



# PARENTAL NEWS BULLETIN

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## HEADLINE NOTICES



### Half-Term Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May - Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June

A reminder that the school will break up on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May for the Summer Half-Term break at the normal times. During this week, revision activities will be taking place as advertised for students in Years 11 & 13. Details issued separately.

School resumes for all students on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023. Further details have been issued to parents separately.

### Invitation to the Memorial Ceremonies for Mrs Mary Graham

The memorial service for Mrs Graham is due to take place on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 11.30am** at St. Stephen's Church, College Road, Dulwich, London SE21 7HW.

The service will be followed by a celebratory wake at Kingsdale Foundation School, Alleyn Park, Dulwich, SE21 8SQ from 1.30pm.

The family extend a warm welcome to members of the Kingsdale School Community, past and present, to attend the service at St. Stephen's Church and/or afterwards for food, music and more at Kingsdale Foundation School. Parking will be available.

Please contact Ms T. Dyer via [asrpa@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:asrpa@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk) as soon as possible to register your attendance.

### Sports Faculty Summer Extra-Curricular Programme

Please be reminded that our Sports Summer Extra Curricular Programme has now been released and can be located on our website [here](#). We would like to encourage as many students as possible to take part.

Please contact [pe@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:pe@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk) with any queries.

## THEME & WORD OF THE WEEK

**CHOICES** – 'There are always two choices, two paths to take. One is easy and its only reward is that it's easy.'

### Innovative

**Definition** – Featuring new, original, and advanced methods.

**In a Sentence** – The company implemented many improvements and *innovative* ideas to make progress.

## SCHOOL NEWS

### Lost Property

We continue to receive a significant number of student items in our Lost Property area that are unlabeled or unnamed. To allow us to any lost return items quickly and efficiently, we would ask that all items of school uniform and equipment are clearly identified with the student's full name and tutor group.

Please send queries to [lostproperty@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:lostproperty@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)

### Good Luck to All Students Taking their A Levels and GCSEs!



### REMEMBER

- Be prepared
- Get lots of sleep and rest
- You've put in all the hard work - you're going to do great!
  - Relax and keep calm
  - Believe in yourself - we believe in you!

# SCHOOL NEWS cont.

## Our School Newspaper Makes The News!

The Kingsdale Telegraph's exclusive coronation scoop with broadcasting icon, Huw Edwards, has been making news headlines. Laila and Isaac Motalib-Haque who jointly edit the school's student newspaper, spoke to the South London Press about securing an exclusive interview with Huw for the Kingsdale Telegraph. Laila said: "Huw was pleasant and helpful and answered all of our questions about his journalism career." Isaac added: "Huw gave us some great tips on how to be a news journalist and presenter like himself."

You can read the South London Press article [here](#) and further coverage via the link below..



[BBCs Huw Edwards grilled by twins on covering Queen's funeral and South London life](#)

The Kingsdale Telegraph was also mentioned in the souvenir, coronation edition of the newspaper for young people 'First News' where it was featured in the publication's weekly reader's quiz!

'First News' is read by 2.6 million young people across the country!

## Interviewing Huw Edwards

by Isaac and Laila Motalib-Haque



WE had the incredible opportunity to interview broadcasting icon Huw Edwards for our school newspaper, *The Kingsdale Telegraph*.

Huw Edwards' impressive journalism career has spanned almost four decades. He spoke to us about his career in news and coverage of political events, but also the many royal occasions he has covered for the BBC over the years. He has presented the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, Kate and William's wedding, Harry and Meghan's wedding and, more recently, the Queen's funeral. He is so well known

as a prominent news figure that he has also made cameo appearances, playing himself. His cameo roles in various films and shows include the James Bond movie *Skyfall* and also an episode of *Doctor Who*.

As the world prepares for King Charles III's coronation, it is no surprise Huw Edwards will be leading from the front. He told us exclusively: "I am looking forward to being in the Abbey for the coronation service, being able to witness events as they unfold before my eyes. It's a remarkable privilege."



## Coronation Carriage in Dulwich Park



Last week, we could not pass up the opportunity to see a replica of King Charles III's Coronation carriage in our neighbourhood. The taxi company, Uber, created a unique experience with the 'Coronation Carriage' riding through Dulwich Park.

A group of Year 10 students took a verdant walk to the park to watch the carriage and horses in action, where we discussed the historical significance of the Coronation, what it means to 'ride like a King' and the strengths and weaknesses of this marketing strategy from Uber itself.

This fuelled excited discussions on the Coronation and topped off a lovely, spontaneous trip.





# SCHOOL NEWS cont.



## LTA British Tennis Tour Success after Success!

Isaac Forde, Year 10, did very well in his debut in the Men's British Tour G2 tournament at Woking last week. He won both his qualifying matches and the first-round match in the main draw. On Friday he lost to the #2 Seed in the tight second round match, missing out narrowly on the quarter final opportunity. Despite the hard competitive week, he won his debut match in the Men's Super Series G3 tournament at Sutton during the weekend and received his first prize money!

## Simon Triumphs in Discus & Shot Put

Simon Hancock, Year 10, won in Short Discus last week at the Southwark Championships and in Discus on Friday at T&F Championships. He went on to win Shot at the Surrey Championships and placed 2<sup>nd</sup> in Discus. Simon is now hoping for a win at the London Schools' Athletics Competition representing Kingsdale.

We wish him all the success!



## British Schools Karting Championship 2023



Keo Derrick and Rufus Hammond, both Year 10 students, took part in the British Schools Karting Championship (BSKC) again this year and once again made it onto the podium at the Regional Finals.

Competing against ten other teams - the best teams from the local finals from Brighton, Crawley, Mitcham, and Watford - the team raced

hard at the London Docklands track and Keo & Rufus' team came away with the 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophy, scoring just two points less than the 2<sup>nd</sup> place team and only three points behind the winners!







