Parent Bulletin



Monday 4th December - Friday 8th December 2023 Week A

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Upcoming dates

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| Date | Event |
| Monday 4th December 2023 | GCSE and A-level certificate collection (3:30-5:30pm) Y12 Business studies trip (German Markets) Careers advisor in school |
| Tuesday 5th December 2023 | Careers advisor in school GCSE and A-level certificate collection (7:30-9:30 am) Y7 Theatre trip - Christmas Carol @ Crescent theatre 10am Y11 PE Rock-Climbing (3:15-6:15 pm) |
| Wednesday 6th December 2023 | Y10 Drama devising workshop with Hippodrome |
| Friday 8th December 2023 | Y13 Mock results day Parent Update meeting |

Coats

As the weather has now become colder, please can parents ensure that all students are bringing a coat to school each day. Hats and gloves can be worn whilst outside the school building so it might also be sensible for students to bring these items.

Wear something Christmassy day

On Wednesday 20th December we will be having our official Christmas dinner day. If students would like to have a Christmas dinner on this day, please ensure that they have enough money on their catering account.

Every year we partner this event with our annual foodbank collection (see message below from our student leadership team), as a reward for being so generous and contributing to the food bank, we allow students to wear something Christmas themed on this day. This is **not** a non-uniform day, nor do we expect parents to spend money purchasing a Christmas jumper. Students are encouraged to be creative and use something that they already have - last year some students wore Christmas socks, others painted their nails red, others wore tinsel in their hair, I think one student wore a Christmas tie. Students do not have to wear anything Christmas themed if they don't wish to do so.

As the Christmas dinner is always a very popular event so we will also be serving an additional 'Christmas dinner' on Wednesday 13th December.

Message from the student leadership team: Food bank collection

The student leadership team will be collecting food donations for a local Food Bank on 20th December 2023.

KEVI Lordswood School for Girls wishes to help people in the local community. Your donations will be extremely helpful to support families during the winter break.

The collection is for 1 day only

Students should place any donations into the box at reception as they arrive at school on Wednesday 20th December 2023 and remember to bring in unopened/unused packaged items.

Items that would be suitable for donation include:

- Tinned fish/meat, lentils, vegetables
- Packets of mashed potato
- Rice / Pasta
- Rice pudding/ custard
- Crisps /sweets/chocolates (treats)
- Cereals
- Long-life milk/fruit juice
- Tinned fruit/tomatoes
- Teabags/coffee





- Hygiene products/toiletries (e.g. shampoo, toilet paper, deodorant)
- Household cleaning items

Attendance

We have been asked to share the following report with parents regarding the importance of good attendance and its relationship with good outcomes at GCSE:

https://www.childrenscommissioner.gov.uk/resource/missing-children-missing-grades/

A Christmas Carol

"On Tuesday, December 5th, our Year 7s will be attending a performance of *A Christmas Carol* at the Crescent Theatre, Birmingham. This visit will be held during normal school hours and students should be in full school uniform. Students only need to bring their book for their Period 5 lesson and should carry a small bag to the theatre containing their snacks and a drink; please do not bring large rucksacks. The students can bring up to £5 each if they wish to buy an ice cream. No mobile phones will be needed on the trip and should be left in school in lockers or handed in in the morning. Students will travel and sit in their Review Groups. I am sure the Year 7s will have a wonderful experience at the theatre. Mrs Peniket."

Basketball club

There will be no basketball club on Tuesday 5th December 2023, as Mrs Uffindall is on a course. The match against Four Dwellings will take place on Tuesday 12th December 2023. Please ensure that consent forms are returned in advance of this date.

Thank you Mrs Uffindall

Sixth Form Applications are now open for year 11

Sixth form applications are now open. Students can access the online application form here:

https://lordswoodgirls.applicaa.com/

Each year 11 student has been sent an individual password to enable them to access the fastrack application form. When you apply please make sure you login using your school email address and the password provided. If you have any questions regarding the sixth form application form or process please email the sixth form directly at the following email address: sfc-enquiry@lordswoodtrust.co.uk.

The deadline for internal applications is Tuesday 19th December.

Year 11 Only - Arkwright Engineering Scholarship:

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Is your daughter interested in following a career in Engineering? If so, they may be interested in applying for one of the most prestigious scholarships available to GCSE

students. Successful scholarship applicants will receive financial help and industry mentoring during year 12. They will also be invited to exclusive events run by partner companies, universities and trade associations.

In order to obtain the award, there are several steps involved. The first step is the application process which ends in January, and will require a short but high-quality engineering project to be conducted. This will then be followed by an aptitude test and an interview. If all previous steps are successful, then the applicant will be invited to the Award Ceremony.

This award is for those dedicated and eager to prove themselves. Students need to be fairly sure that they would like to go into a career within the engineering field, though it is important to note that engineering itself varies substantially. If this opportunity sounds appealing, please first visit the official website and read it in detail https://www.arkwright.org.uk/.

Finally, if students are still keen, they should see Mr. Trewin who can give further guidance and act as a mentor throughout the process.

New Careers Bulletin for Year 10 - Year 13

All students in Year 10 - Year 13 will be emailed the latest Careers Bulletin which contains opportunities and advice. To view a copy, please click on the link below. Many thanks, **The Careers Department**

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