



PARENTAL NEWS BULLETIN

Issue 7 Monday 17th October 2022

HEADLINE NOTICES

Autumn Half-Term Break Monday 24th October to Friday 4th November

Please be reminded that school will be closed for the half-term break from **Monday 24th October to Friday 4th November 2022**.

During the half-term break, revision sessions will take place for students in Years 11 & 13 as part of our holiday study-support programme. This includes Monday 24th & Tuesday 25th October which have been designated as compulsory attendance days for Year 11 students. Further details regarding the arrangements for holiday revision and assessment weeks have been issued separately by the Year 11 & 13 pastoral teams. Please email year11hol@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk and year13hol@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk with any respective queries.

We would like to wish you all a restful break and look forward to seeing all students on their return to school on **Monday 7th November 2022** at the normal times.

Early School Closure on Wednesday 19th October 2022 & Sixth Form Open Evening

Please be informed that in order to facilitate the Sixth Form Open afternoon on Wednesday 19th October 2022, the school will close early between 12.55pm & 1.05pm **for students in Years 7, 8, 9 & 10 only**. Students in Years 11, 12 & 13 will finish school at their normal times. The school transportation times will be adjusted on this day to reflect the amended school finish times for students in Years 7-10.

Please accept our apologies for any inconvenience caused. Should parents of students in Years 7 - 10 wish their child(ren) to remain at school on this day, this will be accommodated. Please contact a Head of Learning for your child should this be the case.

Parents' Forum

Friday 21st October 2022 @ 5.30pm

For all year groups

Please note that this will be an site-on event in the FLC with online access via MS Teams.

Further details issued separately.

THEME & WORD OF THE WEEK

Success or Failure

'My will shall shape the future. Whether I fail or succeed shall be no one's doing but my own. I am the force; I can clear any obstacle before me, or I can be lost in the maze. My choice; my responsibility; win or lose, only I hold the key to my destiny'.

Precocious

'(Of a child) having developed certain abilities or inclinations at an earlier age than is usual or expected.'

SCHOOL NEWS



Fireworks Warning

Watching fireworks is great fun but as Bonfire Night and Diwali approach, we would like to remind parents to take care as children are more likely to get hurt by fireworks than adults.

Did you know?

- The most common injuries are to hands, followed by the eyes and face.
- Over 500 children under 16 are rushed to A&E in the four weeks surrounding Bonfire Night.
- Many more boys than girls are injured by fireworks, especially boys aged 12 to 15.
- Most injuries happen at family bonfire parties or private displays.
- Fireworks are deemed as Offensive Weapons by the school. Possession of such items in or within our environs by a students will result in a recommendation for permanent exclusion from the school and a referral to the police.



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Black History Month



Last week, students attended a workshop and talk by Baroness Floella Benjamin as part of our Black History celebrations and Southwark Schools Learning Partnership.

Students examined and discussed extracts from Baroness Benjamin's book 'Coming to England' before listening to a highly energetic and passionate speech by Floella herself. A great time was had by all. Please read more about our students' experiences below:

'What stood out to me the most was her 3 'C's, Confidence, Contentment and Consideration. I found it inspirational that she uses this philosophy every day.'

Curtis Gibson, 9NSH

'I liked the idea that all you need is love for yourself in life and to always smile. Learn how to do that and there will be no boundaries to what you can do.'

Martha Holt-Mahn, 10ALB

'Everyone is special.'

Rafay Muhammad, 9DAX

'We really enjoyed learning about Floella's experiences. We were intrigued with how well she dealt with the struggles she came across, although she felt the world was against her, she thrived and achieved.'

Olivia and Aaliyah Amoah, 10TAU & 10ALM

SCHOOL NEWS



BLACK HISTORY MONTH

A large collection of small, colorful photographs and drawings of people, many of whom are Black, arranged on a wooden surface. The images include portraits, group photos, and artistic depictions, some with handwritten text. The overall theme is Black identity and community.

Notice

Food Science
Department

Love of Food Club

Years 7 & 8

The first session will be on
Monday 17th October
15.35 to 15.00 in FS2

Please sign up in FS1
every Monday for the
following week's session
to secure your place.

Donations wanted

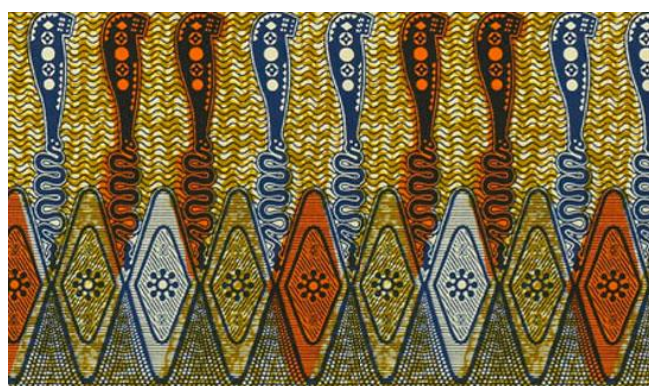
The Art Department would very much appreciate any donations of unwanted working 35mm film cameras.

They can be the point and shoot version or a camera with a lens.

Also, if you have any unwanted unused old film we would be most grateful



Please contact artd&t@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk if you can help.



Black History Month Celebration

A Taste of Africa

Date: Wednesday 19th October 2022

Time: 4.10pm to 6.00pm

Venue: Food Science 2

Hands on cooking:

We will be cooking the famous Ghanaian
Pepper Soup served with Rice Balls.

