

# The King's CE School

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Newsletter 27 Friday 6th May 2022

## Diversity Day Tuesday 10th May

Dear Parents and Carers

We have a long tradition of celebrating the rich diversity of cultural heritage represented across The King's school family. The highlight of our cultural celebrations is our Diversity Day which will be taking place in school on Tuesday 10th May. We have chosen this date to coincide with the United Nations World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development.

On this day, we will be taking time as a school to focus on the uniqueness of our school community. With pupils, parents and staff representing over 30 different countries, we have over 41 different languages spoken amongst us.

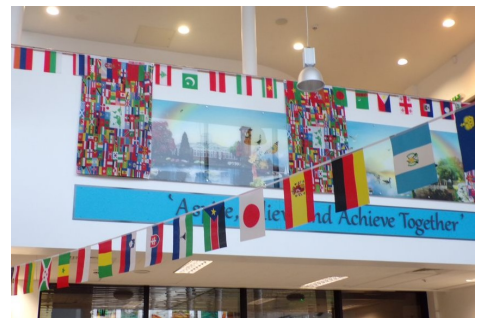
Staff members and pupils will be encouraged to share their culture of origin, a culture they wish to be associated with or the colours of the flag of their country. This is not a traditional "non-uniform" day and students are not expected to wear hoodies or jeans, it is always a magnificent highlight of the year. There will be different foods on sale at break time with money raised going towards diversity celebrations at The King's. As well as celebrating our diverse cultures, we will be taking the opportunity to pray for peace and justice across the world.

We are asking all to contribute £1 on Tuesday as a donation for wearing cultural clothes instead of school uniform.

Yours faithfully

Joy Langley

Interim Principal



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## Congratulations to our Year Stars of the Week

Year 7	Abdul
Year 8	Gaurav
Year 9	Munashe
Year 10	Phoebe
Year 11	Sharanjit
Year 12	Nicolas
Year 13	Debistan



## Year 11 Celebration Prom

Plans are well under way for the 2022 Prom, which will take place on **Wednesday 29th June at The Grand Station, Sun Street, Wolverhampton, between 7.00pm-11.00pm.**



This will be a very special and carefully organised event where we celebrate the academic success of our Year 11 students. The Masquerade Themed Prom package includes a red-carpet entrance, DJ, and a 5-item buffet.

In order to secure the venue, the full balance needs to be paid via ParentPay by **Monday 6th June 2022.** Please note that any monies paid are not refundable. Please email Ms Murphy if you require your ParentPay login details: [l.murphy@kingswolverhampton.co.uk](mailto:l.murphy@kingswolverhampton.co.uk).

We very much hope that all students in Year 11 will attend the Prom and we look forward to seeing them there for a fantastic evening of celebration. I would like to thank you in anticipation for your help and support in this event. I know that students are very excited about the Prom and The King's would like them to be able to look back on this event with pride and fondness.

A letter with further details and an Agreement Form that will need to be completed will be sent home with Year 11 students.

If you have any queries please contact Mrs Buckle, Head of Year 11 [k.buckle@kingswolverhampton.co.uk](mailto:k.buckle@kingswolverhampton.co.uk)



Mrs Kaur

Acting Assistant Principal.



## Congratulations to our House Stars of the Week

York	Phoebe
Lichfield	Gaurav
Canterbury	Abdul



## Congratulations to our Tutor Groups of the Week

7	CMIL
8	LVAN
9	YMCC
10	YDEA
11	CKUD
6	LTAT



*Take Responsibility, Be respectful, Show Empathy, Choose Forgiveness*

## HOUSE TOTALS THIS WEEK



"Be joyful. Grow to maturity. Encourage each other. Live in harmony and peace. Then the God of love and peace will be with you." 2 Corinthians 13:11

## House Worship

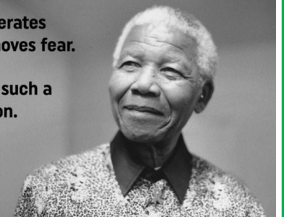
Our Year 7 pupils are leading house worship this week as we consider God's love and forgiveness through the Parable of the Lost Sheep.

