



Date	Who	Detail, Timing and Venue
13 February	All	INSET DAY
16 February – 20 February	All	Half Term
23 February	All	Students Return to the Academy
24 February – 6 March	Year 11	PPE Exams
5 March	Year 9	Parents' Evening
9 March – 17 March	Year 13	PPE Exams

Message from our Headteacher

A fabulous end to a wonderful term! I wanted to take the opportunity to thank all of the Kings community in their support of our vision and values as we head into a well-deserved break. This week we have reminded students about the importance of looking smart and following the correct uniform expectations and I would appreciate your support in ensuring all our young people return on the 23 February 2026 with any uniform gaps addressed. A reminder that piercings, other than one stud in the ears are not permitted and we appreciate your support with this.

We look forward to welcoming back our Year 12 Ski party over the weekend as we bid a fond farewell to the New Yorkers! It was so useful for us to hear from Apprenticeships experts this week as they spoke with students about the opportunities available to them. As well as this Year 10 students also visited Bletchley Park. It is important to us that the balance of academia and opportunity is at the forefront of our planning - we even managed to sneak some Winter Olympics catch up into lunchtimes!

Years 11 and 13 have some important weeks ahead of them when we return after half term and so ensuring those important revision routines are in place will be crucial. Year 11 PPEs begin on our return and Year 13 PPEs commence the week beginning 9 March. It is important for all students to return refreshed and revitalised, fit and well and ready to learn and I wish you and your families a well-earned rest.

Office Email

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

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.

Author Visit – Rachel Delahaye

We are welcoming author, Rachel Delahaye, into the Academy on Tuesday 10 March 2026 to talk to students about creative writing and future worlds. For more information please click [here](#).

Year 11 Revision Timetable

Year 11 Revision Timetable is now available to view on the website. Please click [here](#) for more information.



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

Theme of the Week

Safety

Word of the Week

Provision

Current Vacancies

Psychology and Health and Social Care
Teacher 0.2
Learning Supervisor
Facilities Caretaker
Exam Invigilator

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

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

Term Dates for 2026/2027 can be found by clicking [here](#)

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



Pro Apprenticeship Talk

We were really pleased to welcome Rachel from Pro Apprenticeships into school to talk with our students about apprenticeships and the many opportunities they offer. Rachel explained how to find and apply for apprenticeships, what employers are looking for, and what day-to-day life as an apprentice is really like, including training, progression, and future career pathways. Students found the sessions engaging and informative, and it was great to see so many leaving with a clearer understanding of apprenticeships as an exciting and positive option for their future. We are very grateful to Rachel and Pro Apprenticeships for giving their time to support and inspire our students.

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Year 11 Communication and 15-1 Revision Resources

We have communicated with Parents/Carers, information regarding exams and the 15 to 1 document to support with revision. To view the 15 to 1 document, please click [here](#).

Homework Club Reminder

Parents and Carers are reminded that our Homework Club runs from Monday - Thursday **3.15pm to 4.00pm** in LIT. The club provides a quiet, supportive environment where students can complete homework, revise, and receive help from staff if needed. All students are welcome to attend, and no booking is required.

Year 10 and Year 12 Work Experience

Over half-term, students should use the time to continue trying to secure their work experience placements. Some are already sorted, which is great, but others still need to send an email, make a call, or follow up on an enquiry.

Even taking one small step can make a big difference, and getting a placement organised early helps avoid stress later on and gives students something positive to look forward to.

If you could please remind your child to:

- Contact potential employers over half term
- Keep an eye on their emails for replies
- Log any confirmed placements on Unifrog

Summer 2026 Exams

Please be advised any student sitting an examination in Summer 2026 will need to remain available up to and including Wednesday 24 June 2026 should an awarding body need to invoke its contingency plan. The designation of a 'contingency day' within the common examination timetable is in the event of national or significant local disruption to examinations in the United Kingdom. It is part of the awarding bodies' standard contingency planning for examinations. The timetable for Summer 2026 is now available on the website [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

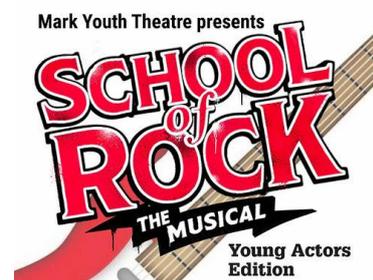
The Cheddar Valley Foodbank is available to help families who may need extra support. Please click here for more information. If you would like foodbank vouchers, please contact Ruth Motion at RMotion@kowessex.co.uk or by phone on 01934 742608.



School of Rock Production

The Mark Youth Theatre is proud to present an energetic and fun filled show of School of Rock the Musical Young Actors Edition from Thursday 26 March to Saturday 28 March in the Blakehay Theatre, Weston Super Mare, with none other than our very own Year 12 Sixth Form student Daniel playing the lead role of Dewey Finn! Daniel's previous credits include Miss Trunchbull, Lord Farquaad in Shrek and Emmett Forrest in Legally Blonde. It's set to bring the house down!

Daniel praised everyone involved: "The whole cast have been working extremely hard for many months and I'm excited to be playing such an iconic role alongside such talented performers".



Tickets can be purchased [here](#)