

Weekly Bulletin – Keeping you informed!

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
15 and 16 July	All	Enrichment Activities
17 July	All	House Championships
18 July	All	Last day of Term – Finish at 12.30pm
2 and 3 September	All	INSET DAYS
4 September	Years 9 and 12	Students Return
5 September	ALL	All Students return to the Academy
11 September	ALL	Annual Awards Ceremony

Weekly Update from Mrs Cowper

This week has been focused on 'hellos' and 'goodbyes'. We welcomed our middle school Year 7 students to Kings this week, to experience the wide array of subjects on offer. Once again, my heartfelt thanks to the Year 9 Ambassadors who represented the school with maturity and compassion. What a credit to the school they are.

We also said goodbyes as Year 11 and Year 13 Proms took place in Batch House and Cadbury respectively. Although I have only been at Kings for a short time, it is always such a privilege to wish students well as they fly the academic nest dressed in their finery and look ahead to the next part of their exciting journey. We look forward to celebrating with you on Results Days and remind you that Kings will always be here for you whatever your future holds.

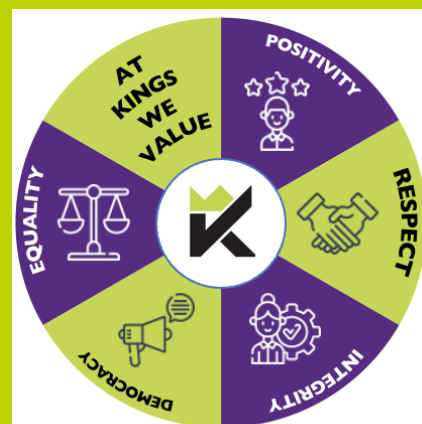
As we head into the weekend our thoughts turn to Enrichment Week next week which is full of exciting, important activities. I would urge you to check the communications sent regarding attire and sunscreen etc. for each day as we want students to be well-prepared for all the activities they have chosen. I look forward to sharing all the joys of the week with you in our final bulletin of the year.

Enrichment Launch Next Week

Get ready for an unforgettable week of excitement and adventure! On Tuesday 15 and Wednesday 16 July, our students will enjoy a fantastic range of enrichment activities designed to inspire, engage, and entertain. From thrilling theme park trips and amazing inflatables to creative and active sessions like cycling, gorge walking, LEGO building, and even chocolate finger baking – there's something for everyone to enjoy! To top it all off, we will be ending the week on a high with a fun-filled House Celebration event on Thursday afternoon. Friday will then culminate in our whole school assembly and awards to celebrate all the amazing hard work of our students and staff this year.

Please be advised that students going on the **Thorpe Park and Chessington trips** are permitted to wear **non-uniform**. All clothing must be appropriate for the hot weather conditions but should be suitable for a school trip.

Students staying in school on the **Tuesday and Wednesday** for the fantastic range of **Enrichment Activities**, are permitted to wear their **Kings' PE kit** to ensure safety and comfort. Please can we ask that all students prepare for the hot weather with water bottles, sun cream and a hats. **Students are required to wear normal uniform on Monday, Thursday and Friday. PLEASE NOTE IF STUDENTS HAVE CHOSEN TO TAKE PART IN THE INFLATABLE ACTIVITY, THEY MUST RETURN THEIR SIGNED DISCLAIMER BY MONDAY OR THEY WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO TAKE PART.**



KINGS CORE VALUES

Where our values give us pride to believe and succeed

Theme of the Week

Ambition

Word of the Week

Attitude

Current Vacancies

Exam Invigilator

Teacher of Science 0.5 Maternity Cover

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](#)



Last Day of Term

The Academy will close to students at 12.30pm on Friday 18 July 2025. For those students who use school transport, buses will be here at 12.30pm.

Start of Term 2025/2026

Students will return to the Academy after the Summer Holidays on the following days. **Year 9 and Year 12** - Thursday 4 September 2025 and **all students** - Friday 5 September 2025.

Dates for your Diary – 2025/2026

Annual Awards Evening – Thursday 11 September 2025 at 6.30pm
Lower School Open Evening – Wednesday 1 October 2025 at 5.30pm
Kings' Sixth Open Evening – Wednesday 15 October 2025 at 6.00pm
GCSE Summer Exams Start – Tuesday 5 May 2026
A Level Summer Exams Start – Monday 11 May 2026
Year 11 Prom – Thursday 2 July 2026 at 6.30pm

Locker Clearance

Students who have a locker at the Academy will need to empty them by Friday 18 July 2025. In the new Academic year, students will be issued with a new locker which could be in a different location and, therefore, any padlocks must be removed. Any items or padlocks that are left will be disposed of in the Summer Holidays.

My Child At School App

All Parents/Carers will have received correspondence relating to important changes relating to ClassCharts and ParentPay this week. **ClassCharts and ParentPay will no longer be in use at the end of July.** My Child At School will be replacing both systems. For further information please click [here](#).

ParentPay Negative Balances

Please be advised that the Café will not be offering credit next week. Negative balances cannot be transferred to the new system, but all positive balances **will** be transferred.

Office Email

Please be aware that over the Summer holidays, the office email will only be checked periodically, therefore, please do not send anything urgent.

Summer Results Day

We have sent a letter to all Parents/Carers of students who have taken exams this year with information about collecting their results. For more information please click [here](#).

Community

The Space

The Space Project supports local young people aged between 4-17 living or being educated in the Cheddar Valley area who are experiencing low mental health and emotional resilience and are often in crisis e.g. depression, anxiety etc. Please get in touch if you think your child or young person may need some help, or indeed, if you are self-referring, by clicking [here](#).



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](#).