

KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD & OAKWOOD NEWSLETTER

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MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a busy start to the spring term. It has been lovely to welcome back Year 6 students at KAO following their residential visit before the holiday. Although a bit wet, students had an amazing time.

Year 11 have worked hard in their first week of PPE2 exams this week. I know they will be working hard over the weekend as they prepare for the second week of exams so that they can all DARE to be remarkable.

The Dog's Trust visited KAO this week and will be visiting KAB next week to help understanding around dogs and ultimately, to improve dog welfare.

We look forward to welcoming parents to Year 8 parents evening next week. I am aware that it is difficult to get appointments in some subject areas. Should you not be able to get an appointment, please contact the member of staff who will arrange to call or email you after the parents evening. Following discussions with some parents about the difficulty in getting evening appointments now the school is bigger, I am looking to make changes to this for next year.

This week we have been having assemblies about Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI). Staff have already begun completing questionnaires about how they feel about EDI in KAB/KAO. Students and parents/carers in KAB/KAO will all be asked for their views in the coming weeks. A questionnaire will be emailed to you so please look out for it. The information you give us will be used to inform plans for next steps in the school and will affect our whole community. Thank you in advance for your participation in this important area.

I hope you have a lovely weekend.

Kind regards

Mrs Moore

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KABKAO UPDATES



THE ADDAMS FAMILY MUSICAL SUCCESS

King's Academy Binfield secondary students truly demonstrated how they could #daretoberemarkable with FOUR performances of The Addams Family Musical before half term.

Every student involved worked incredibly hard and put on a show that will be remembered for a very long time. We were blown away with the professionalism shown by all of our students – not only on stage but the amazing students who worked the lighting, moved props and set, made costumes and helped with make-up.

We are so very proud of all of you and congratulations on a superb show!

Mrs Roberts



Dare To Be Remarkable

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FANTASTIC ACHIEVEMENT FOR IZZY

UK Indoor National Championships for U15 / U17 / U20 at EIS in Sheffield

On 10th February, Izzy (Yr9) took part in the 60m and achieved a new personal best of 7.93 seconds in her heat, she came 3rd.

Unfortunately Izzy missed out on the final, she came 9th overall for her age group.

On the 11th February, Izzy took part in the 60m Hurdles event. She easily won her heat which secured her place in the final. Izzy won her final and is now ranked number 1 in the UK for her age group.

She is also ranked 9th on the all-time ever list for a U15G 60m hurdles for her time of 8.90secs.

A massive congratulations to Izzy. This is a fantastic achievement and we look forward to what the future holds.



TEMPLE WAY CROSSING COMING SOON



Work has started along Temple Way for a signalised crossing, which will be at the existing crossing point just north of Boultons Lane.

It should be finished in three weeks. Please take into account these roadworks if driving students to and from school. More information is available at the end of the newsletter.

CAREERS FAIR – GET INVOLVED!



Are you a business owner? Are you passionate about your job / industry? Do you work in an interesting job role?

Our annual careers fair is coming up on March 21st and we would love your support in talking to students from across the secondary phase about careers and the world of work.

Our careers fairs have been a huge success in the past with students really engaging with employers and we want this year to be even bigger and better!

Please contact Mr James Baldwin (james.baldwin@kingsacademies.uk) if you would like to be involved!

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CPR TRAINING AND SUPPORT FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE



Researchers at King's College London are conducting a research study to better understand the experiences and support needs of children and young people who have tried to help someone having a cardiac arrest.

If you would like to get involved, there is more information at the end of the newsletter.

GEMS SUPPORT ONLINE SESSIONS



Virtual Coffee Morning - Autism and the family

Friday 1st March 10am to 11.15am

25 spaces available!

Join our online informal discussion to cover the following areas:

- Balancing needs of siblings, parents and the autistic child
- Routines and rituals affecting others at home
- Advocating for your child and managing other family members

Celebrate your success with other parents/carers, share your experience and gain support during our coffee morning



Sign Up Today!

Available for families who reside in or have a registered GP in East Berkshire with a child who is Autistic/ADHD (suspected/pathway/diagnosed)

To book your place contact GEMS:

 Gems.4Health@nhs.net  0800 999 1342



Respite and support services from The Light UK

Friday 22nd March 10am to 11am

Join our online session hosted by Maariyah Fazil (The Light UK) to discuss:

- Respite
- Education
- Employment and training
- Personal care assistance support
- Mentoring
- Family Support and access to service
- Question and answer session for parent and carers

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SAFETY IN THE COMMUNITY

We have been made aware by the local authority safeguarding team that there has been some suspicious activity around some other Bracknell Forest Schools and we are therefore reminding students and parents/carers of some travel safety tips.

- Try to avoid walking/cycling alone, particularly in the dark. Please encourage your child to walk with others (eg. in pairs or in a small group).
- Keep to well-lit roads and main paths wherever possible and be aware of people around you.
- If you feel uncomfortable in any situation, then:
 - if you are still close to school, return and report it to a member of staff or
 - go to the nearest public building (eg. a shop or public place and ask for help) or
 - go to the home of a friend if nearby.
- Never go anywhere with someone you do not know. Do not accept invitations to accompany someone you do not know, sit in someone's car or go to their house.
- If someone tries to be physical towards you, alert others and draw attention (shout out, use force to push or pull away).
- Whilst it is important we all remain vigilant, it is also important to remember that not all strangers are bad. Sometimes a stranger may be the only person who can help and assist and, on occasion, may be a safer option than not talking to anyone.
- Please report any incidents or suspicious activity straight away either to the Police (via the non-emergency 101 number unless it is an emergency), school or home.
- If your child comes home and reports any suspicious behaviour, please report it to the police and let the school know.