KINGSDALE  
FOUNDATION SCHOOL

## Art & Design Exhibition

Artwork by Mia Moore  
GCSE Graphics

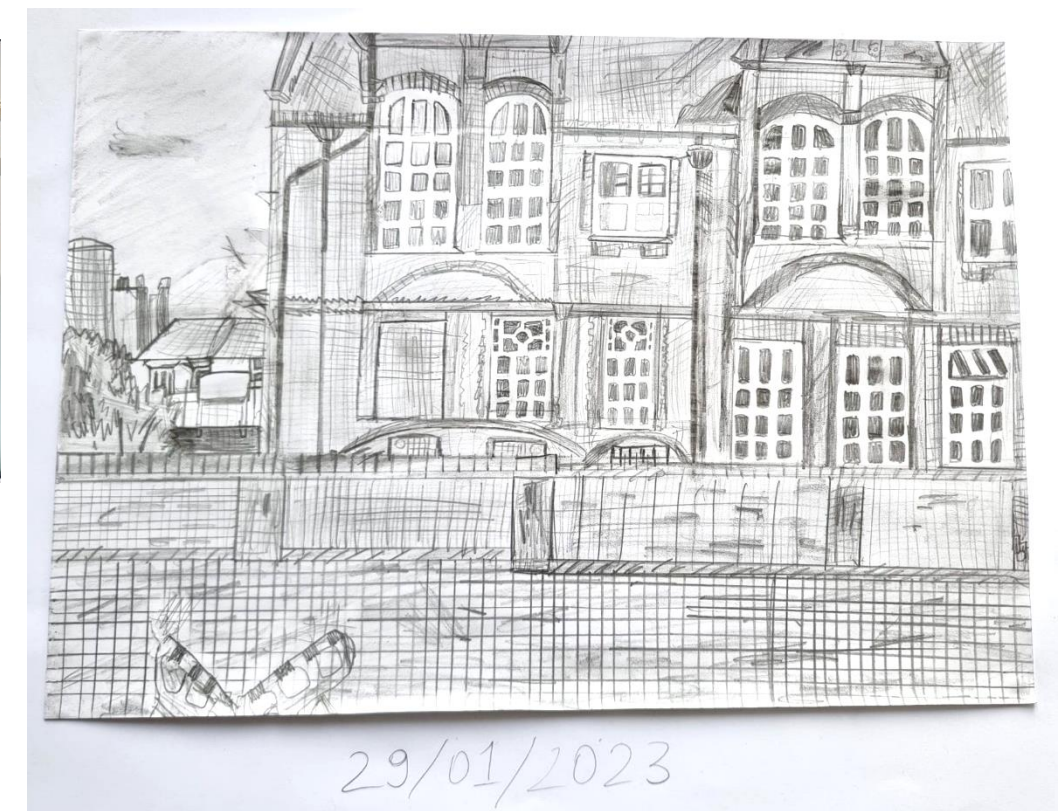
Wednesday  
12th July 2023  
5pm – 8pm

SE21 8SQ



## DULWICH FESTIVAL Artist Open House

On Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May we opened up our gallery doors as part of the Dulwich Festival's Artists' Open House weekend. We welcomed back some of our talented Art alumni who brought fantastic work to sell, alongside work by our Art staff. The Spatula Comic launched it's second issue to much excitement and praise by everyone who bought a copy! We were thrilled with the number of visitors to the school; all who thoroughly enjoyed our gallery space and the wonderful work on display!



Year 8 student, Leon Dereviancenko, is one of the winners in the Dulwich Festival Art competition in the 12 to 18s category.

The Winning art works will be displayed on the Dulwich Festival website shortly.

[dulwichfestival.co.uk/childrens-art-competition-2023-theme-my-south-london/](https://dulwichfestival.co.uk/childrens-art-competition-2023-theme-my-south-london/)



# The Source Youth

Spring\_2023 (c) HTB

## MEET THE EDITOR OF THE SPATULA COMIC!

We recently discovered a brand new comic and thought it might be of interest and inspiration to some of our Youth Source readers! We caught up with The Spatula Comic's Editor, Sebastian Rooks.



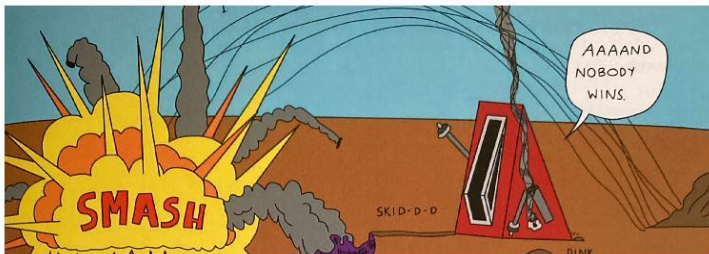
**- So, first of all, can you tell our readers a bit more about what The Spatula Comic is?**

Before we get started, I just wanted to say thanks for doing this! It's great to be interviewed like this, this is very supportive and it's great to get our message out there!

To your question: The Monthly Spatula is a compilation of different story comics, artworks, puzzles and that sort of thing. My friends and I have made it together.

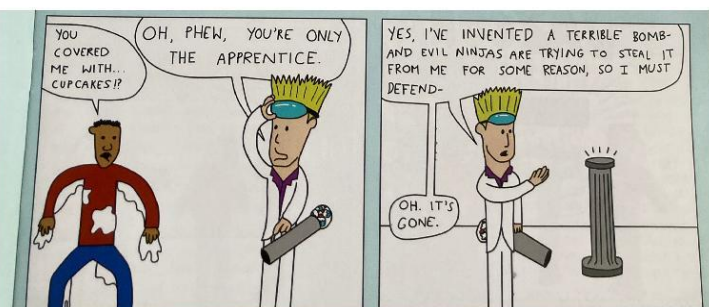
**- What made you decide to create it, and how did you do it?**

I can't remember when I first got the idea, I know the name came much later. I know I had definitely wanted to make a zine, and I had been making comics for quite some time. I'd tried to make a comic before in primary school, about a dog who was a detective, and short stories about my family and dogs.



I remember how some of the ideas came to me. The Super Nova story idea came from Calvin and Hobbes and the Spaceman Spiff daydreams Calvin has, and I wanted to make a sort of long version story in that world. Also, I have always enjoyed designing spaceships and such, so it was a chance to use those ideas in a story.

How... I guess it started with brainstorming for comic ideas with my friends, which started with making a comic based on actual events with my friends. This became The Others with anthropomorphised versions of my friends (I am Seth, the Squirrel, for example.)



My friend Sol came up with the idea for Mad Scientist Apprentice during a drama lesson, which is one of my favourite comics. My friend Tawan told me she had some special art software so she did most of the colour of the comic

digitally. Eddie had some great plot ideas for Super Nova. Iris did a fantastic poster and the adverts for mad products as well.

We did another brainstorming session for the title. Most of the ideas were ridiculous. One of them was The Purple Spatula which then became The Monthly Spatula, but it explains why it's purple on the front cover.

When we were doing this we heard about the South London Comic & Zine Fair (SLCZF) which we used as a deadline to generate momentum and finish the first issue, so that's the date of the first issue - July 12th 2022.



**- Which comics do you like to read and would recommend to our readers? (Other than The Spatula Comic of course!)**

I really recommend The Phoenix Comic but it can be tricky to get hold of so you might need to get a subscription for that. I always enjoy the Beano and Dandy annuals. Also definitely the Asterix and Tintin comics, and of course, Calvin & Hobbes. A tip for your younger readers, you can get a big bunch of old Beanos and Dandys on eBay - it's very cheap and environmentally friendly to re-use things. I really enjoyed those at the time. Recently I have been reading a lot of Manga: my favourite is Assassination Classroom. I also liked Death Note and My Hero Academia. The series are long so they can be expensive if you really get into them, so it's a good idea to have someone to share with.

**- What advice would you give to someone thinking of making their own comic?**

Brainstorm and combine! Teamwork is great and if you combine your skills and efforts you will be better off. Everyone has their own drawing style, so stick with yours and practice until you're happy with it.

**- Can you tell us about any plans for future editions?**

Actually, Issue 2 is imminent! We are going to launch the second issue at my school's art fair - Sat 13th May, Kingsdale in South London. (@kingsdaleart) We will also be at SLCZF again on Sunday 16th July. If we are lucky we will also be selling a few copies at GOSH comics in Soho (@goshcomics) and The Cartoon Museum in Fitzrovia, London. (@thecartoonmuseum) We are also thinking of changing the title given that it has taken us ten months to produce Issue 2.

Thank you Sebastian! We look forward to seeing your next issue, and you can purchase the first issue online from The Cartoon Museum's online shop: <https://cartoonmuseum.shop>

**If you'd like to follow the Spatula Comic's progress, check them out on Instagram: @spatulacomix**

And if you're interested in participating in or visiting the South London Comic and Zine Fair, or don't fancy the trek down to South London and just want to browse, you can find them at @SLCZF on Instagram.

