Parent Bulletin



Monday 29th April - Friday 3rd May 2024

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Upcoming dates

Date	Event
Monday 29th April 2024	Y11/Y13 Photography/Art exams
Tuesday 30th April 2024	KS4 School council meeting
	Y11/Y13 Photography/Art exams
Wednesday 1st May 2024	Y10 Parents evening
	Y13 Art exams/ Y11 Photography exams
	Y8 HPV vaccinations
Thursday 2nd May 2024	Harry Potter day
Friday 3rd May 2024	Y7/Y12 Exam timetable to be shared

Exam pressure - support

We are aware that exams have the potential to exacerbate feelings of anxiety amongst young people. That is why it's important that whilst pupils should be encouraged to work hard, this should not be at the expense of their wellbeing.

There is a range of advice and guidance for students and parents to help alleviate or lessen the anxiety they have about sitting exams, including:

Help your child beat exam stress - NHS

Academic and exam stress: Mentally Healthy Schools

Exam stress - Student Minds

Coping with exam pressure - a guide for students - GOV.UK

Parking at school

If you have an agreement to collect/ drop your child from the Knightlow Road entrance and access the school car park, please refrain from parking on the hashed markings. Blocking this means that students with disabilities or injuries cannot access the disabled parking bay and their vehicle easily. Thank you for your cooperation

Year 8 parents survey results

Thank you to the parents/carers of year 8 who took the time to complete the parent survey that was sent out after parents evenings, it's greatly appreciated. It really helps us to see what is working well and what areas we need to investigate and do more work on.

Based on the feedback that we received, the following areas scored highly, with at least 70% of respondent agreeing or strongly agreeing that:-

- My child is happy at KEVI LSG
- My child feels safe at KEVI LSG
- KEVI LSG makes sure its pupils are well behaved
- KEVI LSG makes me aware of what my child will learn during the year
- KEVI LSG has high expectations for my child
- My child does well at KEVI LSG
- KEVI LSG lets me know how my child is doing
- There is a good range of subjects available to my child at KEVI LSG
- KEVI LSG supports my child's wider personal development

There was one area that emerged from the feedback and this related to extracurricular opportunities such as clubs and trips.

We have a wide range of extra curricular clubs running either at lunchtime or afterschool each term. These cover sporting, creative and academic interests. A large proportion of our student population attend these clubs. We are in the process of asking for student feedback on the additional things they would like to do at lunchtime and after school, and although not all suggestions will be feasible, we will aim to implement more activities, where possible, that are of interest to the students.

The number of trips and events and who they are for is now more closely monitored. This is enabling us to identify any trends in provision and ensure that it is fair across all year groups. We are currently working to get to a position where we are able to offer one whole year group trip per year for each year group, in addition to the curriculum based trips and events that take place. The year 8 and 9 ski trip is going to take place next year and more

information about this will be sent out to parents in due course. Therefore providing a range of opportunities for personal development via trips and events continues to be a focus.

Extracurricular trips and events

We have had a busy start to the summer term. Here is a summary of what trips and events have taken place so far.

Year 9 and 10 took part in a practice expedition in preparation for their bronze Duke of Edinburgh award in the Clent Hills.

Year 13 History students traveled to Oxford University to hear a talk on middle eastern history from professor Eugene Rogan and to visit the Natural History Museum.

Some students in year 9 took part in the KEVI Enterprise day at KE High School for Girls and one of our students was in the group that reached the final.

Year 12 and 13 Politics students also went to KE High School for Girls to take part in a United Nations role play, where groups of students represented a country and took part in debates that reflected what takes place at the United Nations assembly.

Some students in year 7 went for a two night stay at the Pioneer centre in Cloebury Mortimer, Shropshire, to take part in lots of outdoor and team building activities to build confidence and social skills.

Polite Reminder

A big thank you to those students who continue to ensure that their phones are either in their locker or handed in at the start of the school day. Please can I remind students and parents that items such as body sprays, scissors, makeup and paracetamol are not allowed in school and will be confiscated until the end of the half term. Thank you, Ms Briggs.

April Aspirations Bulletin for Year 7 - Year 9

The Careers Champions have been busy putting together this month's Aspirations Bulletin which is shorter than normal as they need your help! Can students in Year 7 - Year 9 answer the following survey to tell us what you would like us to feature in next month's edition!

Aspirations Survey Y7 - Y9

Here is *this* month's bulletin which will be emailed to all students in Year 7 - Year 9. Please click below to view a copy:

April Aspirations Bulletin

Many thanks,

Careers Champions