



PARENTAL NEWS BULLETIN

Issue 1 Monday 8th September 2025

HEADLINE NOTICES.

Welcome to the Autumn Term 2025!

We would like to warmly welcome all parents/carers and students to the start of the new academic year 2025-26. We hope you had a wonderful and restful Summer and are looking forward to an exciting new Autumn term.

There are no significant organisational changes to the operations of the school. Please remember that lots of useful information for parents can be located on our website accessible [here](#). Please win a prize by letting us know if you spot any mistakes on our website!

Kingsdale Students Jump for Joy Over Summer 2025 GCSE & A Level Examination Results!



We are delighted to inform parents that Kingsdale has produced another set of excellent A Level & GCSE results this Summer of which students can be rightly proud.

At the time of writing, we believe that Kingsdale's Tawan Satitkit-Foster (left picture) is the highest performing GCSE student in the country who has matched the national record of 13 Grade 9s at GCSE!

At A Level, there were many exceptional individual and group performances, including 13 students who achieved at least 3 A* grades each and 11 students going to Oxford or Cambridge, or to study medicine.

You can find out more about our examination successes via our website [here](#).

School Uniform

Further details about our school uniform, including our PE kit, can be accessed [here](#). You can also access our online shop [here](#). We also encourage parents to use our sustainable Uniform Bank which contains many items of pre-worn clothing to help supplement student uniform requirements.

Opening times are 3.45-4.45pm each Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Please contact Mr Lewis via jls@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

THEME OF THE WEEK

The Kingsdale Community –
“Community is a place where people come together in order to fulfil a specific purpose, to help others fulfil their purposes and to take care of one another.”

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WORD OF THE WEEK

Prudence

The state of being careful in the management of affairs.

SCHOOL NEWS

Kingsdale Foundation School Ranked Among Top 20 Secondary Schools in England!



We are proud to advise that Kingsdale Foundation School has been ranked a highly impressive **16th out of 3,500** schools in the Daily Telegraph's list of the best state secondary schools in England, achieving an outstanding overall score of 39 out of 40. We are so good the Telegraph thought we were a Grammar School – hence, we expect them to publish a correction naming Kingsdale as the best non-selective school in London!

As part of this process, secondary schools were ranked according to 10 separate criteria, which add up to a maximum score of 40. These are designed to highlight a range of key data points, measuring key academic, behavioural and organisational performance. This substantial recognition highlights the incredible hard work, talent, and dedication of our students, staff, parents and wider school community. We extend our ongoing appreciation to all members of this community for another significant accolade for our wonderful school.

You can access more information, including the full table of listed schools, via the Daily Telegraph website available [here](#). (pay wall applies).

KINGSDALE OPEN DAYS



Open Days for Year 7 Entry September 2026

Our scheduled Open Days for September 2026 Year 7 entry will take place in September and October 2025. Appointments will be available for booking from September 2025 [here](#).

Open Days and Evenings

Wednesday 17th September 2025

9.30am-11.30am, 1.30-3.30pm & 5.30pm-8pm

Saturday 20th September 2025

10am-12 noon, 1-3pm & 4-6pm

Wednesday 24th September 2025

9.30am-11.30am, 1.30-3.30pm & 5.30pm-8pm

Wednesday 1st October 2025

9.30am-11.30am, 1.30-3.30pm & 5.30pm-8pm

Saturday 4th October 2025

10am-12 noon, 1-3pm & 4-6pm

Wednesday 8th October 2025

9.30am-11.30am, 1.30-3.30pm & 5.30pm-8pm

Saturday 11th October 2025

10am-12 noon, 1-3pm & 4-6pm

Open Days for Sixth Form (Year 12) September 2026

You can access details regarding our Sixth Form open events for Year 12 September 2026 entry [here](#).

For all queries regarding admissions to the Sixth Form, please contact the Sixth Form Office via email at sixthform@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk or telephone 0208 655 9723.

* Please Note the Deadline for Booking Year 7 Scholarship Assessments Online or Submitting a Supplementary Form is 6th October 2025



GEOGRAPHY NEWS

Kingsdale Awarded Secondary Geography Quality Mark

We are delighted to inform you that Kingsdale Foundation School has been awarded the Secondary Geography Quality Mark from the Geographical Association, valid from 2025–2028.

The moderators praised our curriculum, noting that it is well-sequenced, collaborative and continually reviewed to ensure it provides the best possible foundation for high-quality geography teaching. They were impressed by the way we integrate fieldwork opportunities and skills development, allowing students to build their knowledge both inside and outside the classroom.

They also highlighted the creativity within our teaching – from prototype Trans-National Corporation (TNC) designs to cake models of the Earth – which make learning memorable and engaging. The positive role of student voice in shaping and improving the curriculum was recognised, as was the wide range of extra-curricular opportunities available to students, many of which focus on sustainability and real-world geographical issues.

This is a fantastic recognition of the hard work and commitment of the geography department. A huge thank you to our students, parents, and staff who have all contributed to this achievement.

