



PARENTAL NEWS BULLETIN

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HEADLINE NOTICES

Key Stages 4 & 5 DfE Performance Tables
2016-16
Champions of High Achievement



Following the publication of the new style official DfE Performance Tables, last week, for KS4/5 we are incredibly pleased to announce that Kingsdale ranks at either the top or very near the top for all key attainment and progress measures. At KS4 we are the top, by some distance, of the **Attainment 8** measure – the most substantial all round measure of outcomes ever produced by the DfE.

We are equally delighted to declare at Key Stage 5 we are, arguably the best performing school in the local authority. **Our Value Added Score is the highest of any main sixth form provider in Southwark** and our average attainment score was only one sub-level below the top performance in the borough.

Incredibly, no major weaknesses were identified in the published data set. Congratulations to all concerned!

Anti-Bullying Superstar!

Congratulations to Adrian Angol-Henry in Year 8 for winning the anti-bullying competition at Kingsdale Foundation School!

Adrian created an excellent and informative movie about bullying using an original soundtrack and animation techniques!



THEME OF THE WEEK

A positive Approach to Life

*'If you think you can, you can.
And if you think you can't, you're right.'*

SCHOOL NEWS

Victorian's Decoded Photography
Competition Winners

As part of the exhibition 'Victorians Decoded: Art and Telegraphy', currently exhibiting at the Guildhall Art Gallery, AS/A2 & GCSE photography/art students were invited to submit entries exploring the impact of the laying of the transatlantic telegraph cable on Victorian culture. This was part of a research activity by the Scrambled Messages project entitled 'The Telegraphic Imaginary 1857 - 1900', an initiative run jointly between King's College, London, The Courtauld Institute of Art and the Institute of Making at UCL. The winning photographs will form an exhibition on the Scrambled Messages website, which can also be accessed via the Guildhall website. The judges were particularly impressed with the high standard of work and creativity that came from Kingsdale.

We are extremely delighted and proud to announce the following:



Amalia Thorogood
Competition
Overall Winner.
(Two shadows & car)



Joshua Redman
Winner of the
Transmission category
(Photograph of man)

As well as exhibiting their work, Amalia and Joshua both won goody bags. Amalia also won a behind-the-scenes tour of the Guildhall Art Gallery. In addition to the winners, **Rosa O'Neil** and **Emily Langdon** were highly commended for their submissions and will also have an image included in the Scrambled Messages online display.

KINGSDALE FOUNDATION SCHOOL

SCHOOL NEWS cont.

History Trip to Ypres, Belgium and the Somme, France 2017 23rd - 24th March 2017

The History Department is planning to take 40 students to Ypres on Thursday 23rd March, returning on Friday 24th of March 2017. During the trip students will visit a huge range of sites such as the Langemarck German Military Cemetery, Tyne Cot Cemetery, the Vimy Ridge Memorial and Newfoundland Park. The trip will cover many aspects from World War One including



the role of Commonwealth troops, the role of women and trench warfare. It can be an emotional experience and helps students to have a better understanding and appreciation of what happened during the war. The trip has now been opened up to Years 8, 9 and 10 and the cost of the trip will be £216 which covers all transport via coach, accommodation, visits with tour guides, travel insurance and meals. In the event that the trip is oversubscribed, places will be allocated on a lottery basis. If you are interested in sending your child on this trip, letters can be obtained from Mr. McLoughlin or Miss George in the Humanities Office. Reply slips must be returned no later than **Wednesday 25th January**. Normal discounts apply. If you have any queries about the trip, including available financial assistance, please email

humanities@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

Kingsdale are Southwark and Lambeth Schools Cricket Champions!

On Thursday 12th January, our Year 9 & 10 Boys' Cricket Teams played at the Southwark & Lambeth Schools Boys Years 9 & 10 Indoor Cricket Competition at Kia Oval, the home of Surrey Cricket Club. The Kingsdale Boys competed in a group with highly respected local school teams; playing them twice in their groups. Kingsdale then went on to beat Ernest Bevin in the final and will now go to the Surrey Schools Finals day in March. An 'Excellent Day' for our Winners!



Year 10 Maths in Action Trip

In December 2016, a group of our Year 10 students attended a GCSE Maths enrichment day with inspirational and renowned speakers from universities, business and the media.

The day was a chance for students to see, hear and learn from famous mathematicians who they would not normally have access to in the classroom.



The intention was to inspire students to do well in Maths, and to see where Maths could take them if they were to continue their studies to a higher level.

Maths' Greatest Unsolved Puzzles - *Katie Steckles*
Guy Martin's Wall of Death and other Spinning Things

- *Hugh Hunt*

Mathematical Obsession - *Steve Mould*.

The Numbers of Structures - *Roma Agrawal*

Juggling - theory and practice - *Colin Wright*

"..there were things that we were not taught about in lessons and I highly recommend this trip"

C Mason.

