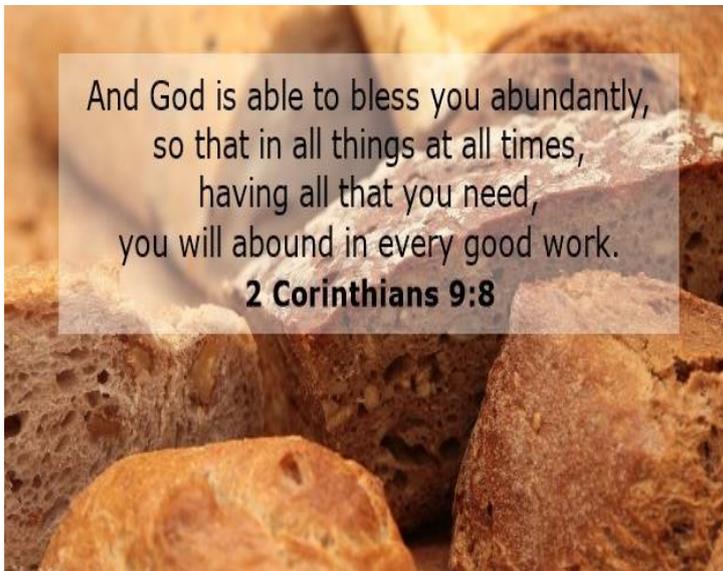


Theme of the week: PROVISION



And God is able to bless you abundantly,
so that in all things at all times,
having all that you need,
you will abound in every good work.
2 Corinthians 9:8

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you for ensuring that our attendance on Friday 1st February was strong despite the brief appearance of the snow! We hope that our communications during the adverse weather were clear but do let us know if you feel any improvements could be made. The rain has not dampened our spirits in school this week! We continue to eke out every last lesson of this half term as the Year 11s work

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towards their important second round of mock examinations and students in other year groups push themselves to secure good progress against their end of year targets.

There has been lots of fun and growth outside the classroom too, with our final preparations for High School Musical and our ongoing extracurricular offering. Thank you to Year 9 parents for working with us as your children select their GCSE options choices. We will now complete 1:1 interviews with all Year 9 students before final choices are confirmed. I hope to see you at a performance of High School Musical next week; it's not too late to get tickets if you're not already booked!

Mrs Price

Student of the Week

Isabella Butrous, Jasmine George and Nicholas Bushara have all been given joint Student of the Week for **Year 7**. They have all welcomed a new student, given him a tour of the school, and have been translating for him to help him to settle. Thank you all!

Year 8 Student of the Week is Evie Church for great effort and attitude in a Music cover lesson and showing

Forthcoming Events

13th, 14th & 15th Feb	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> High School Musical
15th February	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ski Trip Departs
14th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 8 Parents' Evening
25th March	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enrichment Day

our school values in her work and ethos in French as well!

Nominated in **Year 9** is Sophie Knight this week for being an outstanding student, always working very hard, helping out in the school and being such a good role model for our younger students. She also scored 100% on her Computing assessment which Mrs Orford-Kemmish found incredible!

Eden Kong is **Year 10** Student of the Week for helping out another student during a Geography lesson on proportional circles, as well as receiving 93% in his designing principals technology assessment – well done!

Luke Dyer is Student of the Week in **Year 11** for continuously upholding school values – thank you Luke!

Ski Trip

Our Ski Trip to Matrei departs next Friday 15th February. The final parents' evening took place on Tuesday this week and we are really excited to hit to the slopes!

A final reminder that students on the trip should attend school in appropriate travelling clothes on Friday 15th February (they will need to wear their trip hoodies as they board the coach at 3:30pm).

Students should arrive at school for 8am in the morning and should deposit their baggage (one medium sized bag and one piece of hand luggage) in PLUS1 before the start of lessons at 8:30am. Staff will be on hand to supervise their baggage hand in. They will then attend normal lessons for the day and will have a special final assembly at 12:50pm.

At 3pm they will gather in the hall where they will be given final instructions on collecting their baggage and boarding the coach. Updates on the trip's progress for the journey home will be given via the school's Twitter page (which publishes automatically to the home page of the school website). Students will also be encouraged to contact parents/carers with updates via their own mobile phones. We hope that everyone has a wonderful trip!

Contacting Students During the School Day

Students are allowed mobile phones in school but they **should be switched off and in their bags at all times** between 8:00am and 3:00pm, unless they are in the games room at break/lunch when they are permitted to use them to play games.

If students need to contact you during the school day they are asked to go to the front office to ask permission to use their phones/to use a school phone.

Please support our policy on mobile phones by not contacting your children directly on their mobile phones during the school day. If you need to get a message to your child please contact the school office who will forward the message for you.

Permanent Site Update

Work on our permanent site continues on schedule for an early August handover. This week Mrs Price has been attending meetings related to signage and wayfaring as well as lock suiting. Our signage system will be simple and clear and will contain visuals, as well as words, to support students with specific learning difficulties and visual impairments. As you might expect the King's purple is a consistent theme!

Brighton Science Festival



Half-Term is all about getting busy-busy-busy. The world needs creativity, and here you will find it. Here your children will think impossible thoughts and do impossible things. For information on the events that are happening in Brighton please follow the link below.