**As places are limited, please
reserve your place early.**

Years 9 & 10 are welcome.

**Contact Ms Leung/Mrs Frimpong
in Food Science.**



Art, Design and Technology Faculty Clubs 2022-23

Art Breakfast Club - Monday – Friday – AR6 EDY 7.50-8.55am - All welcome

Monday

KS3 Camera Club
PS1 GWR
3.45-4.45pm

Love of Food Club
Year 7 and 8
FS1 SLG
3.45-5.15pm

KS3 Textiles Club
AR7 ABY
3.45-5pm

Tuesday

Year 8 Art G&T and Scholars
Club (by invitation only)
AR3 JGO
4.15-5pm

Arts Award
AR5 GWR and AR1 LFY
3.45-4.45pm

GCSE Arts and Textiles Catch up
AR2 GHL
3.34-5pm

GCSE Graphics Catch Up
TE1 SRX
4.15-5pm

GCSE Arts Catch up
AR6 EDY
4.15-5pm

Year 11 NEAs Workshop
Food Science
FS1 SLG
4.15-5.15pm

GCSE Graphics Catch Up
TE3 EGR
4.15-5pm

Young Designers
(by invitation only)
TE2 TKH
3.50-4.50pm

Wednesday

KS4 Photography Catch Up
PS1 GWR
3.45-5pm

Thursday

Year 7 Art Scholars Club
(by invitation only)
(Starts after October Half Term)
AR4 MMR
3.45-4.45pm

GCSE Art Catch Up
AR1 LFY
3.45-4.45pm

KS3 iPad Club
TE3 EGR
4.15-5pm

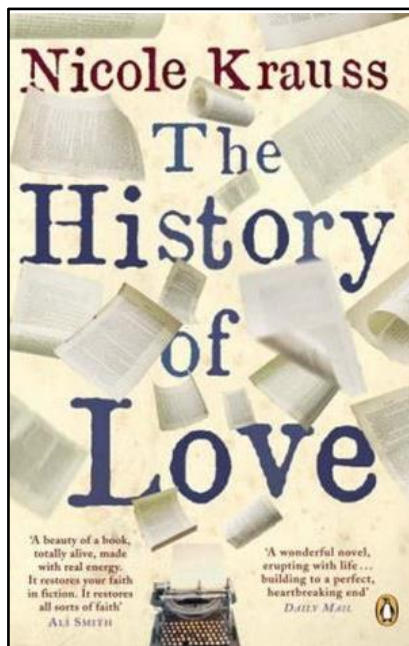
Fly High Club
Food Science
Year 9 and 10
FS1 SLG
4.15-5.15pm

GCSE Catch Up
AR7 ABY
3.45-5pm

Year 11 Catch Up
TE2 TKH
3.45-5pm

Friday

Finish It Friday Club
AR2 GHL
3.45-5.30pm
All welcome



Teacher Recommendation
Mr Harper recommends *The History of Love* by Nicole Krauss. Fourteen-year-old Alma Singer is trying to find a cure for her mother's loneliness. Believing she might discover it in the old book her mother is lovingly translating, she sets out in search of its author.

Across New York an old man called Leo Gursky is trying to survive a little bit longer. He spends his days dreaming of the lost love who, sixty years ago in Poland, inspired him to write a book. And although he doesn't know it yet, that book also survived: crossing oceans and generations, and changing lives... Mr Harper loved this book because it includes interwoven stories that lead to a heart-warming revelation – the perfect book for the chilly autumnal ambience.

Suitable for students aged 14+.

Reading Recommendations



Student Recommendation

Since Halloween is approaching, Aaliyah Amoah in Year 10 recommends

Starlight
by Hannah Lee Kidder

From bestselling author of *Little Birds*, Hannah Lee Kidder's *Starlight* touches your heart before taking a bite with twelve pitch-dark fantasy, horror, and contemporary short stories. The titular story

is a nail-biting thriller of a ghost story which will leave you guessing right up until the end!

Aaliyah really liked this book because she's fascinated by ghosts and found their descriptions in this collection really believable and engrossing.

Recommended for students in Year 9 and above.

ENGLISH NEWS

ART ATTACK! CREATIVE WRITING COMPETITION Autumn Term Key Stage 3

Student Task: Write a short story inspired by a painting. You can visit a gallery yourself and choose a painting that speaks to you, you can visit the National Gallery website and choose a painting, or you can use one of the image prompts provided.

Deadline: Monday 25th November 2022

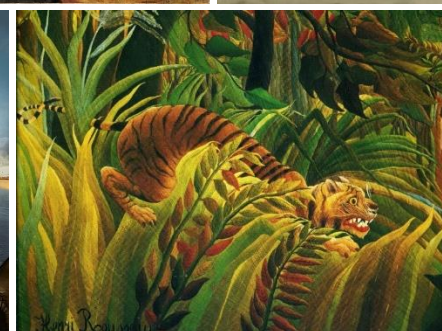
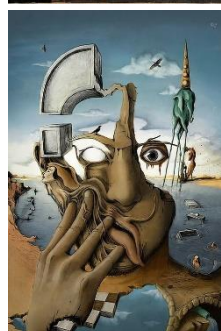
Rules

- Your short story word limit is 1000 words. Please do not exceed this.
- Please upload your submission by 25th November 2022 by following this link:
<https://forms.office.com/r/uV0wPZyJFO>
- All submissions must be clearly labelled with your name and tutor group.

