Parent Bulletin



Monday 15th September - Friday 19th September 2025

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Upcoming dates

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Date	Event	
Monday 15th September 2025	School Council Election Week National Inclusion Week	
Tuesday 16th September 2025	School Council Election Week National Inclusion Week	
Wednesday 17th September 2025	School Council Election Week National Inclusion Week	
Thursday 18th September 2025	School Council Election Week National Inclusion Week	
Friday 19th September 2025	School Photos Year 12 Course Change Deadline School Council Election Week National Inclusion Week	

Welcome back to school!

It has been truly wonderful to welcome all pupils back to school. A special mention goes to our new students in Year 7 and Year 12, who are already settling in and becoming familiar with our school routines. It's heartening to see them embracing our school community with such enthusiasm.

We're also delighted with the new school benches and picnic tables, which have added valuable outdoor space for pupils to gather during break and lunch. These areas have quickly become popular spots for reading, drawing, and friendly games of Connect 4 and Jenga—fostering creativity and connection beyond the classroom.

It was a pleasure to welcome so many parents to our Year 12 Curriculum Evening on Wednesday. We truly value the partnership we share with parents in supporting students throughout their sixth form journey. For those who were unable to attend—or would like to revisit the information shared—the presentation from the evening is now available on the Pastoral Care. Year 12 page of our school website.

Despite the challenges we've faced with internet connectivity this week, I am immensely proud of the resilience shown by both staff and students. Their dedication has ensured that teaching and learning have continued with minimal disruption, reflecting our school values of Be Ready, Be Respectful and Be Resilient.

Mrs Adamson - Deputy Headteacher

Apologises

I am sure your children might have mentioned that we have been having some significant issues with the new IT system that was installed over the summer, this has sadly affected all systems that rely upon the internet to function e.g. tills, google drive. I just wanted to give a massive apology for the impact that it has had on lessons and service at break/lunchtimes.

Mr Curran and our technical consultants have been working non-stop to try and resolve the issue. Hopefully the situation will be resolved over the weekend and we will finally start to see the benefits of the newly fitted network!

Please can you pass on our thanks to the students who have been nothing but amazing. They have been so polite, understanding and empathetic. I am so proud of how they have adjusted to the challenges that these difficulties have brought.

Many thanks for your patience and understanding

Mrs Cooney

Cashless catering

I just wanted to say a massive thank you to the students/parents who made us aware of the issues with parent pay not syncing with the new till system. We have been in communication with parent pay/Civica and they are working hard to resolve the issue.

Over the next few days the two systems will hopefully start talking to each other and the accounts will start to sync.

I just want to make you aware that this will mean that everything that your children have purchased since the start of term will suddenly come off your parent pay account. This might mean that some accounts go into a negative balance.

I will instruct the catering team to give students a few days to clear these negative balances without restricting their purchases.

Please accept our apologies for the inconvenience that this has caused.

Many thanks

Mrs Cooney

School Photo Day - Friday 19th September 2025

Dear Parent/Carers,

Our school photo day is coming up, All lower school students need to be in full uniform adhering to our uniform policy. Any students who come to school with makeup on will be asked to remove this at the beginning of school the day.

Year 7 and Year 12 Parent View survey results from July 2025

Thank you to the parents/carers of year 7 and 12 who took the time to complete the parent view survey that was sent out after the parents' evening in July, last term. 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 75% of respondents agreeing or strongly agreeing that:-

Statement	Year 7	Year 12
My child is happy at KEVI LSG	96.9 %	100%
My child feels safe at KEVI LSG	93.7%	100%
KEVI LSG makes sure its pupils are well behaved	78.2 %	100%
KEVI LSG has high expectations for my child	84.4 %	100%
My child does well at KEVI LSG	93.7%	100%
KEVI LSG lets me know how my child is doing	87.5 %	100%
There is a good range of subjects available to my child at KEVI LSG	96.9 %	100%
My child can take part in clubs and activities at KEVI LSG	84.4 %	57.2%
KEVI LSG supports my child's wider personal development	84.4 %	85.6%

Based on parental feedback, one area was raised by parents in both year groups. This was to improve the communication about what students will be learning during the year.

