this space in your diaries.

Haircuts and Facial Piercings

Thank you for your continued support of our uniform policy. A reminder that students should not have 'extreme hairstyles' and hair should not be shorter than grade 2 in length. No shapes should be cut into hair and brightly coloured and 'two tone' hair is not permitted. Hair should be of a natural colour. Facial piercings are not permitted. Recently we have been seeing an increasing number of nose piercings in school; students are not allowed these. Those who have already had piercings done should be wearing clear retainers to render their piercing invisible. Please do not allow your children to have facial piercings done.

KS4 Options

Year 9 students should now all have their options forms. This has been personalised for the pathway they should be on. These forms should be returned to the school reception by Friday the 9th of February at 10:40. They will be processed from that point and it must be stressed that students who hand their forms in late may not get their first choices.

If you have any queries about the process please contact Mr Bridges via admin@kingschoolhove.org.uk.

Badminton

Our U14 boys and girls' badminton team won the Brighton and Hove tournament this Tuesday and now go on to represent the district in the Sussex School Games. The girls' team won all of their 4 matches in a round robin format, beating BACA, Longhill, Varndean

and Hove Park, only losing 2 games in the process. The boys beat Vardean (4-1) and Blatchington Mill (3-2) in their group matches and then took on a strong Hove Park team in the final. After 3 games the score was 2-1 to King's, however Judah and Elliot won their final doubles match 18-16 and Max and Elliot won 15-10 to give King's a 4-1 win overall. Congratulations to all the players who performed brilliantly on the day and continue to represent King's with such high standards.



Junior Girls Sussex Cross Country

On Wednesday, Ciara, Emily, Ruby and Isabel took part in the Sussex Cross Country competing against all the best state and private schools in the county. In cold and windy conditions, Emily came 6th, Ciara 7th, Ruby 15th and Isabel 88th in a field of around 200 athletes. Ciara, Emily and Ruby now go on to represent Sussex at the Inter-Counties Championship in February. Well done to all four of the girls!



Inclusion Support Service Coffee Mornings

Brighton and Hove Inclusion Support Service are holding weekly coffee mornings at two locations, from 9:30-11:30am. These are tailored for parents/carers of children with Autistic Spectrum Condition. If you would like to book a space at any of the following coffee

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mornings, book a place by email andrew.palmer@brighton-hove.gcsx.gov.uk or phoning 01273 293943.

Sibling Support

6th February at Hollingbury Learning Centre. *Come and share in the ways we can support siblings of children with ASC.*

Just Right

20th February at Group Room, Music & Arts Building. *Just Right is a system, developed here in Brighton & Hove, that uses colour zones to help children more effectively communicate how they are feeling and understand what makes them feel 'just right'. We will discuss how the system is being used in schools and how it can be adapted for use at home.*

Comic Strip Conversations & Social Stories

27th February at Hollingbury Learning Centre. *How to use comic strip conversations and social stories to develop your child's social understanding.*

Just Right (repeat session)

1st March at Hollinbury Learning Centre.

Being Autistic

22nd March at Hollingbury Learning Centre. Simon Smith shares his experiences of being Autistic and how this affects his everyday life.

Education, Health, Care Plan: the EHCP Process

29th March at Hollingburt Learning Centre. Information from Amaze and the SEN team on how the process works.

Friday 9 th Feb	Hockey		
Half Term			
Friday 23 rd Feb		Gymnastics	Hockey
Friday 2 nd March	Gymnastics	Hockey	
Friday 9 th March	Gymnastics	Hockey	
Friday 16 th March	Hockey	Gymnastics	
Friday 23 rd March	Gymnastics		
Monday 25 th March		KS3 Drama Club	

PORTSLADE GIRLS CRICKET HUBS



Portslade Leisure Centre
10 Weeks from Wed 17th Jan to Wed 21st March
2018
8-11 years: 5pm to 6pm
12+ years: 6pm to 7pm

To book a place for your child, please visit our website using the QR code or link below



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Extra Curricular Cancellations

	On	Not Running	Not Running
Friday 12 th Jan	Hockey	Gymnastics	
Friday 19 th Jan	Gymnastics	Hockey	
Friday 26 th Jan		Hockey	Gymnastics
Friday 2 nd Feb	Gymnastics	Hockey	
Monday 5 th Feb		KS3 Drama Club	