Prizes

- The best story from each year group will be published in the parental bulletin
- The winning story overall will be made into a film by the Kingsdale Film Club.

Are you a budding writer? Are you full of ideas? Do you love to write stories and use your imagination? Would you like the chance for your story to be made into a short film?



INTRODUCING THE NEW

MANGA CLUB

- **MONDAY AFTER SCHOOL**
- **FOR YEARS 7 TO 9**
- **UPPER SCHOOL LIBRARY**

ALSO INCLUDES

FUN ACTIVITIES SUCH AS:

1. BOOKMARK MAKING
2. DRAWING
3. READING MANGA
4. PLAYING GAMES (CARD GAMES, BOARD GAMES)

LOVE MANGA?
FANCY WRITING ONE?

STUDENTS WHO ATTEND
THE MANGA CLUB WILL
HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY
TO WORK IN
COLLABORATION WITH
THE ART DEPARTMENT TO
CREATE AND FINALISE A
COMIC THAT MAY EVEN
END UP BEING
PUBLISHED!!

POSTER DESIGNED BY STUDENTS, FOR STUDENTS

SCHOOL NEWS

Ways we communicate with Parents and students



We communicate with students & parents via:

Student & Parent Email

Please ensure we have your correct email and mobile phone contact details.

Students should also be regularly accessing their student email accounts.

MS Teams

Used to share schoolwork, assignments and files.

Twitter/Website

You can find us at @kingsdalefs.

Our website at:

www.kingsdalefoundationschool.org.uk

Please visit our new and improved website!

SatchelOne (ShowMyHomework)

Used to share homework details and other school news via the Notice Board feature with students and parents.

[Satchel One | Login](#)

Students should submit work via the online submission option.

MyEd app

Downloaded for free at:

<https://www.myedschoolapp.com/>

This app provides a range of useful info for parents.

Student Suggestion Box

In line with our well-established Student Voice programme, there are two suggestion boxes, which are located outside the Headteacher's Office adjacent to the Main School Office and Attendance Office in the Main Atrium.

Please encourage your child to use this facility to make suggestions about how we can continue to improve our provision.



Autumn 1 - English Clubs

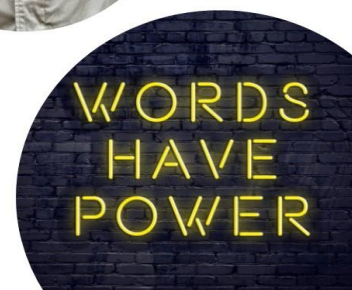
Year 7-11 Film Club!

With whom? Ms Loosemore
When and where? Monday after school at 4.15pm -5.15pm in EN2
What will you do? Learn how to write, produce and direct short films!
Bring a snack!
Want to join? Send an email to: ale@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk
Places are limited so sign up soon!



Year 9 Words & Rhyme Club!

With whom? Mr Rushton
When and where? Tuesday Lunchtime at 1pm in IT3
What will you do? Bring your bars or put pen to paper, spoken word or with instrumentals, for newcomers and seasoned veterans alike. **Bring your lunch!**
Want to join? Send an email to: aro@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk or or just turn up!



Year 7 Creative Writing Club!

With whom? Mr Read
When and where? Wednesday Lunchtime at EN5
What will you do? This club offers a range of fun creative projects, from script, short story and- poetry writing to journalistic tasks. **Bring your lunch!**
Want to join? Send an email to: rrd@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk or just turn up!
Places are limited so sign up soon!



Year 10 Debate & Model United Nations Club!

With whom? Ms Dawson
When and where? Friday Lunchtime at 12pm in M3B
What will you do? Learn how to debate: contest the issues of the day with a time-tested conflation of logos, ethos, pathos and Kairos & represent a country on a Model UN school trip!
Bring your lunch!
Want to join? Send an email to: gdn@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk or just turn up!



Autumn 1

English Clubs

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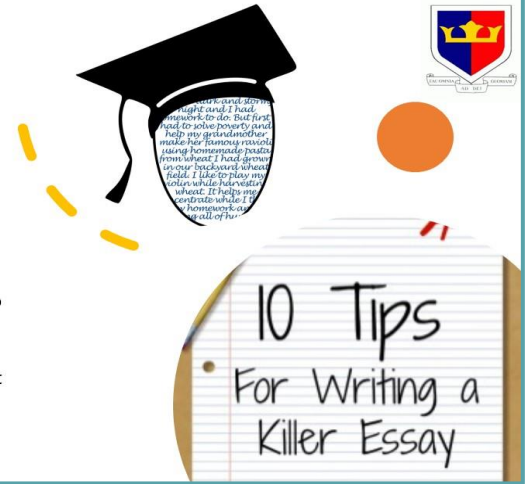
KS3 and KS4 English Homework Club

With whom? English teachers

When and where? Wednesday after school at 3.45 in EN8

What will you do? this is an opportunity to get support with your weekly English homework.

Want to join? Come to the English office at 3.45pm, Wednesday.



Year 9 Debate Club!



With whom?

Mr Burke

When and where?

Friday Lunchtime
6A1 (6th form block)

What will you do?

Learn how to debate and contest the issues of the day in a Parliamentary debate style! We will have opportunities to debate with both your peers and in competitions with other schools!