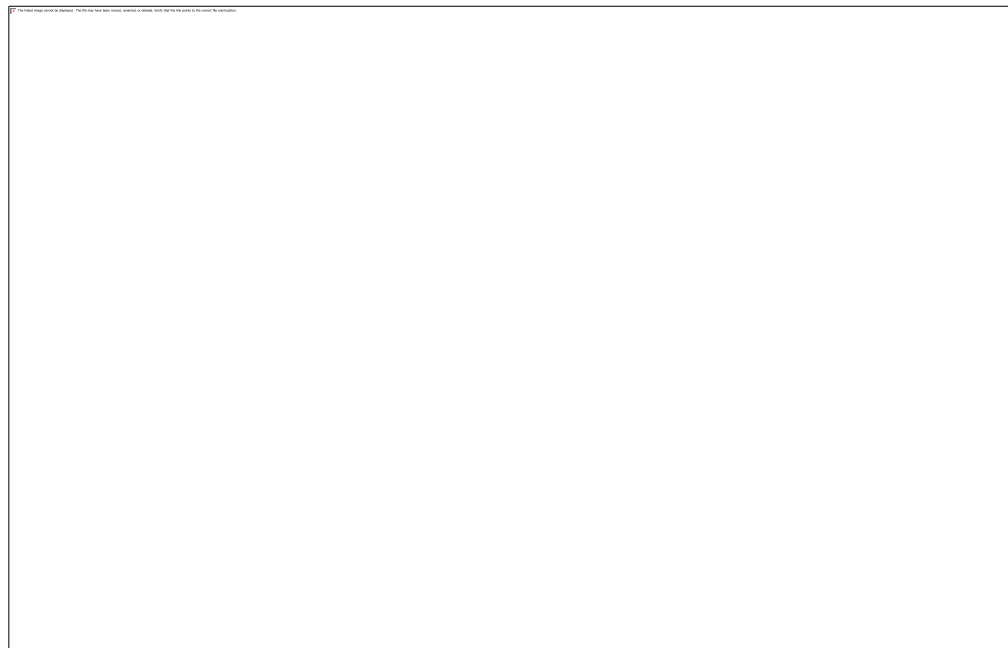


# SSLP Photography Competition

## Motion and Distortion

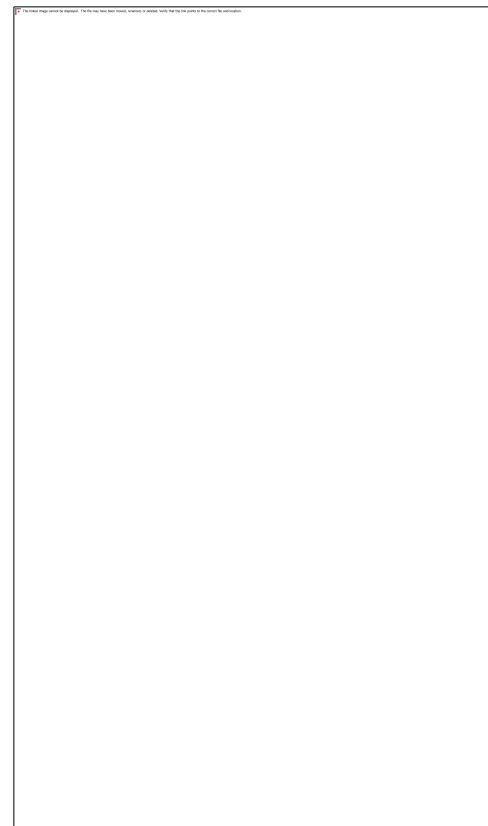
Congratulations to the winners and runners-up in Round 3 of the Photography Competition:

We have three Kingsdale winners this month, chosen by guest Judge, British Photographer and director Mel Bles. Bles, who has worked for clients such as AnOther, Dazed and Confused and major fashion houses and had super comments about the images.



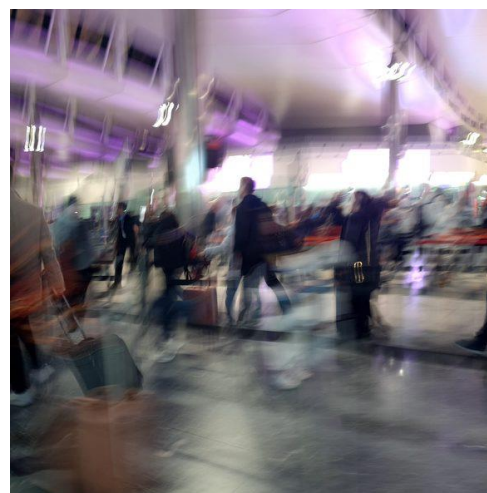
**Winner: Tamsin Pearce, Year 13**

*"A great observation of light and shadow from [Tamsin]. This picture could look beautiful in black and white."*



**Runner-Up  
Ms Wallner - staff**

*"An image that really pulls the viewer in. I love how it fades from light to dark."*



**Runner-Up  
Llavinya Subash, Year 9**

*"A unique personal approach with a good feel of composition. I love the feeling of activity and chaos here"*

## SSLP Photography Competition



The [Photography Competition](#) is **open** to **all staff and students** at all SSLP schools. Anyone interested in being notified about winners and each new round in the competition should [register now](#).

The fifth round is **Reflections and Perspectives** and can be [entered here](#).



This is the fifth and final round of the [SSLP Photography Competition 2023](#), this month we are looking for pictures that play around with the real world. You might respond to the word '*reflection*' by capturing a mirrored image or by showing someone in a state of reflection; or perhaps you'll be inspired by the word '*perspectives*' and show something from an unusual angle or create an illusion by lining up things near and far. If you're very clever perhaps your image will respond to both words! We look forward to seeing what you create.

Use your imagination, camera settings and, if you wish, editing software to create an image that responds to **Reflections and Perspectives**.

*Recommended picture size is 800×600 pixels. Files are limited to 3MB*

**Deadline for this round  
Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May**







**DULWICH  
COLLEGE**

**Thinking  
about**



**Southwark Schools**  
LEARNING PARTNERSHIP

## Thinking About... The Classics

with Natalie Haynes & Kingsdale Foundation School  
Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May, 5pm – Zoom



Photo: James Betts

Stone Blind is a retelling of Medusa's Story. In Greek mythology Medusa was one of three monstrous Gorgons. Nathalie uses her passion, wit and fierce feminism to breath life into this story of how a young woman became a monster, and how she was never really a monster at all.

Natalie Haynes is a writer and broadcaster. She has written and performed eight series of her BBC Radio 4 show, Natalie Haynes Stands Up for the Classics.

[www.sslp.education/events/case-studies/thinking-about/](http://www.sslp.education/events/case-studies/thinking-about/)

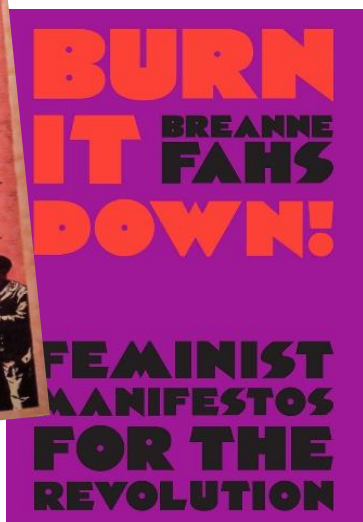
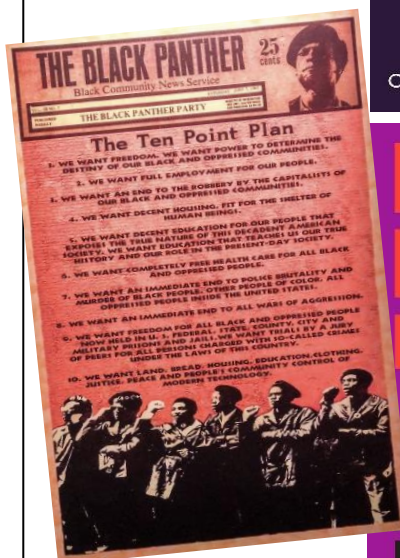
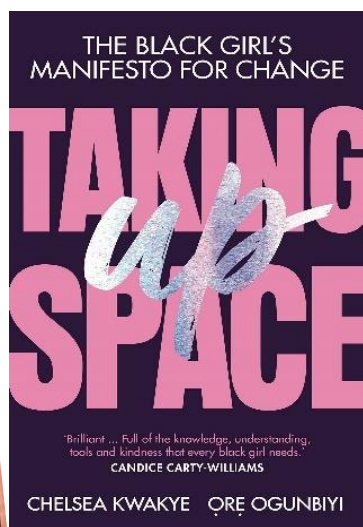
## ENGLISH NEWS

### Creative Writing Club: Manifestos

What is a manifesto? What kinds of people write manifestos? How can I make my voice heard?

