



The King's CE School

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Newsletter 36 Friday 30th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers

It has simply been a wonderful week here at school this week. We had a fantastic few days at Kingswood Residential with over 100 Year 7, 8 and 9 students. The students participated in a range of team building and outdoor education activities aimed at building resilience, promoting respect for each other and most importantly having fun. Wednesday evening was our annual Pride of Kings Awards evening, and it was so lovely to spend the evening with many parents, staff and students celebrating many fantastic achievements and rewarding students for their hard work and efforts throughout the year. We were joined by special guests Ian Budd (Chair of Governors), Sigal Ali and Kristie Charlesworth (both ex-students) and a superb night was had by all. We have also had a group of Year 10 students benefit from attending the Black Country Careers Fayre 2023 at Dunstall Park racecourse and a group of students speak at an RE and Diversity conference in Willenhall. These were both great events and our students represented the school excellently. In addition to this, our wonderful transition program continues with a range of primary schools being involved in sports days, DT activities and Art creations, plus much more here at school. Today we have our Year 13 leavers visit taking place also, which should be a great way to end the students time here following all of their hard work in their exams. My thanks to every member of staff that has contributed to any of these events this week, it typifies everything we do so well here and is yet another example of our staff going above and beyond for our students.

Next week we welcome our Year 6 students that will be joining us in September as Year 7s. We have a fantastic week lined up for our new arrivals and it should be a wonderful introduction to the school for them. We also end next week with a Year 10 and 12 virtual Work Experience Day which I know Mrs Thomas has been working hard to plan and ensure it is a really beneficial day for the students. We are certainly not winding down to the summer here at The King's!

Following on from the announcement last week that from September we will proudly be known as St Regis, I will be updating in more detail uniform standards and expectations for September as this will be a big area of focus for us after the summer break. Our uniform suppliers are aware of the changes and we have worked closely with them to ensure new badges and ties will be available for September.

Many thanks,

Mr Parry

Vice-Principal



INSET Day

Please note that Monday 10th July is an INSET day and school will be closed to students.

Governing Body Vacancies

If you are interested in applying for the role of Parent Governor, please complete the candidate form attached to the letter on our website and return to Megan Till at the Trust via email mtill@threespirestrust.org, post or hand delivery to reception by **Monday 3rd July 5pm**. Further information can be found on our website:

<https://kingswolverhampton.co.uk/schoolgovernors>



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Congratulations to our House Stars of the Week

York *Katie*
 Lichfield *Joshua*
 Canterbury *Calin*



THE KING'S CE SCHOOL
 Book by Dennis Kelly

The King's Theatre
 production of

ROALD DAHL
Matilda
 THE MUSICAL JR.

Thursday 20th July in the Main Hall at 6pm
 Tickets: **FREE TO ALL**
 Refreshments will be provided

Music and Lyrics by Tim Minchin

This amateur production is presented by arrangement with Music Theatre International All authorised performance materials are also supplied by MTI www.mtishows.co.uk

Take Responsibility, Be respectful, Show Empathy, Choose Forgiveness

FORM GROUP STARS



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 13:1-3

MUSIC CLUBS – Summer timetable JUNE/JULY

Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Matilda rehearsals – songs 	Vocal group Year 9 Music club 	Keyboard club Year 7-8 Year 9 Music club 	Matilda rehearsals – songs

Please see Mrs McAllister for information

Congratulations to our Year Stars of the Week

Year 7 *Joshua*
 Year 8 *Ricardo*
 Year 9 *Grace*
 Year 10 *Katie*
 Year 12 *Kira*



Sports Day re-scheduled.....

Please note that our Sports Day has now been scheduled for **Wednesday 12th July.**

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HOUSE OF THE WEEK



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School Diversity Week 26th –30th June 2023

School Diversity Week is a UK wide celebration across primary and secondary schools that celebrate LGBTQ+ diversity.