Want to join?

Email jbu@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk or just turn up!

Come along and bring your lunch!



October: ADHD Awareness Month

ADHD is one of the most common mental health conditions affecting children and adults but it is often misunderstood. ADHD Awareness Month's goal is to correct these misunderstandings and highlight the shared experiences of the ADHD community. We would like to share some MYTHS and FACTS to raise awareness.

MYTH: People with ADHD just can't concentrate

FACT: Individuals with ADHD can concentrate when they are interested in or intrigued by what they are doing.

MYTH: ADHD is over diagnosed

FACT: The rates with which ADHD is diagnosed vary so much primarily due to diagnostic criteria and measurement methods used.

MYTH: Only boys have ADHD

FACT: Boys are diagnosed two to three times as often as girls, but about 4.2% of girls have received a diagnosis of ADHD at some point in their life (and that's not none!).

MYTH: ADHD medication is addictive

FACT: The therapeutic use of stimulant medications for ADHD prevents addiction.

MYTH: ADHD is caused by bad parenting

FACT: Parents do not cause ADHD. The disorder comes from the accumulation of many environmental and genetic risk factors. Brain-imaging studies show that differences in brain structure and wiring cause problems with attention, impulse control, and motivation.

MYTH: ADHD is just an excuse for laziness

FACT: ADHD is really a problem with the chemical dynamics of the brain and it's not under voluntary control.

MYTH: All children grow out of ADHD

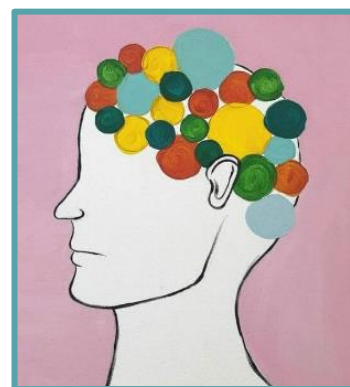
FACT: Significant symptoms and impairments persist in 50-86% of people with ADHD.

MYTH: Everyone has a little ADHD

FACT: Everyone does not have a physical difference in their brain.

MYTH: Children with ADHD just need more discipline

FACT: Discipline and relationship problems are the consequences of ADHD behaviour problems in the children, not the cause.



National Braille Week: 10th-14th October 2022

National Braille Week provided a wonderful opportunity to engage pupils with a unique writing system they may never have experienced before and raise their awareness of diversity. Braille was invented by Louis Braille at the age of 15 after he was blinded in a childhood accident. In 2015, the UK introduced a modified version of Unified English Braille (UEB) to help bring consistency to those using English-language material throughout the world.

What is braille?

Braille is a tactile writing system that was developed for blind and visually impaired people to help them communicate. Embossed paper is normally used to help users 'read' with their fingertips as opposed to their eyes. The braille alphabet has been used as a form of communication since the 1800s, based on an earlier form of language known as Night Writing.

Try out using the Braille alphabet below!

a	b	c	d	e	f	g	h	i	j
⠁	⠃	⠉	⠙	⠑	⠋	⠗	⠓	⠏	⠚
k	l	m	n	o	p	q	r	s	t
⠅	⠇	⠍	⠝	⠕	⠏	⠑	⠗	⠎	⠞
u	v	w	x	y	z				
⠥	⠦	⠡	⠭	⠣	⠵				

SENCO NEWS

Learning Support Faculty
Parent Coffee Mornings



A reminder that we will be running coffee mornings throughout the year to present the things that we are doing in the Learning Support Faculty and to offer a chance for parents, including those with identified SEND needs, to meet the team.

The mornings will take place between 9.05 & 10am on the allocated dates and the agendas will be sent out separately.

Please see the schedule below for all years.

Year 8 Thursday 20th October

Sixth Form Thursday 17th November

Year 9 Thursday 1st December

Year 10 Thursday 15th December

We look forward to seeing parents there.

Please direct queries to

senco@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

GEOGRAPHY NEWS

Year 7 Geography Club

This club is for Year 7 students who are interested in **exploring** Geography beyond the classroom, whilst making new friends!



What: Activities to include games, Quizzes (Worldle, map-omino), films such as Blue Planet & Frozen Planet and discussion of big geographical questions/ geography in the news!

Where: SR1 (opposite Humanities Office)

When: Period 3 (Year 7 Lunch), **Every two weeks on Thursdays** starting **22nd September**, (then 6th October, 20th October...)

Science Club

Come and join us after school!

Each week students explore a range of practical skills that go beyond the national curriculum and allow them to experience investigations in a fun and relaxed environment. Over the last term students have modelled volcanoes, performed their own elephant's toothpaste reactions, conducted flame tests and planned and completed an investigation into Hooke's law; these are just a few highlights among many great activities!



Science club always welcomes new members, so if you are a keen scientist and want to explore further come and join us every Wednesday!

Wednesday 3.45 to 4.30pm in SC7 for Year 7
Wednesday 4.10 to 4.45pm in SC7 for Year 8

Geography In The News

By Kingsdale's Sixth Form Students

Wildlife Abandons 'Europe's Amazon' Nature Reserve
Read the BBC article [here](#).

The social and economic costs of Russia's invasion of or 'Special Operations' in Ukraine are what most people have been speaking about in recent times, but what has gone almost unnoticed is the damage that has been dealt to many rare species of animals and flowers located in Ukraine's Drevlyansky nature reserve, caused by Russia's alleged excessive and destructive use of weaponry and landmines.



