

Parent Bulletin



KING EDWARD VI
LORDSWOOD
SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Monday 15th April - Friday 19th April 2024

Week A

Lordswood School for Girls

<https://lsg.kevibham.org/>

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Upcoming dates

Date	Event
Monday 15th April 2024	Careers advisor in school
Tuesday 16th April 2024	Careers advisor in school KS5 School council meeting
Wednesday 17th April 2024	Y10 Curriculum evening

This week at King Edward VI Lordswood School for Girls we have:

- Used assemblies to explore what is meant by neurodiversity
- Year 10 students have been on their Practice DofE expedition
- We have really enjoyed hearing from students that enjoyed Eid celebrations on Wednesday.

Attendance - Did you know?

Absence disrupts the education of the individual pupil and the whole class.

Are you aware those children who do not attend regularly:

- do not achieve well in exams
- find it difficult to maintain friendships
- are more likely to become involved in crime

- miss out on opportunities in further education and the world of work?

Every minute counts

Frequent absence can add up to a considerable amount of lost learning and can seriously disadvantage your child in adult life.

- 5 minutes late every day means around 3 ½ days of education are missed
- a score of 90% in a test would be a good result but 90% attendance means that a child will have missed around 100 lessons over a school year.

Attendance during one school year	equals this number of days absent	which is approximately this many weeks absent	which means this number of lessons missed
95%	9 days	2 weeks	50 lessons
90%	19 days	4 weeks	100 lessons
85%	29 days	6 weeks	150 lessons
80%	38 days	8 weeks	200 lessons

If your child is absent from school it is essential that you let the school know as soon as possible - ideally before school starts at 8:30.

As a school there are currently two methods by which you can report an absence:

- 1) Phone the school and leave a message for the attendance team. Please be specific as to the reason for their absence so we don't have to call you back to confirm details.
- 2) You can report an absence via the KEVI LSG app.

We are pleased to inform you that from next week we will be launching a new programme called '**study bugs**' - just like the KEVI LSG app, this allows you to report a student's absence without having to make a phone call. The advantage of this programme is that it links with the NHS and other public health organisations to offer guidance as to whether your child can attend school with the illness you are reporting and gives guidance on supporting your child with the condition that you are experiencing.

We would appreciate as many parents as possible to trial this system over the next term so we can move to this being a main method for reporting absences from September.

You can register for study bugs free via their website or their app. All of which can be accessed via the following link:

<https://studybugs.com/about/parents>

Extracurricular clubs - Summer term 2024

There are some brand new clubs that are starting in the summer term, in addition to the existing ones, which students can join.

Year	New clubs running
Yr 7,8, 9	Sister Act Props and set making, Sister Act hair and makeup, Language Ambassadors, Creative Writing Club, Debate Club, Art Workshops, Cricket, Rounders, Music production
Yr 10	Sister Act Props and set making, Sister Act hair and makeup, Language Ambassadors, Creative Writing Club, Debate Club, Cricket, Rounders. Business Studies drop in, French Exam prep, English catch up, Photography, Spanish and Health & Social Care, Music production
Yr 11	Sister Act Props and set making, Sister Act hair and makeup, Language Ambassadors, Creative Writing Club, Debate Club, Cricket, Rounders, Business Studies drop in, English catch up, Health & Social Care, Music production
Yr 12	Sister Act Props and set making, Sister Act hair and makeup, Language Ambassadors, Creative Writing Club, Sixth Form Sports, Photography, Physics, Music production
Yr 13	Sister Act Props and set making, Sister Act hair and makeup, Language Ambassadors, Creative Writing Club, Sixth Form Sports, Music production

Please discuss the new clubs on offer with your child and if your child wishes to join any one of these new clubs, please complete the relevant form below.

[Year 7 clubs](#)

[Year 8 clubs](#)

[Year 9 clubs](#)

[Year 10 clubs](#)

[Year 11 clubs](#)

[Year 12 clubs](#)

[Year 13 clubs](#)

Please note the following

If the club runs after school then by completing this form, you are giving your permission for your child to stay in school until 4:00pm.

The form must be completed by **Wednesday 17th April 2024**

If your child wishes to continue with an existing club, there is no need to complete the form.

No clubs take place after school on a Wednesday due to staff training

To see details of all the clubs that are taking place in the summer term, [click here](#) for the timetable of all the clubs that are running. This information will also be published on the school website in due course.

Many thanks
Mrs Finucane
AHT:Personal Development

Year 11 Prom 2024

The Year 11 prom is fast approaching, this is just a gentle reminder to make your payments in full by 25th May 2024.

Thank you in advance