

PARENTAL NEWS BULLETIN

Monday 1st October 2018

HEADLINE NOTICES

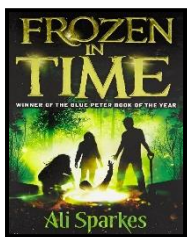
Oxbridge Guidance for 6th Form - Flo Ward

On Wednesday 26th September, our Sixth Form students were addressed by Flo Ward, from the Kingsdale Alumni community and currently an undergraduate student of English Literature at University of Oxford. Flo shared the application and interview process involved for Oxbridge (Oxford & Cambridge), together with dispelling myths, raising aspirations and offering support and guidance to students. Flo talked about how passion for the subject and the opportunity to explore it in depth are the significant aspects of studying at Oxford and how exciting life is at this prestigious university. Thanks for visiting Flo!



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD 2018-19

A big thank you to all parents of Year 10 students who attended last week's Information Evening. If you were unable to attend and wish your child to register for the Bronze Award this academic year, please ask your child to collect a form from the House Office at the top of the Red Stairs at lunchtime or after-school. If you have any further questions please contact Mr Fatodu at housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk.



Book of the Week

Recommended by teachers, librarians, pupils and parents

Book Title: Frozen In Time

Author: Ali Sparkes

Age Range: 12+



Why students should read it:

In the year 1956, Freddy and Polly are used to helping their father with his experiments so don't mind being put into cryonic suspension until their father wakes them up again. In the **present day**, Ben and Rachel have resigned themselves to a long, boring summer. Then they find a hidden underground vault in the garden containing two frozen figures, a boy and a girl. And when Rachel accidentally presses a button, something unbelievable happens.....

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

THEME & WORD OF THE WEEK

Black History Month – 'Defining myself, as opposed to being defined by others, is one of the most difficult challenges I face.'
Carol Moseley-Braun

Bamboozle

Cheat or fool.

'The swindler would bamboozle the customers by selling them fake jewellery at hefty prices.'

Author Event with Ali Sparkes!

We are pleased to announce that author **Ali Sparkes** will be visiting Kingsdale Foundation School on Thursday, 4th October 2018. Ali is a popular author and her first stand-alone novel *Frozen In Time* won the prestigious Blue Peter Book of the Year Award in 2010. Her stories are translated into many languages. With more than 40 books now published, Ali Sparkes is renowned for her high comedy and energetic presentations and she will address our Year 7 & 9 students in an interactive special assembly at school during her visit. Students will also have the opportunity to buy Ali's recently published book 'Death By Detention', signed by the author herself, at the cost of £6.99 on the day.



Launch of our new student email system

We are currently promoting the use of our new school student email system.

This system will be used by staff and students to communicate with each other about curriculum and organisational information. Students have been issued with their login details and those who have not yet received these details, should contact their tutors as soon as possible. We would be very grateful if parents could encourage their child/ren to log in to this important new system. Please check that your child's account is operational!

SPORTS FIXTURES

Monday 1st October 2018

- Year 7 Southwark Cycle Confidence Course at school. 9- 11.30am and 12.50 - 3pm: **Mr Price**
- Year 7 Girls' Football Home Game against Graveney School. 3pm kick-off. Finish 5pm approx: **Miss Cave**

Tuesday 2nd October 2018

- Year 7 Southwark Cycle Confidence Course at school. 9 - 11.30am and 12.50 - 3pm: **Mr Price**
- Selected Students Hockey Trip – England v Belgium at Olympic Park. Leave school at 9.30am – return at 3.30pm approx: **Mr McWhirter/Mr Foster**
- Year 8 Boys' A Team Football English Schools Cup Home Game v Harris Battersea School. 3pm Kick off – Finish 5pm approx: **Mr Price**

Wednesday 3rd October 2018

- Year 7 Southwark Cycle Confidence Course at school. 9 - 11.30am and 12.50- 3pm: **Mr Price**
- Year 9 Boys' B-Team Football Away Game against Ernest Bevin School. Leave school at 1.30pm. Return at 5pm approx. 2.30pm kick-off: **Mr Price**

Thursday 4th October 2018

- Year 7 Southwark Cycle Confidence Course at school. 9 - 11.30am and 12.50 - 3pm: **Mr Price**
- Year 9 Boys' Rugby Away Game against Harris Crystal Palace. Leave school at 1.45pm – return at 5pm approx. 2.30pm Kick-off: **Mr Price/Mr Willis**
- All Years Coaching Workshop at Dulwich College by Craig Fulton, the Belgium Men's Hockey Head Coach. 3:30pm-5:30pm: **Mr McWhirter**

Friday 5th October 2018

- Year 7 Southwark Cycle Confidence Course at school. 9 - 11.30am and 12.50 - 3pm: **Mr Price**

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

Sports Fixtures Emergency Contact Number: 07852 336724

Ways we communicate

Email/Text/School App

Please ensure we have your latest email and mobile phone contact details. Please remember to check your student school email account!

Twitter & Instragram

@kingsdalefs @kingsdalefspe (Twitter)
& kingsdalefs (Instragram)

Website: www.kingsdalefoundationschool.org.uk

ShowMyHomework

To share homework details and school news
www.showmyhomework.co.uk



House News

Swift House News

My name is Miss Amoakohene.

I am the new Swift House leader. I'm honoured to have joined such an amazing House Team. I hope that this year, Swift House will show our many talents by fully participating in the fantastic activities running throughout the year, and to support our chosen charity - Young Minds. This charity supports young people with mental health. I know we are going to have a great year, striving for success, and supporting each other to achieve excellence. Go Swift House!!!!

YOUNGMINDS

The voice for young people's mental health and wellbeing

Young Minds Mission Statement

Young Minds are leading the fight for a future where all young minds are supported and empowered, whatever the challenges.

To make sure they get the best possible mental health support and have the resilience to overcome life's difficulties.

The crisis in children and young people's mental health is real and it is urgent. More children and young people than ever before are reaching out for help with their mental health. But for those who take that brave step, help is much too hard to find.

Young Mind's Values

Value every voice

Every voice is important and needs to be listened to

Tell it as it is

Always honest and straightforward

All about impact

Work together to make a life-changing difference

To find out more please visit

www.youngminds.org.uk

Diary Dates

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

Wednesday 3rd October 2018

Year 6 Open Morning

Year 7 Settling In Evening – 5.30-8pm

Wednesday 10th October 2018

Sixth Form Open Evening

Monday 15th October 2018

Year 12 & 13 Examination Week

