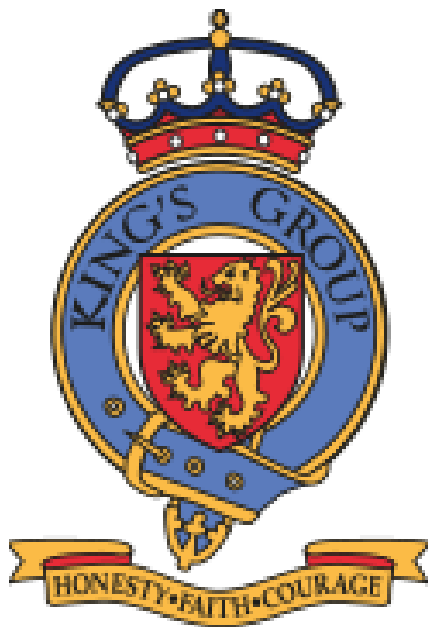


WEEK ENDING 29TH NOVEMBER 2024

# KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD SECONDARY NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM MRS BENDALL AND MRS TAYLOR

Dear Parents and Carers

Another busy week and lots to celebrate here at Kings Academy.

On Wednesday night, we had the pleasure of watching the Inter House Drama Competition. The students had worked very hard at creating collaborative christmas drama pieces and it was lovely to see so many parents come to support them. Churchill was the eventual winner and our guest judge, Omari Douglas presented them with the plaque. For anyone who missed their humorous performance then you will have a second chance to see it at the Winter Extravaganza. We want to thank the Drama department for all of their hard work behind the scenes in supporting the students and helping them to prepare for this.

On Thursday night we held our Year 13 parents evening, where teachers, parents and students came together to discuss the next steps in preparation for summer exams and Post 18 plans and on Friday some of our Business Studies A Level students went into London for an all day revision workshop.

We want to remind everyone that on Friday 6th December there is an INSET day and the school will not be open.

Also as we enter the final few weeks of term, can you please ask your children to check the lost property (in the medical room) for any lost PE kit, coats, jumpers and water bottles, which we have many of. We try to reunite named property with students, but unfortunately we still have lots left over! Any lost property still on the trolley at the end of term, will be recycled or donated to charity.

We want to wish everyone a lovely weekend and we are looking forward to getting the school Christmas tree up next week.

Best wishes,

Mrs Bendall and Mrs Taylor  
Vice Principals

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## YEAR 9 FUTURE FOCUS DAY

It was great to see Year 9 getting so much out of their Future Focus Day on Tuesday 26th November. Our students heard from speakers from further education providers about the options and pathways that they can choose post-16, including apprenticeships and T Levels.

Year 9 also engaged with student ambassadors from Reading University, giving them the opportunity to learn about life on campus and the opportunities and options available to them if they choose University as their path post-18.

This was combined with independent learning sessions looking at the options process at King's Academy Binfield alongside using Unifrog to discover careers options and how this linked with the choices they make during their education, with a focus on those all important GCSE options.

There was also a session from the team at Healthreach who got the students to explore the huge variety of careers possible at a large employer like the NHS.

The day was a big success with lots of really important takeaways. I am sure students may have follow up questions that come to them over the next few days, or may be looking for further advice. If this is the case please prompt them to speak with their tutors, or the careers leader Mr Baldwin, who will be able to offer further guidance.



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## PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL SITE

We are keen to work with our local community and are kindly requesting that parents/carers use designated car parks for school drop off and pick up, or find a safe drop off place a little further from the school site and students walk the last part of the journey. Please do not obstruct driveways or paths or park in an inconsiderate manner around the school site.



# KAB UPDATES

## KAB WINTER SHOWCASE

The Performing Arts Winter Showcase will take place on Monday 16th December 2024 at 6:30pm and will feature performances from Music, Dance and Drama. Tickets for the event cost £5 for adults and £3 for concessions and will be available to purchase on Schoolcomms from Monday 2nd December 2024.

There will be an opportunity to buy refreshments before the Showcase begins between 6:00pm and 6:30pm.

Students have been working incredibly hard in preparation for the event, and are looking forward to sharing their work with you all.

**THE**  
**WINTER**  
**SHOWCASE**

MONDAY 16TH DECEMBER  
6.30PM  
MAIN HALL

TICKETS  
ADULTS- £5  
CONCESSIONS-£3

REFRESHMENTS  
WILL BE AVAILABLE  
FROM 6PM.

