

## Kings Langley School News

Issue 29

### A note from The Headteacher

We come to the end of the first summer half term and get to reflect back on the many events and opportunities held to support and develop our students' character. We have to remember this is a short half term with two bank holidays this year and strike days added in. Despite these facts we have held the following;

community Iftar event, theatre trips, field trips, held talks on various themes ranging from cybercrimes, to careers talks to managing stress, held the national maths challenges and community speaking exams and opportunities, welcomed a Dutch school for a cultural exchange visit, held a student leadership conference, held celebration events and year group photos for Year 11 and 13 students, young leader primary school events for football, rugby, cricket and athletics and just for good measure we held the annual vaccination day for students in KS3 and then moved onto start the GCSE and A Level exam season! Along with these events we have had many sporting successes in netball, football and athletics and it has been great to attend a number of these matches to see our students' faces whilst lifting trophies and seeing teams come together to win their various matches and competitions.

**School Events** 

Monday 5th June -

Return to school

Wednesday 7th June -

Valencia trip parent meeting - 6.30pm (hall)

Thursday 8th June -

County League Athletics
Jarman Park 4pm -6.30pm

Friday 9th June -

Y10 DofE Bronze Expedition departs 12pm

Sunday 11th June -

DofE Bronze Expedition returns 4pm.



A particular favourite was the Year 7 boys winning the cup after going down 2:0 with the boys showing great character to win and lift the cup. The other being the year 7 netball girls winning the cup with Head Coach, Mr Bilton, taking all the credit and almost running off with the cup! I would like to thank all the staff, students and parents for supporting these events and for giving our young people the opportunities they deserve to develop their character.















I know the events mentioned are just the first step in this term with summer half term 2 holding so many great opportunities including Duke of Edinburgh expeditions, athletics meets, new intake events for year 7 and 12, STEM fairs, careers fairs, Shakespeare drama workshops, proms, Geography trips, summer arts performance, sports days and finally ending with our jam packed activities week.

Now the weather has improved we have seen great progress with our Sixth Form and community centre with the roof completed externally, windows going in and the first fit taking place. Mr Tubb has been busy behind the scenes working with students and staff to ensure the furniture is at the highest standard for our students as we create a very warm and welcoming Sixth Form experience. As stated previously we are still on track to get this open for the summer holidays to ensure our cohorts can enjoy this facility. Once this build completes we are then aiming to keep the diggers on site to start with our next phase of enhancing our facilities with our full size 3G pitch, more on this in July!





Finally, I am a huge believer in positive reinforcement of the standards and expectations we want of our young people but praising firstly those who do the simple things every day and do this day in day out and I note that over 60,000 recognition points have been given out this year to students and parents obviously receive these via our app daily. On top of this at the start of and end of every half term we hold reward breakfasts and it was a pleasure to meet over 90 year 8 students who were recognised for their great attendance, attitudes or achievements. We have also held a number of awards for individual achievements as I do every week and I am delighted to congratulate the students below for their many successes.

I would like to wish every family a great half term and look forward to seeing you after the break. Please can I ask all parents to check that uniform, equipment and basics are all complete to ensure we start the first day back on a positive note with every student.





## Headteacher's Commendations



Congratulations to the following students for taking part in the KLS coronation competition:

Winner: Aya 8D

Excellent effort entries: Phoebe 7A, Olivia 7A, Daisy Rose 7P, Clara 7C, Lucy 7C, Ava 7A, and Emily 7A.

Thank you to Jack 7A for organising the competition!



Congratulations to Harry 10A for coming 1st in character and 3rd in tap in a recent dance competition.

He also won most promising intermediate in his category.



### **Headteacher's Commendations**



Our amazing Y7A football team coached by Mr Choudhury received their Headteacher commendations for winning the District League and the District Cup:

Hayden 7T, Sam 7T, George 7G, Billy 7C, Henry 7C, Kairo 7A, Lachie 7A, Ollie 7C, Louie 7C, Zayne 7D, Luke 7A, Toby 7P, Rob 7G, Cooper 7G, and Dexter 7A



Mr Fisher and Ms Scanlan presented the following students with their colour awards this morning:

Olivia and Phoebe from 7A achieved their bronze STEM award and Joshua 7A achieved his community bronze. Congratulations!







## Students of the Week w/c 22nd May

Drama	Eleanor 9C
Working hard in the 'Midsummer Night's characterisation.	Dream' rehearsals and learning all her lines and considering
English	Dexter 10P
Persistent positive attitude to learning and	d high aspirations of himself.
Food Technology	Rebecca 7J
Star baker of fruit salad, working well usi	ng a bridge hold and keeping a clean and tidy workspace.
History	Marcus 12ELL
For always having a positive attitude in les	ssons and showing enthusiasm for the subject.
Library	Harriet 7J
Brilliant attitude and focus as a new mem	ber of the Library Leadership team.
Mathematics	Amelia 10J, Chase10P
Consistent high effort, attitude and focus.	Both have been a real pleasure to teach in recent weeks.
Modern Foreign Languages	Phoebe, Lucy and Clara 7A&7C
Amazing performances at the French Bloo	oket competition this week.
PHSE	Sophie 8D
Excellent effort in PSHE lessons. Keep it up	o!
Physical Education	Evie 8J
Stepping up to play Cricket for an older y	ear group and high effort in her PE lessons.
Psychology	Abbie 120HA
For consistent effort in applying herself to to her studies. Very well done.	her work and excellent attendance, showing her commitmer
Philosophy, Religion, Ethics	Zahra 10A
Always trying exceptionally hard, and cat	ching up with missed work when absent.