Ukraine's nature reserve is home to marshes, lakes, woods, and heathland, and is so rich in wildlife that it has even been named 'Europe's Amazon'.

Artillery shells caused forest fires that have burnt over 2,000 hectares of previously-untouched forest, which caused local wildlife to scatter, and incinerated many recently discovered orchids and many other extraordinary plants.

Also, many unpaved tracks have now been deemed too dangerous to use, as the Russians have planted more than seven types of mines, which is not only a danger to the nearby wildlife, but to the Ukrainian citizens as well.

As a result of these damages to the wildlife, which have caused a large decrease in biodiversity, there are fears that it will take decades to fully recover the area and make it safe again.

By Noah Thorpe (12EPR)

MATHS NEWS

Maths Scholarship Programme 2022-23 Notice Update

Year 7 & 8 Scholarship sessions are now in progress. The schedule for the Autumn term is as shown.

The list of the groups has also been posted on the year 7 & 8 respective Microsoft Teams page.



Autumn 2022 Assessment results

The results of the Autumn 2022 Mathematics scholarship assessment will be released in the week beginning **17th October 2022**.

Pupils who are successful will join the Scholarship sessions after the half-term break.

Please contact Mr Otieno, Mathematics Scholarship Co-ordinator, with any queries via euo@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

Lost Property

Parents are reminded of the importance of labelling all of their child's school items with their name and tutor group.

Each week, we collect numerous items of lost property that cannot be easily reconciled with their owners as they do not have a name printed inside. Please help us reduce waste by labelling all of your child's school items.

Missing items can be reported to us via lostproperty@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

Year 7 Maths Scholarship Program

SCHEDULE AUTUMN TERM 2022

TIME: 3.50 – 4.35pm

DATE	SCHOLARSHIP GROUP	TEACHER	ROOM
19-10-22	YEAR 7D	MR. CHOY	MA7

AUTUMN HALF TERM BREAK

09-11-22	YEAR 7A	MRS TERZIU	MA7
16-11-22	YEAR 7B	MS. MARTIN DE LIMA	MA7
23-09-22	YEAR 7C	MR PRIOR	MA7
30-11-22	YEAR 7D	MR CHOY	MA7
07-12-22	YEAR 7A	MRS TERZIU	MA7
14-12-22	YEAR 7B	MS. MARTIN DE LIMA	MA7

Year 8 Maths Scholarship Programme

SCHEDULE AUTUMN TERM 2022

TIME: 4.20 – 5.05pm

DATE	SCHOLARSHIP GROUP	TEACHER	ROOM
19-10-22	YEAR 8D	MS O'SULLIVAN	MA8

AUTUMN HALF TERM BREAK

09-11-22	YEAR 8A	MR MANNING	MA8
16-11-22	YEAR 8B	MS BURNEY	MA8
23-09-22	YEAR 8C	MS MILES	MA8
30-11-22	YEAR 8D	MS O'SULLIVAN	MA8
07-12-22	YEAR 8A	MR MANNING	MA8
14-12-22	YEAR 8B	MS BURNEY	MA8



It is wonderful to see so many students engaging with the homework and revision resources on Hegarty Maths.

If your child has not yet logged on to Hegarty Maths or has forgotten their password, then please ask them to follow the instructions below:

How do I log in?

How does a student log in

To log in, follow this process:

1. Start

From the website, www.hegartymaths.com, click on "Student log in"

2. School

Find your school - start typing - your school should show in the list. You can also use the postcode of the school if that's easier.

3. Details

Enter First name, Last name, and Date of birth. These must be the same as the details on the school register. Names are cAsE insEnSiTivE, so it doesn't matter if you write them in *lower* case or *UPPER* case or a *MiX*.

4. Password

The first time you log in, the system asks you to choose a password which you will need to write twice. Create a memorable password so you do not forget it. Only a teacher can reset a student password, so choose carefully! (Maybe write it down inside the cover of your maths book?)

The next time you log in, you'll just be asked for your password once.

If you have forgotten your password, click the link to request your teacher to reset it.

They won't get the message until the next time *they* log in to HegartyMaths, so **don't leave your homework until the last minute!**

The image displays four sequential screenshots of the Hegarty Maths login interface. The first screenshot shows the homepage with the 'Student log in' button. The second screenshot shows the 'Find your school' search bar. The third screenshot shows the 'Enter your details' form with fields for First name, Last name, and Date of birth. The fourth screenshot shows the 'Welcome Robert' screen with a 'Please set a password to login' message and a 'Login' button.

SPORTS NEWS



ESAA London Schools' Cross-Country

The Cross-Country team had their first event of the season on Monday 10th October against a number of different schools.

They had a great afternoon of running and worked hard as a team to pick up points, with a number of our students coming in the top 20 in their races. Congratulations to the team and we look forward to reporting on the next race!

PGL Adrenaline Adventure Trip



The PE Department are pleased to announce we are running our annual PGL Adrenaline Adventure Trip in June 2023.

We will be travelling to Boreatton Park, Shropshire between Friday 16th and Monday 19th June 2023 for students in Years 8 & 9. If you would like to enter your child into the ballot for a place on the trip, please scan the QR code and complete the Form. The PE Department will be in touch with those parents who have successfully been allocated a place on the trip in November and announce the date all places have been allocated.