# PE UPDATES

**THURSDAY 21ST NOVEMBER – WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER**



## **BOCCIA**

This week five students were involved in a Boccia Tournament at Garth School against 16 other teams from around the area. The students were split into an A and B team. They played six matches in their groups and did very well, so well in fact that they both made it into the Final to play each other. The B team won this Final, but it was an exceptional effort from all of them.



The squad will now go onto competing in the Berkshire competition later on in the academic year. This is a remarkable achievement considering how many teams were competing

across all the Bracknell Secondary Schools. Their attitude and commitment was outstanding and they represented themselves impeccably. The squad showed unbelievable DARE values throughout and put in a remarkable performance.



## **BASKETBALL**

The Year 7 Basketball team participated in the Bracknell Secondary Schools East Championships this week. KAB entered an A team and B team and this was their first competition.

The B team finished in first place and the A team finished in second place. This is an amazing achievement and the students' commitment and teamwork was quite remarkable. Their overall performance and conduct bodes well for the season ahead and the next competition that is taking place in the near future.



## **FOOTBALL COUNTY REPRESENTATION**

The school recently nominated students Preston LS, Jack P, Tai W, Bobby CB and Lucas G for the U14 Football County squad. The students conducted themselves impeccably at the trials. The standard was very high with students trialling from numerous schools.

Tai W was selected in the final trial and will now represent the U14 County Football Squad. Congratulations to Tai and all of the nominated players. An overall excellent achievement from them all!

# DATES FOR THE DIARY

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<b>Monday 2nd December</b>	Secondary flu immunisation
<b>Monday 2nd December</b>	KAB AGM - 5PM - 6PM
<b>Thursday 5th December</b>	KAB6 Performing Arts trip to Sadler's Wells Theatre
<b>Friday 6th December</b>	INSET Day
<b>Thursday 12th December</b>	Year 11 Parents Evening - 4pm - 7pm
<b>Thursday 12th December</b>	Year 11 Jekyll and Hyde performance
<b>Monday 16th December</b>	Winter Showcase - 6pm - 10pm
<b>Thursday 19th December</b>	Christmas dinner and Christmas jumper day
<b>Friday 20th December</b>	End of term. Finish at 12.45pm
<b>Monday 6th January 2025</b>	Back to school. Start of new term

**Attachments and  
promotional posters to follow**



**Funtastic  
Kids**

# Christmas Holiday Camps!

Childcare from £3 an hour

**Open at King's Academy Oakwood  
Monday 23rd - Tuesday 24th December  
Thursday 2nd - Friday 3rd January**

What's on offer:

**Winter themed activities:** crafts, drama,  
science & baking. Plus, a Christmas party!

**Energetic sports:** archery, kwik cricket,  
basketball, hockey & more!

"The providers are passionate about delivering  
high-quality childcare, which meets the needs  
of all children at their clubs."

– Ofsted, Falkland Holiday Camp, August 2024

**Ages 4 - 13  
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Sibling Discount**



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# Bracknell Christmas Toy Bank

If Christmas brings financial hardship and worry, and a little extra support could be helpful for your family, the Toy Bank is here for you.

**We invite you to come along and choose from a selection of kindly donated toys for FREE.**

The Toy Bank is an inclusive space for anyone in the community who needs help to make Christmas extra special this year. Come and visit us:

**Saturday 14th December, 12pm-4pm  
Involve Community Services, RG12 1AE  
(opposite Bracknell library)**

If you have any queries, please email [bracknelltoybank@gmail.com](mailto:bracknelltoybank@gmail.com)

# King's Academy Binfield PTA



Annual General Meeting

**Everyone is Welcome!**

**Get involved in creating a NEW King's Academy  
Binfield PTA (primary and secondary)**

*Join us to learn more about our new King's Academy Binfield PTA (independent of KAO)*

We require new members for the roles of: **Chair,  
Vice-Chair, Treasurer, Secretary and Members.**

Why join? Our children benefit, the school benefits and  
you can make new connections and friends - **WE NEED  
YOU!**

For more information contact  
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**DATE: MONDAY 2 DECEMBER 2024**

**TIME: 5PM UNTIL 6PM**

**VENUE: KAB PRIMARY**