PE Department Extra-Curricular Sports Activities Timetable - Autumn Term 2025-26

Sports Clubs Autumn Term 2025

The Sports Faculty at Kingsdale Foundation School are delighted to announce that our Extra-Curricular Sports Programme for the Autumn term 2025 has now launched. Please be advised that students will be required to submit a completed parental consent form before attending sessions held before or after school. However, students are not required to have parental consent to attend any of our published lunchtime clubs. Please find attached our programme of extra-curricular clubs for the Autumn term.

If your child wishes to attend any of our published sports clubs, please follow the link below, where you will be able to access further information and a consent form for your child's chosen sports club(s). Please be advised that all students are required to wear full school PE kit when attending any of our extra-curricular clubs.

[KFS Extra-Curricular Sports Online Booking Form](#)

Please be informed that all students attending our extra-curricular clubs and representing the school at sporting events are expected to be excellent sports ambassadors for the school and are therefore required to adhere to and sign our Sporting Code of Conduct which can be accessed by following the link [here](#).

Please be assured that all students are welcome to attend our clubs whether for recreational or competitive enjoyment and we very much look forward to welcoming you to what is sure to be another year of sporting excellence at Kingsdale Foundation School.

For further details please contact Mrs V Turner, Director of Sport, Health & Recreation via pe@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

Activity	Time	Venue	Staff
Monday			
Football – Boys – Year 10	8:00-8:50am	Astro	Mr Hall & Mr Foster
Football – Boys – Year 11	11:05-11:50am	Astro	Mr Foster
Swimming – Mixed – Year 7	11:15-1:45pm	Crystal Palace	Mr Jones
Recreational Football – Boys – Year 8	12:00-12:45pm	Astro	Mr Dash
Netball – Girls – Year 8&10	12:00-12:45pm	Sports Hall	Ms McErlain & Mr Foster
Recreational Football – Boys – Year 9	12:55-1:40pm	Astro	Mr Price
Football – Boys – Year 8	4:15-5:15pm	Astro/Playing Fields	Mr Price
Basketball – Boys – Year 9, 10 & 11	4:15-5:15pm	Sports Hall	Mr Hall & Mr Dash
Rugby – Girls – All Years	3:45-5:15pm	Playing Fields/Astro	Ms McErlain
Tuesday			
Basketball – Girls – Year 8, 9, 10 & 11	8:00-8:50am	Sports Hall	Mr Roberts
Table Tennis – Mixed – Year 9	8:10-8:50am	GM1	Mr Price
Rugby – Boys – Year 8&9	8:00-8:50am	Astro	Mr Lord
Football – Boys – Year 7 A and B Squad	11:05-11:50am	Astro	Mr Fitchett & Mr Dash
Basketball – Girls – Year 7	11:05-11:50am	Sports Hall	Ms McManus
Table Tennis – Boys and Girls - Year 8 and 10	12:00-12:45pm	Gym 1	Mr Roberts
Fitness – Boys and Girls - Year 8 and 10	12:00-12:45pm	Fitness Suite	Mr Lord
Sports Scholars – Mixed – Year 8&10	12:00-12:45pm	Astro	Mr Johnstone
Dance – Mixed – Technique – Year 8 and 10	12:00-12:45pm	Dance Studio	Ms McGregor
Dance – Mixed – Technique – Year 9	12:55-1:40pm	Dance Studio	Ms McGregor/Ms Dookey
Cycling – Mixed – All Years	3:00-5:00pm	Herne Hill Velodrome	Ms McManus
Recreational Football – Boys – Year 7	3:45-5:00pm	Astro/Playing Fields	Mr Price & Mr Dash
Football – Girls – Year 10 and 11	4:10-5:15pm	Astro/Playing Fields	Mr Jones
Dance – Mixed – Contemporary – Year 7 and 11	3:45-5:00pm	Dance Studio	Ms Dookey
Dance – Mixed – Contemporary – Year 8, 9 and 10	4:15-5:15pm	Dance Studio	Ms Dookey
Wednesday			
Football – Boys – Year 9	8:00-8:50am	Astro	Mr Johnstone
Fitness – Boys and Girls Year 9 and 11	8:00-8:50am	Fitness Suite	Mr Samuel
Netball – Girls – Year 11	8:00-8:50am	Sports Hall	Mr Foster
Horse Riding – Mixed- Year 7	10:45-12:15pm	Dulwich Stables	Ms McGregor
Horse Riding – Mixed- Year 7	12:45-2:15pm	Dulwich Stables	Ms McGregor
Sports Scholars – Mixed – Year 9	12:55-1:40pm	Sports Hall	Ms McErlain & Mr Foster
Fitness, Rock Climbing and Volleyball – Mixed – Sixth Form	1:50-3:40pm	Crystal Palace	Mr Dash
Football – Mixed – Sixth Form	1:50-3:40pm	Playing Fields	Mr Price
Rugby – Mixed - Sixth Form	1:50-3:40pm	Playing Fields	Mr McWhirter
Rugby – Boys – Year 7	3:45-5pm	Playing Fields	Mr Roberts
Netball – Girls – Year 7	3:45-4:40pm	Sports Hall	Ms McErlain & Mr Foster
Netball – Girls – Year 9	4:30-5:30pm	Sports Hall	Ms McErlain & Mr Foster
Football – Girls – Year 8&9	4:10-5:15pm	Astro	Mr Dash & Mr Jones
Thursday			
Hockey – Mixed – Year 8,9,10 & 11	8:00-8:50am	Astro	Ms Jaymes & Ms Marshall
Sports Scholars – Mixed - Year 7 and 11	11:05-11:50am	Sports Hall, Gym 2	Mr Price & Mr Fitchett
Table Tennis – Mixed – Year 7 and 11	11:05-11:50am	Gym 1	Mr Dash
Fitness – Boys and Girls Year 7	11:05-11:50am	Fitness Suite	Ms McManus
Hockey – Mixed – Year 7	11:05-11:50am	Astro	Mr McWhirter & Ms Jaymes
Dance – Street Dance – Mixed – Year 7 and 11	3:45-5:00pm	Dance Studio	Ms McGregor/Ms Dookey
Dance – Street Dance – Mixed – Year 8, 9 and 10	4:15- 5:15pm	Dance Studio	Ms McGregor/Ms Dookey
Football – Girls – Year 7	3:45-5:00pm	Astro	Ms McManus & MS Jaymes
Friday			
Basketball – Boys – Year 7 & 8	7:45-8:50am	Sports Hall	Mr Lord
Rugby – Boys – Year 10&11	8:00-8:50am	Astro	Mr McWhirter