To support this, the school offers a well-structured curriculum, with a dedicated curriculum evenings for each year group at various points within the academic year. Curriculum plans are also available online, and parents/carers are encouraged to check the site regularly for updates on their child's educational journey. The link to access this information can be found here https://lsg.kevibham.org/the-curriculum/. Curriculum overviews are also planned to be published in the bulletin on a termly basis.

We also received some feedback from Year 12 parents, that they feel their child does not have enough opportunities to take part in clubs and activities at KEVI LSG. We want to

make sure all students, including those in the Sixth Form, have access to these extracurricular activities.

To help with this, we'll continue to promote available clubs and activities in the student bulletin and on the website, so everyone stays in the loop and can join in!

Any issues that were raised are currently being looked into and a member of staff will be in touch with the parent/carer to discuss these further.

Thank you once again for the feedback.

Peripatetic Music lessons

Year 7

Please remember that the deadline for expressioning an interest in peri lessons was Friday 12th September - however we will accept them until 9am on Monday (if you have had problems accessing the KEVI LSG app). We will then set up payment on ParentPay.

Year 8/9

The extended deadline for payment was Friday 12th September (although we will accept payments until 9am on Monday). Any students that have not paid for lessons by this date will not be able to have lessons this term. If you no longer wish to have a lesson, but have an instrument from services for education, please return it to Mrs Swallow as soon as possible

Arts Ambassadors

We are looking to recruit Year 7 arts ambassadors to our team. You will be involved in organising Performing Arts events and promoting the arts in school. If you would like an application form please see Mrs Swallow. Applications need to be returned by Friday 19th September.

Year 11 Drama trip to see 'The Woman In Black'

Please can you ensure you have paid for tickets on ParentPay by 17th September.

Virtual Career Opportunities

There are many virtual opportunities outside of school that you can explore to help you with your next steps and give you a better understanding of a particular sector. Please look below for upcoming opportunities you can register for. Many thanks, Mrs McInerney, Careers Adviser and CEIAG Coordinator

Explore a Career in Medicine or Dentistry

Medic Mentor would like to invite students in Year 10 - Year 13 who are curious about a career as a doctor/dentist, or those set on pursuing medicine or dentistry, to attend one of their first Get Into conferences of the year.

Free Live Virtual Get Into Medicine Conference:

- Saturday 20th September from 9am 1:30pm
- Sunday 21st September from 9am 1:30pm
- Sunday 28th September from 9am 1:30pm

Free Live Virtual Get Into Dentistry Conference:

- Saturday 27th September from 9am - 1:30pm

Students and parents can register using this link:

Medicine: https://medicmentor.org/get-into-medicine conference signup/
Dentistry: https://dental-mentor.org/get-into-dentistry-conference-sign-up/

These events offer a complete guide through the medical and dentistry application journey. Students will gain key insights into the UCAS application process, connect with doctors, dentists, medical and dental students, whilst gaining a clearer view of a future in healthcare.

Students will be guided through essential topics such as:

- Application Timelines
- How to Tactically Choose Medical or Dental Schools
- Personal Statements
- Medical/Dental School Interviews
- UCAT Entrance Exam to Medical School
- Medical Leadership and Awards Programmes
- Accessing Work Experience

- Accessing Scholarships

Students will be awarded a certificate of attendance, which can be listed in their UCAS applications, evidencing their preparation for a course in medicine.

Here's a rough guide on how the day will run:

9am - Registration

9:30am - Introduction to Mentorverse, Competition ratios, Volunteering and Work Experience

10:10am - 10 min break (optional q&a)

10:20am - Academic entry requirements and extracurricular activities

10:45am - Successful Student

11:00am - 10 min break (optional q&a)

11:10am - Strategically deciding on 4 medical/dental schools, Costs of studying and applying to uni, Widening Access and extracurricular pathway support

11:40am - Personal statements and latest updates

12:00pm - Break 10 mins (optional q&a)

12:10pm - UCAT Entrance Exam

12:40pm - Interviews

12:50pm - Break 10 mins (optional q&a)

1:00pm - Application timeline review and support

1:15pm - Successful Student speaker

1:30pm - Finish conference

Medic Mentor's goal is to provide students with the tools to successfully navigate common errors and challenges, ensuring their application to medical school stands out.

