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Diary Dates

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Year 12 EPA trip to De Montfort University

Wednesday 29 June 2016

Year 10 Chemistry Mock

Thursday 30 June 2016

Year 10 GCSE science ISA

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Year 6 Parents' Evening

Tuesday 5 July 2016

Parent Forum



24 HOUR ABSENCE PHONE LINE

Years 7 — 11: 01536 747771

Sixth Form: 01536 424816

The above absence numbers are available 24 hours a day. Please keep these numbers handy and easy to access. Please do not telephone the normal school number as this may cause a delay in the absence being logged.

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the latest newsletter

I shall be writing to you all shortly regarding some proposed changes to the school day that are likely to propose an extension of 10 minutes. This would enable us to run a more effective PSHE programme (Personal, Social, Health and Education) in a daily 30 minute form tutor period that would be at the beginning of the day for everyone. Details regarding the full proposal will be forthcoming.

I would like to congratulate the Year 7 girls' football team who are now the County Champions. You will be able to read about this in more detail later in this newsletter, but it was a tremendous achievement with a very special performance from one girl in particular in what was a fantastic team effort.

Finally, from me, I would like to welcome Mr Matthew Van Lier to the staff here at Kingswood. Matthew is the new Deputy Principal in charge of behaviour and welfare. One of his first tasks is going to be looking at the rewards system that is in need of a major overhaul and re-launch. We want to encourage and reward our pupils who are performing well and contributing to Academy life. Mr Van Lier will be canvassing the opinion of the pupils to gather their views and thoughts as to what they would like to see in place. We want our pupils to 'Be inspired' as the motto of the Trust says. As part of this journey we are also hoping to launch the Duke of Edinburgh scheme here from September.



I hope you enjoy the rest of the newsletter.

Mr A Burton
Principal

YEAR 7 GIRLS' SEVENTH HEAVEN

A huge congratulations to the Year 7 Girls' Football team who won the County Cup Final on Wednesday 25 May 2016.

In an entertaining game they were deserved winners against a strong team from Manor School in Raunds. The girls came out 7 - 5 winners in a thrilling end to end match which ensure they will go down in Kingswood history as the first ever girls' County Cup Football Champions.

In a fast paced game it was Kingswood who took the lead after Amy Findlay used her electric pace to break down the right hand side of the pitch and drill a powerful shot into the bottom corner of the net. Raunds then quickly equalised with a powerful shot ricocheting off the underside of the cross bar to just beat the outstretched hands of the impressive Kingswood goalkeeper, Amber Findlay.

Raunds then pressured Kingswood but resolute defending from the back three players of Lauryn Cruse-Carley, Dragana Zelnik and the commanding Katelyn McShane kept their chances to a minimum. The strength and class of the Kingswood midfield then began to show and dominate. Captain Georgia Berry, Lola Fisk, Chelsea Teeboon and Marlee Muir, who played her best game to date for the team, carved out two further chances for Amy Findlay who completed her hat-trick before half term. At half time Kingswood led 3 - 1.

However, within two minutes of the second half, Raunds scored two goals to bring the game back to 3 - 3. It was at this point that Kingswood proved their most impressive. Lesser teams would have buckled under the pressure but not our girls. They chased down every ball, encouraged each other and it was this grit and determination that was the key to victory. Mia Fleming, Jolene Greer and Chelsea Briffa all came on to strengthen the tiring legs. Then up stepped Amy Findlay. In the most remarkable performance she went on to score all 7 goals.

A huge cheer by the bumper crowd marked the final whistle and Kingswood are now County Champions.

A special mention must be made to the Year 11 coaches, Molly Campbell and Taylor Scully, who have been fantastic role models and helped inspire the girls to victory.

WELL DONE AND A BIG CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL

Miss Copson and Mr Gamble

MORE SPORTING SUCCESS



Kingswood Year 7/8 Softball team has continued the Academy's recent excellent sporting success by winning the district championship. They were convincing winners remaining undefeated throughout.

The team will now go on to the County finals which will be held later this term at Moulton College.

Congratulation to:

Cole McWilliam, George Clare, George Toseland, Brandon Worton, Jay Nicholson, Shay Tracey-Hankins, Jack Tiley, Dragan Kovacevic and Jay Manson.

Mr Gamble

GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP TO WICKSTEED PARK

On Thursday 7 July 2016, a group of Year 10 Geography pupils will travel to Wicksteed Park to conduct a field trip. Field work is a compulsory part of the GCSE course.

The trip will leave at 08.45 am and return around 13.45 pm more information will be provided in a letter which will be distributed shortly.

Mrs Hardy

REMINDER

Please remember to notify the Academy if you change your email address, mobile or home telephone number or any other contact detail.

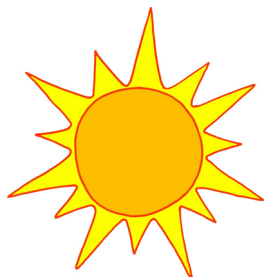
INSTRUMENTAL LESSONS AT THE ACADEMY

Individual instrument lessons are available to pupils at a cost of £36 per term. They are taught by members of Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust. The weekly lessons are 15-20 minutes long with lesson times being rotated where possible to minimise curriculum lesson disruption.

Any pupil who is interested should speak to Mrs T Robertson for more details or email her direct at trobertson@kingswoodsecondaryacademy.org.

SUN SCREEN

As the summer approaches we urge all parents to consider the dangers of sunburn or sunstroke. Please ensure that the risk of sunburn is fully explained to your child and that they are warned about keeping covered up when outside. Advise them to seek shaded areas during the longer second break where they can socialise safely with their friends. Sunscreen should be used where appropriate.



Any parents with younger children who would like sun screen to be held in the first aid room and issued upon request should collect a parental consent form from the Academy, complete it and return it along with the sunblock.

Also, please remind your child they must remain hydrated and therefore should drink plenty of water which is available in water fountains situated around the Academy.

HINTS AND TIPS TO HELP KEEP CHILDREN SAFE ON THE INTERNET AND SOCIAL NETWORKS

Hint No 5 — Make sure that content is age-appropriate

You know your child best, so check that the websites, social networks and games they are using are suitable for them.

Check that your browser's homepage (the page that you see when you open an internet window) is set to a website that you are happy for your child to see.

Online games, movies and some websites will also have an age rating or minimum age to sign up. Age limits are there to keep children safe. So you shouldn't feel pressured into letting your child sign up or use websites that you feel they are too young for.



This newsletter will provide more regular hints and tips - please look out for them!