A Christmas Carol Performances

The cast and crew of A Christmas Carol have been working very hard since September to prepare the latest exciting production at Kingsdale. The classic tale has been brought to life with an outstanding cast from Years 7, 8 and 9. Together with the magnificent singers from the Chamber Choir, it promises to be an inspiring occasion. We very much look forward to welcoming audiences to the performances on: Tuesday 11th, Thursday 13th and Friday 14th December at 6.30pm in the Studio Theatre. Tickets are available from the Drama block or can be requested by contacting Mr Golding via info@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

London GDST Bake-Off Semi-Finals

We are delighted to announce that Year 7 student Anya Lucas achieved 2nd place in the Semi-Final of the London GDST Bake-Off with her unicorn cake. Maya Amin-Sanchez in Year 10 also received a Special Award for Technical Ability. Well done to both girls and good luck to Anya for the Finals.

Julia wins Bronze at British Judo National Championship

Well done to Julia Marczak (7KWD) who won bronze at the British Judo Nationals Championships in Sheffield last Saturday. Julia fought in the Under 14s Pre-Cadets category. Despite an unlucky draw where she came up against and lost to the current champion, this was her only loss and she went on to win 7 matches.

Julia also won Bronze last month in France in La Havre and is heading to the Matsuru Cup in the Netherlands in January. Julia has a tough year ahead for her as she is one of the youngest competitors in this new category of pre-cadets but we wish her lots of luck and good wishes in her upcoming tournaments!

 Debate Club Students on Sky News!

Students in our Year 9 Debate Club had the fantastic opportunity on Tuesday, 4th December, to be involved in a debate and discussion on topical news stories with Sky News and First News in their regular feature called 'Kid’s Comment'. The debators were filmed while they watched news clips on educational matters and current affairs. Students debated and shared opinions in response to stories on themes of immigration and NASA space research. They thoroughly enjoyed the experience and we look forward to further such opportunities in the near future.

Maths Scholarship Programme 2018-19

Imperial College Mathematics Master Class

Last week, our Year 10 Maths scholars spent the morning at Imperial College working through complex equations for circles. Covering GCSE equations & A Level style questions in the morning, in the afternoon they made their own spectrometers and used them to identify certain elements. Students were very engaged and enjoyed the sessions immensely!

Theme & Word of the Week

Freedom - Universal Declaration of Human Rights

All human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights. They are endowed with reason and conscience and should act towards each other in a spirit of brotherhood.

Crescendo

Definition: A gradual increase in loudness in a piece of music.
**SPORTS NEWS**

**Under-14’s Basketball Victory**
Congratulations to the Kingsdale Under-14’s Boys Basketball Team who reached the final of the Under 14’s Southwark Regional Basketball Tournament narrowly losing out to St Thomas the Apostle College in a hard fought final. The team have now qualified to represent Southwark in the London Youth Games which will take place in the new year. Congratulations to all involved in this fantastic team achievement!

**Year 7 Athletics Teams Success**
A big well done to the Year 7 indoor athletics boys’ track team who came 2nd in the Southwark Indoor Athletics Competition with 295 points - only 5 points away from 1st place. Well done also to the girls’ team who came 4th with 206 points. Both teams have worked really hard over the last 3 weeks and the PE department are very proud of their commitment & achievements. Bring on the Summer for the Track and Field competitions!

**Year 10 Hockey**
On Wednesday 5th December, our Year 10 girls played Sydenham High School Under-15 team at Crystal Palace National Sports Centre. The girls played and lost a close and tough game and nominated Lola Moodie as player of the match! Well done girls!!

**Year 10 Girls’ Tag Rugby**
On Thursday 29th November, Year 10 PE Kingsdale Students participated in their first Tag Rugby fixture away at Blackheath High School. The team played a fantastic game of tag rugby. Well done to all of the girls involved!

**Year 10 Netball News**
A big well done to the Year 10 Netball team for their game against Blackheath High School last week. They dominated the court and won 12-2.

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**SCHOOL NEWS**

**Year 11 at Pevensey Castle cont.**
Last week our Year 11 Historians went to Battle Abbey & Pevensey Castle as part of their GCSE study of the Normans. They really enjoyed themselves, especially Battle Abbey, the sight of William the Conqueror’s victory over Godwinson and the beach where William landed in England. They were complimented by the guides on their perfect behaviour & insightful questions.