Sociology	Scout 120HA	
Inspirational communication skills when answering extended answer questions. Well done.		
Textiles	Sybella 10J	
Great design ideas for the design project		
Year 10 Head of Year	Patrick 10P	
Consistent effort in all areas of school.		
Key Stage 5 Head of Year	Jasmine 12LIY	
For being the first student to complete the first part of the UCAS application.		

Well done to all of our students who have achieved 'student of the week'.

## **Best at Bedrock! Week 32**

All of these names have been placed into a prize draw which will be drawn at the end of the term.

### Highest points earned in each year group

- Freya- 7T (231 points)
- Sophie- 8D (82 points)
- Tymofii- 9A (68 points)
- Francesca- 10A (49 points)

### Highest progress made in each year group

- Hadlee- 7T (720%)
- Jack- 8G (18%)
- Monique- 9A (100%)
- Rosie- 10D (45%)



Confident voices, strong literacy



## **Cooking Club**



Cinnamon Rolls recipe by Matthew 7J

**COOKING CLUB** 

## CINNAMON BUNS

### Ingredients

- · 250g strong bread flour
- 1 tsp sugar
- · Pinch of salt
- · 1 sachet of yeast
- 175ml warm water
- 4 tbsp. brown sugar
- 1 tbsp. cinnamon
  30g butter

#### Method

- Pre-heat the oven to 200°C/gas mark 6.
- 2. Mix your flour, salt, sugar and yeast together
- 3. Add 175ml warm water and mix until a dough is formed
- Knead the dough until smooth and no longer sticky (about 5 minutes)
- Flour the desk and then roll out the dough into a rectangle using a rolling pin
- Melt the butter in a saucepan and then mix in the brown sugar and cinnamon off the heat to make the filling.
- Spread the filling over the dough using the back of a spoon.
- Roll up the dough and then wet the end of the dough to stick it so it does not unravel
- Cut the dough into 6-8 sections and place on greaseproof paper on a baking try with the swirl facing upwards
- 10. Let the buns prove for 15-20 minutes
- 11. Bake in the oven for 15 minutes until browned
- 12. Drizzle over some icing sugar mixed with water (optional)





## **STEM Challenge**

I am a box that holds keys without locks, yet they can unlock your soul. What am I?

Answer next week



### Last weeks answer:

No matter how little or how much you use me, you change me every month. What am I?

Answer: A calendar





## **STEM FAIR**



Kings Langley School KS3 STEM Fair challenges Wednesday 21st June 2023 4.30pm to 8pm

#### Competitions

You can enter one or more challenge Enter as an individual or as a group

<u>Competition Challenge 1: STEM INVENTION</u> Create a challenge of your own invention - build your model and bring to the fair with a presentation board to explain your invention

<u>Competition Challenge 2: LEGO Master</u> design challenge - build a model in Lego that represents any aspect of STEM

<u>Competition Challenge 3: Food</u> Create a decorated cake or set of cupcakes with a STEM theme of your choice - present the cakes and or photograph of the cake and a copy of the recipe sheet

<u>Competition challenge 4: DT</u> recycled item challenge - design and make challenge - create something new out of something old or items you would usually throw away.

<u>Competition Challenge 5: ART</u> create a STEM Sculpture

Don't miss your chance to win great prizes

- Ask your form tutor for details/letter
- Look in collect work from teachers folder, technology and computing, STEM Fair folder
- Speak to Miss Scanlan

#### Don't miss out

Sign up for your space now return reply slip to Miss Scanlan by 19<sup>th</sup> May 2022







## **Attendance Ladder**

MORE TIME IN SCHOOL = MORE TIME TO LEARN!

4 SCHOOL DAYS
OFF EACH YEAR



7 SCHOOL DAYS OFF EACH YEAR



9 SCHOOL DAYS

OFF EACH YEAR



11 SCHOOL DAYS

OFF EACH YEAR



19 SCHOOL DAYS

OFF EACH YEAR



2 MONTHS

OFF EACH YEAR



Nationally, only 35% of students who miss between 10% - 20% of school go on to achieve 5 GCSEs at grade 9 to 4 (A\* - C) <u>100 %</u> PERFECTION

98%

<u>Impressive</u>

96%

Good

95%

Nearly There

94%

Needs to improve

90%

Danger Zone

80%

<u>Danger Zone</u>



Individual bricks can be purchased for £5 (multiple bricks can be sponsored).

Corporate bricks can also be sponsored a minimum donation of £50 (no upper limit).

Each brick will form a permanent feature artwork wall with your name or company name engraved on a brick. Leave your mark and legacy on this exciting build.





Scan the QR code to make a donation to our 'Buy a Brick Project' or contact Mr Tubb (Principal Assistant Headteacher & Head of Sixth Form) for further information and to ask how to get

**involved.** Kings Langley School Sixth Form Centre - Buy a Brick Project - JustGiving Charity Registration No. 1003270



## FIRST SESSION FREE

Only £15 per half term Pay on ScoPay



## INCREASED FITNESS

- Increase stamina
- Build strength
- · Burn body fat
- · Improve fitness levels

# SIXTH FORM FITNESS SESSIONS

EVERY THURSDAY 3.30-4.30 PM

Led by Mr Newman, Qualified Personal Trainer Supported by Mr Tubb



#### IMPROVED HEALTH

- · Healthy heart
- Burns calories
- · Helps brain health
- Reduces stress
- · Receive advice about nutrition



## IMPROVED MENTAL HEALTH & WELLBEING

- · Improves mental health
- · Supports positive wellbeing
- Encourages positivity
- · Provides motivation
- Increase happiness
- Make friends







If you haven't signed up yet visit our lottery here - <a href="https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/kings-langley-secondary-school">https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/kings-langley-secondary-school</a>

This week's results are in!

Remember to check your email to see if you've won!

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This week's jackpot winning number is

062476

One of our supporters won £31.50 in the draw!