SPORTS NEWS

KFS Girls' Football – End of Year Report 2024-2025

It was a fantastic year for our Girls' Football teams with plenty of fixtures and some trophies along the way. Well done to everyone who has represented the school proudly and we can't wait to see you playing again this year!

Year 7 Girls (2024-25)

Our Year 7s made an impressive start to their football careers at Kingsdale as they ended their first year with plenty of positives. The squad managed to make the last 32 schools in the ESFA National Cup as they lost out to eventual finalists, Woodlands School. Their effort and attitude in training and matches has been excellent this year and we look forward to watching them develop over the next few years.



Year 8 Girls (2024-25)

The Year 8 squad had an excellent year which saw them retaining the Under-13s Girls' South London Cup with an excellent 9-2 victory against the Charter School, North Dulwich. This year also saw a few players step up to represent the Year 9 team in their victory in the South London Cup. It's an exciting year as the team step up to 11 a-side as they will be determined to defend their South London title for a third year in a row!



Year 9 Girls (2024-25)

Cup winners and finalists, our Year 9 side had a fantastic season. The squad won the Under-14s Girls' South London Cup with a 7-6 victory against the Norwood School, which will go down as the highest scoring and one of the best finals played in the competition. The squad also managed to reach the Under-14s Girls' Inner London Cup Final which will be scheduled to play in September 2025 where the team will look to claim another trophy to finally conclude their season.



SPORTS NEWS cont.

Year 10 Girls (2024-25)

It was a busy year for our Year 10 squad as they competed in Year 10 and Year 11 competitions with 18 games played across the year. The Year 10s had an excellent run in the ESFA National Cup as they lost in the last minute of extra time against Presdales School in the last-16 stage of the competition. With one year remaining at Kingsdale, we're sure the girls will be determined to go all the way next year. The team also played a big role in supporting our Year 11 squad as several players went on to win the Under-16s Girls' Inner London Cup.



Year 11 Girls (2024-25)

Our Year 11 squad finished their time at Kingsdale on a high as they claimed the Under-16s Girls' Inner London Cup with an 11-0 victory over the Charter School, North Dulwich. The girls were superb to manage their studies alongside representing the school proudly as it was a pleasure to watch them lift a trophy in their final appearance for the school. Thank you to all the players who have represented Kingsdale over the last 5 years, and we wish you the best of luck for the future!



International Success

Huge congratulations go to Ella Abayomi (*pictured left*) & Imarn Nugent (*pictured right*) who were selected to represent England Lionesses Under-15s in fixtures against Spain, Scotland & The Netherlands. We're extremely proud of them both and hope to see them on our TV screens in a Lionesses shirt very soon.

