

Going for Gold

We are incredibly proud of our Year 7 & 8 students who have been 'Going for Gold' this term. We have high expectations for behaviour and engagement, and these students have truly risen to the challenge.

A total of 146 students worked brilliantly to earn their place in our randomiser draw. Congratulations to the 20 lucky winners who received a Golden Ticket to our very first 'Hot Choc Social'!

Well done to everyone involved for showing such fantastic pride and ambition - your hard work hasn't gone unnoticed. Who is Going for Gold next term?

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#PrideAndAmbition



The Royal Institute of Philosophy

Students thoroughly enjoyed the 6 week, extra-curricular sessions with Dr Graham Nutbrown, a philosopher with a specialism in education, from the University of Bath. Topics discussed ranged from knowing what is real to questioning what it means to be happy and whether living a virtuous life leads to happiness. The depth of the students' thinking was remarkable. This will be followed up with students entering the Think essay competition. All students can enter, even if they did not attend the course.



Non Uniform Dates

We will be announcing these for next year and providing you and our students with clarity about the dress codes for these days.

Head Students

Congratulations to Mikey and Iylah on becoming our new Head students.

We were extremely proud to add Mikey and Iylah's names to our Honour Board which is in our reception area.

We also congratulate another 45 year 10 students who put themselves forward for leadership positions across our different committees and councils.



Cakes with the Head

Congratulations to our Year 8 students who had cakes with the Headteacher this week to celebrate their levels of consistency and commitment. #KingsdownBEATS

Is it always such a pleasure to meet with these students and listen to their aspirations and their achievements inside and outside of school.



Champion Shout Outs

Every Monday after school, Kingsdown staff come together to celebrate our students. Tutors, in particular do 'Champion shout outs'. Please do share stories with your child's Tutor so that we can recognise and celebrate all of the incredible achievements for your child outside of school.

Year 10

We are looking forward to welcoming Parents and Carers of Year 10 students on Thursday 30th April from 3.30pm for Parents' Evening.

Year 10 reports will be available for you to view on MCAS on Wednesday 29th April.

Holidays in Term Time

Please be reminded that leave of absence during term time will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances.

All requests are reviewed by the Attendance Officer in consultation with the Headteacher, Mrs Leigh-Bennett. Requests that do not meet this criteria will be declined, and unauthorised absences may result in a Fixed Penalty Notice.

Thank you for your support in prioritising your child's attendance.

Future events and important dates

- 25.04.26 - DofE Training Walk - Badbury
- 28.04.26 - Y11 Photography GCSE Exam (3 days)
- 28.04.26 - Y11 French Speaking Exam (3 days)
- 30.04.26 - Y10 Parents' Evening 3.30 - 6.30pm
- 03.05.26 - Pencelli Trip (6 days)
- 04.05.26 - May Bank Holiday (School closed)
- 08.05.26 - Year 11 GCSE Exams begin
- 14.05.26 - Y8 Parents' Evening 3.30 - 6.30pm
- 15.05.26 - DofE Silver Practice (3 days)
- 22.05.26 - School finishes normal time for half term
- 01.06.26 - Start of Term 6



With our continued thanks. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you have any questions or need any further information. Please be reminded that we have a 5 day response time.

Mrs Leigh-Bennett
Headteacher



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