

Kings Langley School News

Issue 22

A note from the Headteacher - Mr Fisher

Firstly, a huge thank you to all those parents who acted upon my request to drop a thank you or positive message to a member of staff at Kings Langley School. Those staff who received them have really appreciated parents taking time to write in a simple positive. Please continue to support us on this drive with positivity. All the staff emails can be found –

https://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/assets/2.4-Email-addresses-Sept-2023.pdf

Mr Tubb, Assistant Headteacher, started this half term with a staff briefing on positive praise in our everyday interactions and we can see that staff have really promoted this in their classrooms using Class Charts to encourage that positivity.

Sport success:

It has been a very successful few weeks as we build up to sporting finals in football. I have had the pleasure of celebrating with our Year 7 and 8 boys football teams, winning their cup matches and this week watching a defeat for our Year 10 boys, but boy did they work hard with 10 men to try and win it!

School Events

Thursday 14th March

Y12 Virtual Subject Consultation evening 4.15-7.45pm

Friday 15th March

Y11 GCSE Drama performance Exam - all day

Saturday 16th March

FoKLS Pre Loved Uniform Sale coffee morning 9-11am





We also see significant progress for our girls' teams in national cup semi-finals, county cup semi-finals etc. I am really looking forward to seeing the girls hopefully in these finals and maybe lifting the various cups and trophies shortly.

As one Governor said to me last week "and all this success is without the new facilities we are just about to open, exciting times at Kings Langley School!"

A note on the pitch, we received our community use agreement this week and as I type the final lines are being painted, now better weather has arrived! As such, I will be a very happy Headteacher being able to open this amazing facility next week! Please remember the information on boots and the support we are putting in place to ensure all can access this surface.



Please a reminder to ask parents to continue to support our drive on doing the simple things really well, arriving on time each day, attending with full uniform and with all the equipment, having a good night's sleep and with a healthy breakfast. I am a huge believer in marginal gains and if we can start with these strong foundations in place, I am sure we will be able to build on these each day to help your child unlock their potential. Please support us with this by ensuring you prepare your child for the day ahead and get them to school on time if you drop them off in the mornings.







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Would you like support in helping your child with homework online?

Would you like support with digital devices at home?

Would you like to be involved in the KLS digital strategy? Please bring any devices you use at home to support your child with home work and we have a team to help you to set these up!



If your answer is **yes**, please complete this short form by scanning the QR code to attend our parent/carer digital support event on **Thursday 25th April 6.30-7.30pm.**

KLS Parent/Carer Homework and Digital Devices Support Evening



https://forms.office.com/e/mrspGc94EM

For Further support, please contact Mrs L Harris harrisl@kls.herts.sch.uk





Students of the Week w/c 4th March

| Art | Kitty 11A | |
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| Outstanding homework piece! Great effort, well done! | | |
| Drama | James 8A | |
| For a really positive approach to his work in drama, both written and practical. Well done! | | |
| English | Samuel 11D | |
| Consistent and hardworking, with a reflective approach shown throughout the lesson and through his revision. Good work- keep it up! | | |
| Geography | Lily 10A | |
| Getting up to speed with the work that she had missed on the global hazards topic and then completing the end of topic test in a blaze of glory / smashing it out of the park Well done indeed! | | |
| Politics | Georgia 12DLK | |
| Active engagement with suggested political sources and completing challenge tasks in homework. | | |
| Graphics | Megan 9J | |
| Excellent prototype work. | | |
| Library | Tommy 7J | |
| For making a great application to become a Library Leader. | | |
| Mathematics | Adam 9A | |
| Huge improvements and excellent engagements in recent maths lessons. Well done! | | |
| Modern Foreign Languages | Adam 10G | |
| Top performer in LanguageNut so far this month. Well done. | | |
| Music | Alice 8D | |
| For aiming high and succeeding with perseverance and 'stickability'! Fantastic performances and great attitude to learning. | | |
| PHSE | Ella 9P | |
| Excellent effort in PSHE lessons. Keep it up! | | |

| Physical Education | Marnie 7C | |
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| For fantastic effort and motivation in after school football training on Tuesday. | | |
| Product Design | Cerys 7G | |
| For catching up so well and for excellent work in class. | | |
| Philosophy, Religion, Ethics | Lily 10A | |
| Excellent effort in PRE lessons. Keep it up! | | |
| Science | Ellie 8P | |
| Fantastic effort and contributions in lesson, always trying her hardest and always being so polite and respectful. | | |
| Year 11 Head of Year | Jessica 11G | |
| Being an overall great student and pleasure to have at KLS. | | |
| Key Stage 5 Head of Year | Bilal 13ELL | |
| Dedication to his revision during his private study. | | |

