The Kingsway School Foxland Key Messages





Welcome Address



This week our year 10 students start their first practice exams under formal exam conditions. It can feel daunting at first but it is important that routines are rehearsed so that the nerves have subsided when the external examinations take place. Staff are on hand to offer support and guidance to make this as smooth as possible. Attendance is really important as these exams will provide students with feedback on where their learning gaps are and what actions need to take place to address them.

In assemblies this week we discuss the importance of learning environments. This is not just about keeping rooms tidy, it is about our behaviours in lessons; having a positive mindset and seeing challenges as opportunities rather than barriers. It is only when we step outside of our comfort zones that we begin to grow. Have a good week Ms Linnecor



Building a Positive Culture



Every week we talk about how we can build a positive culture.

One small positive action can have a huge impact.

The small action to focus on this week that will have a big impact is to be on time to all your lessons. Walk with pace and purpose when you are dismissed from your lessons. Every moment in your lessons count.







Ready, Respect, Safe Assembly: Keys to Success



To keep you safe, we need to know where you are at all times. For the majority of the time, this should be in your lessons, where you will be registered and can learn the intended curriculum.

Those students who are not in their lesson and this has not been agreed by their teacher may be asked to stay with a member of SLT so we know where they are.



Ready, Respect, Safe Assembly: Keys to Success



Maximise your learning by being on time to all lessons. 98% of all marks are 'on time'.

A small number of pupils can be late to lessons at times. This means that you miss out on explanations of 'Essential Knowledge' at the start of each lesson. Being on time will help you to be successful!





Key Messages: Ready Acceptable / Unacceptable Footwear



Acceptable Footwear is:

- Plain, flat, below the ankle
- All leather
- All black (including soles)
- Black Nike Air Force 1's are allowed without the metal tag

Unacceptable Footwear is:

- Trainers other than the above
- Any shoes with air bubbles / mesh
- Shoes with different coloured laces or any additional decoration













Please Note: Our uniform policy is currently under review for September which includes parental consultation.



Key messages: Safe

Last week we were informed that some Kingsway students were seen trespassing on railway tracks in Heald Green. Thankfully, no one was injured. However, the British transport police contacted school so that we can address this extremely dangerous behaviour and help keep you safe.

Harrison's story is an upsetting but important reminder of the consequences this can have: <u>Harrison's story</u>





"I didn't expect electricity to just jump at me."

> Watch Harrison's story. YouVsTrain.co.uk





Key messages: Safe



Are you concerned about a safeguarding or wellbeing issue? This might be about you or a friend. Or, perhaps you would just like to talk to an adult away from the hustle and bustle of school life.

Mr. Dorsett will be hosting drop-in sessions:

<u>Broadway</u>: break 2 on Tuesdays - find him at reception. <u>Foxland</u>: break 2 on Thursdays - find him at year offices.





Mr G. Dorsett Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead



Key messages: Safe



Some of you journey to and from school near our neighboring primaries. You are role models for younger children. Please remember this if you are interacting with them. Sadly, we have heard this isn't always the case.

Be someone to look up to!





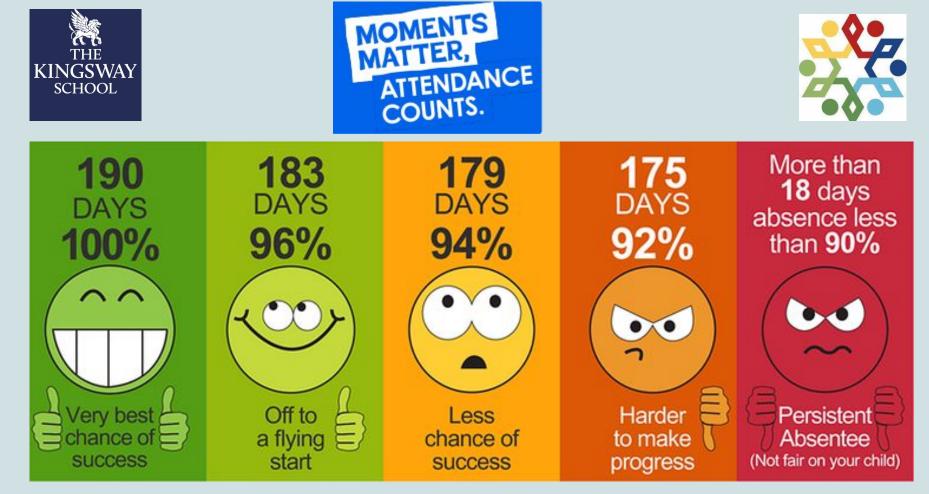
Moments Matter Attendance Counts



It is fine to come to school if you have a minor cough -or common cold.

