Parent Bulletin



Monday 27th November - Friday 1st December 2023Week 1

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Upcoming dates

Date	Event
Monday 27th November 2023	Y9 Assessment week
	Careers advisor in school
Tuesday 28th November 2023	Careers advisor in school
	KS4 School council meeting
	Y11 PE Rockclimbing (3:15-6:15pm)
Wednesday 29th November 2023	Y9 Assessment week
Thursday 30th November 2023	Y9 Assessment week
Friday 1st December 2023	Y9 Assessment week

Safeguarding Update

Student Voice- My Concern

As of next week, students will now be able log any non-urgent safeguarding concerns they may have about themselves, other students or a member of staff via an online reporting button on the school website. These will be picked up by the safeguarding team **during school hours**.

They will be able to find the link on the safeguarding page on the school website:

Safeguarding | King Edward VI Lordswood School

If they consider the concern urgent, they should still see a member of the safeguarding team directly rather than relying upon the online reporting button.

If ever you (or your child) has an urgent safeguarding concern **out of school hours**, these should be reported to the CASS out of hours helpline. Information can be found on the following website:

Refer a child who you're concerned about | Birmingham Children's Trust

If you are concerned about the immediate safety of a child, friend or family member you should contact the police via 999.

Vigilance with what your child has in their bags/ blazers etc

We work closely with West Midlands Police and attend their half termly 'police panel' meetings, The most recent one outlined just how subtle vapes can look. Some look like lipgloss, highlighter pens etc. Please do speak to your child about this and take a look at their belongings with them. It is an essential part of keeping them safe. Please find images below to support:





Searching and Screening

Your child may have reported that they are undergoing more searching of their bags and blazers during form time. This is an essential part of helping keep our school safe as supported by West Midlands Police. The Senior Leadership Team and pastoral staff will be doing spot checks to ensure students have put their phones into reception or their locker and that they are not carrying banned items such as sprays or vapes. We will always have two staff doing this and students will be emptying out their own belongings in form time. Students should not be worried about this at all. Thank you for your support in this- it is essential in maintaining our safe environment.

Sixth form open evening

We just wanted to thank all parents who attended the sixth form open evening on Wednesday. It was lovely to see so many of you in attendance. The applications open on Monday and we urge all students to apply as soon as possible in order to secure their place.

First Aid

A first aider is a person trained to take care of individuals involved in an emergency. The role of a first aider is to look after injured or ill patients who need immediate medical care.

Sadly since half term we have seen an increase in the number of students asking to see a first aider for minor injuries sustained out of school (sometimes several days before) or seeking first aid support for illnesses that first aiders cannot assist with e.g. period pains, stomach ache, headaches.

Please can you remind students of the need to only request a first aider if they really require immediate medical care.

Parent Update Meeting

<u>Invitation to attend our Virtual Parent Update Meeting- Friday 8th December 2023 at</u> 9:00am

We would like to invite you to our Parent Update meeting that will take place **virtually** on **Friday 8th December 2023 at 9:00am.**

Our Parent update meeting gives parents and carers the opportunity to submit a question or identify an area in relation to school life that they wish to receive an update on. During the meeting, we will endeavour to answer your question and provide any further updates on school development.

Please be aware that individual cases cannot be discussed.

If you would like to attend, please click on the link below to complete the form so that we have details of your email address and any question(s) you would like an update on at this meeting by **Friday 1st December 2023**. Please note that only questions/areas submitted in advance will be included in the meeting due to time limitations.

Please <u>click here</u> to submit your question/area

As this event will be held virtually, the joining details will be emailed to you, using the email address provided when you confirmed attendance by completing the form.

You will also need to have access to a computer device with a video camera and speaker. Please be aware that the maximum number of people for this event is 20 and that this meeting is <u>for parents/carers only</u>.

We look forward to you joining us on Friday 8th December 2023.

Year 10 Drama

On Wednesday 6th December, students will take place in a devising workshop with a practitioner from the Birmingham Hippodrome. The workshop will last for three hours and students may miss period 5. Please ensure that all missed work is caught up with. Thanks

Mrs Swallow

Year 7 - A Christmas Carol trip

The Year 7s will be attending a performance of 'A Christmas Carol' on Tuesday, 5th December. Normal school timings will apply and school uniform should be worn. Students can bring snacks and a drink (no crisps or popcorn please) and students will not need to take their mobile phones on the trip so should be locked in their lockers or handed in to reception.

Could parents please ensure they have completed the consent form and paid for the trip (£15) on the KEVI app. Any queries to Mrs Peniket on d.peniket@lsg.kevibham.org