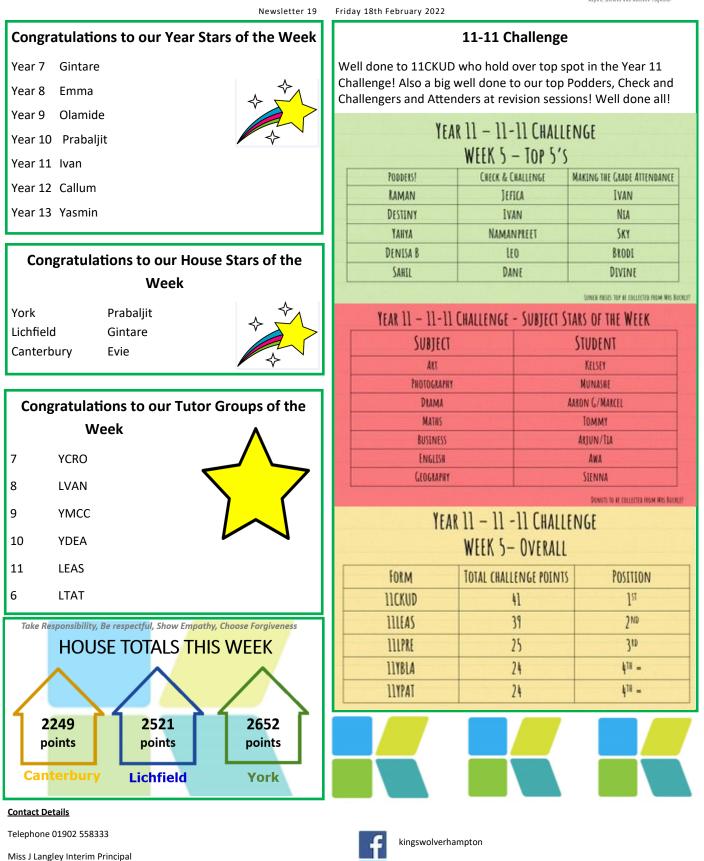
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### **6th Form Leadership**

We are so proud of our 6th form Sports Leaders today, leading a full 30-minute successful session each!

**Miss Pugh** 



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## LGBTQ+ History Month

Students in Art have been celebrating LGBTQ+ History Month. Here is a wonderful Frida Kahlo inspired homework by Gintare in Year 7 and Grayson Perry style pot designs by David and David in Year 8.



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#### **Dodgeball Tournament**

A huge well done to the year 7 and 8 girls who were involved in the Dodgeball tournament at Highfields on Tuesday.

The girls competed against 12 other teams and showed brilliant determination and resilience to push through.

Throughout the matches each pupil performed fantastically which resulted in us being one point away from making the semi-final. Well done to all involved!



Miss Key



## **Memorial Garden Funding**

On Thursday it was wonderful to welcome Councillor Khan of Tettenhall Regis Ward into school.

Councillor Khan presented a cheque to fund a memorial garden. The feature is to remember the members of the school community

who have passed away.

This area will be a focal point for an outside space that the whole school community can meet for worship.





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#### Stay Safe over the Holiday......remember.....

- Stay safe on the roads
- Take care around water
- Be responsible with your phone use. Make sure you are taking "screen breaks".
- Be kind to each other when using social media.
- \*Although you won't be in school, remember you are all King's pupils. You should uphold the values of <u>Empathy</u>, <u>Respect, Responsibility and Forgiveness</u> at all times.

#### Out and about.....

- If possible walk with a friend or group of friends.
- Stay alert- keep an eye on everything that is happening around you.
- Avoid wearing earphones or chatting on your mobile phone, as this will distract you from your surroundings.
- Trust your instincts—if you have a "funny feeling" about someone or something, don't ignore it, act on it straight away.
- Take the route you know the best and stick to busy, well-lit streeets.
- Walk in the middle of the pavement, facing oncoming traffic. This will avoid any cars driving up alongside you as you walk.
- Think about your route hom. Wher would be a safe place to go if something went wrong? Safe places might be busy places like shops or garages, friends' houses or a police station.
- Have your keys ready as you approach your home so you can get inside quickly.

There are lots of places to get advice about emotional wellbeing, social media or to discuss feelings over the summer break: NSPCC: www.NSPCC.org.uk Phone: 0800 1111 You can email Mr Sutton The Designated Safeguarding Lead p.sutton@kingswolverhampton.co.uk p.sutton@kingswolverhampton.co.uk		
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#### From the Chaplain....

Yesterday, when I asked pupils to remember a time when they had got things wrong and regretted their actions, lots of hands went up. All of them were keen to tell me about when they had been wrongly accused or blamed for something that wasn't their fault and not one of them wanted to acknowledge a failing on their own part. I wonder if the reaction of a group of adults would have been the same? Perhaps so, because it is very difficult to admit to our own failings, or even to recognise our own faults, isn't it? And yet how quick we can be to get angry at the injustices carried out by other people!

Perhaps we find it easier to recognise our collective failings as a society, because we can distance ourselves and not feel so personally responsible for them. This week we have been considering some of the inequalities which are experienced in our own country even today and we have been asking the question, 'How can we be different?'

A term we have all heard more and more in recent years is 'Unconscious bias'; in other words, making quick and unfair judgements based on our previous experience. The fact that the bias is unconscious makes it very difficult to tackle, but that doesn't mean that we shouldn't try. One first step might be to be more intentional and aware of our decisions and reactions. Another might be to be more open and honest when we are challenged about decisions we have made, rather than to jump quickly into self-defence mode. These changes will take practice, courage and trust because they go to the very core of who we are and the values we have.

Loving God,

We bring before you some of our regrets for the world we live in and we acknowledge our part in them. We thank you, that no matter what we have done, if we are sorry then you forgive us. Help us to be more aware of ways in which you want to use us to create a fairer more just society. All things are possible with you.

Amen

Best Wishes to everyone for a peaceful and relaxing half term.

We look forward to welcoming our students back into school on Monday 28th February 2022.

Stay Safe

## The Theme for Worship w.c 28th February

Jesus' baptism & temptation



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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