KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD & OAKWOOD NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy New Year. We were delighted to welcome students back into school this week. I hope you have had an enjoyable time with family and friends and time to relax during the holiday.

We have a number of new staff joining our schools at the start of this new year. As the schools continue to grow, it is great to be able to welcome new staff bringing new ideas and approaches which benefit everyone. Staff new to KAB and KAO for 2024 are:

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КАВ	Secondary	Mr O Johnson-Walker	Director of Maths and Computing
КАВ	Secondary	Mr C Reed	Teacher of Science
KAB	SRP	Ms M Bowman	SRP Manager
КАВ	Secondary	Ms S Andrews	LSA
КАО	Primary	Mrs J Antoni	LSA
КАВ	Primary	Ms K Evans	Receptionist
КАВ	KAB6	Mrs L Woods	Learning mentor

All our new staff have had a great first week meeting students and their new teams. We are delighted that they have joined us.







We are pleased to be able to share with you that Mr Owen and his wife are proud parents of a baby boy. Baby and parents are doing well.

In KAB6, Year 12 have returned to their first set of formal A Level assessments. We know our students are dedicated and working hard and that they will all use the experience to learn and grow in each of the subjects they have chosen to study.





The last main round of interviews for Year 11 students who are applying for KAB6 for September 2024 took place this week on Thursday 4th January. Conditional offers for places following this round of interviews will follow shortly. If there are students in Year 11 who have not yet applied but who now think they would like to consider a place at KAB6, please complete the <u>online application form</u>, interviews can be arranged for late applicants during the external applicant interview phase later this term.

Students in the Primary Phase in both KAB and KAO have made a really positive start returning from their holidays. There is a lot to look forward to this term starting with our Year 5 trip to Silverstone next week and our KAB and KAO KS2 choirs attending Young Voices at the O2 the following week. We are also extremely excited about our very first Year 6 residential to Rhos Y Gwaliau which will be taking place in February.



All our students are really embracing the spirit of the new year - starting 2024 with Determination, showing Aspiration, Respect and above all, Enthusiasm. I know they will continue as they have started and make 2024 a year in which everyone really can be remarkable!

Kind regards,

Mrs Moore

KABKAO UPDATES

KAB PRIMARY WINTER FAYRE PUPILS SHOW DARE VALUES

Noah and Henry from KAB Primary embodied the DARE values last month at the Winter Fayre hosting two stalls to raise money for the Duke of Edinburgh Fund. Nearly £65.00 was raised thanks to people's kind donations and the children's fantastic efforts. It was heart-warming to see lots of primary friends come along to show their support too! A huge well done boys and to everyone involved!







KAB6 GCHQ CHRISTMAS CHALLENGE



Sixth formers Will and Wilmein completing the Government Communications Headquarters (GCHQ) challenge that was designed to test a range of problem-solving skills and encourage the use of teamwork.

According to the GCHQ website, the 2023 challenge was the toughest yet!

SEND - PARENT MENTAL HEALTH DAY - FREE WEBINAR

Parent Mental Health Day (PMHD) 2024 will take place on January 27th and the theme will be "Creating Positive Relationships". Stem4 is a charity that promotes positive mental health in teenagers and those who support them including their families and carers, education professionals, as well as school nurses and GPs through the provision of mental health education, resilience strategies and early intervention.

Stem4 is offering a free 'Creating Positive Relationships webinar' on January 25th at 7:00pm.

If you are interested in attending or know someone who would benefit from this webinar, you can register <u>here</u>.

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YEAR 9 OPTIONS EVENING

We are looking forward to seeing parents/carers at our Year 9 Options evening on Thursday 11th January 2024. The Options evening will offer Year 9 pupils and parents the opportunity to explore the optional subjects open to our pupils.

There will be presentations at 6.00pm and 6.45pm in the main hall. We ask that the following tutor groups attend at the times shown on the right:

6:00pm	6:45pm
9AMT 9CRE 9EWH 9KHO	9SHN 9MAR 9SKH

PARENT WEBINAR - YEARS 8/9 CHOOSING GCSE OPTIONS



Students should contact their Heads of Year if they would like further information:

Y8 - <u>Clare.theobalds@kingsademies.uk</u>

Y9 - <u>Gary.parker@kingacademies.uk</u>

Mr Baldwin - <u>career.bi@kingsacadmies.uk</u>



Environmental practitioners all have the same common goal: to protect human health by minimising risks, and eliminating dangers, in the natural and built environments.

Presented by Mark Elliot President of the Chartered Institute of Environmental Health

> **Tuesday 16th January** 6 - 7pm

Please book via the Adviza Portal under 'Events' Cost: FREE | Suitable for all ages

For more information please email

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DATES FOR THE DIARY		
Monday 8th January	Year 12 Assessment Window	
Tuesday 9th January	Year 8 Whipsnade Trip 8.30am - 5pm	
Wednesday 10th January	Year 12 Parent's Information Event 6pm - 7pm	
Thursday 11th January	Year 9 Options / Careers Day. Off timetable. 9am - 3.05pm	
Thursday 11th January	GCSE Resit Results Day	
Thursday 11th January	Year 9 Options Evening 6pm - 8pm	
Friday 12th January	Year 5 trip to Silverstone	
January 15th January	Year 8 Assessment Window	
Wednesday 17th January	Half KAB/KAO Year 4 to Baylab	
Thursday 18th January	Young Voices Primary Choir at the O2	
Thursday 18th January	Year 10 Parent's Evening 4pm - 7pm	
Friday 19th January	Half KAB/KAO Year 4 to Baylab	
Friday 19th January	Year 12 Media Conference	

If you have any questions, please email

Mr Baldwin - career.bi@kingsacadmies.uk



Celebrate

To celebrate our new Reading store opening in January we will be giving all customers 10% off* when they shop in store from the 12th to 31st January .

Stevensons, Chatham Place Reading. RG1 7AR

*Offer valid until 31st Jan 2024 on instore purchases only, when flyer is presented at till point. Offer excludes web orders, sale items and footwear. Offer is only valid at our Reading Branch.

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