Please address queries to pe@kingdale.southwark.sch.uk

Under-13s Netball A Team Back In Action

Congratulations to the Under-13s Netball A team who won their first game back against The Norwood School last week.

After the Summer break, the team were excited to get back to netball which showed throughout the game and they worked brilliantly together, brushing off their nerves to come away with the win 7-5.

The player of the match was Zofia Mahamadou.

Congratulations to the team!

Year 10 Boys' Football Team News

On Friday 7th October, Kingsdale played away at Southborough School in the 2nd Round of the English Schools' Cup.

With a 'buy' in the First Round this was Year 10s First English Schools' game this season and they didn't disappoint - carrying on from last year's success with a fantastic result, beating Southborough 5 - 1.

Goals:

Charlie Gauukrodger (1), Oscar Dalziel (1) and 3 from Player of the Match (pictured) Benji Casey.

What a great result!

Well done boys - keep up the hard work!



Under-13s Boys' Rugby vs Dulwich Prep

The Under-13s played well against a strong Dulwich Prep team. Unfortunately, they narrowly lost in the last minute.

Tries scored by Joseph Ayora Vanegas, Levi Howard Fairclough and Ryan Jones.

Man of the match goes to Joseph Ayora Vanegas for scoring a hat-trick.



CAREERS

Aiming Higher Bulletin



Careers Coaching Sessions - Year 11

As part of the CIEAG (Careers Information, Education, Advice and Guidance) programme at Kingsdale, our Year 11 students have the opportunity to meet with Ms Ethney McCulloch (Careers Advisor) for 1:1 career coaching sessions on Mondays (face-to-face guidance session). The sessions are offered exclusively to each student in Year 11 and are followed with a detailed Individual Careers Plan.

Please contact the pastoral team via year11hol@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk or careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk should you have any queries.

Careers Talk Series – Apprenticeships

The Careers Team at Kingsdale are delighted to offer an insightful session on Apprenticeships as part of the Careers Talk Series. The session will aim to provide information and opportunities about apprenticeships and is aimed at students from Years 10-13 who are interested in this careers option post-16 and post-18. The talk will be led by Darren Chetana, London Apprenticeships Outreach Officer on **Thursday, 10th November 2022 during Periods 5 & 6.** Apprenticeships are an increasingly popular option among young people as they learn new in-demand skills and qualifications while getting paid. Following the talk, Mr Chetana will continue to work with Kingsdale students throughout the year sharing opportunities and guidance on how to apply and secure apprenticeships.

If your child is interested in attending this important career talk, please contact us via careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk to book a place by Monday 7th November 2022.

Invitation for Parents: Success Beyond School

How to Coach Teenagers Towards a Successful Career

We are delighted to announce the first events in the *Success Beyond School* series for this academic year.

These are live online seminars featuring career experts, designed to help parents amplify their children's career potential.

The events are for parents of students aged 12-18 and are free to attend.

16th November: Future-Proofing Students

Preparing students for the jobs of the future.

30th November: Finding a Future in Finance

Gaining the skills for a career in the finance sector.

Career Experience For Students Aged 12-18



Explore lifechanging, immersive career opportunities for students aged 12-18, which take place at UCL and online. Weekend programmes are available throughout November and December. Contact us via the email below.

careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

STEM & Medicine Career Opportunities Ages 12-18

At UCL in November & December 2022

Architecture / Dentistry / Engineering / Forensic Science / Investment / Banking / Medicine / Psychology / Software Engineering / Vet / Video Game Design

We are delighted to offer students opportunities in STEM & Medicine-related industries at UCL this term. The programmes are an excellent opportunity for students to test-drive a career before committing and receive tailored advice from successful professionals.

Highlights include:

- Practising stitching up a wound
- Designing the engineering to take humans to Mars
- Observing a clinical psychology assessment
- Designing a video game

Email careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk for



Unifrog for Careers Education,
Information, Advice and Guidance (CEIAG)

The school have subscribed to Unifrog; an award-winning, online careers platform. All students in Years 7-13 will once again have access to this excellent website this academic year. The Unifrog platform is designed to support learners in making the most informed decisions about their futures and has a range of tools that are suitable for all year groups.

Each student has their own personal account that provides a wide range of information related to their interests and aspirations. Key features of the platform include:

- **Exploring Pathways** – personality quizzes, career and subject profiles and webinars
- **Recording** – self-reflection about extracurricular activities and key employability skills
- **Opportunities** – search tools showing live vacancies/courses/placements for apprenticeships, universities (in the UK and abroad), FE, virtual work experience and more
- **Applications** – tools to help students build applications for a range of pathways (e.g., CVs, Personal Statements, Common Essays)

Students are advised to access the portal www.unifrog.org and Sign In using the school email as username.

If a password is not available or a child has forgotten it, please click on 'reset password' and you will then be able to create a new password and access the portal.

We encourage all of our students to read about the different careers that they find interesting on Unifrog. Careers tasks are set during the year using Unifrog.

Should you have any queries please contact us via careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

KEY DATES 2022-23



Please find a selection of key dates below. Our full calendar can be accessed [here](#).

