

WEEK ENDING 6TH SEPTEMBER 2024

KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD & OAKWOOD NEWSLETTER



MESSAGE FROM MRS MOORE

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you have had a lovely summer and managed to get a break with good weather to enjoy.

After two days of intense training, KAB/KAO staff were all really pleased to welcome students back to school this week.

Nursery children enjoyed a shorter morning or afternoon session and Reception children had a half day to get them started. Students had a lot of fun getting to know each other in their new classrooms and have made a great start to the year.

Year 7 students made a fantastic start, arriving promptly and looking really smart. Mrs Jackson (Year 7 YPL) and I were really impressed with them when we saw them all together in their first ever assembly as a secondary student.

Year 12 have also made a great start to their time in KAB6. Students are all really determined to take their learning to the next level.

All our students have really shown themselves to DARE to be remarkable.

Based on your feedback through the Parent/Carer Forum, we are changing the format of this newsletter. From next week, there will be a separate primary and secondary newsletter. We hope this will enable more detail in primary about activities students are involved in. For parents/carers of secondary the newsletter will be more concise with a shorter introduction and focussed on critical information only. I hope that you will find this more helpful for you.

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Dare To Be Remarkable



If you would like to be part of the Parent/Carer Forum working to represent the parent carer voice and generate ideas and solutions to improve things for the KAB/KAO community, please email us to express interest at parentforumkabkao@kingsacademies.uk.

We have a busy few weeks ahead as we start to welcome parents and carers of prospective new students to our open events. The KAB secondary open evening is on Thursday 26th September 5-8pm. Many of our existing students will be involved as volunteers supporting new students and their families on the night. Please look out for letters that will be coming to ask for your permission for your children to participate.

KAB secondary has a late start the day after the open evening to give staff time to tidy up and to get ready for teaching following the late night. Further details about the late start for students on Friday 27th September will be sent to you soon.

Next Thursday 12th September there is a Year 7 parents curriculum information evening to provide information to parents with new Year 7s about their children's learning.

On Tuesday 17th September, from 2.50pm to 3.20pm, there will be KAB primary year group information sessions. KAO primary will hold the information sessions on Thursday 19th September from 2.50pm to 3.20pm.

There will also be a KAB secondary Year 11 Exams Evening on Thursday 19th September. Details to follow.

I hope your children have enjoyed starting/returning to school and I look forward to seeing many of you over the coming weeks.

Kind regards

Mrs Moore



KABKAO UPDATES

KINGS ACADEMY IS A NUT FREE SCHOOL



We do have a number of both students and staff with severe nut allergies in both primary and secondary schools. Please do not send any food items containing nuts or legumes in your child's lunch box.

Thank you for keeping our community safe.

Mrs Alex Yates - Student Welfare Officer

REMARKABLE UNIFORM

We were excited to welcome back the students this week in their remarkable uniform. We appreciate your support in ensuring the students meet our unashamedly high expectations.

Please can I draw your attention to one particular aspect of the policy. We understand that some retailers are marketing trainer type school shoes which do not meet these requirements.

We have a small number of students who are wearing black trainers. These are not part of our uniform policy which states:

'Shoes School shoes should be plain black, flat and logo-free. They must be leather or leather like (capable of being polished). Canvas shoes are not permitted. Trainers, boots, including ankle boots, toeless or backless shoes, suede and logos are not allowed at school. Shoes that are considered to be trainer-like in appearance are not allowed. The Executive Principal will be the arbiter of what constitutes appropriate school shoes.'

Examples below are **not appropriate school shoes**:



If you are unsure about any aspect of the policy and the items that adhere to it, please contact your child's form tutor before making any purchases.

Students who are not adhering to the uniform policy will be contacted to ask that this is rectified.

Mrs Taylor - Vice Principal