Everyone can help to prevent the spread of colds by following these 3 simple routines.





Every School Day is Important: Don't Miss Out



Kingsway Active

Monday 22nd April

GCSE PE Practical Moderation (Broadway) Girls Badminton (Broadway) - Miss L Wildgoose

Tuesday 23rd April GCSE PE Practical Moderation (Broadway)

Wednesday 24th April

Year 11 GCSE Revision (F37) - Miss Wildgoose. Year 11 Sports Studies Coursework catch up and revision (Meet in the library) - Mr J Howarth <u>Thursday 25th April</u>

Friday 26th April

Year 7 Multi Sports club- Break 2 (Broadway Sportshall) Badminton and Table Tennis- Broadway (Mr H Duffy) GCSE PE Moderation takes place on Monday 22nd and Tuesday 23rd April.

Athletics, Softball, Rounders and Cricket club to start next week.

Lining up/ Entrance to Broadway PE

Where you enter/ Line up for PE has changed.

- Year 7, 8 and 9 Girls are to meet near the green gate to meet their teacher and walk over to Foxland.

Year 7, 8 and 9 Boys are to meet at the following places:

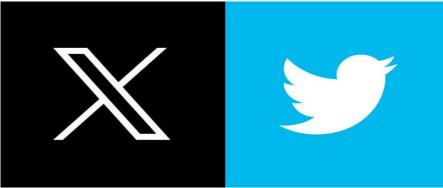
- Period 1 Meet in the canteen (Line up quietly in your class)
- Period 2 Meet in the canteen (Line up quietly in your class)
- Period 3 Outside entrance next to the field (Where you used to line up)
- Period 4- Meet in the canteen (Line up quietly in your class)
- Period 5 Outside entrance next to the field (Where you used to line up)



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ONE SIMPLE RULE: RESPECT.







When your attendance is good (95%+) you are more likely to achieve better grades in school.

It is never too late to improve your attendance.

Attendance is also important as it supports positive peer relationships which is good for your mental health and well being.







Your attendance in school is extremely important if you are to reach your potential.

Each member of the form with 100% attendance last week will receive merits

Well done to 10RHU

Each week the form with the highest attendance will receive extra merits

Who will win next week?







Congratulations to 10SSI for the biggest improvement in attendance last week in their year group. An increase of 18.8% compared to last week. Well done!

Attending school every day is important.







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Each member of the form with 100% attendance last week will receive merits

Well done to 11NMC

Each week the form with the highest attendance will receive extra merits

Who will win next week?







Congratulations to 11ABO for the biggest improvement in attendance last week in their year group. An increase of 15.8% compared to last week. Well done!

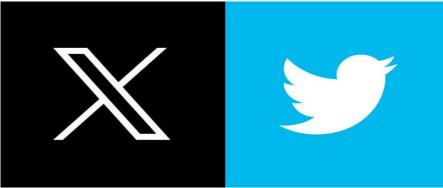
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Assembly - Essential Knowledge



Due to the Year 10 PPEs - assemblies will be pre-recorded and shown in lessons this week. This week's assembly is about looking after the school and learning environment. The key learnings from this week's assembly are:

- It's not just about keeping our classrooms tidy; it's about taking responsibility for our surroundings and the impact we have on the school community
- Our school can be a beautiful place, where we can all enjoy learning
- Sometimes, we find areas that are not looked after as well as they should be
- Keeping our environment clean isn't just about aesthetics; it's about health, safety, and respect for ourselves and others
- Here are some steps we can all take: using recycling bins, reducing plastic use, eating in the canteen



Exam Preparation - Year 11



- Every week in Wellbeing lessons we will be looking at how you can prepare for your exams both in school and at home.
- Whilst you're waiting for your feedback, make sure you are taking advantage of each and every lesson, the period 6 offer, and revising for your GCSE Exams.
- The next couple of slides will remind you of some effective revision strategies.



Exam Preparation – Bad Habits

Highlighting

Not productive – students will focus in on just that fact and not the wider context/information

Highlighting texts feels good. You can draw attention of people to a word or perhaps even to a whole sentence that spans acorss multiple lines in such a way that hypenation etc. are not affected.