Words for this week

**Forgiveness liberates the soul, it removes fear.**

**That's why it is such a powerful weapon.**

Nelson Mandela



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Key Dates for this Term	
Tuesday 10th May	The King's School Diversity Day
Wednesday 18th May	Year 7 Parents' Evening
Friday 27th May	The King's Got Talent Show
Thursday 23rd June	The Pride of King's Awards
Monday 27th June	School Development Day – school is closed to pupils
Wednesday 6th - 8th July	New Year 7 Induction Days
Wednesday 20th July	Sports Day
Thursday 21st July	End of Term.

## Muslim & Sikh Prayer

**Muslim prayer** in the Faith Centre every day 1-1:15pm If possible please do Wudu before coming as the time is quite short.

**Sikh prayer** and study of scripture Wednesday lunchtime 1:20-1:40pm All welcome!

Mrs Kudlacik

## Wolverhampton Information Advice and Support Service needs young people to be involved!



We are asking for a small group of young people with special educational needs or a disability (SEND) to help us develop our service to ensure we are reaching out to young people with SEND in the community. The reason for this is so that young people become more engaged with the service and are better informed about their education, health and social care matters and the relevant law. Most of all we want to ensure they feel included and heard when decisions are being made.

The group will be fun and interactive but most of all will be steered by the young people attending. There will be the opportunity to meet new people and share your skills and ideas.

We are very excited about this project because we will be seeking young people's guidance and advice on our website, information resources and how we deal with enquiries and offer support.

So, if you are a young person, have a son or daughter who you think would be interested, or you are a professional who is working with a young person who would like to help us, please give Lisa a call to have an informal chat, or you can email. All the details are below, and we look forward to hearing from you.

Contact Lisa Colton:  
call 01902 556945

Email [lisa.colton@wolverhampton.gov.uk](mailto:lisa.colton@wolverhampton.gov.uk)

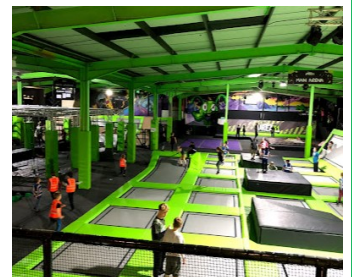
Please click [here](#) to be taken to the WIASS May newsletter.

## SEN Sessions at AIREA51

AIREA51 are keen to work with the local community and children/adults with needs, they have dedicated sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings to allow all children the opportunity to have a bounce at AIREA51.

In order to give children/adults the best experience they turn off all the lights and lower the music. Specially trained staff with experience of looking after children/adults with needs ensure they have a memorable time.

For further information regarding opening times, cost and booking please click [here](#).



## 18 May-Days Attendance Challenge- Can You May-ke it?

**Attendance Expectations:** We are aiming for 96%+ attendance this half-term!

### Prize Draw

If you manage to get 100% attendance for the next 18 days (until half-term) you will be entered into a prize draw!

### Principal's Award

Pupils who have 100% attendance, no lates and excellent uniform will receive our Principal's Award.

### Friday Pizza Lunch Pass!

**Top Form Attendance During Focus Week**

#### Attendance Focus Weeks

Y11- w/c 25<sup>th</sup> April  
Y9/10- w/c 9<sup>th</sup> May  
Y7/8- w/c 16<sup>th</sup> May

During your year group focus week, your collective form attendance score for must be 96%+ or above to meet our expectations and receive a Friday pizza lunch pass! This means that every member of the form group's attendance counts! It's teamwork time!

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## Important information for Year 10.

Dear Parents and Carers

In order to support your child to make further progress in the build-up to their Yr 10 exams, I would like to share with you all that we have in place to assist your child and their revision over the next few weeks. We have several exciting opportunities and experiences planned to make sure they are best prepared for their Yr 10 exams which will provide a good indication of their progress this year, and ahead of their Pre-Public Examinations (mock exams) in the Autumn Term in Yr 11.

### Year 10 Summer Challenge

To motivate all pupils to be the best they can be, we have launched the Yr 10 Summer Challenge which will run until the 1st July. Pupils will be competing against each other to try and gain a place on a reward trip to Alton Towers in July. The criteria has been set will be to improve independence, organisation and self-discipline for learning. These are all skills that will not only prepare them for what is to come over the next 12 months but also when they enter the work place.

Each week pupils will have the chance to gain a maximum of 10 positive points as outlined below.

