THE KIDSGROVE SECONDARY SCHOOL HEADTEACHER BULLETIN

Friday 22.3.24

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Dear Parents/Carers,

Easter has arrived and what a half term it has been! As I always mention within these bulletins, it never ceases to amaze me how much we fit into our days at KSS. There have been lots of activities that have taken place and some amazing learning activities have been completed in classrooms by all year groups over the last ten weeks.

This edition of the bulletin is dedicated to celebrating student learning and the numerous achievements that have been made.

It is always a highlight each half term to host reward assemblies and we have been delighted to have seen so many students acknowledged for their hard work, effort and progress this week. This has also been supported by the half termly Headteacher reward lunch that took place on Wednesday and the Year 11 mock results assembly from yesterday.

This week has also seen the end of our Year 10 'Frost v Poss' challenge. This has been a fantastic success. The increase in attendance, positive behaviour points, along with the special token box being filled with red and green tokens daily has been brilliant to see. Team Poss were victorious and did themselves proud with a remarkably consistent four weeks. Each Team Poss member has been rewarded with a £10 shopping voucher to take with them to the Trafford Centre for todays Easter reward trip.

Finally, I hope that you all have a relaxing Easter holiday and a reminder that the school reopens on Monday the 8th of April 2024. We cannot wait to see what the students achieve in the summer term.



Yours faithfully, Mr S Frost

Upcoming Events:

Monday 25.3.24 - Year 11 Easter Sessions Begin Monday 8.4.24 - School Reopens Friday 12.4.24 to Sunday 14.4.24 - Year 11 English and Maths Residential Visit Monday 15.4.24 - INSET Day (School Closed) Tuesday 16.4.24 - School Reopens to Students





YEAR 11 EASTER PROGRAMME

Over the Easter break Year 11 teachers will be working with the Year 11 students in very useful intervention and revision sessions.

A full timetable of the sessions can be seen below.

We hope to see as many Year 11's as possible over the next two weeks.

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YEAR 11 EASTER PROGRAMME









FROST



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After a four week intense battle, the results of Frost v Poss are in! Team Poss were victorious but the year group as a whole were the real winners.

A 3% increase in the year groups attendance, a 4% increase in the behaviour ratios for both teams and over 300 'Above and Beyond' tokens issued by staff. A remarkable effort and initiative led led by Mrs Postlethwaite.

We hope to see Year 10 continue to flourish on our return for the summer term and who knows... the challenge may reform at a later date so that Team Frost can seek revenge.





"If you do enough small things right, BIG THINGS can happen"



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NSCG ESports Event

Mr Till took 15 of our Y10 students to Newcastle College for an ESports taster event. The day involved exploring the type of qualifications that are on offer and examples of industries that these skills would be utilised in.

Students took part in an array of activities from PC gaming, Rocket League tournaments and 3D modelling using Lego to plan out structural designs for event stadiums. It was also a great opportunity for our students to view the college in full flow, with us also catching up with several ex-KSS students.

Well done Y10 for having such a positive attitude and making it a really enjoyable day.











NSCG ESports Event







Year 11 Results Assembly

Well done to Year 11 students who received their latest mock results in the assembly yesterday.

There have been so many improvements made across the board by a number of students. Well done to all of you, the hard work and determination has really started to pay off.







Year 11 Masterclasses

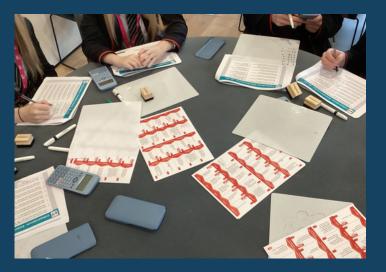
A number of students took part in Year 11 masterclasses over the last few days for a wide range of subjects.

The sessions were held at Staffordshire University and were delivered by Shaw Education Trust colleagues.

The students were once more a credit to the school and represented KSS brilliantly. They worked extremely well and we are hopeful that the sessions will have a lasting impact on the students preparedness for their final examinations.