Wednesday 19th October 2022

Sixth Form Open Evening for Year 12 courses (by appointment)

Friday 21st October 2022

Parents' Forum (All Years) at 5.30pm

Monday 24th October – Friday 4th November

Half-Term Break

Monday 7th November 2022

Mock Examination Week for all Year 11 students

Wednesday 9th November 2022

Sixth Form Open Evening for Year 12 courses

Monday 14th November 2022

Start of the Winter Music Concerts

Friday 18th November 2022

Parents' Forum (All Years)

Wednesday 30th November 2022

Sixth Form Open Evening for Year 12 (by appointment)

Monday 28th November 2022

Examination Week for all Year 8 students

Wednesday 30th November 2022

Year 12 & 13 Full Reports issued via go4schools

Wednesday 7th December 2022

Year 11 Full Reports issued via go4schools
Year 12/13 Virtual Parents' Evening (Online Portal)

Wednesday 14th December 2022

Year 11 Virtual Parents' Evening (Online Portal)

Friday 16th December 2022

Parents' Forum (All Years)

Tuesday 20th December 2022

End of Autumn Term – Half Day
Year 7-10 Short Reports issued via go4schools

Tuesday 3rd January 2023

Staff INSET Day – School closed to students

Wednesday 4th January 2023

First day of the Spring Term for student



Pre-Worn Uniform Bank

We have many recycled items of clothing to help supplement student uniform requirements (subject to availability). We do not stock ties or individual badges.

Prices:

Blazer £6; Sweatshirt/Jumper £4;
Skirt/Trousers £3 and all shirts £2.

Payment:

Use appropriate combination of donation boxes (£6/4/3/2) on Parent Pay.
Screen shot or download receipt. Come along at opening times to the Reception to collect items.

Open: 3.45 – 4.45pm Mon/Weds/Fri

Staff: Mr Lewis and Ms Dalrymple-Davies



Parking Matters - Considerate Parking

Please be reminded that, as a courtesy to our neighbours, all parents should be mindful about the need to park considerately when dropping off/picking up their children.

Please could all parents avoid parking on the white lines between driveways and under no circumstances should parents park in such a way that obstructs local residents from entering or exiting their property.

Parents are reminded that parking in the Little Bornes/Rouse Gardens area should be avoided where possible due to local restrictions.

Please remember that as part of our focus on sustainable travel, we do encourage our students to cycle or walk to school where they can or to take public transport. Not only does this reduce local congestion, it is also the more healthy alternative! We have plenty of cycle racks.

The School Shop

A reminder that our School Shop is now open during the school day to enable students to purchase a range of useful items that they might need.

This includes stationary and uniform items; all of which can be purchased using their school fob. The shop also serves as our Student Services Hub, where copies of timetables can be obtained as required and lost property enquiries can be made.

Queries regarding mislaid items can also be sent to lostproperty@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

HOUSE COMPETITION

Diwali – Discovering the Festival of Light



Diwali falls on **Monday 24th October 2022**.

Diwali is an important religious festival originating in India. People often think of Diwali as a Hindu festival, but it is also celebrated by Sikhs and Jains.

Diwali takes place annually and lasts for five days, marking the start of the Hindu New Year. The exact dates change each year and are determined by the position of the moon – but it usually falls between October and November.

The word Diwali (or Deepavali as it's sometimes called) means “row of lights” in an Ancient language of India, called Sanskrit. During this festival, people decorate their homes with lights and oil lamps, called Diyas.

For many people, Diwali honours the Hindu goddess of wealth, Lakshmi. The lights and lamps are said to help Lakshmi find her way into peoples' homes, bringing prosperity in the year to come!

STUDENT TASK

Create a Diwali greeting card to celebrate the Diwali festival.

HOW TO ENTER

Submit your entry to

housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk.

Ensure your entry is accompanied by your **full name** and **tutor group**.

Prizes will be awarded to outstanding entries. We look forward to seeing your work!

BLACK HISTORY MONTH

A Celebration of Black People and Their Achievements

October is Black History Month in the UK, an event that has been celebrated nationwide for more than 30 years.

The month was originally founded to recognise the contributions that people of African and Caribbean backgrounds have made to the UK over many generations.

Now, Black History Month has expanded to include the history of not just African and Caribbean people but black people in general.



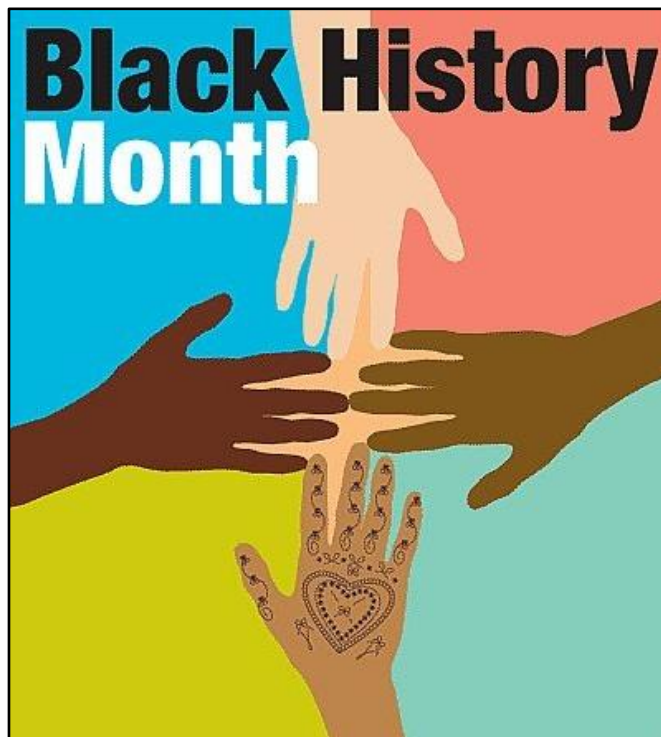
STUDENT TASK

Create a piece of original artwork on the theme of: "A celebration of inspirational black people and their achievements."