**Book of the Week**
Recommended by teachers, librarians, pupils and parents

**Book Title:** How I Live Now

**Author:** Meg Rossof

**Age Range:** 12+

**Why students should read it:**
Fifteen-year-old Daisy is sent from Manhattan to England to visit her aunt and cousins she’s never met: three boys near her age and their little sister. Her aunt goes away on business soon after Daisy arrives. The next day bombs go off as London is attacked and occupied by an unnamed enemy.
As power fails, and systems fail, the farm becomes more isolated. Despite the war, it’s a kind of Eden, with no adults in charge and no rules, a place where Daisy’s uncanny bond with her cousins grows into something rare and extraordinary. But the war is everywhere, and Daisy and her cousins must lead each other into a world that is unknown in the scariest, most elemental way.

Email us your recommendations at: library@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk
**SPORTS FIXTURES**

**Monday 10th December 2018**
- Year 8 Boys’ A Team English Schools Cup Football Away Game against Bishop Ramsey School, Ruislip. Leave school at 11.50am. Return at 6.30pm approx. 2pm Kick off: Mr Price/Mr Foster
- Year 7 Girls’ English Schools Cup Football School Astro Home Game against Archbishop Tenison’s School. 2pm kick-off. Finish 4pm approx: Ms Walters

**Tuesday 11th December 2018**
- Year 7 & 8 Girls’ Handball Competition at Harris Girls’ Academy, East Dulwich. Leave school at 1.15pm. Return at 5.30pm approx. 2pm start until 4pm: Ms Walker/Mr Price
- Year 10 Boys’ Inner London Cup Football Away Game against Stoke Newington School. Leave school at 1pm. Return at 6pm approx. 2.30pm Kick-off: Mr Foster
- Year 7 & 8 Girls’ School Astro Football Home Game against Shenfield School, Essex. 2pm Kick-off. Finish 4.30 approx: Ms Walters

**Wednesday 12th December 2018**
- Year 8 Boys’ B team English Schools Cup Football Away Game against St Ives Cambridge. Leave school at 10.30am. Return at 7pm approx. 2pm Kick-off: Mr Price/Mr Foster
- Year 7 Boys’ School Astro Football Home Game against Dunraven School. 2.30pm Kick-off. Finish 4.30pm approx: Mr Attenborough-Warren

**Thursday 13th December 2018**
- Year 7 & 8 Girls’ Netball Away Game against Kidbrook School. Leave school at 3pm. Return at 6pm approx. 4pm start: Ms Ceesay/Mr Foster

**Friday 14th December 2018**
- Year 8 Boys’ Inner London Cup Football Home Game against Charter School, North Dulwich. 2.30pm Kick-off. Finish 4.30pm approx.: Mr Price
- Year 8 & 9 Girls’ Football Away Game against Grey Court School, Richmond. Leave school at 1pm. Return at 6pm approx. 2.15pm Kick-off: Mr Foster/Ms Thomas
- Year 7 Boys’ Rugby Home Game against Bishop Thomas Grant School. 2.30pm Kick-off. Finish 4.30pm approx: Mr Morse
- Year 10 & 11 Basketball Away Game against Charter School, North Dulwich. Leave school at 3.15pm. Return at 5pm approx. 3.30pm start: Mr Sharpe

Remember that all fixtures are available to view on http://www.kingsdaleschoolsports.org.uk

Sports Fixtures Emergency Contact Number: 07852336724

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**HOUSE NEWS**

They Will Never Grow Old - Thank You!
During the month of November 2018, Kingsdale remembered those who were injured or who lost their lives during the First and Second World Wars.

This year specifically, we were commemorating the centenary of the end of World War One. Every year, as a school, we participate in the national sale of the Poppy. I am pleased to announce that our contribution this year was a total of £167.48. Therefore, a huge thank you to parents, students and staff for their generous donations.

Christmas Jumper Day 2018
Christmas Jumper Day this year is on Friday 14th December and staff will be asking students to donate £1 in return for wearing their Christmas Jumper. Alternatively, students can donate some food for our Food Drive in the form of a packet or can. We look forward to everyone supporting a good cause and generating lots of money for their House Charities.

**Diary Dates**

The full School Calendar can be viewed at www.kingsdalefoundationschool.org.uk

**Tuesday 11th, Thursday 13th & Friday 14th December 2018**
School Performance of ‘A Christmas Carol’

**Wednesday 12th December 2018**
School early finish at 2.45pm for Years 7-10 only
Year 11 Parents’ Evening 4-8pm

**Friday 14th December 2018**
Christmas Jumper Day & School Christmas Lunch

**Friday 21st December 2018**
End of Autumn Term – School ends at normal time
Parents’ Forum – All Years at 6pm

Please note the earlier start time for this event