

Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
12 February	Year 11	Poetry Live - Bristol Beacon
13 February	Year 12	Parents' Evening
14-19 February	Year 12	New York Trip
17 – 21 February	All	Spring Half Term
24 February	All	Students return to the Academy

Pilgrimage to Taizé – France Trip – Saturday 19 July – Sunday 27 July 2025

Our Chaplain, Ruth Motion, is organising a trip to Taizé in France for students of all faiths, and for those who have no faith at all. Taizé offers a chance for students to mix with other students from across the world, spend some time developing their own spirituality and exploring Christianity in a unique way. If your child is interested in attending this trip, please email Ruth on RMotion@kovessex.co.uk or contact the Main Office on 01934 742608. More information to follow.

Year 11 Revision Sessions

Year 11 revision sessions take place from Monday 27 January until Friday 7 March 2025. If you would like to book your child on to these, please email Mrs Czajkowski at PCzajkowski@kovessex.co.uk. You can view the Revision timetable by clicking [here](#).



Years 10 and 12 Work Experience

Year 12 Work Experience takes place the week commencing 30 June 2025 and Year 10 the week commencing 7 July 2025. The deadline for all submissions on Unifrog is 1 June 2025. For more information click [here](#) for Year 10 and click [here](#) for Year 12.

Uniform Policy 2025

Please click [here](#) to view the up-to-date Uniform policy.

Improving Young People's Mental Health – Free Webinars

The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) is a collaborative initiative between Somerset NHS Foundation Trust and Young Somerset and are inviting Parents/Carers to join their upcoming series of free webinars focusing on children's mental health and wellbeing. Over the next few months, they have several free webinars to support Parents/Carers covering topics such as Supporting Your Neurodivergent Child to Supporting Your Child's Big Feelings. To find out more and to register, please click [here](#).



Online Mental Health Support for Young People

Over the coming weeks, your child may mention they have been made aware of a service called Kooth. It provides early intervention mental health support to children and young people. Kooth is free to access via any internet-connected tablet, computer or smartphone. There are no waiting lists or thresholds to meet and a referral from a medical professional is not needed. Your child can join Kooth anonymously simply by clicking [here](#).



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Theme of the Week

Evidence

Word of the Week

Hypothesis

Current Vacancies

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 clicking [here](#)

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



Parent/Carer Workshop, led by Escapeline

Crispin School Academy, one of our fellow schools within the Wessex Learning Trust, is holding a free workshop led by Escapeline, a local charity to raise awareness about County Lines. The workshop will be held from 18.00 until 19.15 on Wednesday 12 February at Crispin School, Street. For more information and/or to reserve your place please click [here](#).

Change to Management Information System (MIS)

The MIS is the system we use for managing all our students and staff data, which includes information such as student attendance and parent/carers information. We currently use a system called SIMS, and following a procurement process due to the ending of our SIMS contract, we will be changing to a system called Bromcom. Please click [here](#) for more information.

Social Media

Please follow our social media pages to receive live updates and important information:



[@facebook.com/kowessex](https://www.facebook.com/kowessex)



[@kingsacademy_cheddar](https://www.instagram.com/kingsacademy_cheddar)

Dates for your Diary – 2025

GCSE Summer Exams Start (Provisional) – Tuesday 6 May 2025

A Level Summer Exams Start – Monday 12 May 2025

Year 11 Prom – Thursday 3 July 2025 at 6.30pm

Community

Move for Mental Health

Cheddar Run Club is joining the “Million Metres Challenge” this February. Join them at Cheddar Reservoir Car Park every Sunday in February at 14.00 to support Mental Health Charities – The Space, United for Global Mental Health and TalkClub. Click [here](#) for more information or to learn more about the club click [here](#).



Art for Wellbeing Parent Group

New dates have been released for the next cohort to begin Art for Wellbeing, a supportive and friendly group open to all carers of children. Mums, Dads, Grandparents, Aunts, Uncles, Foster Carers and Guardians are all welcome to explore ways to improve our wellbeing through creative arts. The new dates are 24 February and 3,10,17,24 March – please click [here](#) for more details.

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 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](#).