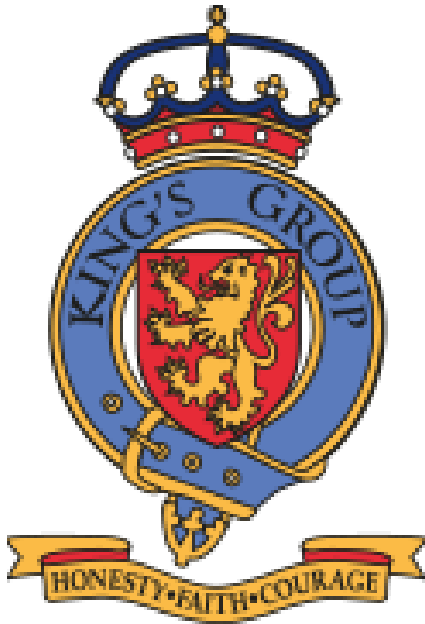


WEEK ENDING 17TH MARCH 2023

KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD & OAKWOOD SECONDARY NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you for your support during the strike days this week. Students who were in school have all made the best of the provision available to them. I hope that those learning from home have also managed to make good use of the time.

Thank you to everyone who has responded to the uniform survey that went out this week. We have received a great number of responses from parents/carers and students and will be collating this to inform the school uniform tender process as we renew the uniform contract.

This week students in Year 10 have been out on a Geography field trip in Reading. Students enjoyed the experience, a further report on this is included in this week's newsletter.

The whole school has participated in activities in aid of Comic Relief today. We have all been wearing red to mark the occasion and students in Primary and Secondary phases have taken part in a range of activities and challenges to help raise money for all the projects and organisations supported by Comic Relief in the UK and around the world. I hope you enjoyed 'Red Nose Day' as much as we all have in school.

Year 11 NEA deadlines in a range of subjects are fast approaching. Students still have the opportunity to work with their teachers in the practical lessons that remain until the deadline as well as the opportunity to use revision session time after school to improve their work.

Enjoy the rest of Comic Relief Day and have a very happy weekend.

Kind regards
Mrs Moore

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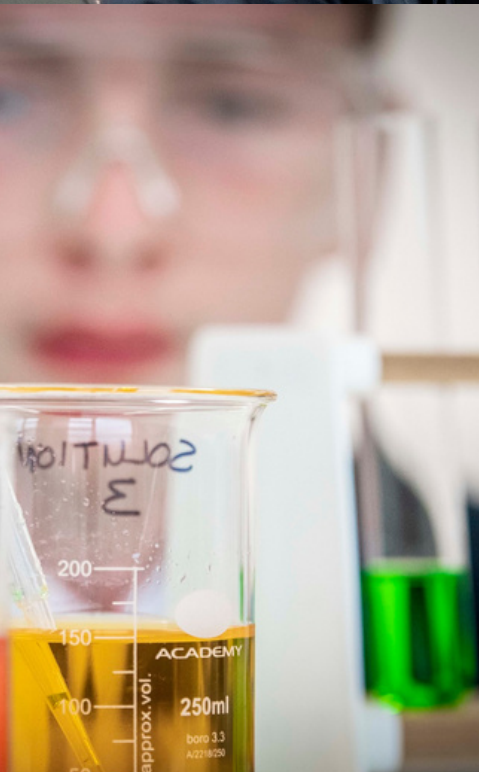
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CAREERS AND FUTURES EVENT

We very much look forward to seeing you all at our Careers and Futures Evening on the 23rd March. This exciting evening will be held between 17:30 and 19:30 and is a chance for our pupils and parents to speak to a wide range of employers and education providers about their futures.

Open to all, we are strongly encouraging Y9 and 10 to attend at this key point in their education. We have representatives from many industries who are eager to speak to you about their experience of their sectors. See the image below for some attendees. If you would like to attend, please use the [google form](#) to sign up.



YEAR 10 MATHS & ENGLISH PAPERS

Following the success of the Year 11 PPEs in preparing the Year 11s for examinations in the Sports Hall. We are going to provide Year 10 with the same opportunity for Maths & English. Each student will sit one paper for each of the aforementioned subjects in their double lesson on either Thursday 23rd March or Friday 24th March. This will give all students the opportunity to experience the full process of going into the examination room, as they will in just over a year, without the intensity of the usual PPE window where they will do assessments in all of their subjects.

YEAR 11 RESULTS ASSEMBLY

The Year 11 Results assembly will be on Wednesday 22nd March during period 6. We will then share the Year 11 reports, along with details of the Year 11 Parents Evening, with all parents/carers on Thursday 30th March.

YEAR 10 TEXTILES PROJECT

The Year 10 Textiles students are currently working with a textiles artist Hermione Thomson at South Hill Park Art Centre. It is a collaborative exhibition with our GCSE textiles students, Bracknell Fire and Rescue, Hermione and Wokingham and Bracknell College photography students (who are filming and recording the process). The exhibition is to promote water safety and the hidden dangers within open water.