1 point each for:

- 100% punctuality to school and to lessons.
- Correct school uniform
- Equipped to learn
- Form Tutor Star of the Week (nominated by the Form Tutor).

2 points each for:

- 100% attendance to school
- 100% positive behaviour ratio
- Top 10 GCSE Pod Check and Challenge

It's going to be a very busy few months for Year 10 getting them ready and best prepared for what is in store in 12 months' time. There will be lots of opportunities for pupils to recover knowledge lost because of the pandemic, develop and enhance their revision skills and to gain aspiration for their future after education.

### Key Dates:

#### Monday 23rd May—Elevate seminar.

Year 10 will be invited to an hour long ***Ace Your Exam's*** session by the award winning Elevate Education. Elevate have worked with 3,000 schools across the UK, aiming to equip students with the skills they need to improve their results. During the session they will learn how to improve exam preparation, fixing mistakes, allocation of time and exam room techniques.

This will be a great opportunity for pupils to develop more self-belief and improve necessary skills to excel in their PPE and final GCSE exams.

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## **Thursday 26th May 2022– Year 10 Parents Information Evening**

This will be an opportunity for Year Parents/Carers to come into school and meet with Senior Leadership Team and myself to receive important information regarding pupil exams in June and beyond. As well as guidance on how to support your child through their exams, revision techniques and GCSEpod, there will be an opportunity to ask any questions you may have, order revision guides, collect revision topic lists and your child's exam timetable.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on this important evening.

**Half term Monday 30th May to Friday 3rd June**

## **Week beginning Monday 6th June**

Year 10 will complete a fortnight of exams that will be completed under formal exam conditions and in a similar environment to what we would expect for their GCSEs. A 'mock results day' is planned after the exams when results will be shared with pupils and emailed to Parents/Carers.

Please email me if you have any questions [l.gain@kingswolverhampton.co.uk](mailto:l.gain@kingswolverhampton.co.uk)

Yours sincerely

Mr L Gain

Head of Year 10



## **Year 11 Parent Information Evening**

It was lovely to welcome Y11 pupils and parents/ carers to our Information Evening last night in the school hall.

Pupils received additional guidance about exam conduct, revision tips and strategies to maintain positive mental health and wellbeing during the upcoming exam season.

Thank you to Mrs East-Erskine who organised a special maths 'Making the Grade' session for pupils at the end of the day while waiting for parents, and for our catering team who provided the pizza and parent refreshments!

It was very well received!

Mr Barradas-Lingard

Assistant Principal



## **STEM Workshop**

On Thursday 12th May, 60 of our Year 9 pupils will be taking part in a STEM workshop. It is being delivered by The Smallpiece Trust and ambassadors from HS2.

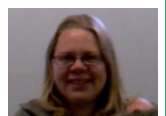
The workshop is designed to inspire future engineers to become **EPIC** Extraordinary People Initiating Change. Student's will be engaging in exciting engineering design and make projects, that bring to life the 'EPIC' challenges real life engineers face in the transport infrastructure industries. In this hands-on STEM workshop students will work in teams and compete against each other to:

- Design a futuristic train station
- Design, build and test a tunnel structure
- Construct a rail network

We are looking forward to welcoming the visitors to school and are excited to see the ideas our amazing Year 9 pupils come up with.

Mrs McCabe

Assistant Head of Science KS3 Lead



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## Food Parcel Support May Half-Term 30th May to 5th June 2022.

Dear Parent/Carer

We are writing to let you know that children and young people entitled to benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM) are being offered support during the May 2022 half-term holiday week.

Eligible children will be able to collect a free food parcel, funded through the City of Wolverhampton Council's Household Support Fund.

To access this support, your child must be in Reception to Year 11 inclusive, attending a qualifying Wolverhampton school or Academy and have a current/protected benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM) in place.

**You will need to register your interest online at [www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/May](http://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/May) between Friday 6th and Sunday 15th May 2022 inclusive**, if your child is attending a qualifying setting in Wolverhampton and:

- Your child has a current/protected FSM claim in place; or
- You meet the statutory eligibility criteria for benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM), not Universal Infant Free School Meals (UIFSM)

**If you don't meet these requirements, please contact us to discuss your circumstances in confidence.**

If you don't have access to the internet, or don't have an email address you can apply by calling the [Stay Safe Be Kind](tel:01902290241) helpline on 01902 290241 during office hours between Monday 9th and Friday 13th May 2022 inclusive. If you call before Monday 9th May 2022, they will not be able to help you with your application.

