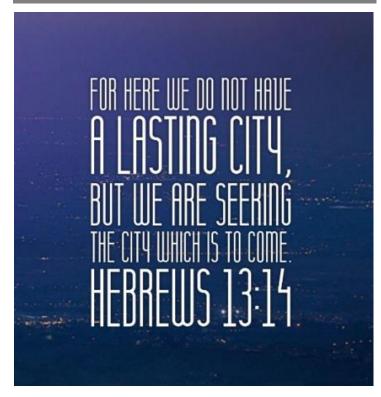


Headteacher's Update

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Theme of the Week: A City



Dear Parents/Carers,

We hope this newsletter finds you well and that you have had a good week. Thank you to all of our staff and students for their efforts with Open Evening this week, we are so proud to be able to showcase our amazing school. Next week, our open events continue with our Open Mornings each day. If you would like to attend an Open Morning, please ensure you book a slot via our Open Events page on the website.

We have now opened applications for September 2024. Please do have a look on our website for more information on how to apply.

Wishing you a lovely weekend.

Mr Chamberlain and Mr Stevenson

Theme of the Week

From King's to Hove itself, our school have been looking at the city of Brighton & Hove and plenty of what goes on in it. We've talked about what makes a city a city, and have spent time looking at Hebrews, focusing on how the foundations of our cities are built by God and how we can contribute to it in a way that lasts forever. Our tutor classes have also had opportunities this week to put their Geography knowledge to the test against our teachers, engaging in quizzes and guessing which cities they're in with GeoGuesser.

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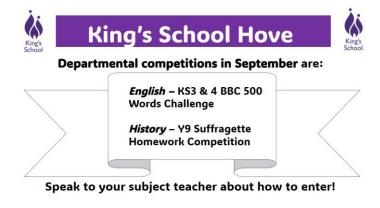
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Forthcoming Events

Monday 2 nd - Friday 6 th October	Open Mornings
Tuesday 3 rd October	GCSE Theatre Trip
Tuesday 10 th October	 Year 10 Information Evening 6- 7pm
Wednesday 29 th November	Winter Showcase –7pm



Head Students

We have a range of fantastic student leadership roles here at King's, with some of the roles including student council reps, Year 9 tutor buddies, Year 10 prefects and our Year 11 Head Student positions. Over the past fortnight, students have been anonymously voting for this year's Head Students. We are delighted to announce our two newly elected Head Students are Joanne G (11R) and Stanley W (11B). We have every confidence Joanne and Stanley will be do an excellent job of guiding and directing our student leader team and be the voice of our student cohort. A huge thank you and well done to all our Year 11 candidates who applied for these positions. Joanne and Stanley will be introducing themselves in next week's newsletter and will be sharing a little more information about their journey here at King's.



Student of the Week

Students of the week	
Year 7	Jonah T
Year 8	Arthur W
Year 9	Silvie-Rae S
Year 10	Alec P
Year 11	Sam D

Open Evening

We welcomed prospective parents/ carers and their children onto site yesterday evening to see our wonderful school. Our yearly open evening was busy as ever and we are grateful to our staff for giving their time to showcase their subjects. A group of Year 7 students did a brilliant job in sharing their experiences with attendees, they spoke so confidently and clearly. Well done to all of our other students who represented the school across all subjects, the evening really wouldn't have been the same without your help! We look forward to our Open Mornings taking place across the whole of next week.

Here is a short extract from a student speech:

'When I first came to King's, there were only two children from my school, so I really didn't know that many people. At first of course you feel a bit nervous. You don't know whether you're going to make friends, you don't want to get lost or lose your timetable..... but it's like been four weeks or something, and I already feel like I've been here two years. Everyone's so friendly in the first week because everyone is in the same situation. Everything's been so much easier than I expected.' – Jonah, Year 7

Parents Prayer Group

The Parent Prayer Group meets twice monthly, once at school in person for a prayer walk and once over zoom. If you would like more information please contact Katherine Laux on Katherine.laux@learningcycle.co.uk.

Young Writers- Matilda B

Well done to Matilda B who has had her poem published in an anthology from Young Writers named 'Unsolved'. This book will sit in the British library going forward, which is a huge achievement! Congratulations Matilda!

Sixth Form

2024 applications are open

We are now accepting applications for 2024 entry to the sixth form. Please go to <u>King's School</u> (kingsschoolhove.org.uk) for more information.