Elite Performance

Congratulations to the following students who are competing at the highest levels of youth football:

Dorothy Wallis (Charlton Athletic Women Under-14s)

Ella Abayomi (Chelsea FC Women Under-14s & England Lionesses Under-15s)

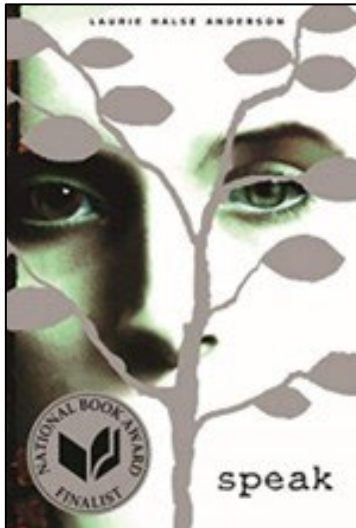
Imarn Nugent (Chelsea FC Women Under-14s & England Lionesses Under-15s)

Iris Rumming (Charlton Athletic Women Under-13s)

Kalliopi Attrill (Fulham FC Women Under-18s)

Lola Singer-Norsworthy (London City Lionesses Under-21s)

Ryhona Mundle (Crystal Palace Women Under-16s)



Teacher Recommendation
Mr Drysdale recommends *Speak* by Laurie R. King.

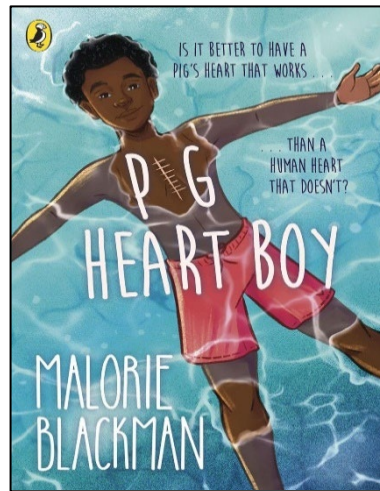
'Speak up for yourself - we want to know what you have to say.'

From my first day at Merryweather High, I know this is a lie. Nobody will even talk to me, let alone listen - all because I called the cops on an end-of-summer party. But if I could only tell everyone why I called the police that night... If I could explain what happened to me... If I could speak... Then everything might change.

Mr Drysdale adored the vulnerable protagonist and her gut-wrenching but ultimately hopeful journey.

Some mature themes and language; best suited for Year 9 students and older.

Reading Recommendations



Student Recommendation
Year 8's Jazah Rooms Blackman recommends *Pig Heart Boy* by his namesake Malorie Blackman!

Cameron is thirteen, and all he wants is a 'normal' life - friends, swimming, school, family. But his life is far from normal. Not every thirteen-year-old desperately needs a new

heart because theirs doesn't work properly.

Finally, one doctor offers hope. Cameron could - if he and his parents agree - take part in a radical and controversial procedure involving the transplant of a pig's heart into his human body.

Jazah doesn't usually like reading, but he finds this book really enjoyable!

Suitable for all students, Year 7 students and over!

CALENDAR 2025-26



You can also find lots of other useful sources of information on the school website [here](#). This includes further details about the operation of the school, including Term Dates, Assessment and Uniform.

Should you have any suggestions for additions to our website, please contact Mr Karp, via email tkp@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

For further information on term & holiday dates, please contact the Attendance Team via attendance@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

AUTUMN TERM 2025

First Autumn Half-Term

Tuesday 2nd September – Friday 17th October

Half Term Holiday

Monday 20th October – Friday 31st October

Second Autumn Half-Term

Monday 3rd November – Friday 19th December

SPRING TERM 2026

Friday 5th January INSET DAY

School closed to students except those in Year 11

First Spring Half-Term

Monday 5th January – Friday 13th February

Half-Term Holiday

Monday 16th February – Friday 20th February

Second Spring Half-Term

Monday 23rd February – Friday 27th March

SUMMER TERM 2026

First Summer Half-Term

Monday 13th April – Friday 22nd May

Monday 13th April INSET DAY

School closed to students except those in Year 11

Mayday Bank Holiday

Monday 4th May 2025

Half-Term Holiday

Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May

Second Summer Half Term

Monday 1st June – Friday 24th July

Friday 24th July INSET DAY

School closed to students except by invitation

Building Confidence and Independence: Supporting Your Child with SEND in Secondary School

The move to secondary school is a big step for any young person, and for those with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) it can feel especially daunting. As parents, you play a vital role in helping your child build the confidence and independence they need to thrive.

1. Encourage small steps

Independence grows gradually. Start with everyday tasks your child can practise at home—organising their bag, setting an alarm, or preparing a simple snack. Each success, no matter how small, boosts confidence.

2. Practise the journey together

If your child is travelling to school independently, rehearse the route. Travel together at the same time of day, talk through what to do if things don't go to plan, and encourage them to use their brickphone or a note card with key numbers if they need reassurance.

3. Build routines

Consistency reduces anxiety. Work with your child to establish a clear morning and evening routine. Using visual timetables or checklists can help them feel in control and less reliant on others.

4. Encourage self-advocacy

Help your child practise how to ask for help—from teachers, peers, or staff. Role-play scenarios at home so they feel more comfortable speaking up in school.

5. Celebrate effort, not just outcomes

Acknowledge the courage it takes to try something new. Praise their efforts to solve problems or attempt tasks independently, even if things don't go perfectly.

6. Partner with the school

Stay in touch with your child's form tutor. Sharing strategies that work at home can help staff support your child's independence in the classroom.