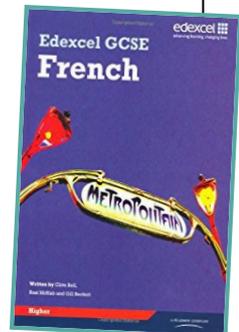
"I liked Steve Moulds and the way he presented an effect that has been named after him (the Mould Effect)"

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Language Revision Guides

The Languages department are pleased to announce that revision guides for French, German and Spanish GCSE are available to purchase for students in year 11 at a discounted rate of £2.50.

Please speak to Mr Hood or Miss Evans for further details.



Diary Dates

Please remember that the full School Calendar is available to view on

www.kingsdalefoundationschool.org.uk

Wednesday 1st February

Year 8 Parents' Evening 5-8pm - *details issued separately.*

Thursday 2nd February

Winter Music Concert in POD

Friday 10th February

End of the first Spring Term

Monday 20th February

Start of second Spring Term- *Spring Term Short Academic Reports issued to parents.*

SPORTS FIXTURES

Monday 23rd January 2017

- Year 7 Boys' Rugby Home Game against Edenham High School. **Leave school at 2pm & return at 4.45pm approx.** 2.30pm Kick off: **Mr Stewart/Mr Price**

Tuesday 24th January 2017

- Year 11 Boys' Football Away Game against Haverstock School, North London. **Leave School at 12.30pm - return at 6.15pm approx.** 2pm Kick off: **Mr Price**

Wednesday 25th January 2017

- 6th Form Boys' Football Away Game against St. Charles College. **Leave school 12.30pm - return at 6.00pm approx.** 2pm Kick off: **Mr Foster/Mr Price**
- Mixed Swimming Gala at Alleyns School. **Leave school at 4.00pm - return at 6.30pm approx.** Start at 4.45pm till 6.00pm: **Mr Ashton**

Thursday 26th January 2017

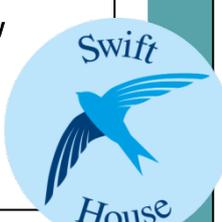
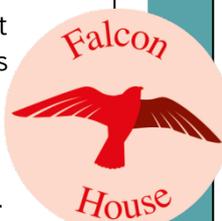
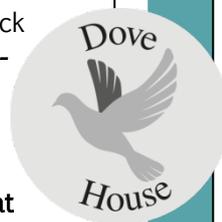
- Year 8 Boys' Rugby Home Game against Bishop Thomas Grant. **Leaving school at 2pm - return at 4.45pm approx.** 2.30pm Kick off: **Mr Ashton**

Friday 27th January 2017

- Year 8 Boys' Football B-Team Away Game against All Saints of Cheltenham English Schools at Burgess Park. **Leave school at 12.45pm - return at 7.45pm approx.** 2pm Kick off: **Mr Price/Mr Foster**
- Year 7 Boys' Football Rugby Home Game against Harris Crystal Palace. **Leaving school at 2.30pm - return at 4.45pm approx.** 3pm Kick off: **Mr Willis**

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

Sports Fixtures Emergency Contact Number:
07730263586



House News

House Badminton Competition

Our annual House Badminton competition, last week Thursday, was highly competitive as usual with some excellent team and individual performances. Congratulations to all the pupils involved!

KS3

- 1st Falcon
- 2nd Swift
- 3rd Albatross
- 4th Eagle
- 5th Dove

KS4

- 1st Falcon
- 2nd Albatross
- 3rd Dove
- 4th Swift and Eagle

Safer Internet Day 2017 Tuesday 7th February



As part of our responsibility to safeguard students and ensure they enjoy a safe experience online, Kingsdale will be running a series of activities both on the day and during the week of **Safer Internet Day**. This will include lessons, lunchtime, assemblies and after-school.

The idea is to raise awareness amongst all students about the benefits of being online but also to highlight some of the dangers that can ruin their experience. If you have any questions around e-safety and how you can keep your child safe online or have any suggestions for an activity that can be included in Safer Internet Day, please contact me on:

housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

Mr. Fatodu

Senior Head of House

Ways we communicate with Parents and students

During the past academic year, as well as this News Bulletin, we have been improving the ways that we communicate with parents. These include:

Email/Text – Please ensure we have your latest email and mobile phone contact details.

Twitter – You can find us at @kingsdalefs
Our new improved website at www.kingsdalefoundationschool.org.uk

ShowMyHomework – Used to share homework details and other school news via the Notice Board feature with students and parents. www.showmyhomework.co.uk

Look out for our new app launching in February 2017!



Do we have your correct email?

We are moving towards communicating more regularly with our parents/carers via email.

If you have recently changed your email address or would like to receive email communication, **please contact us at attendanceoffice@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk** with the subject **Email Update** and clearly your child's name and tutor group.