Come to  
Creative Writing Club  
every **Monday**  
**3.50pm-4.50pm** in the  
USL with Ms Bowles  
& Ms Dobson  
(USL Librarian.)

Our first session will be  
exploring manifesto writing  
and writing our own.



This webinar is aimed at students in Year 10 and above with an interest in the classics, feminism or the story of Medusa.

[Register Now](#)

Please contact  
[languages@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:languages@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)  
if you would like any further details.

## DEBATE CLUB NEWS

Following on the successful Debate Mate programme this year, we will be resuming our weekly debate clubs this term for Years 7-9 alongside our Year 10 club. These clubs are fantastic for students to build confidence and will give them an opportunity to practise debate skills and compete in our House Debating competition later this term, alongside preparation for future competitions and MUN conferences.

These clubs are open to all students to attend.

**Year 7 Wednesdays**  
15.45-16.30 – LSL Mr Bakare

**Year 8 Wednesdays**  
12.00-12.50 – IT5 Ms Willett

**Year 9 Mondays After School**  
16.10-17.10 – MA2 Mr Burke.

**Year 10 Fridays**  
12.00-12.50 – HU4 Ms Sherratt

Any questions please contact the relevant teacher via email [humanities@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:humanities@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk) or pop by the Humanities/English Office.



# SPORTS NEWS

## CORRECTION

### Under-16 Girls' ESFA Football Final Kingsdale v Comberton Village College



The whole school community at Kingsdale Foundation School would once again like to congratulate the U16s Girls' Football Team on their outstanding achievement in making it to the finals of the English Schools Football competition.

We would like to apologise for an error in last week's full report and congratulate **Izar Olano-Barnes** on being the first goal scorer for Kingsdale at this prestigious event.

Izar Olano-Barnes showcased her talent throughout the game on the field, exhibiting outstanding skills and scoring a brilliant goal. We commend Izar and the rest of the team on their determination and remarkable performance.



### Year 7 & 8 Girls' Football Outer London School Cup Final Kingsdale v Alexandra Park



The Year 7 & 8 Girls played in the Outer London Schools cup final on 17<sup>th</sup> May at Bedfont Sports Recreation Ground against Alexandra Park.

From the opening minute, Kingsdale we're creating chances on goal, then at minute 8 Bea Hewson scored the first goal to open the scoring for Kingsdale. Later in the first-half Ella Abayomi got her second and Bea another to end the first half 3-0.

In the second half Alexandra Park started strong, adopting the long ball tactic in the hope of getting back in the game. After a few minutes their efforts paid off with them scoring a goal. Later in that half the Captain, Ryhona Mundle, tucked two goals away and Bea Hewson scored another to complete her hattrick. In the closing minutes Kingsdale played some great link up play which led to a scoring opportunity for Betsy Trupp, but was ruled 'offside' ending the tie with a 6-1 victory to Kingsdale. Although she didn't get on the score sheet, player of the match goes to Dorothy Wallis who played a calm and collective game.

Well done Kingsdale, Champions of London!

**Final Score:** Kingsdale 6-1 Alexandra Park

**Goal Scorers:** Ella Abayomi (1), Bea Hewson (3) and Ryhona Mundle (2)

**Team:** Ryhona Mundle (C), Flo Ewen, Bea Hewson, Zoe Solomons, Rhoshaine Benjamin, Daisy Williams, Mia Fowler, Sophia Weale, Ella Abayomi, Sophia Jexx, Betsy Trupp, Cecilia Hollowell, Imarn Nugent, Dorothy Wallis.



# SPORTS NEWS cont.

## Under-13s Girls' Tennis



The Under-13s Girls' Tennis team had a fixture against Thomas's Battersea last week, following on from their competitive match against JAGS. All girls played a singles match followed by a doubles match. The girls fought well during the games, playing some lovely shots and enjoying the tennis in the sun! Unfortunately they just missed out on the win. However they were in good spirits at the end of the fixture. Congratulations to the team!

**Team:** Izzy Scott-Baker, Leah Breslin, Isla Summerfield & Camille Glipa

## Boys Tennis against Whitgift School



Congratulations to the Year 9 & 10 Boys' Tennis Team for beating Whitgift School. A ruthless singles and doubles performance from Isaac Forde and Jubril Andu took the match to a sudden death tiebreak which Isaac Forde and Emil Appleson won 10-7.

Well done to all the boys!

**Final Score:**

Kingsdale Foundation School **7-6** Whitgift School

## Under-14s Boys' Hockey



Massive congratulations to the Under-14s Boys' Hockey team who travelled to the England Hockey State School Championships at the University of Nottingham last week. Kingsdale were one of only 25 state schools in the country to be invited to this competition. Travelling up early on Friday morning, the team arrived in great spirits ready for a full-on day of hockey. The team flew through the group stage, winning 3 out of their 4 games, scoring 10 goals and only conceding one. The team finished 2<sup>nd</sup> in the group and qualified for the top tier Cup, defeating Great Marlow School 5-1 in the quarter finals. In the semi-final, we ended up playing the same team we lost to in the group stages Bishop Stortford School and unfortunately lost 2-1 despite a valiant performance in the closing stages. The team then played Wellington School in the 3<sup>rd</sup>/4<sup>th</sup> Play Offs, winning 1-0, finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> out of all the schools in the competition! The boys have had a very successful season and we are very excited to see what the future holds for them.



**Team:** Jake Milton, Thomas Seydoux, Archie Baker, Cas Sarshar, Albie Beech, Daniel Coggins, Ryan Jones, Joseph Ayora Vanegas

## Dance Event

On Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2023 20 Key Stage students will be attending the London Schools' Sports Network Dance event in Crystal Palace National Sports Arena. Watch this space for more information on how they get on!



# SPORTS NEWS cont.

## Kingsdale's Year 9 Volleyball Team Secures a Thrilling Second Place in Tournament



In an electrifying display of teamwork and tenacity, the Kingsdale Year 9 volleyball team clinched second place in a recent, highly competitive tournament. The team demonstrated extraordinary prowess on the court, only falling short by a mere two points in a nail-biting final against Charter School, North Dulwich. The Kingsdale squad, comprised of Sid Bailey, Habeeb Omotoso, Davi Petry, Micah Coward, and Teo Alvarez, exhibited an unrivalled spirit throughout the tournament. Their synergy and determination were palpable in every match, making them a formidable force to reckon with on the court.

Leading the charge was the most valuable player, Sid Bailey. His agile maneuvering and powerful spikes were a sight to behold. His determination and leadership were instrumental in guiding the team through the challenging matches leading up to the final. Habeeb Omotoso dazzled the spectators with his precision serves and quick reflexes, proving to be a vital asset to the team. Meanwhile, Davi Petry, with his strategic play and unwavering focus, kept the opponents guessing and constantly on their toes. Micah Coward, known for his defensive genius, made a series of spectacular saves throughout the tournament. His contribution to the team's run to the final was invaluable. Lastly, Teo Alvarez's dynamic presence on the court, coupled with his relentless energy, added a unique edge to the Kingsdale line-up.

The final match against Charter was nothing short of a volleyball masterclass. Both teams gave their all in a heart-stopping contest, with the lead seesawing back and forth. The final score of 18-16 reflected the razor-thin margin that separated the two sides. So, here's to the Kingsdale Year 9 volleyball team - their second place is just a stepping-stone to greater victories ahead. We can't wait to see what they'll achieve next!

## Under-14s Mixed Rugby

A massive congratulations to the Under-14s Mixed Rugby Team for winning three out of four of their games in the national RFU's Touch To Twickenham competition. This means that they progress to the finals, which will take place in Worcester. Well done!



## Athletics News



The athletics team were in action twice last week at both the Southwark event and London Cup Round 1 at Tooting Bec Athletics Club. Kingsdale took a team of 60 Year 7 to 10 students with a number of them winning their events in both track and field. A special mention goes to the Year 9 Girls' Relay team who stormed to the win at both events. The team battled through tough weather conditions with no complaints and competed in heavy rain and wind, working as a team to support and motivate each other. Congratulations to the entire team!





