

Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

Dates for Diaries!

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
9 January	Year 11	BTEC Sport Exam
10 to 11 January	Year 11	Art and Textiles Practical Exams
11 to 12 January	Year 12	Photography Practical Exam
11 January	Year 13	Parents Evening

Update to our Café Queue System

This week a new café queuing system has been trialled to improve efficiency. Initial indications show the system decreases the amount of time students have to queue. We continue to evaluate and make changes to improve the system. Thank you for the positive feedback we have received regarding the changes.

Pastoral Update

The ‘Enhanced Rewards Scheme’, has now been delivered to our Year 11 Students as stated in our letter home prior to Christmas, explaining the ‘earn your privileges scheme’. The rewards for all year groups continue to be reviewed and enhanced and we look forward to sharing these with you in the coming weeks.

The implementation of our behaviour system has also been revisited and our strategy around detentions, as explained to students, has been adapted. Fewer lunchtime detentions will be issued as we have centralised our detentions. After school there will be a ‘Learning Detention’ which is focussed on learning and issued for classroom behaviour. This will be supported by two members of middle leadership to enable support and guidance to be given to students. There will also be an after school ‘Pastoral Detention’ issued for poor behaviour outside the classroom. Heads of House will work with students on Academy expectations. We thank you for your continued support.

Kings Academy Production - Annie Junior

Our school Production this year is Annie JR. Performances will take place on Monday 6 February, Tuesday 7 February and Wednesday 8 February 2023, starting at 7.00pm. Tickets are now available to purchase through our Shop on Parentpay. Please follow the link [here](#).



We look forward to seeing you all there!

Parent Hub- Supporting Mental Well-Being

We are working collaboratively with The Space, Cheddar to provide support for our Parents and Carers who may have concerns around their child's mental well-being or other family members. We will be holding a Parent Information evening on Wednesday 18 January 2023 at 6pm in the School Hall. If you would like to attend please click the link [here](#) to register.

Year 13 Parents’ Evening

Year 13 Parents’ Evening will be face-to-face on Wednesday 11 January 2023. Please click [here](#) for more information.



Our values

‘Kings’ Principles of PRIDE’

*‘Blessed are those who have not seen yet believe’
(John 20:24-29 ESV)*

Theme of the Week

Movement

Word of the Week

Freedom

PRIDE

**Positivity and Perseverance,
Respect and Reconciliation,
Integrity and Innovation,
Democracy and Diplomacy,
Equality and Empathy.**

*Where our values give us pride to believe
and succeed!*

**Current Job Vacancies
Exam Invigilators**

We are seeking to appoint Examination Invigilators to provide efficient and effective invigilation, supporting the work of the Examinations Department by supervising candidates in both internal and external examinations. To apply for this position, please follow the link [here](#)

Term Dates 2022/23

Term dates for 2022/23 can be found [here](#)

Term Dates for 2023/24 can be found [here](#)

Parent Calendar

can be found [here](#)



Year 9 Flu and HPV Vaccinations

The Somerset Immunisation Team is visiting Kings on Tuesday 17 January 2023 to administer Flu Vaccinations. Please follow the link [here](#) to the letter from the Immunisation Team which includes the e-consent form link. On Thursday 30 March 2023 the Somerset Immunisation Team is visiting Kings to administer HPV Vaccinations. Please follow the link [here](#) to the letter from the Immunisation Team which includes the e-consent form link.

New Term Dates

The term dates for Academic Year 2023/2024 have been sent to all parents/carers today. For more information, please follow the link [here](#)

Year 10 Work Experience

The deadline to return your completed work experience paperwork is Monday 8 January 2023.

COVID-19

It is no longer a requirement to test for Covid-19. However, if a student does test positive for Covid-19 they are still required to isolate for three days from the day of the test. Students can return to the Academy after three days even if they are still testing positive.

Year 8 Parents

If you are a parent of a Year 8 student and have not yet applied for a place at Kings in September please follow the link [here](#).

GCSE, A Level and BTEC Exams Summer 2023

The public exams for students in Years 11, 12 and 13 will take place between Tuesday 9 May 2023 and Wednesday 28 June 2023. The final date of 28 June 2023 has been designated as a contingency day and all candidates need to remain available until this date should an exam board need to invoke its contingency plan.

Sixth Form Applications

Application to Kings' Sixth opened on Monday 17 October 2022. Applications can be completed online by following the link [here](#). If you would like a copy of our Prospectus, please contact the main office or, alternatively, it can be viewed on our website.



Parental Consent – Response Required

A letter has been sent to all Parents/Carers regarding social media and imagery consent. Thank you to all Parents/Carers who have returned their completed consent forms. For those Parents/Carers who have not yet returned the form, we issued a hard copy to your students on Monday 14 November. If you have not completed the consent form, please can you return them to the main school office as soon as possible.

Community News

Cheddar Valley Foodbank

The Cheddar Valley Foodbank is available to help families who may need extra support. Their location, email address, opening hours and further information can be located [here](#). If you would like foodbank vouchers please contact Ruth Motion on rmotion@kowessex.co.uk or by phone 01934 742608.



Somerset County Council - Household Support and 16-19 Bursary Fund

Somerset **Household Support Fund** is designed to provide short-term urgent financial help to Somerset residents who are struggling to afford household essentials, such as buying food, paying for energy and water bills and other essential household items such as beds and white goods. For further information please click on the link [here](#)
The **16-19 Bursary Fund** is a scheme to provide financial support with educational-related costs for students facing financial hardship.