

KGS@Home

Friday 5 March 2021



We are very much looking forward to finally being able to welcome our pupils back into school on Monday.

Thank you to our pupils for your determination, resilience and positive attitudes towards your KGS@Home remote learning. A special thank you to our parents, grandparents and other family members for your unwavering support.





We believe Kirkham Grammar School exists for our children and therefore they must have the best! Our excellence in sport has been acknowledged during 2020 with a top twenty world ranking.

With this in mind, we are looking towards the future and are currently working with Architects to bring a range of new facilities and refurbishment ideas into fruition. This will mark the 475th Anniversary of KGS since our foundation in 1549.

These include:

- Extended Boarding House facilities
- A state of the art Gym and Conditioning Suite
- Full-size 4G Sports Pitch

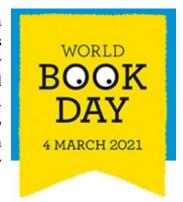
We are delighted to announce that we will be opening our doors to new families from Wednesday 17 March. To book your personal tour of the school with KGS Headmaster, Mr Berry, please visit:

https://kirkhamgrammar.simplybook.it/v2/#book

Due to the large number of tours previously cancelled during the pandemic, we would politely ask that you only make a booking if your child is registered or enrolled at KGS for September 2021. Further details regarding visits and tours for September 2022 entry will be published shortly.



To celebrate World Book Day yesterday, KGS English department held a 'Winning Word' competition. The pupils looked at ways language is constantly changing, particularly given the springboard that lots of new words have entered our vocabulary due to the pandemic. Not least the word Covid, but also social-distancing, self-isolating, anti-vaxxer, bubble etc. They looked at how and why new words are created and were then asked to create a word which they thought should be added to the Oxford English Dictionary. Teachers then picked three words per class before Mr Sampey chose the winning words.



Thank you to everyone who entered and congratulations to our winners:

Lucy Hardcastle (1X)

'Swizfiching' – a mix of sweets, fizzy pop, film and chilling - 'I'm swizfiching with my friends later.'

Zea Trend (2Y)

'Chilm' - chill and watch a film - 'Do you want to chilm tonight or go out?'

Keira Tomes (3Y)

'Destinesia' – when you get to a place but you can't remember why you went there e.g. you go into the kitchen to get something but when you get there, you can't remember what you went to get! - 'I must be tired. This is the third time today I've had destinesia!'

Olivia Coupe (3W)

'Enjolation' - to enjoy the isolation during lockdown and make the most of it - 'I have experienced much enjolation during the recent lockdown'.

As part of this week's Headmaster's assembly, our Senior School and Sixth Form pupils were asked to guess which members of staff were reading extracts of their favourite book. If you haven't yet had a go, please check your school email for the link or visit the news section of the school website at www.kirkhamgrammar.co.uk/news/2021-03-04-headmaster-s-world-book-day-assembly

Some of our Junior, Infant and Pre-School pupils dressed up as their favourite book character to celebrate World Book Day yesterday.

They all looked amazing!























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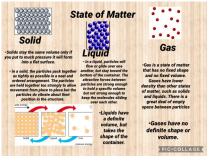


ROMAN DAY

This term in History, our J1 pupils have been learning about the Romans and their invasion and settlement of Britain. They learned about the Roman way of life, their army and also about the people of Britain that they conquered including Queen Boudicca. As they approached the end of the topic, they decided to have a virtual Roman Day, an event that they would normally have in school. They all dressed up as Romans and in their afternoon History lesson had a virtual Roman feast where they ate the sort of food the Romans might have eaten and entertained each



Science, J2 have been exploring states of matter. To demonstrate their understanding, they created information leaflets and posters to show what they know about solids, liquids and gases.









In English, the pupils have been learning about different styles of poetry. They created their own kennings, describing an item using two-word phrases without giving the name of the item. Can you guess what the two kennings to the left are about?

KGS Lower Sixth students, Fen McLean, Lily Hitchen, Amy Wildish, Ellie Rockey, Jasper Kemp, Harry Lee and Henry Smith are taking on a running challenge to raise money for charity.

In June this year, they will be running around Ullswater in the Lake District. Fen, Jasper, Harry and Henry are tackling a 22 mile route, while Lily, Amy and Ellie run a 10 mile route. They are all fundraising for Cancer Research UK and Stonewall, two charities close to their hearts.

The cold weather of late has proved challenging as their training picks up pace, as well as not being able to train as a group due to the current situation. However, they remain upbeat and motivated by the fact they are taking on this challenge for a good cause.

The pupils would be enormously grateful for any donations. To make a donation please visit:

https://www.justgiving.com/team/ullswater2021







Applications have recently opened for the 7th series of Junior Bake Off; a Channel 4 programme that celebrates the culinary talent and ambition of the younger generation in Britain.

They are looking for young budding bakers between 9-15 years old. Filming would take place from July 2021, but applications close on Sunday 28 March 2021.

Interested bakers can apply online at - https://junior.take-part.co.uk/

Our Rugby Sevens Summer Camp taking place from Monday 19 July 2021 - Thursday 22 July 2021 has sold out and we now have a waiting list in operation.

If you would like to add your son/daughter to the waiting list please email:

m.tickle@kirkhamgrammar.co.uk

The camp is open to pupils in J4 through to the Third Year.



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