

Weekly Bulletin - Keeping you informed!

Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
16 September	Year 12	Year 12 New Parent Information
		Evening – 6.00pm in the Hall
23 September	Years 10 and	Parent Information Evening -
	11	Expressive Art Trip to London –
		5.30pm in the Hall
1 October		Open Evening (Lower School)
15 October		Kings Sixth Open Evening
22 October		Sixth Form Taster Day

Weekly Update from Mrs Cowper

As the first full week draws to a close it has been fantastic to see so many students moving around site looking smart, prepared and excited for their lessons. Colleagues have worked hard to ensure a smooth start to the year, and students have responded well with energy and enthusiasm.

Last night we held our annual Kings Awards Evening. It is always a privilege to celebrate the hard work and determination of our young people, and I am looking forward to broadening the opportunities to celebrate students every day across the year ahead. You will see some of our Subject Superstars celebrated on the Kings Academy Facebook page in the coming days. Our very best wishes to all students who have completed Year 13 - we bid them farewell as they start the next part of their journey into adulthood.

Thank you to all parents and carers for ensuring our young people have the right equipment in a school bag and are attending every day. Colleagues have reported the difference this has made to students independence which is fantastic.

Year 12 have also made a brilliant start in relation to being independent learners and we look forward to their very own Freshers Week next week.

Have a good weekend.

Parent Communications – A Friendly Reminder

We would like to kindly remind Parents/Carers of the best ways to communicate with the Academy.

If you have any questions, concerns, or would simply like to talk something through, the most effective way is to contact the school directly emailed office@kowessex.co.uk. We are always happy to help and are committed to working in partnership with you to support your child's wellbeing and learning.

While platforms such as WhatsApp or social media can be helpful for general parent-to-parent chats, they are not appropriate for discussing sensitive or school-related issues. Messages shared in these forums may not remain private and can easily be circulated more widely.

We respectfully ask all Parents/Carers to take care when posting or commenting online. Please consider whether the information is accurate, necessary, and in line with the respectful and inclusive values of our Academy community. In some cases, sharing false or harmful information online can have legal consequences. Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain a positive and respectful environment.



Where our values give us pride to believe and succeed

Theme of the Week
Opportunities

Word of the Week
Enjoyment

Current Vacancies

Exam Invigilator

For more information please click here

Term Dates for 2025/2026 can be found by clicking here

Our Parent Calendar can be found by clicking here



Year 11 Revision Sessions

Year 11 Revision Sessions commence on Monday 15 September 2025 – Friday 5 December 2025 for Round 1. Please click here to find the schedule. Students will be invited by their subject teachers to attend revision sessions.

School Production – Grease

Get ready to step back into the 1950s with the classic rock n roll musical, GREASE. Packed with iconic songs, cool characters, and plenty of dancing, this is our student's chance to be part of an unforgettable school production. Auditions are to be held during lunchtime on Thursday 18 September and Friday 19 September. Please click hereat/h

AUDITIONS GREASE PLUNCHTIME THUR, 18TH AND FRI 19TH SEPTEMBER ALL WELCOME

Drum Ensemble

If any student would like to join the Drum Ensemble, please note that there is an After-School club on Thursdays between 3.15pm – 4.15pm.

Parent Information Evening

We will be holding a Year 12 New Parent Information Evening for Parents/Carers on Tuesday 16 September at 6.00pm in the Hall. Information has been sent to Parents/Carers.

Kings Academy / Strawberry Line Mural Project

We are excited to be working in partnership with local artist Alice Cunningham on the creation of a large-scale mural that will be permanently installed along the Strawberry



Line, which runs around the school field. As part of this project, we are launching an art competition open to all students in Years 9 to 13, inviting them to submit a concept design inspired by the themes of *Connection, Community, and Conservation*. The winning entry will form the foundation for the final mural, which will be developed collaboratively to incorporate a range of student contributions – please remember not only visual designs can be entered but also stories, photographs, and other creative ideas. Selected students will then work alongside Alice Cunningham during a series of creative workshops in October to bring the final design to life on-site. Please click here for inspiration and further details.

My Child At School App

All Parents/Carers will have received correspondence relating to important changes relating to ClassCharts and ParentPay last term. **ClassCharts and ParentPay are no longer in use**. My Child At School will be replacing both systems. For further information please click here.

Community

The Space Pro

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 <u>here</u> 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.