



Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
17 November to 21 November	Year 13	PPE Week
17 November to 21 November	Year 11	Art and Textiles PPEs
24 November to 25 November	Years 9 -11	Flu Vaccinations
25 November	Year 9	Bronze D of E Parent Information Evening 5.30pm
30 November	Year 9	Big Pitch
8 December to 12 December	All	Charities Week
11 December	Year 11	Parents' Evening
19 December	All	Last Day of Term

### Weekly Update from Mrs Cowper

Well done to Year 11 for completing their November Pre-Public Examinations. They have done a fantastic job of conducting themselves appropriately during their exams whilst also continuing to work on the other elements needed within their subjects. Great resilience demonstrated by the year group and we look forward to sharing feedback with them in class and with you during Parents' Evening on the 11 December. Best wishes to Year 13 who begin their PPEs next week.

Planning for Charities Week is at its peak and watching our Year 13 Student Leaders run this project has been awe-inspiring. This year there will be several surprise events happening during Week 4 and 5 of term to build up to the big event in Week 6. I can't possible share any details as it is all top secret, but it will be crucial for students to be in school every day as we start the countdown.

Finally, my thanks to Ruth Motion and the ten students who represented Kings Academy alongside the other 23 schools in the Wessex Learning Trust on Tuesday to commemorate Remembrance Day. Such a moving, student-centred event and our students were impeccable. A special thanks to Ollie for playing The Last Post and Reveille so beautifully.

Enjoy the weekend.

### Children in Need 2025

We are inviting all students to wear Non-Uniform on Monday 17 November to raise money for Children in Need. To make a donation please click [here](#). Please may we remind you that students need to be dressed appropriately for a school and normal jewellery rules apply.



### Year 13 PPEs

All Year 13 students are expected to be in school during Year 13 PPE week. Lessons will continue as normal. If you have an exam starting in the afternoon, you do not need to attend Period 4. There will also be wellbeing and study skills support available during tutor time.

### Year 11 Parents' Evening

We have sent a letter to Parents/Carers with information regarding Year 11 Parents' Evening. For more information, please click [here](#).

### Sixth Form Applications

The countdown begins! Applications for Kings Sixth 2026 are open and will close today, Friday 14 November 2025. Please click [here](#) to apply.



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**Theme of the Week**  
Information

**Word of the Week**  
Beliefs

**Current Vacancies**  
Exam Invigilator

For more information, please click [here](#)

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

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



## **My Child At School App**

All communication to Parents/Carers is sent via Bromcom. This will either be an email or appear under the message section on the My Child At School App.

If your child was enrolled on a trip in the last academic year and previous payments were on ParentPay, this will be listed under Trips and Enrolled with any outstanding payments as per the original payment schedule. All new trips will appear once they open under Trips and Enrolled.

If you top up dinner money on the App, please be aware this takes 24 hours to appear on your child's balance.

## **Year 12 Grade Reviews**

Year 12 Grade Reviews are available to view on MyChildAtSchool and the Student Portal on Bromcom.

## **Big Pitch Christmas Market**

We are looking forward to this year's Big Pitch Christmas Market which is taking place on Sunday 30 November at Kings Fitness and Leisure Centre. This year we have ninety Year 9 students running enterprise stalls at the market. The event runs from 9.00am until 1.00pm and we would love to see lots of parent support to ensure that our teams sell their products. Please note that this is a cash only event.

## **Attendance**

A thank you to all parents and carers for their support in ensuring students have the best possible attendance. We believe that excellent attendance is essential for academic achievement, personal growth, and preparation for life beyond school. Parents and carers play a vital role in supporting this. A reminder if your child is unwell and unable to attend, then it must be reported to the Academy via the My Child at School parent app, or by emailing [absence@kowessex.co.uk](mailto:absence@kowessex.co.uk) on each day of absence. Further information can be found on the website under Parents and then Attendance.

## **Letters Home**

We would like to remind you that all communicated letters to Parents/Carers can be found on our website [here](#).

## **Flu Vaccinations**

We have sent a letter to all Parents/Carers of students in Years 9, 10 and 11 with regards to Flu Vaccinations. Please see below link for further information please [click here](#).

## **Dates for your Diary – 2025/2026**

Christmas Holiday - Monday 22 December to Friday 2 January 2026

Inset Day - Friday 13 February 2026

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

## **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](mailto:RMotion@kowessex.co.uk) or by phone on 01934 742608.