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Headteacher Reward Lunch

I was delighted to be joined by a select group of students that have performed amazingly in and out of lessons over the last few weeks.

It is always a highlight for me personally to sit down and enjoy lunch with students who have gone above and beyond.

Well done to the following students who were selected for the Easter reward lunch:

Tyler Joshua Fox Teagan Emily Tommy Olly lona Louie Evie Leo Ellie Reece Liam Ollie Amy Isabella Lilly-Peach Zara-Mae Amber Ava Joshua Jenson-Leigh Harry William Lewis Archie

















Year 11

YEAR II **REVISION HUB** *(IDSGROVE* Now Open Daily from 3.05pm to 4.30pm

A place to revise in a quiet environment each afternoon.



Student Council

The student council are hosting a Shaw Education Trust event on the April 26th 2024.

This was involve Madeley High School, The Orme Academy, Endon High School and our very own KSS teams. Reece our student council lead has created an eye catching poster that can be seen below.

Thank you to the student council for all of their hard work with this important event!



YOU ARE FORMALLY INVITED TO PARTICIPATED IN THE KIDSGROVE SECONDARY X TRUST EDITION SUPER SMASH BROS ULTIMATE TOURNAMENT LEAGUE. THE EVENT WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE 26TH APRIL AT 11:30 - 14:30. REFRESHMENTS AND SNACKS WILL BE PROVIDED ON THE DAY AND YOU WILL BE UP AGAINST ALL OF THE PARTICIPATING SCHOOLS WHICH ARE ENDON, THE ORME, MADELEY AND KIDSGROVE SECONDARY SCHOOL. THE WINNING SCHOOL WILL RECIEVE A TROPHY TO PROVE THEIR SUPERIOR 2D FIGHTING SKILLS. LASTLY I WISH YOU GOOD LUCK AS YOU'LL NEED IT!





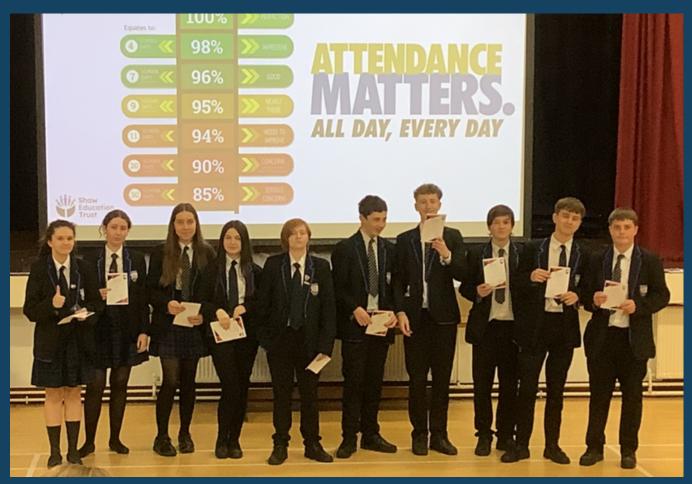






















PROUD TO BE KSS



















Attendance





Welcome Year 7's 2024-2025

It was with great pride that I spent a few hours writing to each and every one of our new Year 7 students over the last week.

To welcome 98 students into the school in September will be exciting for everyone connected with the school and non-more so than the students themselves.

We cannot wait to welcome you all!







Y11 ACADEMIC FOCUS

INTERVENTION TIMETABLE



Year 11 have remaining less than 40 school days before the summer examinations begin and the opportunity to attend intervention at lunchtime and after school has never been more crucial.

The timetable above is also supported by a compulsory form time intervention schedule.

We are confident that if students attend these sessions it will have a huge impact on their progress.