Mrs Coles, Head of Science

<http://www.brightonscience.com/events/>

Half Term Year 11 Revision

We will be offering targeted revision classes to Year 11 students during the upcoming holidays on Wednesday 20th, Thursday 21st and Friday 22nd February. You will

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have received an email from me already if your son/daughter has been invited to one of these sessions.

Some sessions have limited places, so please do let me know if your child isn't able to attend a session as we may be able to reallocate their place. As we go to press we are looking at the possibility of also offering an additional History session, and we will be in touch with parents separately on this once confirmed.

Students may attend sessions in appropriate casual clothes. They may bring in drinks and snacks. As ever, please ensure your child does not bring any nuts or nut-based products with them. Students will be allowed off site in between sessions if they are attending a morning and an afternoon session. No lunch service will be provided in school.

Mr Cooke, Deputy Headteacher

Revision Tips- Eat the frog!

It is human nature to avoid the difficult things we don't want to do and instead focus on the easier things we know we can achieve. We adults appreciate that procrastination can often feel productive and can boost our sense of achievement but when it comes to revision it's not going to help.

If a student focuses on the things they can already do and ignores what they can't then they won't make much progress. They need to eat that frog! Blame Mark Twain for the phrase and Google the expression if you don't know it.

Help students organise their revision with a simple red, amber, green colour coding system. Green is already known/understood, amber needs some attention and red are the frogs. They should start by focussing their



revision by making notes on, memorising and practicing questions on the red topics. Slowly their topic list should first turn amber and then eventually green.

Year 10 Geography Fieldtrip in Brighton

Year 10 geographers have been out and about in Brighton collecting fieldwork data for their GCSE. We were investigating the hypothesis: 'The quality of life improves as you get further away from the CBD'. We looked at land use, traffic and environmental quality at each site and tried to assess the quality of life for residents.

It is very difficult to judge quality of life if you don't live somewhere but our geographers were very mature and considered in their thoughts about areas.

Ms Tremlett and I were particularly impressed with our students as they worked hard and didn't moan (too much!) about the range of weathers we experienced. Thank you to Ms Tremlett for bringing spare gloves and a hot water bottle which kept us warm!

We are already looking forward to our next trip to Lewes in March.

Mrs Weir, Head of Geography

Recruitment News!

We are very pleased to announce that this week we have appointed Mr S. Bailey to join our English department. Mr Bailey brings a wealth of teaching experience and will begin after the Easter break.

We continue to have vacancies for Exam Invigilators. If you would like to support the school by joining our invigilation team, or if you know someone else who would, please email vacancies@kingsschoolhove.org.uk. We have a range of shifts that need filling, so provided you have some availability during our February mocks and Summer GCSEs we would love to hear from you. Please contact Eleanor Edwards via the school office for more information.

Woolly Hat Day

King's are supporting a Brighton & Hove wide initiative by Off the Fence to raise much needed funds to support the work they do with the homeless community across our city.

All you need to do is wear your favourite woolly hat on Friday 15th February and donate £1 by texting WOOL19 to 70070 or donate via the collection box in the main reception.



Parent Prayer

We are really grateful for such a positive half term so far. Please be praying for us in this busy coming last week. Pray for safety for our students who will be off-site, busy rehearsing for High School Musical performances; that any nerves would be calmed, performances would be really successful and the event would be really enjoyable for all. We also want to pray for our students and staff who will be going on the ski trip; for safety in travel, on the slopes and for really positive relationships to be built.

Please do have our Year 11 students in your thoughts and prayers over the coming weeks. As they face their second round of mocks, pray that practising these exams would be really beneficial. Especially pray for those who are feeling anxious and overwhelmed. Pray that we would be able to support and encourage them well.

Continue to pray for our new building, growing on the hill in Hangleton. We are so grateful for the

opportunities it will offer. Please be praying as we begin to develop links within the community; that God would enable us to build really good relationships with churches and organisations and that as a school we can serve the community well.

In Case You Missed It...

Messages that were sent home via ParentPay this week were:

- A request for consent for Year 10 Geography students taking part in the fieldtrip to Lewes
- Information about buying Science GCSE revision guides
- Information on the GCSE Ace Your Exams workshop
- Reminder to get your High School Musical tickets via ParentPay soon!

A poster for Valentine's Day. At the top right is the logo 'HARRISON food with thought'. The main text says 'Celebrate Valentine's Day' in large white letters on a red background. Below that is the date 'Thursday 14th February'. The menu lists 'Lady & Tramp's Spaghetti Meatballs', 'Moonlight Mushroom Stroganoff & Romantic Rice', 'served with Gushing Garlic Bread, Kissing Courgettes & Serenading Sweetcorn', 'Cupid's Arrow Apple & Berry Cobbler', 'Chocolate I Love You S'More', 'Cherished Chicken Saag & Rice', and 'Tunnel of Love Quorn Pasta Bake'. The background features a close-up of a brown teddy bear's face and a red heart.

High School Music Production

Tickets are selling out fast! Remaining tickets available to purchase via parentpay priced at £10.