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

A-Level Photography of the Month

Todd is a highly skilled, A-Level photography student who recently took it upon himself to attend a protest in London as part of his photography portfolio. He has captured some sensational candid images where the mood and intensity of the event is palpable. Todd has written this article to outline his thoughts on his on-location photoshoot:



When thinking of something to shoot in accordance with my theme in photography, 'challenge', I knew I wanted to take pictures of something real and with emotion behind it, something that truly showed human compassion and emotion in the form of 'challenge'.

To do this I went to London, more specifically to Speakers Corner, where I followed a pro-Palestine march, endlessly snapping pictures as I went. From research I had carried out beforehand in order to prepare me for the shoot and what I could make out from the signs and placards people were holding, it was clear that people had come out in support of the Palestinian people. It is their belief that Israel had gone too far with its militant force and treatment of the people and should ceasefire with immediate effect.

People in their thousands turned out to march. What I found most amazing about this was the utter diversity within the mass of people. There were people from all backgrounds, ethnicities, ages, religions and social classes. What stood out to me the most was that there were also those from the Jewish faith [same as the majority faith of Israel]. Despite this they had still





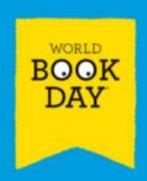
come out to stand up against the decisions of the Israeli government. All those there were united in the same place under the same banner of a march in the name of support for the lives of a people in a distant land.

It is all of this, the passion and beliefs within people, the sheer number of people and the diversity of people that I wanted to capture within my images. This I sincerely hope I did justice to as I make no exaggeration when I say that for all the right reasons, the march truly did take my breath away.

Todd, 13SCO









World Book Day

March 7th was World Book Day, and we celebrated the event in school with a variety of activities.

In each lesson on World Book Day, teachers began their lessons by reading aloud one section of a short story for students to enjoy. By the end of the day, all students in Years 7-10 had heard the whole story. These stories were:

| Year 7 | Little Free Library by Naomi Kritzer |
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| Year 8 | Lamb to the Slaughter by Roald Dahl |
| Year 9 | We Can Get Them for You Wholesale by Neil Gaiman |
| Year 10 | The Possibility of Evil by Shirley Jackson |

The library was open to all for private reading, book discussions, and taking part in a competition to design a new book token

These can be redeemed at any book shop for either a free book from this year's World Book Day selection, or £1 off any other book that costs over £3. Our closest independent book shops are in Chorleywood (<u>www.chilternbookshops.co.uk/contact/chorleywood-shop</u>) and St Albans (<u>www.books-on-the-hill.co.uk</u>). Tokens can also be redeemed for books at Waterstones, WHSmith, The Works, and most major supermarkets.



6th Form - Careers Fair

On Friday 1st March, the year 12 students took a trip to Tottenham stadium to experience the exciting opportunity of a careers fair. With many other schools in attendance, it was a packed and popular event. A wide array of tables filled the venue, with representatives from universities, apprenticeships, and even unique opportunities to further understanding and provide valuable life skills. For each of these, there were highly informed people to speak to, or even students, who were happy to give their own advice with first-hand experiences.

The students themselves found the day extremely worthwhile, with some saying it was 'very informative' and 'it made me realise there's lots of opportunities available to me'. With this being a confusing time for many students, who often feel unsure and overwhelmed about what post-18 path to take, this was a great chance to understand some of the many options in order to figure out the next steps they should take. It is positive experiences such as these which provide needed clarity for A-Level students and help with the development of future plans and goals.