Food parcels will contain ingredients for five lunches and breakfasts and will need to be collected. A list of venues, dates and times for food parcel collection will be shared with successful applicants.

**The deadline to apply is Sunday 15th May 2022.** If you do not apply before this date, your child/ren will not be able to access this support during the May 2022 half-term holiday week, even if they are eligible to receive benefits-related Free School Meals (FSM) during term-time.

Support is available to all residents of the City of Wolverhampton in need at this time. More information is available at the Council's [Household Support Fund](#) and [Stay Safe Be Kind](#) pages, the Government's free and impartial [Money Helper Service](#) or contact [Citizens Advice](#) for free, reliable information. Visit [www.yowolves.co.uk](http://www.yowolves.co.uk) for more information about services and activities available for children and young people across the City of Wolverhampton.

City of Wolverhampton Council will be closed on Bank Holidays Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June 2022.

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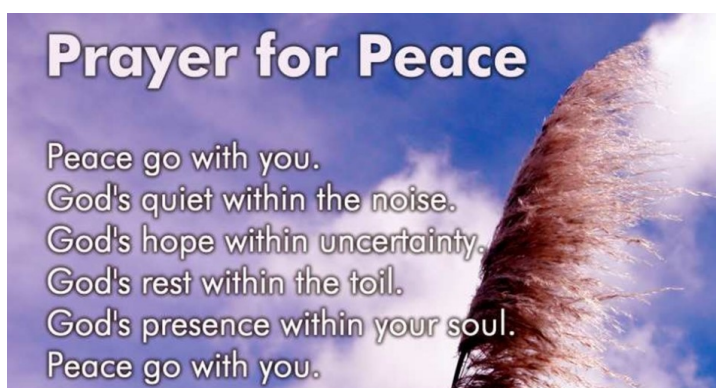
## From the Chaplain....

When I was at university I spent a summer working in the mountains on the French-Swiss border. Out walking with a friend one day we met a shepherd, spending the summer months with a flock of sheep in the mountain pastures. He knew just which wildflowers would make his sheep drowsy, he knew how to catch and treat them if they were limping and he knew how to gauge quickly if any of the flock were missing. He also had two sheep dogs to help him, one of which was bilingual!

When Jesus told the parable of the lost sheep, his listeners would have been familiar with sheep and their habit of wandering off and getting stuck. Sheep are actually very intelligent and curious creatures but, just like us, they are well known for getting in trouble – tangled in a hedge or stuck in a bog. I don't know if you have ever come across a sheep in trouble and tried to help it, but they are prone to panicking and making things worse. Does that sound familiar? One thing is certain: we don't see a sheep in trouble and grumble about how evil it is and how it deserves punishment, do we? The sheep has just done what sheep do. So we can imagine the caring shepherd sighing to himself as he sets out once again to find and rescue the lost sheep, knowing that it will probably wander off again next week and the week after.

It strikes me that as human beings we can be quick to judge one another for losing our way in life at times and perhaps we sometimes look down at our fellow humans in trouble thinking that they have brought disaster on themselves by the choices they have made in life. Well, this may be true, but then isn't that what we humans tend to do? Make wrong choices at times and lose our way? According to our parable this week, God the good shepherd, far from wanting to judge and punish us, simply wants to gather us up and bring us back to the safety and comfort of the flock. And when he does, he rejoices.

Not only is this a tremendous tale of good news for us all, but it is also a challenge to us to look more kindly and more generously on one another when we get ourselves in trouble. So much of Jesus' time was spent in bringing people who had been isolated back into the fold of society... can we perhaps look for opportunities to do the same? After all, God just wants to bless us and love us and to see us flourish.



## The Theme for Worship w.c 9th May

### The Parable of the Weeds and the Wheat

Matthew 13: 24-30



At The King's CE School we believe that everyone is unique and created in God's image. We enable all to achieve their God-given potential; to grow, learn and aspire; to transform their lives and the lives of others and to journey in faith without limits within a unified, respectful and harmonious community.

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