Whatsapp

Whatsapp is a useful messaging service that can be incredibly helpful to connect family and friends. Although the age restriction is currently 16+ many parents allow their children to have the app as a means of keeping in touch. However, as a school we are frequently required to intervene when problems occur with the use of this app outside of school hours. The most common issue is when groups of pupils form chats and then inappropriate content, bullying or abusive behaviours occur. This is often from users who have anonymised their profile making it difficult to know who is behind the behaviour. School staff are then asked to intervene which takes many hours of investigation. We often find, as in the case of a recent Year 7 group chat, that outside users from other schools are invited into a group and then proceed to post inappropriate content. It is very important for you as parents to know our perspective on the use of Whatsapp usage:

- Regardless of what a group is called, there will be no official association with King's School. King's does not have any official Whatsapp groups or chats.
- Children should not join large groups representing a year group or form group.
 Ideally, children would only use Whatsapp for family purposes where access is tightly controlled.
- If they do join groups, these should be restricted to close, trusted friends and under no circumstances should strangers or young people from outside the friendship group be given access.
- All abusive behaviour on Whatsapp can and should be reported to the police.

We have posted a couple of links below which provide sensible advice for parents.

WhatsApp Messenger App Review | Common Sense Media

WhatsApp | Parent Zone | At the heart of digital family life



Welcome to Dr Wieland

Dr Wieland has joined us this September in our wonderful Science department. Dr Wieland has a wealth of experience, having had multiple years of teaching experience at GCSE and A-Level in London and having obtained a PHD in Physics from the University of Nottingham. She is getting to know her new Year 7 tutor group and is settling in to life at King's! In her spare time, Dr Wieland enjoys miniature wargaming and painting, Dungeons and Dragons and Marvel.

Interhouse Football Tournament

To kick off our football season here at King's, we recently ran our annual Year 7 and 8 Interhouse Football Tournament. This event was extremely well attended with all footballers participating well as they competed for House football glory.

This year's tournament was won by 7/8G who did not lose a game throughout. Well done!

Thank you to all students you participated in what was a great afternoon of football.

Congratulations to Girls District Football Trialists

We recently have two KS4 pupils trial for district representation and we are pleased to announce that both Belle S (Y11) and Alice C (Y10) made their district squads. We couldn't be prouder of them. Match time for KS4 students is limited, due to the low number of players we have, but both Belle and Alice give up their time after school to help coach and manage a KS3 year group each. Having student leaders like these two girls is amazing, its lovely to have them lead the younger players and to be honest I would struggle to manage it all without their help.

Congratulations girls and thank you in advance for all your hard work to come this year.

S Orford Kemmish

Teacher of PE

Girls Football off to a Winning Start

On Thursday 21st September the football season began with the first of four 7-a-side tournaments being hosted at Patcham High School. This week's match was for KS4 (Years 10 and 11). At King's we are short of KS4 players therefore six Year 9s and one Year 7 joined the three available KS4 pupils to make up the squad numbers.

The first game saw King's play Patcham B. Belle S scored 2 goals to win the match 2-1. Next up were Patcham A, Nia J scored the only goal in this match, securing the 1-0 win. Longhill didn't attend the tournament in the end, which meant that BACA were the final team for King's

to face. Daisy S scored the goal in this match, with the game finishing 1-0.

The girls worked very well as a team and dominated every match, taking three wins from three matches, therefore they were overall tournament winners and claimed the medals at the end.

Next up we have the Year 7 tournament on Thursday October 5th, this will be the first outing for our new Year 7s. This year we have many talented players, so with only 10 spaces available for the tournament it will be a difficult choice to select a team. Year 7 cup and league games will get underway soon, so plenty more opportunity to get game time this year.





Surf Life Saving Medal Wins

Many students from King's are members of the Surf Life Saving Club and some competed in both National and Regional events over the summer.

Luca K, Alfie D and Coco S represented Brighton in the National Surf Life Saving Championships.

Bonnie F-P and Maisie D took home four gold and one bronze medal at the Eastern Regionals in Suffolk and Coco S bagged a medal haul at the Wessex Competition.

Life Saving is an exhilarating and challenging sport that tests the skills and physical fitness of athletes across various water and land-based competencies including swimming, board paddling, board and tube rescues, beach sprints and flags in both individual and team events.

Brighton SLSC train in the sea next to Sea Lanes every Saturday with additional pool-based training during the week.

If you'd like to find out more about joining Brighton Surf Life Saving Club or are interested in becoming a sponsor, email <u>info@brightonslsc.org</u>.