# GEOGRAPHY NEWS

SSLP Webinar:  
'So You Want To Be...an Energy Specialist'



Students from Year 7 & 8 attended a webinar titled 'So You Want To Be...an Energy Specialist' on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023 by Southwark Schools' Learning Partnership (SSLP). Hosted by Queen's College London, two energy specialists from Baringa, Helena and Sam, spoke about their careers. The speakers spoke briefly about their career choice and the path they took to get there. Students had the opportunity to ask the specialists several questions and were intrigued to know whether the UK will achieve net zero emissions by 2050.

# LET'S TALK CAREERS

## Careers Talk Series - Film Production

Kingsdale Careers Team has organised another careers talk on Film Production on **Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May**. It is open to interested students in Years 7-10 and Year 12. If your child is interested in attending this talk, they are required to reserve a place latest by end of school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May through their Head of Learning or via email [careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk) and we will make arrangements accordingly.

## Careers Fair at Kingsdale

Kingsdale Careers Team are organising a Careers Fair on **Friday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2023** at school. This event aims to inform, educate and advise our students (Years 7 and above) on a range of future careers. We will be grateful for the support of our parent community and if you are able to join us and provide career guidance in your own chosen vocation, we would love to hear from you. Please contact us via [careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:careers@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)

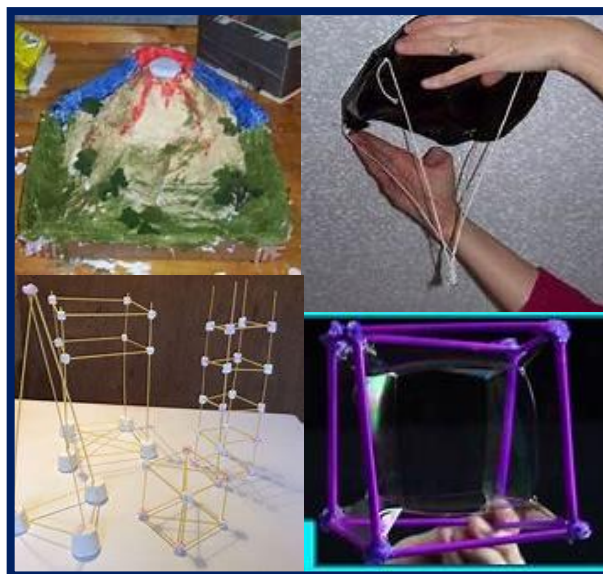
# SCIENCE NEWS



**Students from Year 7 & 8 enjoy our Science club each week which takes place every Wednesday after school, starting at 3.45pm in SC8. Everyone is welcome, just pop in.**

Some of the activities students have already enjoyed include:

- Square bubbles
- Using microscopes
- Swabbing cheek cells
- Density columns
- Making cheese
- Imploding cans
- Slim
- Making a compass
- Spaghetti and marshmallows structures
- Volcanos
- Parachutes
- DNA origami
- Chromatography butterflies



There are many more activities coming up, all hands on for fun and learning the science behind this fun!



# MATHS NEWS

The year 9 scholarship sessions will continue as usual every Friday 13.10 – 13.40 in AR3 & AR4. Students are requested to check their respective Scholarship Microsoft teams pages for the up-to-date information.

## Year 7 Maths Scholarship Program SCHEDULE SUMMER TERM 2023

TIME: 15.50 – 16.35

DATE	YEAR GROUP	TEACHER	ROOM
24 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023	7A & 7B	Session 5 <i>The "Proper" formula</i> MRS TERZIU & MS LIMA	MA1 & MA6
Summer HALF TERM BREAK			
7 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023	YEAR 7C & 7D	Session 5 <i>The "Proper" formula</i> MR PRIOR & MR CHOY	MA1 & MA2
14 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023	Parents' evening Year 9 Early school closure		
21 <sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2023	YEAR 7A & 7B	Session 6 <i>Fraction of a circle 1</i> MRS TERZIU & MS LIMA	MA1 & MA6
28 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023	YEAR 7C & 7D	Session 6 <i>Fraction of a circle 1</i> MR PRIOR & MR CHOY	MA1 & MA2
5 <sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023	YEAR 7A & 7B	Session 7 <i>Fraction of a circle 2</i> MRS TERZIU & MS LIMA	MA1 & MA6
12 <sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023	YEAR 7C & 7D	Session 7 <i>Fraction of a circle 2</i> MR PRIOR & MR CHOY	MA1 & MA2

## Year 8 Maths Scholarship Program SCHEDULE SUMMER TERM 2023

TIME: 16.20 – 17.05

DATE	YEAR GROUP	TEACHER	ROOM
24 <sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023	YEAR 8A & 8B	Session 5 <i>The "Proper" formula</i> MR DIEDRICK, MS BURNEY	MA2 & MA8
Summer HALF TERM BREAK			
7 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023	YEAR 8C & 8D	Session 5 <i>The "Proper" formula</i> MS. MILES, MR JAMES	MA6 & MA8
14 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023	Parents evening Year 9 Early school closure		
21 <sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2023	YEAR 8A & 8B	Session 6 <i>Fraction of a circle 1</i> MR DIEDRICK, MS BURNEY	MA2 & MA8
28 <sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023	YEAR 8C & 8D	Session 6 <i>Fraction of a circle 1</i> MS MILES, MR JAMES	MA6 & MA8
5 <sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023	YEAR 8A & 8B	Session 7 <i>Fraction of a circle 2</i> MR DIEDRICK, MS BURNEY	MA2 & MA8
12 <sup>TH</sup> JULY 2023	YEAR 8C & 8D	Session 7 <i>Fraction of a circle 2</i> MS MILES, MR JAMES	MA6 & MA8

Contact Mr. Otieno if you have any inquiries on [maths@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:maths@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)



# SCHOOL NEWS

## Safe Travel to School

At school, we have shared the key messages about keeping safe with the students. Some of the key messages are outlined below:

### “LOOK UP LOOK OUT”

- **BE AWARE** of your surroundings.
  - **BE AWARE** when using your mobile phone.
  - Know your route home.
  - Keep to busy roads.
  - Try to be with other people.
  - If someone tries to stop you keep walking.
  - **SHOUT** for help and make **NOISE**.
  - If anything happens speak to a trusted adult as soon as you can.
  - **RUN HIDE TELL**.
  - There is no right or wrong response as each situation is different but remember that **YOUR SAFETY IS PARAMOUNT**.
- Only **YOU** can assess the risk.
- Possessions are replaceable, but **you are not**.

**Your child must contact the Police immediately on 999 if they are concerned about their safety or if they are the victim of a mugging/attempted mugging.**

Students and Parents should also inform the school so that we can offer pastoral support and liaise with our Safer Schools Officer – PC Crampton.

Please contact Mr Harding via [dhg@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:dhg@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk) with any queries.



# SCHOOL NEWS

## Kingsdale is a Safe Space

We would like to take this opportunity to once again remind students and their families of our two confidential emails which are operational both during and outside of school hours.

This provision is available for any member of our school community wishing to seek advice, discuss any matters relating to mental health & well-being or report an incident or concern confidentially via email.

We appreciate that students, parents, carers or guardians may wish to speak to someone outside of school hours or may wish to disclose an incident or concern confidentially or anonymously.

Our two confidential emails are:

[health&wellbeing@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:health&wellbeing@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)  
[tellsomeone@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:tellsomeone@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)

Please contact **Ms V Turner** for further information regarding this provision or any matters relating to mental health & well-being at Kingsdale School.





