

# Parent Bulletin



**KING EDWARD VI  
LORDSWOOD  
SCHOOL FOR GIRLS**

## Monday 26th February - Friday 1st March 2024

### Week B

Lordswood School for Girls

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### Upcoming dates

Date	Event
Monday 26th February 2024	Y10 Assessment week Y11 2nd Mock exams Y13 2nd Mock exams Literacy week Careers advisor in school
Tuesday 27th February 2024	Careers advisor in school Y9 - SLB vaccinations
Wednesday 28th February 2024	Drama workshop - ARTS ambassadors programme
Friday 1st March 2024	Y9-Y13 KEVI Philosothon @ KEVI School for Girls

### Young Carer Survey

A young carer is someone under the age of 18 who looks after someone who has a disability, illness, mental health condition, or drug or alcohol addiction. As well as those caring for parents, they may also look after brothers, sisters or elderly relatives.

Based on the definition above, do you consider your child to be a young carer?

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Please complete the following Survey [Young Carer Survey](#)

## **Invitation to attend our Virtual Parent Update Meeting- Friday 15th March 2024 at 9:00am**

We would like to invite you to our Parent Update meeting that will take place **virtually** on **Friday 15th March 2024 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 8th March 2023**. Please note that only questions/areas submitted in advance will be included in the meeting due to time limitations.

Please [click here](#) 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, however if more people sign up, we will arrange an additional session so all questions can be addressed. Please note that this meeting is for parents/carers only.

We look forward to you joining us on Friday 15th March 2024.

Lynne Finucane  
AHT:Personal Development

### **'Sister Act' cast**

Rehearsals for 'Sister Act' have now begun. All cast members have been given a consent letter and a list of expectations involved with being in the show. Please return a signed copy of this to Mrs Swallow as soon as possible.

Students will be expected to show commitment to learning lines and choreography and attend all rehearsals. A rehearsal schedule will be shared with the cast during rehearsals.

### **'Sister Act' technical crew**

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A google form will be sent out in next week's bulletin for you to express interest in helping backstage, with props, set, costumes, lighting, sound and marketing. Please complete this form even if you have already spoken to a teacher about being involved so we can begin to plan the technical clubs.

Thank you!

## PE - Headscarves

Over the last few months we have been speaking to students about headscarves that do not meet the safety requirements indicated in the uniform policy. Due to AfPE guidance, we cannot allow students to wear traditional loose fitting headscarves for PE lessons. A few of the reasons include:

- Pins used to secure headscarves can piece/rip the skin if pulled.
- Most traditional headscarves are not stretchy - if pulled/caught on equipment they can strangle/cut into the skin.
- Headscarves that are not secured can fall off - this can pose a trip hazard and a distraction as students have to constantly adjust when participating in sports.

We therefore ask that all students who wish to wear a hijab for PE wear a close fitting stretchy hijab to prevent the issues highlighted above. If this does cause an issue please contact the PE department and we will try to support.

## Arts Ambassadors to the Birmingham Hippodrome

The second visit of the Arts Ambassadors to the Birmingham Hippodrome will be taking place on Wednesday 28th February 2024. Students will be leaving school at 9.30am and returning by 2.30pm. They will only need their books for period 1 and 5.

## Medicine conference

Dear Parents/Carers of students in years 10 - 12,

I am writing to let you know about a free Get into Medicine conference for students and their parents/carers: <https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZytt3MGPjvOY>

You will have the opportunity to learn about personal statements, entrance exams, interviews and meet some of our successful students to learn from their experiences. Following the conference all students will instantly be enrolled onto the free virtual medical work experience programme (with access to speak to doctors and medical students alongside).

Dates:

- Sunday 25th February from 9:30am - 3:30pm
- Saturday 2nd March from 9:30am - 3:30pm

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Here's how the day will run:

- 9:30-10.00 Registration
- 10.00-11:00 Quick introduction to Medic Mentor, overview of the day, competition ratios, application timeline, Awards and Scholarships
- 11:00-11:15 Break
- 11.15-11.45 Introduction to the UCAS application form and entry requirements
- 11.45-12.15 Interactive CV building exercise and exclusive access to leadership, research, presentation, publication, prizes and scholarship opportunities
- 12.15-12.30 Top tips form a successful applicant (medical student)
- 12:30-12:45 Break
- 12.45-13.30 How to write the perfect personal statement
- 13.30-13.45 Break
- 13.45-14.10 Entrance exams - how to do ace the UCAT
- 14.10-14.30 How to prepare for Medical School interviews
- 14.30-15.00 Top tips form a successful applicant (medical student) and next steps
- 15:00-15:30 Q&A Session

Students and parents/Carers can register for free here:

<https://airtable.com/appgXnyzN5ZD9lwk6/shry7MZYtt3MGPjvO>

Maria O'Neill | Lead Professional in PSHCE | Careers (CEIAG) Lead

## **Students in Year 7 - Year 9: NEW Aspirations Bulletin**

Students in Year 7 - Year 9 will be emailed this month's Aspirations Bulletin to help inspire their future dreams and goals. To view a copy, please click on the link below. Many thanks, Careers

[careers@lordswoodtrust.co.uk](mailto:careers@lordswoodtrust.co.uk)

[Aspirations Bulletin February 2024.pptx](#)