Secondary school is about learning, both academically and personally. With gentle encouragement, clear routines, and consistent support, your child can develop the resilience and independence they need to flourish.



SEND FACULTY NEWS

Inclusive and SEND-Friendly Events



Family Workshops for Children with SEND

- **When:** Saturday, 20 September 2025, with sessions at 10:30 am–12:30 pm and 2:00 pm–4:00 pm
- **Where:** Autograph Gallery, London
- **What:** Inclusive art workshops led by artists Amy Leung and Ophir Yaron, welcoming children with complex needs. Enjoy sculpture, drawing, and hands-on creative play in a welcoming, step-free space.
- **Find out more here:** [Autograph](#)

Depot Open Days at LT Museum

- **When:** 18-21 September 2025
 - **Where:** London Transport Museum Depot – behind-the-scenes galleries
 - **What:** A fantastic chance to explore storage, archives, and vintage exhibits in smaller groups. Great for families looking for a quieter, exploratory museum experience.
 - **Find out more here:**
[Eventbrite+15ltmuseum.co.uk+15Tower Hamlets+15](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/tower-hamlets-transport-museum-depot-tickets-755555555555)
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- The logo for the Transport Museum, featuring a stylized 'O' shape with a rainbow gradient. A horizontal bar across the middle of the 'O' contains the word 'MUSEUM' in white capital letters. The bar has a gradient from orange to purple.



Transition to Secondary School Workshop

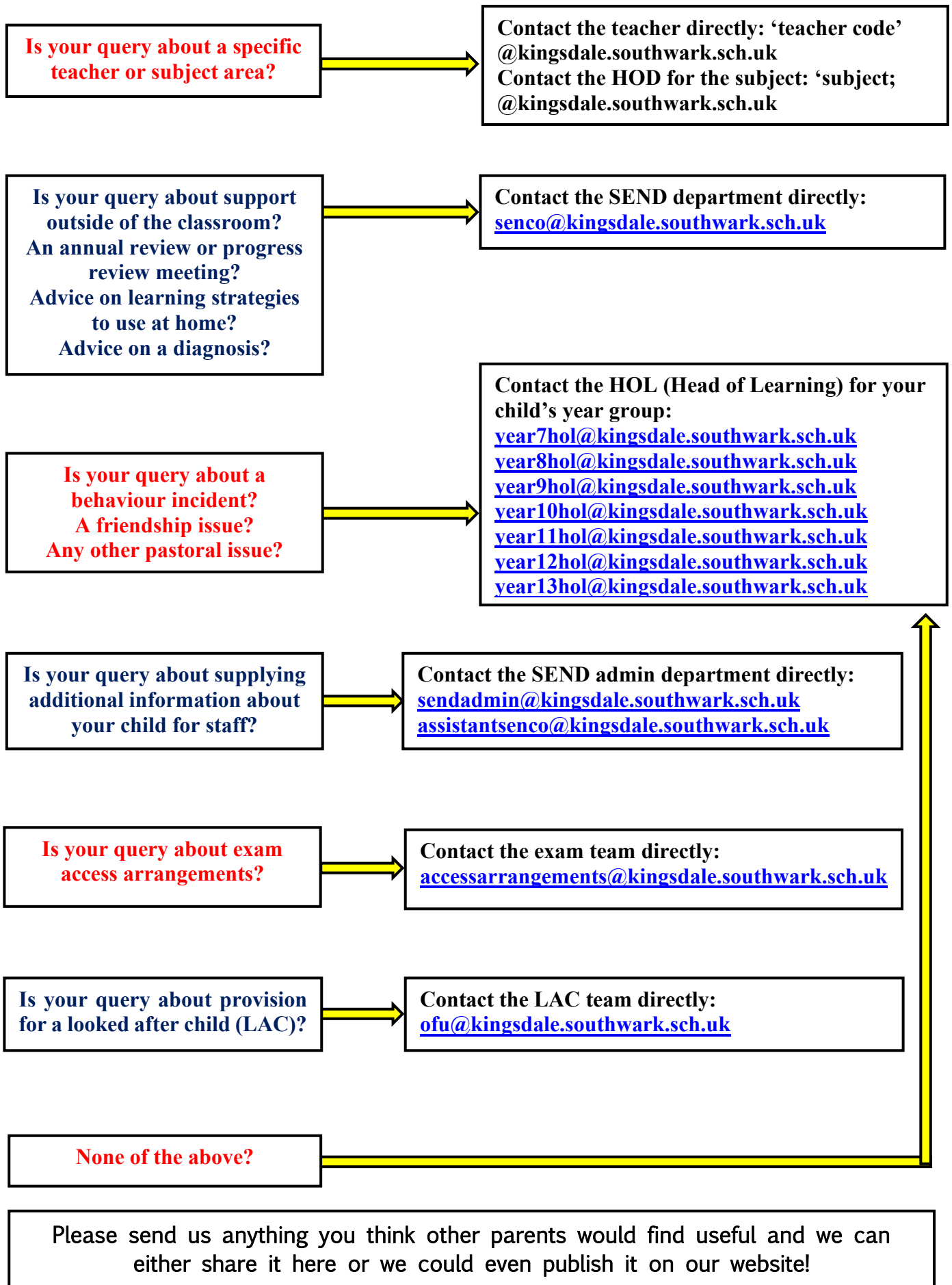
- **When:** Saturday, 13 September 2025
- **What:** An interactive, supportive workshop geared toward helping parents and children navigate the move into secondary school. Packed with tips and practical guidance.