It is run by the charity **Just Like Us**, an organisation that supports young LGBT+ people. They have volunteer ambassadors who talk to young people about their experiences growing up LGBTQ+. They also provide a number of tools and resources to aid schools establishing student-led LGBTQ+ groups.

LGBTQ+ inclusivity and diversity is associated with better wellbeing for young people. This means that even if you do not identify LGBTQ+ yourself, you are still likely to benefit from celebrating these differences as part of School Diversity Week.

For further information visit justlikeus.org



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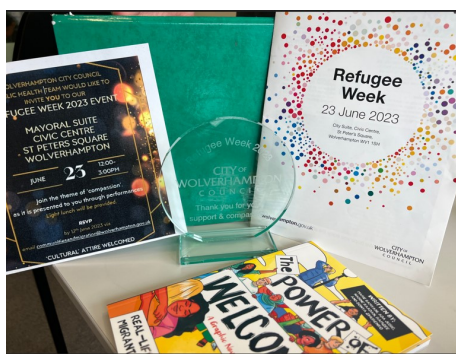
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Refugee Week Event

On Friday 26th June Mrs Kelay attended a Refugee Week Event which was led by the Local Authority. It was a celebration event to showcase all the work we are doing as a city.

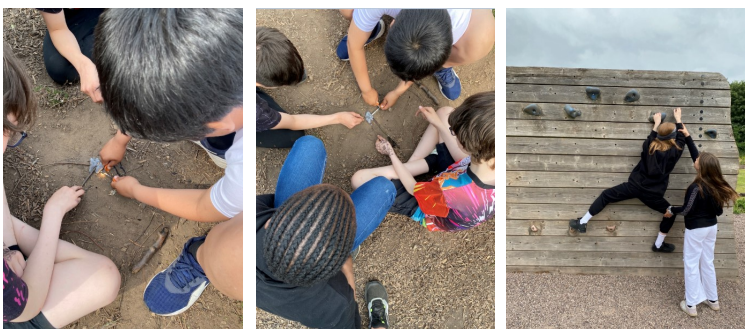
The King's School was nominated for an award for all the work we do with our refugee families, and Mrs Kelay kindly accepted the reward along with a signed copy of a graphic novel 'The Power of Welcome' on behalf of the school. The glass award will be displayed as a reminder of the good work, the extra mile we go to make all our students feel part of a school community.



Kingswood Visit

On Monday this week 112 pupils from KS3 and 8 staff set off to Kingswood outdoor education centre in Staffordshire for a three day residential visit. Activities ranged from climbing and zip wire to bushcraft fire lighting and obstacle courses. It was great to see our pupils take on new challenges, work as a team and enjoy themselves outdoors.

We were delighted to be able to offer this trip and are aiming to have outdoor adventure residentials become annual events on the calendar. These activities are so important for young people as it helps them develop confidence and positive relationships. It was also great to see them away from screens and social media and just having fun!



Year 7 & 10 Artists

Year 7 Artists explored texture in Wednesday's lesson.

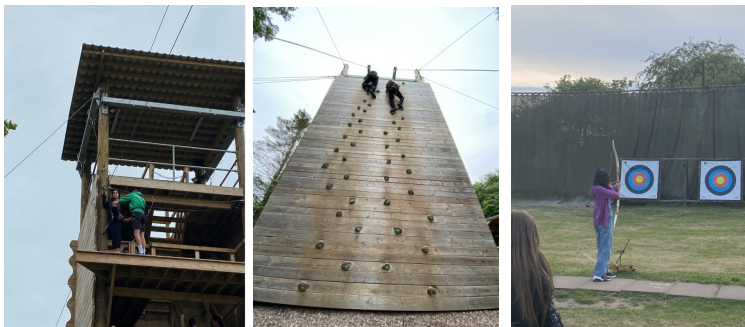
They started by preparing a textured background to their piece by using bubble wrap cardboard and brush mark and then drawing different textures in each of their fingers.

Good work Year 7!



Year 10 Artists have been exploring Cubism this term, carving into lino and printing their cubist designs onto fabric. They have produced some striking work.