Re-reading



Read, Cover, Review



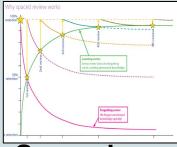
Summarising



SUMmarise It Shorter than the text Use your own words Main ideas only







Spaced Learning



Exam Preparation – Good Habits

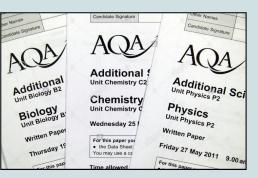
Retrieve Knowledge

S – Space

- T Transform
- E Elaborate
- E Examine

R – Retrieve







Transform Knowledge

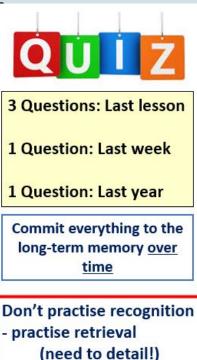
Elaborate on Knowledge



Good Habits: Examine your learning



S – Space Transform E – Elaborate E – Examine **R** – Retrieve



| What is it? | Why does it work? | What can I do? |
|--------------------|----------------------|--|
| This is one of the | It has consistently | Complete Past Papers from memory – then check |
| most effective | been shown to help | your answers |
| ways to improve | students improve | |
| memory! | retention and recall | Write down everything you can remember on a |
| | (and subsequently | topic from memory without notes – then check |
| Anything that | exam performance) | your knowledge using your notes |
| makes you | | • |
| retrieve a | It improves anxiety | Make short quizzes with friends and test each othe |
| memory E.g. | especially at exam | |
| answering a | time | Make up your own questions from memory with |
| question, writing | | answers – then check your knowledge |
| down everything | It reduces exam | • |
| you can | nerves | Get someone at home to ask you questions from |
| remember on a | | your revision notes or flashcards |
| topic | Helps identify what | • |
| • | you don't know | Teach the topic to someone else from memory |



Student Leadership



Form and House Captains should meet in their JLTs this week. The Library will be setting up for PPEs so please use F44.

| Junior Leadership | Team Agenda |
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Year 10 Meeting Day: Blue Wednesday Meeting Time: 8:35am

Meeting Room: Library

Year] Junior Leadership Team Agenda

Meeting Day: Blue Tuesday Meeting Time: 8:35am Meeting Room: Library



The House System



During this week's Wellbeing lessons you will have the opportunity to have your say on what the Houses will be for next year. Each group of Houses will be presented during the the sessions and will culminate in you voting for your favourite House group.

The names of the Houses within the winning group will then be decided in the next Wellbeing sessions by student vote.

JLTs have been discussing groups of Houses for sometime and the final nominees are:

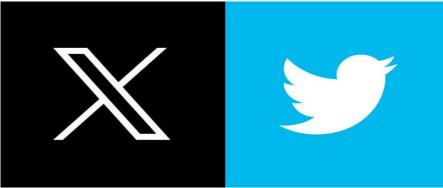
- Local parks
- Local towns/villages
- Local streets
- Famous historical figures but more diverse than the existing ones
- Precious Stones



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Learning Matters: Maths Homework



Sparx Maths

The Kingsway School

STARTS THIS WEEK HOMEWORK CLUB THURSDAY 3-3:45 BLUE WEEK B14 RED WEEK B19A

WELCOME









Year Team Stars of the Week Year 10



| | Student | Reason |
|------------|----------|--|
| \bigstar | Hannah F | Awarded most Teacher Star of the Lesson last week |
| \bigstar | Vicky C | Awarded most Outstanding Work/Learning last week |
| \bigstar | Freya B | Significant Improvement |

| THE KINGSWAY SCHOOL | Year Team Stars of the Week Year 11 | | |
|---------------------------|--|--|--|
| | Student | Reason | |
| | Hussain N | Awarded the most merits for producing outstanding work last week | |
| | Klaudia C | Awarded for most merits for outstanding standard of homework last week | |
| | Saffa I | Awarded the most merits for Good Attitude last week | |

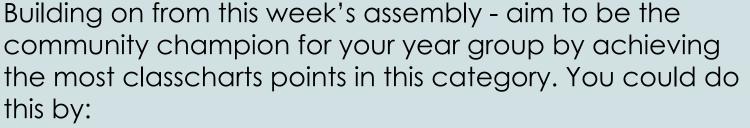


Community

Champion

Challenge of the Week





- Picking up litter (even if it's not yours)
- Tidying up after yourself in the canteen
- Offering to collect stationery in at the end of the lesson
- Tucking the chairs under/putting chairs on desks at the end of the day
- Identifying areas of the school environment which need tidying/cleaning
- Reporting others who are not looking after the school environment