Find out more here:

Greenwich Learning
Partnership+4Eventbrite+4SEND
Family Support+4

Communication Flowchart: SEND

At Kingsdale we would like our communication to be as effective as possible. Please see the flowchart below to help us support your child effectively and get the information needed to the right people.



If you are worried someone's drinking or drug use is affecting your child, we're here to help.



We help children and young people to cope with difficult family situations and feel stronger in themselves.

You can speak to us on 0203 404 7699
or email Southwark.YoungPeople@cgl.org.uk

Free Workshops for Parents and Carers

Do you want more guidance on how to talk to your children, teens and young people about vaping, alcohol or drugs? Do you want to be informed on the current themes and trends we come across working with young people in the borough?

Substances are more accessible today than ever before. For parents, carers or anyone responsible for children and young people, it can feel overwhelming and difficult to know how to respond.

We're offering FREE online workshops for parents and carers in Southwark, to give advice and guidance to help you navigate this quickly changing landscape.



We'll cover:

- Current trends amongst young people
- Strategies for talking to young people about substances in an open and supportive way
- Practical advice on how to keep your children safe from the dangers of substance misuse



For further information contact:

- Email: Southwark.YoungPeople@cgl.org.uk or scan the QR code for a direct link to the eventbrite page.
- You can call us on: **020 3404 7699**

SCAN ME



Talking to your child about

SHARING IMAGES ONLINE

For children and young people, socialising online is part of normal life. Chatting online and sending messages, photos and videos can be a good way of strengthening friendships. Sometimes, however, they can misjudge boundaries and may not realise the impact of their actions.

They can also be manipulated or pressured by others into sending inappropriate content, such as nude or semi-nude images. These can be sent for reasons including humour, shock-value, revenge or exploring bodies and relationships. Once images are shared, they can't be retrieved, leaving them vulnerable in many ways.

Having conversations with your child at an early age about what is and isn't ok to create and share can help keep them safe.



What can you do to keep your child safe online?

S

Set clear boundaries.

Agree with your child what they can do online and their access to certain apps/websites.

T

Talk with your child and be supportive.

Listen to what they already know so you can start a conversation about what normal use is.

E

Educate everyone in the family.

Make sure all family members know what isn't appropriate and how to stay safe online.

E

Evolve with the internet.

Keep up to date with technology used by your child and their features such as smartphones, VR headsets etc.

R

Research, review and regulate the apps and websites your child uses. This will allow you to decide whether they should use them and how to keep them safe online.



Prosecutions of children are very rare but there can be legal consequences to sharing nude or semi-nude imagery of a child (photos, cartoons or other picture formats), even if the person doing so is a child. If you think your child has shared an inappropriate image, speak to an advisor at the Child Exploitation and Online Protection Command (CEOP). Details below.



FOR SUPPORT AND ADVICE, PLEASE VISIT:

 **parentzone**

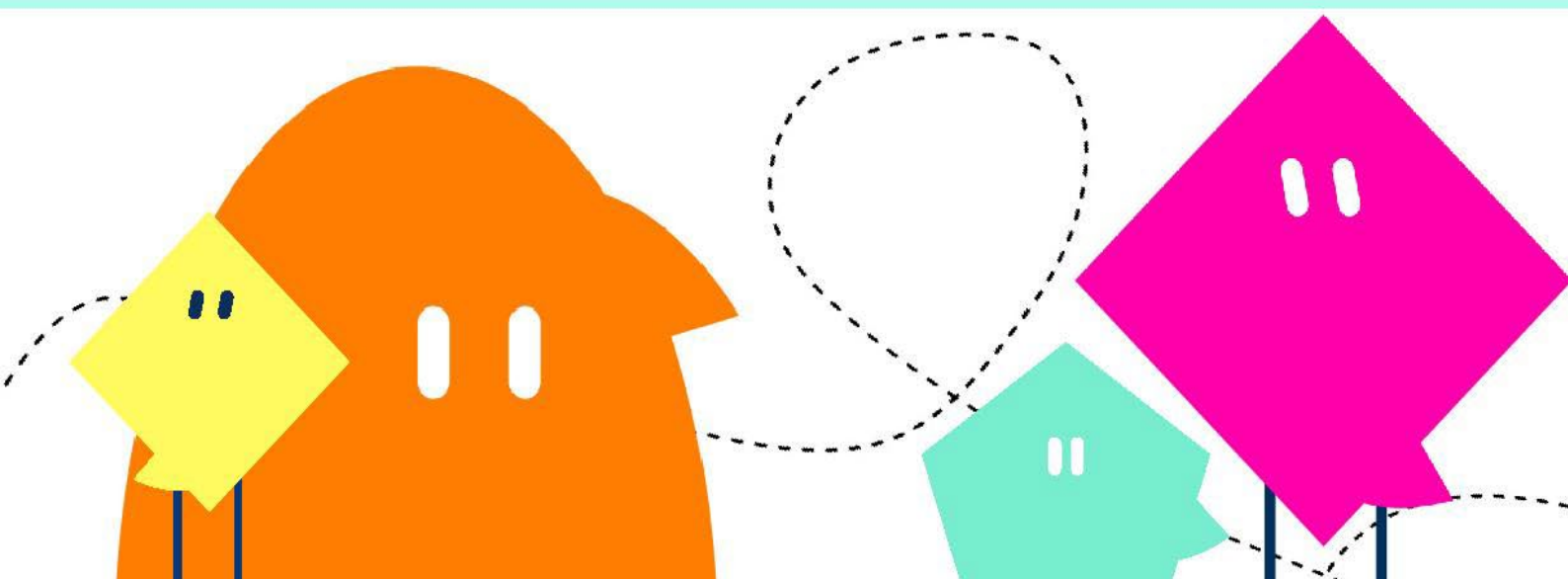
ParentZone – Resources for parents/children to help keep kids safe online.