Well done Year 10!



Mr Green

Assistant-Principal



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Year 10 Visit to Dunstall Park

On Wednesday a group of year 10 students attended an interactive careers event at Dunstall Park. They interacted with colleges, The Army, The NHS construction companies, apprenticeship organisations, and many other organisations. Students changed a baby's nappy, participated in CPR, sat in a traffic control vehicle and landed a drone using VR amongst a host of other activities. Students thoroughly enjoyed the visit and would have stayed longer given the chance!

Labour Market Information

Please check out the careers section of the school website for labour market information.

Feedback and Evaluation

If you have feedback about any of the careers programmes here at King's or suggestions for how we can improve it, please let me know.

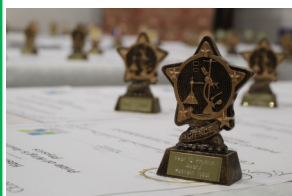
Mrs Thomas

Head of Work Faculty and Careers Lead.



Pride of King's Awards

Congratulations to all pupils who received an Award on Wednesday evening at our Annual Pride of King's Awards Ceremony!



Our commitment to Safeguarding & Child Protection

At The King's CE School we are committed to safeguarding children and young people and we expect everyone who works in our school to share this commitment. Adults in our school take all welfare concerns seriously and encourage children and young people to talk to us about anything that may worry them.

Safeguarding contacts in school

Designated Safeguarding Leader:



Mr E Parry (Vice Principal)

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Attendance and Punctuality Officer:

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Sports Leaders

Congratulations to our Sports Leaders who this week assisted Christchurch Junior students with their PE sessions. We had such wonderful feedback from Christchurch staff "your sports leaders were fantastic, our students didn't stop talking about them all afternoon!"

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From the Chaplain....

Have you ever felt like you were in just the right place at the right time? Perhaps you witnessed an accident and were first on the scene ready to use your first aid skills?

Or maybe your experiences in life have enabled you to support someone else through similar difficult times with empathy and first-hand understanding? We heard at our Pride of Kings celebration this week just how some of our pupils from abroad have been able to support other new arrivals, drawing on their own experiences and language skills.

Philip was an ordinary man, with no special theological learning or linguistic knowledge, but when God's Holy Spirit prompted him to go down to the Gaza road, he was open to the opportunities God would provide. Philip had been there at Jesus' ascension and had heard Jesus' instruction to take the good news to all people, not just to the Jews, that God's love was for everyone. So when he saw an Ethiopian official passing along that road reading from the Old Testament scriptures, Philip took the opportunity to strike up a conversation with him. I wonder how open we are to the opportunities we are given to really listen and forge links with the people we meet today? How often are we so wrapped up in a bubble of our busyness that we miss these opportunities?

The Ethiopian was a high ranking official, a man of authority in the royal household. He was also a believer in God, who had travelled far from his homeland to worship at the temple in Jerusalem. He too was open to God's intervention and even willing, despite his own high status, to ask for help from this ordinary passer-by. I wonder how willing we are to ask for help, or to accept it when it is offered? Or do we count as weakness our need of others as we strive to be independent and self-sufficient at all times? So often it is when we humble ourselves and accept the support of others that the doors are opened to real conversation and to the building of deeper, more trusting relationships.



Because both men were willing to take a risk and leave their comfort zones, because both were willing to engage in discussion with someone very different to themselves, because both were willing to listen to someone they may have felt they had little in common with, God's Spirit was able to do something amazing. The Ethiopian official had an experience of God which made him want to declare his faith and make a public commitment without delay. And as he travelled onwards, the news that God's love was for everyone, from every nation and background, would travel with him across geographical and cultural borders to the continent of Africa.

Loving God

Give us the courage to take the opportunities you put before us today,
the humility to accept the help you offer us through others
and the open minds and hearts to recognising those different to us
as your beloved children

Amen

The Theme for Worship w.c 3rd July 2023

Paul is sent to witness to God's power and grace

Acts 26: (9-11) 12-18



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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