

WEEK ENDING 17TH JANUARY 2025

# KINGS ACADEMY BINFIELD SECONDARY NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM MRS BENDALL AND MRS TAYLOR

Dear Parents and Carers

This week has been very exciting as Year 9 are starting their GCSE journey by choosing their options. We held an Options Evening on Thursday, which was well attended and there were a lot of discussions about the different subjects we now have on offer in Key Stage 4. We are keen to ensure that we have a broad and balanced curriculum, which meets the needs of all of our students, to ensure they can be the most successful that each of them can be. We constantly review our Key Stage 4 curriculum and advise students on the subjects they should take to ensure they have a wide range of options Post 16 and that the courses they choose are suitable for their learning style.

Year 11 students have restarted their morning intervention in tutor time. They have additional Maths, English or other subject lessons during this time, with a view to boosting their progress ready for their GCSE exams. There are also a lot of lunchtime and after school interventions going on in all subjects now for our Year 11s. Mr Blake has sent a timetable for this to all parents. Please encourage your Year 11 to attend as many additional sessions as they can. They also have Pre Public Examinations (mock exam) before February Half Term and should have started revising for these. The timetable has been published on the website: <https://www.kgabinfoield.uk/attachments/download.asp?file=3965&type=pdf>

Remember little and often is best for revision, approach it like a marathon (slow and steady), rather than a sprint with students cramming in the last few days before an exam. What they are learning now, will also be helping them to prepare for the summer exams.

Watch this space for more news to follow on the support available for Year 11 including Easter Revision Sessions!!!

Best wishes,

Mrs Bendall and Mrs Taylor  
Vice Principals

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# PE UPDATES

**THURSDAY 9TH JANUARY – WEDNESDAY 15TH JANUARY**



## **ATHLETICS – SOUTH OF ENGLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS**

At the weekend we had numerous students participating in the South of England Indoor Athletics Championships. The performances by all athletes were remarkable and we are all extremely proud of their achievements.

Madi J was second in her heat of the U15 Girls 60m sprint securing a place in the semi-finals. In the semi-finals Madi produced a personal best of 8.19 seconds.

Dylan J produced a personal best in the shot put with a throw of 10.60 metres and was fourth in the U15 Boys shot putt.

Imogen N won her heat for the Girls U15 300m race and won a silver medal in the final. Imogen also produced an indoor personal best of 42.08 seconds.

Izzy R won her heat for the U17 60m hurdles with a PB of 8.65s. In the final she won gold with yet another PB of 8.57s which was also a new South of England Championship record! An amazing achievement considering she is competing against athletes a whole year older than her.

Izzy also ran in the U17 girls 60m running 7.90s in her heat and 7.86s in the semi-final qualifying for the final but unfortunately had to withdraw due to tight calf muscles and chance of injury.



## **BERKSHIRE SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY**

This weekend we have the below students representing King's Academy Binfield in the Berkshire Schools Cross Country Championships in Newbury on Saturday.

- Imogen N
- David G
- Thomas H
- Emily F
- Tai W
- George B

We all wish them the best of luck and we know they will all be remarkable

# DATES FOR THE DIARY

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<b>Monday 27th January</b>	Sixth Form trip to the Old Bailey
<b>Tuesday 28th January</b>	Year 7 trip to Winchester
<b>Monday 10th February</b>	English (Macbeth Year 10) - 9.10am - 10.50am and 1.30pm - 3pm
<b>Monday 17th February - Friday 21st February</b>	February Half Term
<b>Monday 24th February</b>	Term starts



**Attachments and  
promotional posters to follow**

# Webinar for Parents & Carers- Navigating EY Apprenticeships: A Comprehensive Guide to Application, with Guest Speakers from UCAS

Wednesday 5th February 6pm - 6.40pm



Join us for an informative session for students, parents and carers.

- Dispel myths surrounding apprenticeships, application timelines and how to apply
- Hear about the EY application process, diverse sectors and amazing opportunities
- Take charge of your future with insider tips and guidance
- Join the lively Q&A to ensure you're fully prepared to start a rewarding adventure!



**UCAS Presenter**  
Slobhan Williams  
Business  
Engagement  
Manager



**EY Presenter**  
Rebecca Sinclair  
Manager, Student  
Talent Attraction  
and Acquisition



**EY Presenter**  
Shaheen Khalifa  
Senior Advisor, Student  
Talent Attraction and  
Acquisition



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# Webinar for Students- Navigating EY Apprenticeships: A Comprehensive Guide to Application, with Guest Speakers from UCAS

Wednesday 29th January 5pm - 6pm



Join us for an exciting and informative session specifically designed for students.

- Dispel myths surrounding apprenticeships, application timelines and how to apply
- Hear about the EY application process, diverse sectors and amazing opportunities
- Take charge of your future with insider tips and guidance
- Join the lively Q&A to ensure you're fully prepared to start a rewarding adventure!



**UCAS Presenter**  
Pete Milsom  
Partnerships  
Manager -  
Apprenticeships



**EY Presenter**  
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# **WCSA Oxbridge Information Evening – Online Event for Students in Years 10, 11 & 12**

**Date: Tuesday 28th January 2025**

**Time: 5pm – 6pm**

Wellington College Oxbridge is going to deliver an online session to Y10 and Y11 students on Tuesday 28th January, 5pm – 6pm. Year 12 students are also welcome to register to join if they missed this session last year while they were in Y11 or simply want a refresher of the information from last year.

The main part of this session will be a presentation about Oxford/Cambridge followed by a short discussion about the Oxbridge events we deliver here to support those students who intend to make an Oxbridge application. There will be an opportunity to ask questions at the end.

Please note we will be running a separate event for parents in March.

The deadline to apply is 12 noon on Monday 27th January

Students can register to attend this event by using this link – <https://forms.office.com/e/NPW2rSp5k4>

Once a student has registered to attend, they will receive an email confirming their attendance, a further email will be sent out which will include joining instructions and a link to the online session.

For safeguarding purposes students will only be able to join the session using their school email address. The session will be recorded and there will be members of the WCSA team present during the entire session. Please note the recording will not be available to send out to students afterwards.

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## APPRENTICESHIPS?

Calling all parents and carers of students as well as students themselves who may be interested in Apprenticeships.

Join us for an informational evening with Varsha Menon, Apprenticeship Adviser at ASK, to start your post education decisions!

DISCOVER OPPORTUNITIES



EXPLORE CAREER PATHS

ASK QUESTIONS GET ANSWERS



REFRESHMENTS INCLUDED



**FRI 24 JAN, 3.30-5PM**

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# February Half Term Holiday Camps!

Childcare from £3 an hour

**Open at King's Academy Oakwood  
Monday 17th - Friday 21st February 2025**

What's on offer:

**Themed timetable:** Food Glorious Food!

**Creative activities:** arts & crafts, drama, science & baking!

**Energetic sports:** new age kurling, badminton, hockey, dodgeball & more!

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