CEOP Education from the National Crime Agency – Advice, information and resources to use with your child to help keep them safer from online child sexual abuse.



Internet Matters – Comprehensive resources and expert guidance to help parents/carers keep their children safe online.



A safe space for teenagers worried about sexual behaviour

Our new website for young people with concerns about their own or someone else's sexual thoughts and behaviour.



shorespace.org.uk

Why Shore?

- It is one of the only resources of its kind in the world, designed specifically for young people with concerns about sexual behaviour
- It has reliable information to get anonymous help if they or a friend has acted harmfully online

SCHOOL NEWS

KFS Uniform Bank

Our uniform is a key part of our identity and as such we are able to help parents and carers in providing quality uniform items. Sadly, the cost of living is still rising and some families are finding it a challenge to cover all bases in bringing up a family. There is also the negative environmental impact in design and disposal within the clothing industry to consider. Kingsdale community families can acquire cleaned and sanitised pre-worn uniform blazers (Belmont Dry Cleaners in Croxted Road have been most generous with their time and costing in this matter) and other items, dependent on availability, at a much, reduced rate.

The Uniform Bank will also be open between 3.45pm and 4.45pm each Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Please, always check for availability of items prior to making a purchase. This is a rolling programme that continues throughout the entire academic year and as such we are always looking for donations. Please leave washed and folded clothes at the main Reception area. Items of uniform will be available at other times of the year depending on supply. If you would like to help in any way please make yourself known to the team.

If you have any queries, do not hesitate to contact: Mr Lewis at jls@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk



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 School Shop is located in the main Atrium nearest to the green stairs.



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

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.

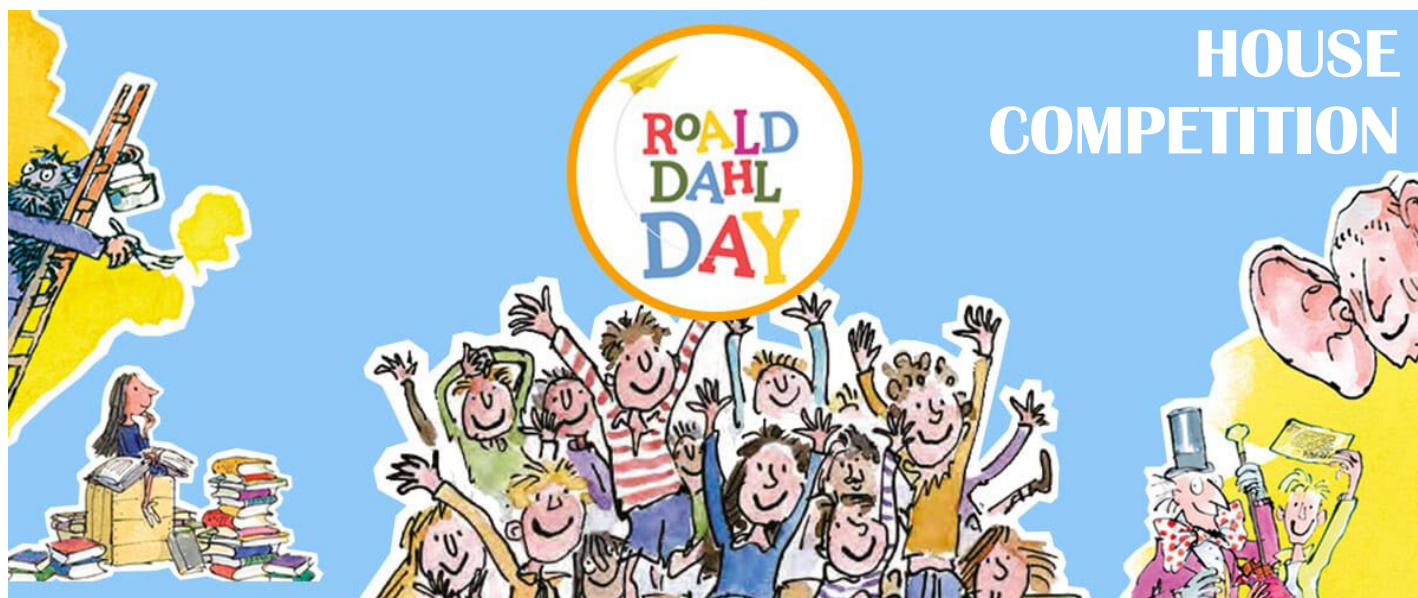
We appreciate that students, parents, carers or guardians may wish to speak to someone outside of school hours or may wish to disclose an incident or concern confidentially or anonymously.

