SECONDARY NEWSLETTER



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MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Although it has not been cold, it does seem as though the weather has become significantly worse this week. Students have all managed well in the wet weather which has meant they have not been outside as much as usual.

I'm delighted to share the **Frequently Asked Questions** I promised as a result of the 'Meet the New Executive Principal' evening held before half term. During the six sessions held, parents and carers asked a wide range of questions which I have grouped and summarised. Thank you to all parents and carers who contributed to this, I hope everyone finds the information useful.

Best wishes, Mrs Moore

MRS PHILLIPS' VICE PRINCIPAL UPDATE

It has been a busy week in secondary with all of our assemblies focusing on our theme for anti-bullying week which is 'Everyone is Unique'. We have discussed the need for embracing our uniqueness and ensuring that everyone feels a part of our community at KAB and KAO.

Bullying will not be tolerated at King's Academy Binfield and King's Academy Oakwood and any concerns relating to this will always be acted upon and followed up. Students are able to report any bullying concerns directly to any member of staff or on our dedicated antibullying email address: stopbullying.bi@kingsacademies.uk. If you have any concerns regarding your child and friendships or bullying, remember their form tutor should be your first point of call.

Today it has been wonderful to see our students celebrate their uniqueness with our children in need themed non-uniform day. We look forward to updating you with the amount raised once we have totalled it up across both primary and secondary.

Have a lovely, restful weekend.



UPDATE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEAL FAMILIES

For families in receipt of Free School Meals, The Bracknell Winter HAF Camps have now opened, and is being held at Holly Spring Primary School between 19th December - 23rd December from 9am - 1pm.

This is a camp which is free of charge for those eligible families, and each eligible child can take part in 4 sessions over the week and will receive a meal while they are there and also have the opportunity to participate in all the games and activities available.

A code for each session is required to book, and families who are eligible should have already received this from Bracknell Council. If you have haven't received your code yet, please contact Bracknell Council directly to book.

To book your child's place please visit the **Get Active Sports UK** website.

STUDENT ATTENDANCE AND NOTIFICATION OF ILLNESS

Attendance is vital to support student progress. If there is an occasion where your child is unable to attend school due to sickness, please let the school know by emailing **admin.bi@kingsacademies.uk** marking your email with your child's name and tutor group, or calling and leaving a message on 01344 306983.

Without this, attendance may be marked as unauthorised, leading to further action as explained in the school Attendance Policy available on our **website**.

KING'S ACADEMY BINFIELD WINTER SHOWCASE

We are pleased to announce that the Performing Arts Winter Showcase will take place on Monday 12th December. The Showcase will begin at 6:30pm with Mince pies and hot and cold soft drinks being served between 6-6:30pm.

Tickets for the event cost £5 and will be available to purchase on Studentcomms.

The Showcase will feature performances from Music, Dance and Drama and we are very excited to be able to include the winners of the Interhouse Play Competition for the first time post covid.



DATES FOR THE DIARY	
Thursday 17th November	GCSE Drama Trip - The Woman In Black
w/c Monday 21st November	Year 10 Assessment Window (2 weeks)
Thursday 1st December	PTA Christmas Fair (details to follow)
Friday 2nd December	Inset Day (school closed to students)
Thursday 8th December	Year 11 Parents Evening - 4-7pm (details to follow)
Monday 12th December	Kings Academy Binfield Christmas Showcase (see news article)