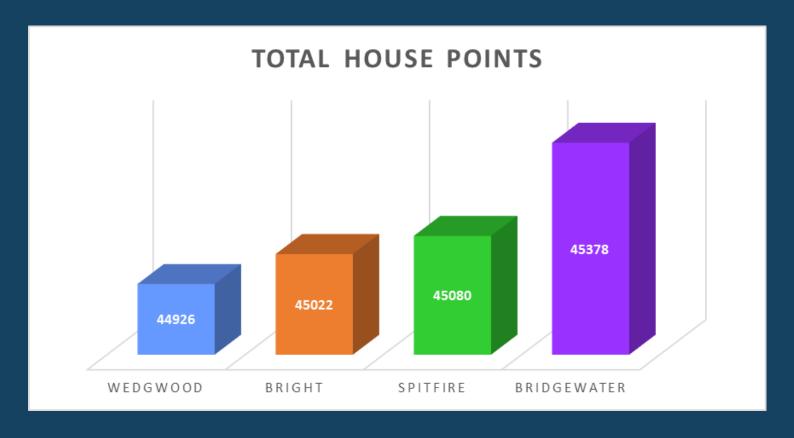


House Update

Below are the House totals for the year so far...

Well done to Bridgewater who are still in the lead after a brilliant half term 3. They are really leaving the other houses in their wake.

Mrs Castrey is planning a reward event for the summer term as a well done for all of your hardwork.















Easter Egg Challenge

Over the course of the last four weeks the students have taken part in an Easter Egg attendance challenge.

Every student that has achieved 100% attendance for this half term has won themselves an Easter Egg. Mrs Hume has hand picked the finest eggs and she has delivered these to the students in our rewards assemblies.

There were a total of 182 eggs delivered which is over 60% of our students. Well done to everyone who achieved 100% attendance for the last month.



Easter Egg Challenge

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Well done to all 182 students who achieved 100% attendance for March

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62% of students received an Easter egg this week

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94% whole school attendance for the month of March

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Easter Reward Trip

There was a record 98% eligibility for the Easter reward trip today which is a new KSS record.

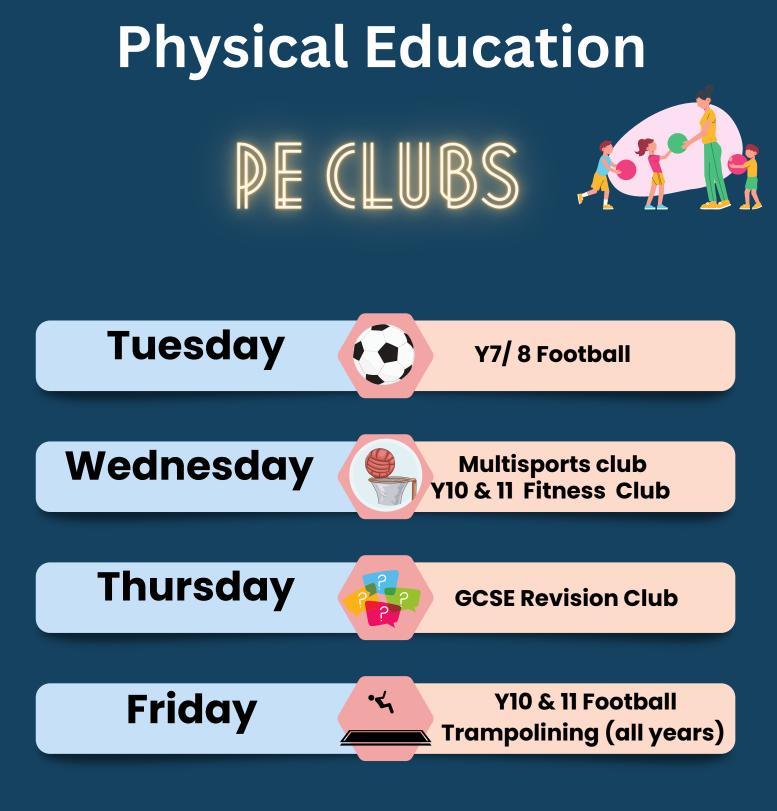
The students from Years 7 to 11 had a brilliant day at The Trafford Centre taking part in a range of brilliant activities.

Well done to all students in attendance for representing the school so well.









Please see a member of the PE department for further details about these sessions.





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