Our two confidential emails are:

health&wellbeing@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk

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.



We are excited to celebrate Roald Dahl Day this year on 13th September 2025! Roald Dahl Day is a special occasion dedicated to one of the world's most beloved children's authors, known for his imaginative characters and unforgettable stories. To make this day even more fun, we are launching a House Activity Competition for all students.

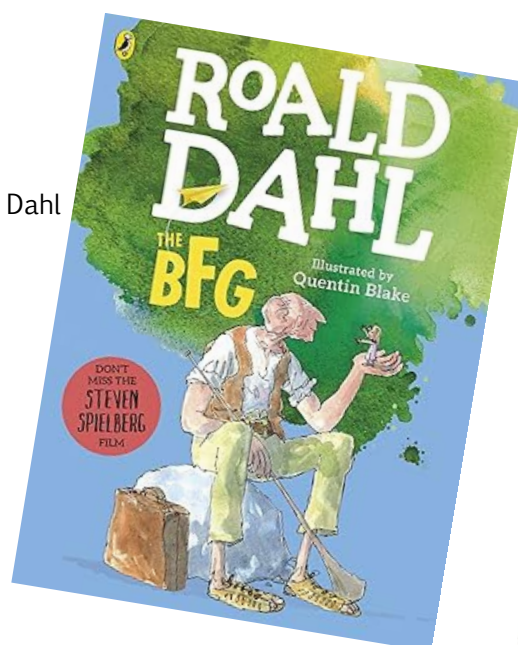
Competition

Dress as your favourite Roald Dahl character at home:

Students are invited to dress up at home as their favourite Roald Dahl character and send a photo to the House Team of their costume. Creativity and effort will be rewarded, so have fun putting your costume together.

Costume Ideas

- The Big Friendly Giant (The BFG)
Long trousers (green or grey are ideal), shirt, and a waistcoat.
- Sophie (The BFG)
Pink dress (or a nightie) and glasses.
- Miss Spider (James and the Giant Peach)
Black top and black leggings or trousers.



We cannot wait to see all the creative costumes and celebrate Roald Dahl's wonderful stories together! Remember, every effort counts towards your house points – so get creative and have fun!

HOUSE ACTIVITY: Submit the image of your costume to the House Team via housesystem@kingsdale.southwark.sch.uk Ensure your entry is accompanied by your full name, tutor group and House.

SPOT THE ONLINE SAFETY TIPS FOR GOING

BACK TO SCHOOL



SPORTS FIXTURES

Monday 8th September 2025

- Year 7s Under-12s Girls & Boys (Separate)
Football Trials at Mary Datchelor Playing Fields.
3.45pm Start. 5.15pm Finish (approximately): **Mr Johnstone/PE Staff**

Tuesday 9th September 2025

- No planned fixtures/events

Wednesday 10th September 2025

- Year 7 Under-12s Girls Netball Trials taking place in the Sports Hall. 3.45pm Start.. 4.45pm Finish (approximately): **Ms Mcerlain/PE Staff**

Thursday 11th September 2025

- No planned fixtures/events

Friday 12th September 2025

- No planned fixtures/events

Please note that fixtures maybe postponed or rearranged due to weather conditions.

All fixtures can be viewed via the link below:

<http://www.kingsdaleschoolsports.org.uk>



HOUSE NEWS

Online Safety Corner

For this week's Online Safety focus we are looking at ways to 'Spot the Online Safety Tips for Returning to School'.

Please read! Remember to keep an open dialogue with your child about their activities online. **See Page 15 above.**

The House Leader Board 2025-26

Week ending
5th September 2025

- 1st Place – Dove 1,057 points
- 2nd Place – Swift 960 points
- 3rd Place – Albatross 934 points
- 4th Place – Falcon 933 points
- 5th Place – Eagle 912 points

Dove has started well this new academic year. However, there are 37 school weeks to go!



School Marking Code & Quality Assurance

Parents are informed 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

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

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.