# SEND FACULTY NEWS

## Gingerbread

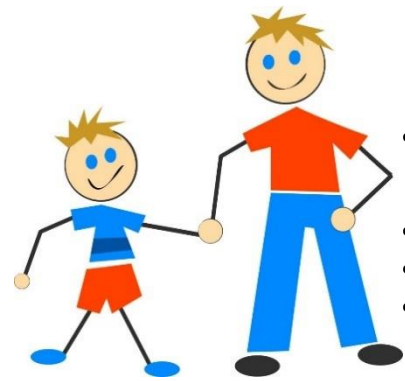
Single parents, equal families

### Single Parent Support: Well-being Workshop

Gingerbread is a charity who provide information to help single parents support themselves and their family. They campaign and influence policy to reduce stigma against single parents and make services more accessible to all families – whatever their shape or size. They provide FREE workshops that are the perfect opportunity to meet other single parents, discover tools to manage stress, aid relaxation and improve your mental wellbeing. All their workshops are delivered online at times that fit in around busy family life. You can book a place below or if you have any questions, please email [lynne.baulch@gingerbread.org.uk](mailto:lynne.baulch@gingerbread.org.uk)

### Upcoming Two-Hour Workshops

The free two-hour workshops will run on the dates below. If you would like to sign-up, please click on the relevant link. If a link isn't available, that means they haven't released spaces for that workshop so please check back nearer the time. **Gingerbread helpline:** 0808 802 0925



- MAY**
- Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>, 7pm-9pm
- JUNE**
- Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup>, 12pm-2pm
  - Monday 12<sup>th</sup>, 12pm-2pm
  - Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>, 12pm-2pm

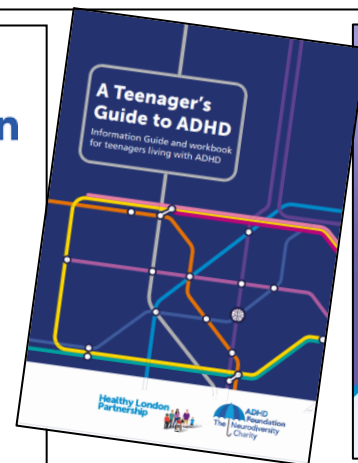


### New guide to helps teenagers navigate their ADHD

The ADHD Foundation in conjunction with NHS London CAMHS have produced 'A Teenager's Guide to ADHD', a guide and workbook for teenagers living with ADHD.

The guide includes tips for well-being, managing school, studying, friendships and more. At this time of year when many young people are preparing for their examinations or looking ahead to transitions between schools and colleges, this will be useful to share with those young people.

Link to PDF guide: [Here](#)



### Student Suggestion Boxes

To promote our well-established and highly effective Student Voice programme, there are suggestion boxes, which are located outside of the Attendance Office in the Main Atrium and the Office of The Headteacher at the bottom of the Green Stairs.

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



## Shared Decision Making

### What is shared decision making?

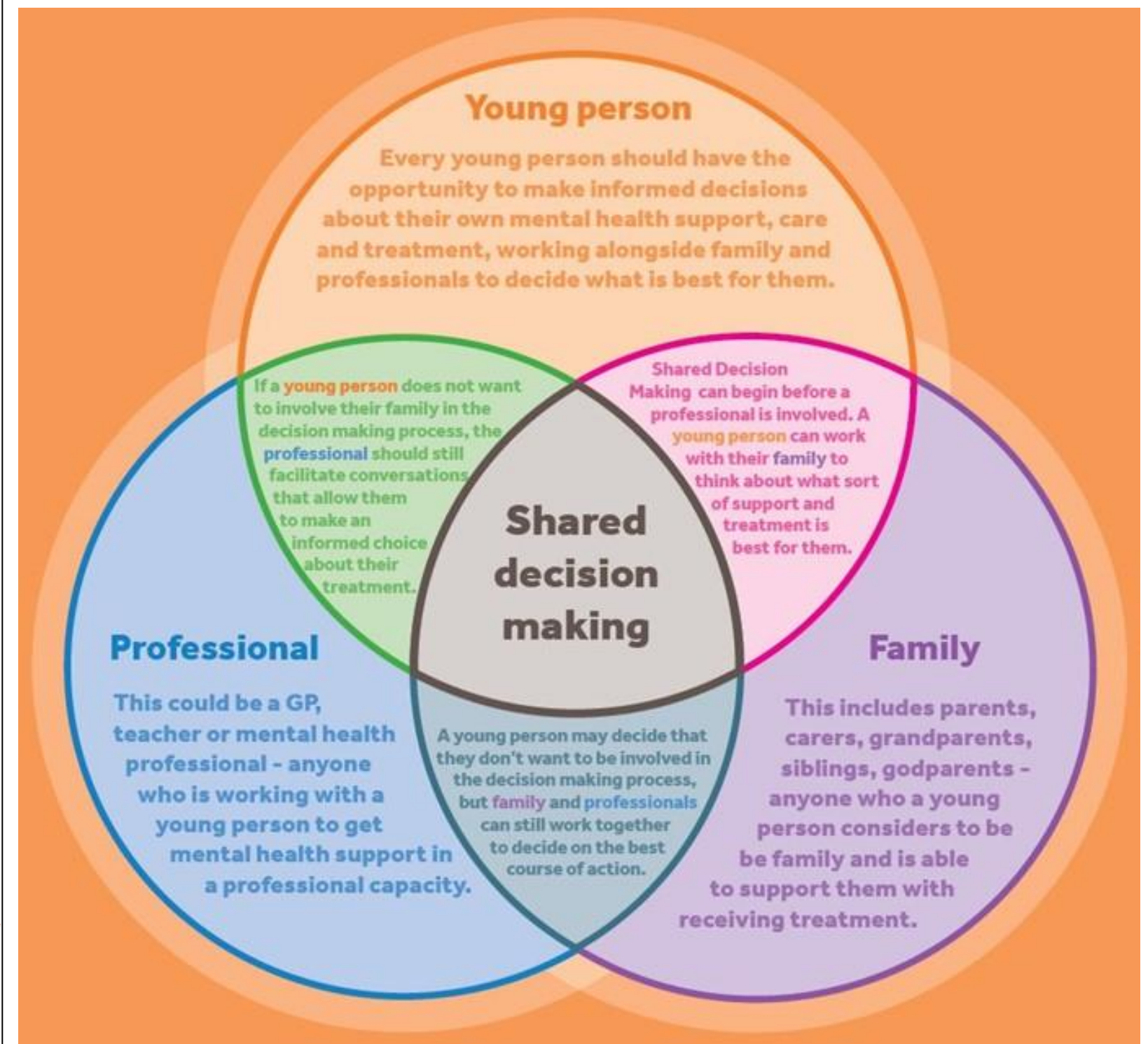
Shared decision making (SDM) is a collaborative process where a young person works together with their family and professionals and or a service provider to make an informed decision about the treatment or care option that is best for them.

For shared decision making to take place, information, evidence, options, and preferences should be exchanged and discussed. All voices should be respected, and concerns shared within a safe space.

### Why is it important?

Shared decision making is recognised as a person-centred approach to improving health care quality. It ensures young people, and their families get a voice and decisions are made with the young person's best interest at heart. Studies show that involving service users in Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) care and treatment decisions is associated with improved health outcomes and higher satisfaction with services.

Click here for more: [Shared decision making tips for parents and carers](#)





## SEND FACULTY NEWS cont.

### Help Your Child Beat Exam Stress: NHS Guidance

Tests and exams can be a challenging part of school life for children and young people and their parents or carers. But there are ways to ease the stress.



Watch for signs of stress. Children and young people who are stressed may:

- worry a lot
- feel tense
- have headaches and stomach pains
- not sleep well
- be irritable
- lose interest in food or eat more than normal
- not enjoy activities they previously enjoyed
- be negative and have a low mood
- feel hopeless about the future

Having someone to talk to about their work can help. Support from a parent, tutor or study buddy can help young people share their worries and keep things in perspective. Encourage your child to talk to a member of school staff who they feel is supportive. If you think your child is not coping, it may also be helpful for you to talk to their teachers.