The students going to the art centre every wednesday in March to create cyanotype prints. The exhibition will be open some time in April but the date is yet to be confirmed. We will share more information about the exhibition when we have it.



YEAR 11 ENGLISH MASTERCLASS

Next week on Thursday 23rd March the English department will be running the following masterclasses for year 11 in their English lesson. Students will be put into groups based on their PPE results and teacher knowledge of what they need to focus on next. Students will find out what group they will be in next week from their usual class teacher. Resources will be uploaded onto google classroom so that students can reflect and continue to work on any areas of focus in their own revision.

- What does a perceptive response look like in poetry?
- English Language Paper 2 Securing Grade 4/5 walkthrough
- English Language Paper 1/2 Securing a Grade 9
- Dr Jekyll and Mr Hyde - knowing your quotes
- English Language Paper 1 Securing Grade 4/5 walkthrough



INVIGILATOR VACANCIES

Are you looking for a way to make a positive impact in your local community? Look no further than the role of invigilator at our school!

As an invigilator, you'll play a vital role in upholding the integrity of our exams and supporting our students as they strive to achieve their academic goals. You'll also have the opportunity to connect with our school community and make a meaningful contribution to the education of our children. You will receive full training and work as part of the invigilation team.

This year, Year 11 parents are not able to invigilate due to their child(ren) sitting examinations. But we're looking for other parents who are willing to pay it forward and step up to help us ensure a smooth and fair exam season for our students.

So if you're looking for a way to give back and make a positive impact, consider becoming an invigilator at our school, applications can be made via the [website](#). We can't wait to have you on board!



NHS WEBINAR ON CHILDHOOD ILLNESS

Please see **page 4** for details of an NHS webinar session with local GPs on childhood illness. They will offer guidance and advice around when to be concerned about symptoms when caring for an unwell child.

POSITIVE BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT SESSIONS

Bracknell Forest Council have shared details of some information sessions that parents & carers might find helpful. See **page 5** for more information.

- Positive Behaviour Family Course for Parents/Carers
- County Lines Parent/Carer Webinar

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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| Thursday 23rd March | Careers and Futures Evening (see page 2) |
| Thursday 30th March | Year 11 Parents Evening |
| Friday 31st March | End of Spring Term (Secondary phases finishes at 12:30pm) |
| Monday 17th April | Start of Summer Term (all students in school) |

Looking for medical advice about an unwell child?



Parents and carers often ask us what to do, and when to be worried by a child's symptoms. In response, we created the Frimley Healthier Together website and App, meaning you have access to a mini doctor on your device.

Be ready for the next time a child you care for is unwell. Join local GP's, Dr Alex Streeter de Diego and Dr Sabina Shaik as they show you Frimley Healthier Together, demonstrating:



Healthier Together

Improving the health of babies, children and young people throughout Frimley

- How to find NHS traffic light guidance on symptoms like fever or cold
- Signposting to local support services for children and young people
- Symptoms meaning a child can go about their usual routine, or should stay home
- The App, and how to download it
- Plus a Q&A session.

Tue 21st March from 1 - 1:45 via Teams
Sign up today - bit.ly/FHTMar23



Would you like to understand more about county lines in Thames Valley?

Join our panel of experts for a live webinar



Lindsay Dalton
CEO, Pace



Thames Valley Police



Sarah Pritchard
Barnardos

Free webinar for parents & carers

21st March, 7.00 - 8.30pm

Join our panel of experts and find out about county lines in your area, how to keep your child safe and what to do if you have concerns. You will also hear about child exploitation from a lived experience perspective.

- ✓ Learn what county lines and child criminal exploitation is
- ✓ Understand the signs that your child might be at risk or involved
- ✓ Learn how offenders groom and exploit children
- ✓ Understand what is happening in your area

Register: www.paceuk.info/for-parents/parentwebinars/



Positive Behaviour Support for Families



Positive Behaviour Support Family Courses

Free-to-access online PBS courses for families/carers in Berkshire.

Overview of PBS

This half day course (9:30-12:30) is designed to give an overview of what Positive Behavioural Support is, how it works and how it can support improving quality of life

| Course Dates | February 8th | April 25th | June 13th |
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| | September 12th | October 4th | |

Practical Strategies

If you have attended the Overview of PBS course, you can access this one-day Practical Strategies course. This will show you how to implement PBS within the home setting

| Course Dates | May 23rd | October 10th | Nov 15th |
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PBS Family Course

This course looks in-depth at what PBS is, how to build rapport, how to look after yourself as well as proactive and reactive strategies to support quality of life and reduce behaviours of concern

The course is six 2-hour sessions over six weeks with access to an experienced behavioural analyst to talk about your individual needs

| Course Dates (am and pm sessions) | February 14th | April 4th |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|------------|
| | June 6th | August 1st |

To book onto a course, go to Eventbrite and search Berkshire PBS
Alternatively, email: tom@pbscooperative.org.uk



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