

## Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
2 December	Year 11	External Sixth Form Taster Day
4 December	Year 13	Hampton Court – History Trip
9 December – 13 December	All	Charities Week
12 December	All	Christmas Jumper Day
12 December	Year 11	Parents Evening
20 December	All	Last day of term - Academy Closes at 12.30pm

### Christmas Jumper Day

On **Thursday 12 December**, we are supporting Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day. Joining millions of people across the UK to raise money for Save the Children, we are inviting students to wear a Christmas jumper **under their blazer** alongside their normal school uniform. Donations are direct to Save the Children via this [link](#).



### Big Pitch Christmas Market

Congratulations to our Year 9 students who had a very busy and successful Big Pitch event on Sunday. A huge thank you to all the parents who helped and supported our students. Four teams will now go through to the finals, which take place on Wednesday 18 December with our three external judges. Each team will present their pitch on their Business Plan and one Team will be awarded with the Big Pitch trophy at the end of term assembly.

### Charities Week – 9 December – 13 December 2024

Our 'famous' annual Charities Week is just around the corner and has been a Kings' tradition that has run every year since the early 1990s! It's a week jam-packed full of events and activities to raise money for our selected charities, which this year, are Avon & Somerset Search and Rescue, Teenage Cancer Trust and WaterAid. The events will be running during break and lunchtimes and to gain access to ALL of these, students will need to purchase a wristband. **Wrist bands will be going on sale on ParentPay at 8.00am on Monday 2 December 2024 at a cost of £5 each. Please remember that they are first come first served, as there are only 350 bands available!**



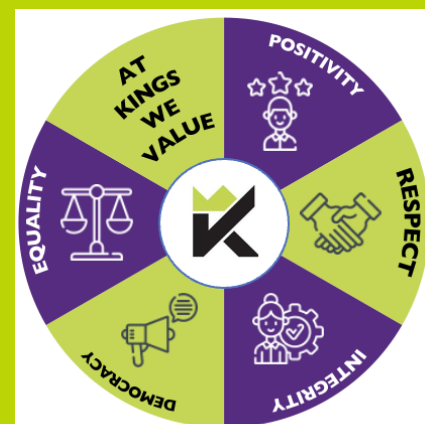
### Homework Club

We would like to invite all students to attend our Homework Club that takes place in the Learning Hub, Monday to Thursday each week between 3.15pm – 4.00pm. We look forward to seeing you there.



### Year 10 Grade Reviews

Year 10 Grade Reviews have been issued via email to parents/carers and are also available on view on Firefly.



## KINGS CORE VALUES

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

### Theme of the Week

Promise

### Word of the Week

Anticipation

### Current Vacancies

Teacher of Maths (Maternity Cover)  
Caretaker  
Exam Invigilator

For more information please [click here](#)

The Term Dates for 2024/25 can be found by clicking [here](#)

Term Dates for 2025/2026 can be found by click [here](#)

Our Parent Calendar can be found by clicking [here](#)



## Wessex Learning Trust Admission Arrangements for Somerset Schools (2026/27) Consultation

The Wessex Learning Trust is consulting on their 2026/2027 admission arrangements, as it is statutory to consult every seven years or when a change is made. To view and comment on the arrangements, please click [here](#). **Please note that the link will go live on Monday 2 December 2024.** The consultation will start on Monday 2 December 2024 and end on Monday 20 January 2025 and the final determined arrangements will be published on the Trust and our School website by Saturday 15 March 2025.

## Enrichment

We have launched our new Enrichment programme with Students at the start of this term. If you would like to view the activities we have on offer, please click [here](#).

## Can you help expand our wider reading library?

We would love to expand our wider reading library, so that students have access to books recommended by teachers for each subject. If you can help by donating a book, please follow this [link](#) to our wider reading wishlist, and select the book you would like to donate. When selecting a delivery address, please choose the gift registry address (Natasha Ashurst, CHEDDAR). Thank you for any kind donations you are able to make.

## Dates for your Diary – 2024/2025

GCSE Summer Exams Start – Thursday 8 May 2025

A Level Summer Exams Start – Monday 12 May 2025

Year 11 Prom – Thursday 3 July 2025 at 6.30pm

## Community

### Cheddar Festive Night

The annual Cheddar Festive Night will be held on Friday 6 December from 6.00pm. Throughout the Village and Gorge will be late night shopping, carol singing, fairground rides, a Christmas market, hog roast etc. The Event will be preceded by a Christmas Civic Service at St Andrews Church at 5.30pm.

### Cheddar Foodbank

The Cheddar Valley Foodbank is available to help families who may need extra support. Please click [here](#) for more information. If you would like foodbank vouchers, please contact Ruth Motion at [RMotion@kowessex.co.uk](mailto:RMotion@kowessex.co.uk) or by phone on 01934 742608.



### Kings 16-19 Bursary Fund

The **16-19 Bursary Fund** is a scheme to provide financial support with educational-related costs for students facing financial hardship. For more information, please click [here](#).