Try to involve your child as much as possible.



Please [click here](#) for more information and advice from the NHS on the following:

1. **Make sure your child eats well:** A balanced diet is vital for your child's health and can help them feel well during exam periods.
2. **Help your child get enough sleep:** Good sleep improves thinking and concentration. Most teenagers need 8 to 10 hours' sleep a night.
3. **Be flexible during exams:** Be flexible around exam time. When your child is revising all day, do not worry about household jobs left undone or untidy bedrooms.
4. **Help them study:** Make sure your child has somewhere comfortable to study. Ask them how you can support them with their revision.
5. **Talk about exam nerves:** Remind your child that it's normal to feel anxious. Nervousness is a natural reaction to exams. The key is to put these nerves to positive use.
6. **Encourage exercise during exams:** Exercise can help boost energy levels, clear the mind and relieve stress. It does not matter what it is – walking, cycling, swimming, football and dancing are all effective.
7. **Do not add to the pressure:** Support group Childline says many children who contact them feel that most pressure at exam time comes from their family.
8. **Make time for treats:** With your child, think about rewards for doing revision and getting through each exam.
9. **When to get help:** Some young people feel much better when exams are over, but that's not the case for all young people.

An advertisement featuring a young man wearing headphones and holding a smartphone. The background is dark with some text and logos. The Anna Freud National Centre for Children and Families logo is in the top left. The 'shout' logo is in the top right. The text 'In crisis? Need support?' is prominently displayed. Below it, a box says '24 hours a day 7 days a week'. A speech bubble says 'Text AFC to 85258'. At the bottom, it says 'Text the free, anonymous crisis textline' and 'All texts are answered by trained volunteers, with support from experienced clinical specialists'.

## IOE – FACULTY OF EDUCATION AND SOCIETY

### Opportunity to be involved in RSE study for young people with learning disabilities

The Institute of Education at University College London are inviting those who fit the criteria below to take part in a study looking at the importance of outcomes for young people with learning disabilities when engaging with Relationships and Sex Education.

The study's authors are looking for:

- Parents/carers of students with learning disability (also known as intellectual disability) aged 5-25 years living in England;
- Teachers/school staff members involved in Relationships and Sex Education delivery to students with learning disability in England;
- Researchers working in the field of education/sexuality of people with learning disability;
- Policy makers/people working in third sector organisations in England who support people with learning disability

The online survey will ask those who take part to rate the importance of Relationships and Sex Education (RSE) outcomes for students with learning disability to help determine what are the most important outcomes to assess after RSE teaching. The questions in the survey were developed following interviews with students with learning disability, parents, teachers, researchers, and policy makers.

If you are considering taking part there is an information sheet detailing the key facts and data protocols: [LINK HERE](#)

Link to take part here: [LINK](#)



## Ambitious about Autism

### Raising Awareness: Broadening Understanding Of Autism In Girls

A new advert created in conjunction with Ambitious about Autism was launched to celebrate World Autism Acceptance Month. The charity has partnered with Vanish to raise understanding and awareness of autistic girls and how sensory sensitivity could be helped through familiar clothing. The advert has been shot by Oscar-winning director Tom Hooper and tells the story of autistic girl Ash, 15 and the visceral importance of her favourite hoodie. The video includes autistic traits such as stimming, shutdowns whilst also showing her abilities, sociability and friendships.

Whilst some have thought it 'played safe' and showed 'some stereotypical' aspects that the community are working to dispel, overall it has been welcomed as starting the conversation.

Click here to here watch the advert: [Me, My Autism & I | Vanish & Ambitious about Autism | Hero Film](#)



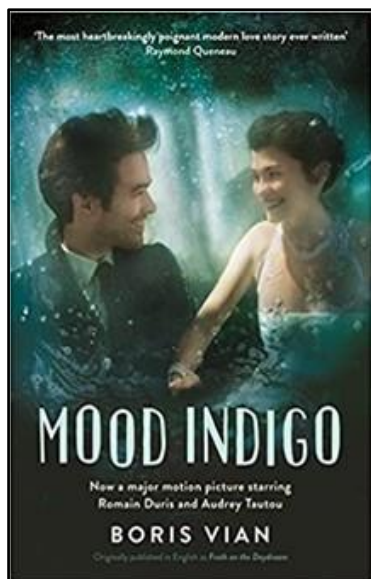
## The Kingsdale Experts

At Kingsdale we are so lucky to have many experts working with us at the school in the Learning Support Faculty and we would like to share information about these experts with you regarding the roles that they have in the school.

- **Stephen Hack:** Speech and Language Therapist (SALT)
- **Val Burnage:** Emotional Literacy Support Assistant (ELSA)
- **Peter Bowers:** Educational Psychologist (EP)
- **Rachael Hlomador:** Autism Specialist
- **Matthew Wicks:** Autism Specialist
- **Emma Wilkins:** Well-being Coach
- **Holly Robertson:** Art Psychotherapist
- **Dr Rachel Ward:** SpLD (specific learning difficulty) Specialist Teacher
- **Janet Koike:** SpLD (specific learning difficulty) Specialist Teacher
- **Aretha Moore:** School Counsellor
- **Everton Augustus:** School Counsellor
- **Tanya Wray:** Lead School Mentor
- **Jeavon Moo Young:** School Mentor
- **Daniela Dookey:** School Mentor
- **Geoffrey Leslie:** School Mentor

In addition, we may have specialists come into school to deliver training to staff and students. This will be published for you in this newsletter in advance.





**Teacher Recommendation**  
Mr Lembo recommends  
***Mood Indigo***  
by Boris Vian

The world of *Mood Indigo* is a stained-glass cartoon kind of a place, where the piano dispenses cocktails, the kitchen mice dance to the sound of sunbeams, and the air is three parts jazz. Colin is a

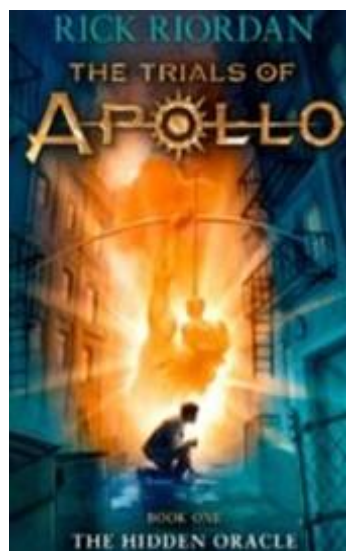
wealthy young aristocrat, a slim, innocent creature who loves easily.

The instant he sees Chloe, bass drums thump inside his shirt and soon the two are married. Typically generous, Colin gives a quarter of his fortune to his best friend Chick so he can marry Chloe's friend Alyssum. But things become complicated quickly...

Mr Lembo heartily recommends this book; even though it's surreal, anyone can relate to it – 'a complete joy!'

Suitable for Year 9 students and upwards.

## Reading Recommendations



**Student .**

**Recommendation**

A student who wishes to remain nameless recommends

***The Trials of Apollo***  
series by Rick Riordan.

How do you punish an immortal? By making him human. After angering his father Zeus, the god Apollo is cast down from Olympus. Weak

and disoriented, he lands in New York City as a regular teenage boy. Now, without his godly powers, the four-thousand-year-old deity must learn to survive in the modern world until he can somehow find a way to regain Zeus's favour. But Apollo has many enemies — gods, monsters, and mortals who would love to see the former Olympian permanently destroyed.

Our mystery student loves these books because well-known deities like Apollo and Zeus are made up to date and far more interesting as a result. Suitable for all students including Year 7.

## 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](http://www.kingsdalefoundationschool.org.uk)

### SatchelOne (previously SMHW)

Used to share homework details and other school news via the Notice Board feature with students and parents. Login [here](#).

### MyEd app

Downloaded for free at:

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

This app provides a range of useful info for parents.