HOW TO ENTER

Submit your entry to housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk. Ensure your entry is accompanied by your **full name** and **tutor group**.

Prizes will be awarded to outstanding entries. We look forward to seeing your work!



What is Black History Month and why is it so important?

Watch [this](#).

Why has June Sarpong become such an influential individual for the corporation for which she now works? Let us know.



Here is what June Sarpong says about the importance of accepting 'difference' in our society and her book called [Diversify](#).

TASK:

Add some facts about this famous former TV presenter, June Sarpong.

HOW TO ENTER:

Submit your answer to the House Team housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk. Ensure your entry is accompanied by your **full name** and **tutor group**.

We look forward to seeing your work!



KEEPING YOU AND YOUR PHONE SAFE

Getting a phone is really exciting. You can stay in touch with friends and find out more about the world.

- Don't fight back, it's not worth the risk when a phone can be replaced.
- Tell us if someone robs you or tries to. It's important you get help straight away by dialling **999** using a friend or trusted adult's phone rather than contacting police when you get home. This gives us the best chance to catch the suspects, recover stolen items and make sure you're safe.

- If you don't want to talk to police – contact Fearless online, without giving your name, at www.fearless.org
- Memorise or keep a note of a parent/carer's phone number in a separate place in case of emergency.

As police officers, our job is to keep you safe and stop people who want to steal property like phones, cash, earphones and even expensive coats or trainers.

You can help us do that by being careful where you use your phone and taking care of cash and other valuable items.

YOU CAN HELP US PROTECT AND TRACK YOUR PHONE IF IT'S STOLEN.

HERE'S 3 THINGS YOU CAN DO:

- Your phone will have security features such as a passcode or fingerprint/face ID. Make sure you use it to protect access to your phone.

5 TIPS TO KEEP SAFE

- Keep your phone and valuables out of sight and in a safe place. Take care when you take them out especially near bus stops and train stations.
- Stay alert and remember earphones/headphones can distract you from being aware of someone approaching from behind you. Thieves can approach on mopeds, e-scooters and pedal cycles.
- Tracker apps can help locate your phone if it's lost or stolen. Ask a parent to show you how to set one up.
- Record the phone's IMEI number in a separate place at home. Find this by typing in ***#06#**. You'll need to give this number to police if it's stolen.

For more information go to www.fearless.org/campaigns/robbery

SPORTS FIXTURES

Monday 17th October 2022

- Year 8 Under-13s Boys' Football Away Match against Bacon's College. Depart school at 1.15pm. 2.30pm start. Return at 5pm approx.: **Mr Foster**
- Year 9 Under-14s Boys' Rugby Home Match at Dulwich Common against St Cecillia's COE. Depart school at 2.15pm. 3pm start. Return at 5pm approx.: **Mr Worsley**
- Year 8 Under-13s Boys' Rugby Home Match at Dulwich Common against St Cecillia's COE, Depart 2.15pm. 3pm Start. Return at 5pm approx.: **Mr McWhirter**

Tuesday 18th October 2022

- Year 11 Under-16 Girls' Football Away Match against Stoke Newington School. Depart school at 1pm. 2.30pm start. Return at 5pm approx.: **Ms Walters/Mr Foster**
- Year 7 Under-12s Boys' Rugby Away Match against The Sydney Russell School. Depart school at 1.30pm. 3pm start. Return at 6pm approx.: **Mr Roberts/Mr Price**

Wednesday 19th October 2022

- No planned fixtures/events.

Thursday 20th October 2022

- Year 8 Under-13s A Team Football Away Match against the Quest Academy. Depart school at 1.30pm. 2.30pm start. Return at 5.30pm approx.: **Mr Foster/Mr Price**
- Year 9 Under-14s mixed Basketball Home Match against Bishop Thomas Grant in the Sports Hall. Start at 3.30pm. Finish at 5pm approx.: **Mr Sliti**

Friday 21st October 2022

- No planned fixtures/events.

PLEASE NOTE

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

Sports Fixtures Emergency Contact Number
07852 336724

Extra-Curricular Programme 2022-23

Our Extra-curricular programme has been emailed out to students and parents and is up and running. The full programme for the 2022-23 academic year can be accessed [here](#).



HOUSE NEWS



THE DUKE OF
EDINBURGH'S AWARD



Duke of Edinburgh's Award Registration for Year 10

Thank you again to those parents/carers who have been in regular contact with the team before and during the Summer. If your child is in Year 10 and missed the opportunity to register last Autumn, please complete the form below:

Please click on the link [here](#) to REGISTER

The window for registering your child on to the DofE Award Programme is now open and will close on Friday 28th October 2022.

Please direct any queries to
housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

The House Leader Board 2022-23

Week ending 14th October 2022

1st Place – Swift 7,812 Points

2nd Place – Dove 7,032 Points

3rd Place – Albatross 6,689 Points

4th Place – Falcon 6,272 Points

5th Place – Eagle 5,873 Points

Swift are off to a great start!
However, there is plenty of time
left for other Houses to catch them!
Who can or will?