Grimm Tale Update

73 students auditioned to be in this year's production. The standard was exceptionally high, so Mrs Grosvenor has decided everyone should have a role. Some will have speaking roles, and some will form part of the chorus in non-speaking roles. We are very excited to begin working on this as of next week, Thursday 5th October, 3-4.30pm. Details of who is in which story (there are four) will be published soon - outside the Drama studio on the first floor. Letters giving details of rehearsals will also be sent home to all cast members early next week, so if your child is on the list, keep an eye out for an e mail.

We will recruit for a limited number of backstage roles soon. Further details to follow.

Well done, everyone!

Achievement Points in RP

Want to earn yourself some more AP's? Here's how you can in RP:

One lucky KS3 and KS4 pupil will be selected each week in RP for:

- an amazing/ insightful / philosophical contribution to the lesson,
- or for producing an excellent homework,
- or finally for borrowing a book/ leaflet from the RP bookcase (found in RP2).

Speakers for Schools

Broadcasts are a great way for students to hear directly from leading figures from a range of industries, and have the opportunity to ask questions via a moderated Q&A. Speakers for school provide live and recorded broadcasts for students to participate in. Watch prerecorded broadcasts from the library <u>here</u>. Next week's broadcast schedule is below:

DATE	Monday 2 nd October 10:00-10:45am
SPEAKER	Windrush 75th Anniversary Talk Levi Roots, Musician, Television Personality, Celebrity Chef, Author & Businessman KS4-5/S4-6
INFO	Levi grew up in a small village in Clarendon, Jamaica with his grandma who shared her love

for Caribbean food with him, while his parents worked hard in England to be able to slowly move their children to England. When he was older Levi invented the recipe for Reggae Reggae Sauce and became well known after his appearance on Dragon's Den. Join us for this broadcast in celebration of the 75th anniversary of the arrival of the Windrush generation and Black History Month. Click <u>here</u> to register

DATE	Monday 9 th October 10-10:45am
SPEAKER	Black History Month Denise Nurse, Entrepreneur, Solicitor & Presenter KS5/S5-6
INFO	In this broadcast we will hear from Denise Nurse, who is an experienced leader, entrepreneur, commercial lawyer, and life coach. She has had a fun and varied career working at the top of her fields in law, business, public speaking, and television presenting. She is an advocate for diversity and inclusion, accessible education, and economic empowerment and will be talking about her life experiences and exciting career. Click here to register

DATE	Monday 9 th October 2-2:45pm
SPEAKER	Black History Month Transferable Skills and Varied Careers: Brandie Deignan Chief Executive Officer, Pier Health Group KS4-5/S4-6
INFO	In this broadcast you can hear from Brandie Deignan, who's had a diverse career spanning various industries, she embodies the power of transferable skills and job versatility. Her insights will showcase how embracing change and pursuing varied careers can lead to personal growth and success. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from a dynamic leader who navigated her path with adaptability and resilience. Click <u>here</u> to register

DATE	Tuesday 10 th October 10-10:45am
SPEAKER	World Mental Health Day Jenni Cochrane, CEO & Co-Founder, Getahead & Founder & CEO, Work Inspired - Moving The Needle KS5/S5-6
INFO	Jenni Cochrane is gearing up for an insightful interview in this broadcast on World Mental Health Day. She'll share invaluable insights on fostering mental well-being, encouraging open conversations, and nurturing resilience among

young minds. She will also talk about her work in the music industry and the importance of empowerment in your mindset. Don't miss this opportunity to empower the next generation to prioritise their mental health. #MentalHealthMatters #TeenWellness Click here to register

Is your child struggling to attend school?

We understand that some young people can find it challenging to attend school, for several reasons.

We would like to offer a space to meet with someone to share your concerns and look at how we can support you around this.

You would be able to meet with an attendance officer from the council along with someone from the Schools Mental Health Service, to explore what we can offer, and support the conversations with school.

Our next session will be:

Date:	10 th October
Time:	10.00 - 3.00
Venue:	Daisy Room, Moulsecoomb Family Hub on Hodshrove Lane, BN2 4SE

There will be an Education Adviser available between these times, with someone from the Schools Mental Health Service also available.

This is a drop in offer and there is no need to book an appointment.

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Monday 23 – Thursday 26 October

10am – 12.30pm each day

Ages 9 –15 Levels 1 & 2 together is £40 per



Monday 23 – Wednesday 25 October

Level 3 costs £45.00 per person.

13.15 - 15.15 each day

Ages 11 - 15

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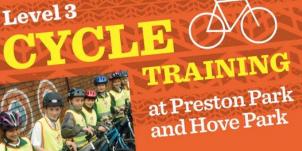
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Level 3 is where you learn to cycle safely on busy roads within the city.

Training includes roundabouts, traffic lights and filtering. You must have completed Levels 1 and 2.

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