Georgia 12DLK







Friends of Kings Langley School

A reminder from the Friends of Kings Langley School

As previously advertised, we have two events over the next two Saturdays:

The family quiz, is this **Saturday 9th March**, bring your own drinks and snacks, £5 for a ticket, maximum of 8 people to a table. Please arrive from 7pm for a 7:30pm. Tickets are available on Scopay, <u>https://</u> <u>www.kls.herts.sch.uk/home/parents/internet-</u>



<u>payments/</u> consider buying a whole table, or part of a table and we can put groups together when you arrive.

If you aren't able to join us on the evening, then please consider donating a raffle prize.

Our Pre-loved Uniform Sale for this half-term will be on **Saturday 16**th **March from 9** - **11am**. This is likely to be a very busy morning, as the secondary school places have just been announced, therefore we welcome donations of your clean and outgrown uniform to our stocks. Please donate directly to our school reception and we will sort it for you.

The Friends of Kings Langley School is the school's PTA, a small group of staff and parents, we always welcome more volunteers to help us to raise money for the school and to organise social events too. We particularly need more help at this next pre-loved uniform sale on Saturday 16th March, if you are able to help set up from 8:30am or be part of selling and serving refreshments from 9am, or helping to pack away later in the morning, then please email us <u>admin@kls.herts.sch.uk</u>

Ms Chabrel

on behalf of Friends of Kings Langley School





Stem in Drama 2024

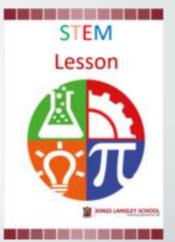
STEM in Drama 2024

Technology is used to enhance and develop the arts in numerous ways.

One of the key features is how **lighting**, **sound**, **set and costume** can impact an audience's understanding, enjoyment and engagement with a performance.

For this STEM fortnight the Drama Department are asking you to take part in a **SOUND DESIGN** competition.

You can enter the competition as an individual or in groups with all entries earning points towards your House.



The 1st, 2nd and 3rd place entries will also receive a prize and certificate!

So, what do we want you to do?

SOUND DESIGN can be used to...

- tell the audience the location of a scene
- tell the audience the time of day
- help set the mood or atmosphere of a scene
- help develop character
- add voice over (so we can hear a character's thoughts)

We would like you to design the SOUND to accompany a mute video. You can choose to find recorded sounds, or record yourself making the sounds. We are looking for creative ideas, well developed sounds and accuracy in timing to the video.

You can submit your file as an audio file (just the sounds) or a video file (with the sound accompanying the image). All entries must be emailed to carrm@kls.herts.sch.uk

The Competition is open to EVERYONE and the deadline for submissions is the end of term (Thursday 28th March).

Winners will be announced at the start of next term.

Any questions, please speak to Mrs Carr. Good luck!

Sound Competition video 24.mp4





STEM Challenge

This weeks challenge:

A teacher writes six words on a board: "cat dog has max dim tag." She gives three students, Albert, Bernard and Cheryl each a piece of paper with one letter from one of the words. Then she asks, "Albert, do you know the word?" Albert immediately replies yes. She asks, "Bernard, do you know the word?" He thinks for a moment and replies "yes". Then she asks Cheryl the same question. She thinks and then replies "yes". What is the word?

Answer next week.

Last weeks answer:

Until I am measured I am unknown. Yet you miss me when I have flown. What am I?

Answer: Time





Got musical talent? Audition for Kings Langley's 2024 musical talent contest!

Auditions will be held Monday Ith March - Thursday 14th March.

These will happen at lunchtime from I – 1:30pm.

SIGN UP AT BREAK OR LUNCH WITH THE MUSIC AMBASSADORS OR BY TALKING TO YOUR MUSIC TEACHER.