Students must have a working camera and microphone for the session. Additionally, a parent or guardian should be present during these conferences to provide valuable insights and guidance, ensuring they can effectively support their progress.

If you have any questions, please email education@medicmentorfamily.org. Thank you for working with us to make a difference to your students.

Year 11 - Year 13: Young Professionals Get into Law Virtual Event

Are you considering a career in law but unsure about the best route to take? Join Young Professionals for the Get Into Law Insight Networking Evening on Monday, September 22nd, from 5pm to 7pm. At this event, you will hear directly from leading law firms and legal experts about the different pathways into the legal profession through interactive workshops and breakout room sessions.

This event is designed for students exploring options such as legal apprenticeships, solicitor training contracts, and university pathways. Whether you seek an alternative to university, want clarity on the legal profession, or want work experience, this session will give you the information you need to make an informed decision about your future.

Event Details:

Date: Monday, 22nd September

Time: 5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

For: Year 11, 12 and 13 students

Location: (Zoom link provided upon registration)

Meet Leading Law Firms & Institutions

You will have the opportunity to engage with representatives from some of the most prestigious law firms in the UK, as well as legal education providers, including 4 Magic Circle:

- Farrer & Co A specialist firm with expertise in private client and corporate law
- Freshfields A global firm offering expertise in corporate, dispute resolution, and finance law
- Slaughter and May A leading firm specialising in high-profile corporate and commercial cases
- Clifford Chance- A leading firm known for its expertise in finance, corporate M&A, and litigation, particularly in cross-border transactions.
- Linklaters A global law firm with expertise in banking, corporate, and dispute resolution
- University of Law A leading provider of legal education and solicitor training
- Fragomen- A leading global immigration services firm worldwide

 A&O Shearman- known for its expertise in finance, complex cross-border M&A, capital markets, and litigation

What to Expect?

- Workshop rooms on Zoom, where you can rotate around rooms to chat with different employers and dive deeper into different areas of law
- Insights into solicitor apprenticeships, training programmes and work experience schemes
- First-hand experiences from current legal apprentices and trainees
- Advice on applications, securing work experience, and making yourself stand out
- Interactive sessions with Early Careers teams and senior lawyers from top firms

This event is a must-attend for anyone considering a legal career. Whether you are set on becoming a solicitor, interested in alternative routes, or simply exploring your options, this session will provide valuable insights to help shape your future.

In addition, all students who attend this event will have the first chance to apply for some in-person legal opportunities this year!

Register now to secure your place!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YP Law

Year 11 - Year 13: Insight to Lloyds Banking Group - Tuesday 16th September, 5pm - 6pm

Are you ready to take your first step into the world of banking and finance? Whether you're considering apprenticeships, work experience, internships or graduate schemes—this session is your launchpad.

Lloyds Banking Group is one of the world's biggest financial services companies with over 30 million digital customers. Find out how they help Britain prosper, what makes their culture inclusive, and how their well-known brands are driving real change.

At this event, you will participate in workshops, network with their people, and hear about all of the key application deadlines for this year's opportunities. You'll hear straight from senior leaders about their journey, as well as recent apprentices and graduates and the advice they wish they'd had when starting out.

In addition, all who attend this virtual event will be the first to hear about and apply for over eight in-person events at their offices all across the UK. These events take place on Saturdays, so they don't impact time out of school or university. In-person opportunities are very rare, especially at huge banks, so this will be your head start to getting your foot in the door!

Your future starts now. Let's unlock it—together.

Event Details:

Date: Tuesday, 16th September

Time: 5:00 PM - 6:00 PM

For: Year 11, 12 and 13 students

Location: (Zoom link provided upon registration)

Register now to secure your place!

https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/Insight_LBG

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