

Weekly Parent Newsletter

Today's Prayer

Listen or read the Prayer for the Day and join in with thousands of others saying these words. Today's Prayer | The Church of England

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Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to everyone who has been supporting Year 11 as they complete their last three days of examinations. The engagement and endeavours of our oldest students has been Herculean over the last two months – well done and good luck to them for the last examinations.

Good luck to Year 10 as they start their formal End of Year exams next week. Please note reports are out today based on classwork and inclass assessments and a further report with End of Year exam grades will come out in the last week of term.

Students in KS3 will be getting reports today. A separate email will be sent to parents from Mr Hurry, explaining how to access the report and what the grades mean. Please remember that effort is the key element which young people can impact the easiest and parents should reward students with lots of As and Bs in the three effort categories: Behaviour, Classwork and Homework.



Performing Arts Showcase 2024

Due to unforeseen circumstances, we are unfortunately cancelling the Performing Arts Showcase on Wednesday 19 June 2024.

We are able to transfer your tickets to the performance on Thursday 20 June 2024, if this

Friday 14 June 2024

Year 10 Mock Exams Assembly

Year 10 students attended a mock exams assembly this week to prepare them for their exams starting next week. If your son/daughter missed this assembly, please ask them to visit the exams page of the school website where they will find a copy of the presentation and also the 'instruction for candidates' video that was played during the assembly. Please encourage them to read the presentation carefully and also watch the video so that they are fully prepared for next week. Thank you

date is not suitable then we are able to issue you a full refund. Please let us know which is preferable to yourselves by emailing <u>glm@king-</u> <u>ed.suffolk.sch.uk</u>.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.



Tennis

U13 and U15 Boys Tennis v Finborough Both boy's teams had a successful afternoon playing against Finborough. The U13s won 5-1 and the U15s won 4-3. This result means that both of these teams join the U15 girls in the finals to be held at Framlingham. Find out how they get on next week!

Athletics

The Year 9's represented the school brilliantly on Thursday for the Super 8's competition. There were some amazing individual performances as well as both the girls and boys teams winning the relays. Huge well done to you all







Outdoor Activity Showcase

Students from Year 7 took part in an Outdoor Activity Showcase at West Stow run by Abbeycroft Outdoor. The students enjoyed climbing, mountain biking, axe throwing, archery, outdoor cooking, geocaching and fire making.







Changes to Family Details

If your personal details have changed, such as home address, telephone number or email address, please let the school know as soon as possible by contacting <u>admin@king-</u> <u>ed.suffolk.sch.uk</u>. It is important that we have up to date contact information for all students. Thank you for your assistance with this.

Year 9 Vaccination catch up

On 11 July 2024 the Schools Immunisation Team will be coming into school to offer catch up vaccinations for Year 9 students who missed the MenACWY/DTP and/or HPV vaccinations. They will contact the parents/carers of students who missed either of the vaccinations and will provide consent links and the necessary information. We would ask that if you receive emails from the Team about these vaccinations, please reply with your consent decision as soon as possible, especially if you do not want your child to be vaccinated.

Year 11 Parents - Post 16 travel

Please see important <u>Parent Letter</u> which details travel options to help you plan for their Post-16 pathways for September 2024.

Reading for Pleasure - First Chapters

For this week's First Chapters, students heard the opening chapter from "Girl. Boy. Sea" by Chris Vick.

The blurb:

"A British boy narrowly survives the sinking of his yacht in a huge storm off the coast of Morocco. After days alone at sea in a tiny rowing boat Bill rescues a



girl clinging for her life to a barrel. Aya, from the nomadic Berber tribe, was escaping to Europe when her migrant ship was destroyed in the same storm. Through endless days and starspangled nights, they drift – mere specks on the vast, empty ocean – weakened by fear, hunger, and burned by the unforgiving sun. Aya tells Bill about *The Arabian Nights*, and Shahrazad, who told 1001 stories to save her life. As hope of rescue begins to fade, they find strength in these tales of magic, brave heroes, wily thieves, greedy sultans, and courageous girls.

When they land on a desert island, they're surprised to be confronted by a stranger who is not what he seems... and back out on the waves once more in the dark deep, a shadow follows...."

TikTok and Disinformation - Fake News

As election time is upon us, there has been a huge increase in the amount of mis and disinformation on social platforms, particularly on TikTok, with dubious



claims, misleading information and divisive content, which potentially your children are being subjected to.

Whilst our students are not (yet) old enough to vote, it's an ideal time to talk with them about misinformation and disinformation as there are going to be plenty of real examples around. This is not just about politics but online content in general.

There's a good BBC article about this political disinformation <u>HERE</u> which was published last week and Internet Matters has a wealth of information below that you could use: <u>HERE</u> regarding fake news in general.

Get support to tackle misinformation | Internet Matters

KS3 and GCSE Art and Photography Exhibition 2024



Land, Sea and Sky KS3 Art Exhibition

The Art Department welcomes you to a celebration of Key Stage 3 art exploring sculpture, painting and ceramics.

Thursday 27th June 2024 4-6pm Art Centre Refreshments provided





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Parents of Year 6 pupils, please see our new Instagram page for updates on transition 2024!

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Everyone at King Edward VI would like to wish you an enjoyable weekend.

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Dates for your Diary <u>Term Dates for 2023-2024</u> and <u>Term Dates for 2024-2025.</u>	
Additional information can be found on the calendar page of the websiteMon 17 June - Thu 27 JuneYear 10 Mock Exams	
Thurs 20 June	Performing Arts Showcase 6.30-8.30pm
Thu 27 June	Art Exhibition – 4-6pm
Fri 28 June	School Closed - PD Day
Tues 2 - Fri 5 July	MFL Trip to Paris
Thurs 4 July	Year 7 Reward Trip to Abbeygate Cinema
Fri 5 July	Sports Day

Thought for the Week

Everyone wants to be great until it's time to do what greatness requires. Allistair McCaw

All past issues of this Newsletter are available on our website.