We are not writing this to alarm anyone, but using it as a timely reminder to ensure our students understand how to keep themselves safe in the community.

Mrs Phillips

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Monday 26th February	Year 11 PPE2 week
Monday 26th February	KAO open afternoon for current parents
Tuesday 27th February	Year 3 class assemblies
Thursday 29th February	Primary talent show
Thursday 29th February	Year 8 parents evening
Sunday 3rd March - Wednesday 6th March	Year 12 geography trip to Snowdonia
Thursday 7th March	World Book Day
Friday 8th March	PTA flower sale
Tuesday 12th March	Year 12 Geography - Queen Mary's University visit
Wednesday 13th March	KAO parents evening
Thursday 14th March	KAB primary parents evening
Thursday 14th March	Year 7 parents evening
Friday 15th March	Year 9 English play Romeo & Juliet
Monday 18th March	KAB primary parents evening
Wednesday 20th March	KAO primary parents evening

Temporary closure of crossing at Temple Way

----- Forwarded message -----

From: **George Woods** <George.Woods@bracknell-forest.gov.uk>

Date: Mon, 12 Feb 2024 at 09:35

Subject: Temporary closure of crossing at Temple Way

To: admin.bi@kingsacademies.uk <admin.bi@kingsacademies.uk>

Dear Sir/Madam,

As you may be aware, we are going to be building a signalised crossing along Temple Way at the existing crossing point just North of Boltons Lane. These works start on 19th February and are anticipated to finish in 3 weeks. A pedestrian survey showed us this was the highest foot trafficked non-signalised crossing point, and we believe most of the pedestrians are travelling to and from your school.

As part of the works to improve this crossing point, the crossing will have to be temporarily closed for pedestrians during the works. We recommend students use the other signalised crossing that is situated further down Temple Way while the works are in progress. This crossing is located between Hunstanton Drive and St George's Park. Please could you pass this message on to the students and parents.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries regarding the works.

Kind regards,
George

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Exploring the Experiences of Children Who Have Provided Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation and the Impact of CPR Training

Information about Participant Eligibility and Recruitment for Organisations & Professionals

Who would we like to interview for this study?

We would like to speak with young people who have been involved in a resuscitation attempt (cardiopulmonary resuscitation or CPR) about:

- Their experience of this event;
- The support – formal and informal – they had (or would have liked to have) following the event;
- Any CPR training that they underwent prior to the event.

The participant eligibility criteria for this study are:

- Young people who are currently 11-23 years of age;
- Young people who lived in England at the time of the event and at the time they take part in the study;
- Young people who were involved in providing CPR in the community when they were between 11-18 years old;
- This event happened between 3 months and 5 years prior to recruitment to the study;
- The cardiac arrest event that the young person responded to happened in the UK;
- The young person will be able to engage in an interview in English;
- The young person (>16 years-old) or their parent (if <16 years-old) has capacity to give informed written consent.

Please also note that we will exclude people who intervened in the cardiac arrest as part of a health-related work or training role because they may have processed the incident differently and had different support available.

How do we plan to recruit participants to the study?

Please find a brief summary of our recruitment strategy below:

- We are contacting schools and other relevant organisations (such as St John) to ask if they are aware of any eligible young people;
- If they are, we will provide them with a participant information sheet (and a parent information sheet if the young person is <16 years-old) to share with the eligible young person/parent – this will include our contact details;
- We ask that you do not give us the name or contact details of any young people you think may be eligible – this was a Research Ethics Committee requirement.
- We will leave it up to the young person and/or parent to contact us for more information and/or to express an interest in participating. We do not want them to feel any pressure to take part, but would be very grateful if you and/or your colleagues could give them our information sheets about the study and ask them to contact us if they want to.
- If they do contact us, the King's College London researcher will arrange a call or virtual meeting with them to explain more about the study and answer any questions they have. If they then want to proceed, we will arrange the consent and interview.
- Young people 16 years of age or older will be asked to provide their own informed written consent. For those younger than 16 years, we will require informed written consent from a person with parental responsibility for them. We will also ask the young person <16 years of age for audio-recorded verbal assent when we meet for the interview.
- For young people <18 years of age, we ask that information about the study be given to the parent in the first instance, and they can then pass it to their child if they think it appropriate. This is because the study topic could be upsetting for some, and parents will usually have insight into how their child may be affected by participation. However, as above, if the young person is 16 years-old or older, they will be asked for consent themselves and we will not require parental consent.

Please **DO** get in touch with the study team to find out more about how you can help.

Please **DON'T** approach anyone to see if they want to take part – we will work with you about how to do that.

Please **DON'T** give us any names or contact details of young people who you think might take part in the study, or their parents.

Please contact Dr Claire Hawkes and Dr Freya Brown at King's College London for more information about how you can help.

Email: childcprstudy@kcl.ac.uk
or scan QR Code

Telephone: 020 7848 2303



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