## KEY DATES 2022-23



**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May**

**Special Celebratory School Lunch!**

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May**

**Special Ofsted Celebratory Events Day!**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May – Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June**  
Half-Term Break

**Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June – Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July**  
Start of Second Summer Half-Term

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July**

**Inset Day** School Closed to all students  
Except by invitation

For further information contact the Attendance Office: [info@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:info@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)  
or call 0208 655 9727



# SCHOOL NEWS cont.

## School Marking Code & Quality Assurance

Parents are reminded that detailed information exists on our school website [here](#), regarding the way that students are assessed at Kingsdale, through the marking of classwork and assessments. Our approaches are also discussed throughout the year at scheduled Parents' Evenings and through curriculum information evenings (*details issued separately*). Should you have any queries about the marking of your child's work at the school, or have any specific concerns about the frequency of marking in any subject for your child, please use our dedicated reporting email [checkmychildsmarking@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:checkmychildsmarking@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)



## Student Voice – Student Online Surveys

At KFS, we take the student voice very seriously. As such we routinely canvas our young people via confidential online surveys on a range of topics regarding their experiences at the school. The indicative schedule for such surveys for each academic year is below but will be supplemented by additional surveys as required: Autumn Term: Safeguarding & Extra-Curricular Provision Spring Term: Safeguarding, Assessment & Curriculum Provision Summer Term: Safeguarding, Scholarships & School Support Services Please note each term, students are also required to rate and review the teaching they have received in each timetabled lesson as part of our quality assurance processes.

## Lost Property

We are still receiving a large number of items that have been mislaid or lost by students. In many cases, these items are unlabelled, making it very hard for them to be quickly and successfully reunited with their owners!

Please can we ask parents to label all items of their children's property at school, including water bottles, blazers and coats.

Lost property queries can be directed to [lostproperty@kingsdale.southwark.school.uk](mailto:lostproperty@kingsdale.southwark.school.uk)

## Calling all Budding Student Journalists!

Kingsdale students have started their own school newspaper and are inviting fellow students to get involved! If you're passionate about current affairs and would like to write reviews and news reports for the Kingsdale Telegraph, please get in touch!

Click image to open the latest edition!



Students should post their illustrations, reviews and articles (maximum 80 words for reviews and 100 words for articles) in the school newspaper contributions box, situated in the main office. Please include your full name and tutor group. Alternatively, they can email the team via [kingsdaletelegraph@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:kingsdaletelegraph@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk)



## SCHOOL NEWS

### KFS Uniform Bank

We have many items of clothing to help supplement your uniform requirements (subject to availability).

Please note we do not stock ties or individual badges.

### Prices:

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

### Payment:

Please use appropriate combination of donation boxes (£6/4/3/2) on Parent Pay. Screen shot or download receipt. Come along at opening times to select items from the Uniform Bank.

Open: 3.45 – 4.45pm Mon/Wed/Fri  
Staff: Mr Lewis and Ms Dalrymple

### 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.



# HOUSE COMPETITIONS

## Kingsdale Cooking Challenge National Doughnut Week



National Doughnut Week is a very special week where businesses including bakers, coffee shops & offices take part and sell lots of delicious doughnuts to raise funds for The Children's Trust. The Children's Trust is a charity for children with brain injury and neuro-disability. It aspires to support every child with an acquired brain injury in the UK, providing rehabilitation and support to children across the UK through its Brain Injury Community Service.

### STUDENT TASK:

Make your own doughnuts - use a doughnut recipe from the internet or invent your own. Send us a picture and a short description of how you made your doughnut. The best-looking doughnuts will win valuable points for your house.

**Don't forget permission from your parents or carers and have appropriate supervision in the kitchen.**

### HOUSE ACTIVITY:

Submit your doughnuts and recipe to the House Team: [housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk) Ensure your entry is accompanied by your **full name, tutor group and House.**

## British Sandwich Week



British Sandwich Week takes place this year between 22<sup>nd</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> May. It celebrates the humble sandwich in all its glory as well as the contribution that the sandwich industry makes to the economy.

It is thought that the humble sandwich was 'invented' by the 4<sup>th</sup> Earl of Sandwich. He was a keen gambler and didn't like to leave the gaming table - so rather than breaking for dinner while the game was in full swing, he asked that he was brought some meat between two slices of bread - and this was the birth of a great fast food which became known as a sandwich.

### STUDENT TASK:

We would like you to share your favourite sandwich recipes and the most creative fillings will be awarded a prize!

### HOW TO ENTER:

Be sure to share your sandwich with the House Team: [housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk](mailto:housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk) Ensure your entry is accompanied by your **full name, tutor group and House.**





# Looking After Your WELLBEING ONLINE

We all know that taking care of our minds and bodies is essential to keep us feeling happy and healthy. The thing is, we spend so much of our time online these days that it's also important that we remember to look after ourselves in the digital world, too. Our poster has got some simple but useful tips for supporting your wellbeing while you're gaming, on social media or just using the internet.





# SPORTS FIXTURES

## Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

- Under-15s & 13s Girls' Softball Cricket Tournament at Croydon High School. Leave school at 9am. 10am Start. Return at 4.30pm approx.: **Ms Cave/Mr Price/Ms Thomas**
- Under-12s Girls' Football Away Game against Prendergast Ladywell School. Leave school at 2pm. 3.15pm Start. Return at 5.30pm approx.: **Mr Dash**

## Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May

- Under-15s Boys' Football Away Game against Mossbourne Community Academy. Leave school at 12.45pm. 2pm Start. Return at 6pm approx.: **Mr Price**

## Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> May

- Under-14s Boys' B-Team Football English Schools Cup Final Away Game against Formby High School (Liverpool) at West Bromwich FC. Leave school at 9.30am. 3.30pm Start. Return at 10.30pm approx.: **Mr Pizzey/Mr Price**
- Under-15s Boys' Harlequins Academy Rugby Festival at Dulwich Common. Leave school at 12pm. 1pm Start. Return at 5pm approx.: **Mr Worsley**

## Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May

- Under-14s Boys' Football Away Game against St Matthew's Academy, Lewisham. Leave school at 2.45pm. 4pm Start. Return at 6.15pm approx.: **Mr Price**

## Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May

- Under-12 Boys' Cricket Away Game against City of London School, Grove Park. Leave school at 1pm. 2pm Start. Return at 5pm approx.: **Mr Roberts/Mr Attenborough-Warren**

\*Fixtures may be cancelled due to rain (Cricket)  
<http://www.kingsdaleschoolsports.org.uk>

## The House Leader Board 2022-23

Week ending 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

- 1st Place – Swift 33,217 Points
- 2nd Place – Dove 29,706 Points
- 3rd Place – Albatross 27,100 Points
- 4th Place – Falcon 26,711 Points
- 5th Place – Eagle 23,948 Points

Swift are leading the race and pulling further away!  
 Can any other House catch them?

# HOUSE NEWS

## Online Safety Corner

For this week's Online Safety focus, we have included some important points for parents and carers for improving your child's 'Well Being Online'. Remember to keep an open dialogue with your child about their activities online.  
 (See Page 21)

## Coronation & Vegan Week Challenges

Congratulations to **Andreas Loucaides, Year 7, Albatross** who completed the Coronation Crossword & Flag and also to **Liam Owen, Year 7, Swift**, who created the following Vegan Dish:

### Easy Vegan Butternut Squash Soup:

- Heat some olive oil in a medium soup pot
- Add 1 chopped onion
- After onion is softened, add the following:
  - 1 peeled, chopped potato
  - 1/2 bag of peeled, chopped butternut squash (approximately 250g frozen)
  - (You can add leftover sweet potato and carrots as a "no waste" meal)
- 1 litre of vegetable stock
- Bring to a simmer and cook until all vegetables are tender (if a butter knife can slide through a piece of veg, it's done)
- Carefully blend until smooth
- Add salt and pepper, and a bit of dried thyme, sage and parsley to taste.

Serve warm



Liam Owen, Year 7, Swift House