Online Safety Links

| Monday 11 th March | What Parents and Carers Need to Know about Age- Inappropriate Content <u>age-inappropriate-content.pdf</u> |
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| Monday 18 th March | 10 Top Tips: Remote Education for Parents and Carers <u>10-top-tips-remote-learning-for-parents.pdf</u> |
| Monday 25 th March | 10 Top Tips: Remote Education for Children <u>10-top-tips-remote-learning-for-children.pdf</u> |



Friends of Kings Langley School

Family Quiz Night



Saturday 9th March 7pm for 7:30pm start



Maximum of 8 people per team



Tickets available via SCOPAY or scan the QR CODE BYO refreshments



Kings Langley School Unlocking Potential for Life

KIS Community Iftar

All are welcome. People of all backgrounds, faiths and ages to join together, share a meal and celebrate the diversity of our community.

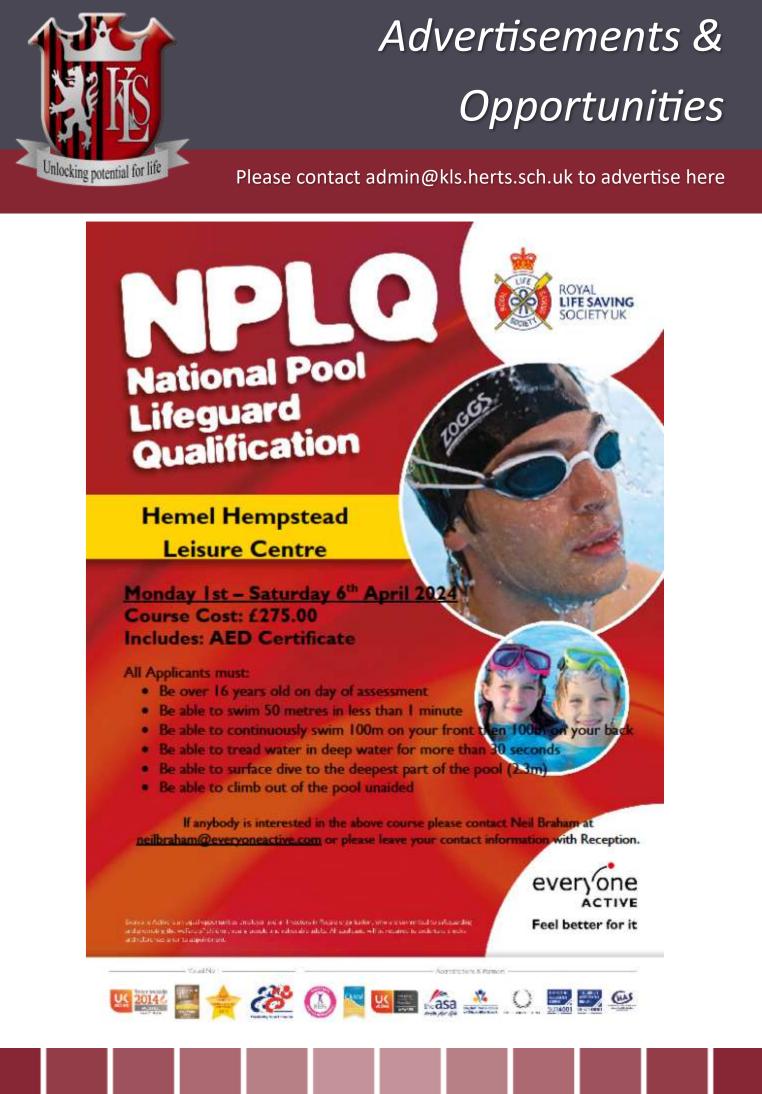
Tuesday 26th March

5.30pm to 7.30pm

£5 per person

Please pay on Scopay by 15th March (strictly first come first served due to the popularity of last year's event)

Please contact Mrs Butt or Mrs Ashraf for further information.



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SUNDAY 17TH MARCH 2024

VENUE

Adeyfield Free Church, Maylands Ave, Hemel Hempstead HP2 4GZ

DATE & TIME Sunday 17 March, 3pm – 5.30pm

FREE ENTRY For young people aged 11 – 18

> Bring a friend, put on yer boots, don a checked shirt and join us for some yee-haw fun!

HIGHLIGHTS

- Last Man Standing
- Redemption Saloon
- County Fair including tin can alley, sombrero tossin', balloon stampede, popcorn stall, Mexican mule mocktail
- Worship

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