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Welcome back to Term 2. Thank you for sharing our COVID update with your children over the break. All our students have adapted and taken responsibility this week.

We have begun our second cycle of enrichment. This week, we have had 2 main areas of focus: Road Safety and also COP 26 - raising awareness to climate change.

Next week year 11 begin their 2 week mock period - good luck to our students of Cohort 2022.

Mrs Leigh-Bennett & the KDS team

Events and Key Dates for Term 2



This term we celebrate a number of important events:

8th - 19th November - Year 11 Mock Exams

11th November - Remembrance Day

15th November - Odd Socks Day for Anti-Bullying

15th - 19th November - Literature Festival

22nd November - TD Day (School closed)

26th November - COP 26 Celebration non uniform day £1

6th December - TD Day (school closed)

9th December - Year 11 Parents' Evening

17th December - Christmas Jumper Day, term ends.

Road Safety - Safeguarding our students



This week, after a further 2 reports of unsafe crossing, we have taken the decision to dismiss students from site at 3pm following a roll call. Staff will be walking students off site.

Students have heard the message and expectations from Mrs Leigh-Bennett and know they must use the crossings to move over the road. They must not walk out between parked cars. Phones must be away and no earphones worn.

We need our students to keep these messages in the forefront of their minds. Your support in reinforcing these important messages is truly valued and appreciated.

We continue to work closely with the Highways agency to further improve the safety of Hyde Road.

For Information

COP 26 at Kingsdown



Over the coming weeks, students will be competing in a tutor competition focussing on climate change - we are truly inspired by the commitments of world leaders to tackle the environmental challenges we face.

Students will learn more about this in Champion time and we are looking forward to sharing their suggestions of how we can take action at Kingsdown.

We will celebrate this with a non-uniform day on 26th November.

For Information

One kind word



Anti-Bullying week takes place from 15th November with this year's campaign focussing on "One Kind Word". Students in all year groups will have an anti-bullying assembly and we encourage all to wear odd socks on Monday 15th to show their support.

For Information

Literature Festival



The Swindon Literature Festival will be taking place during the week commencing 15th November. There will be events with authors for students in years 7 & 9 as well as other opportunities for students in other year groups to be involved with writing competitions.

For Information

Student arrival



To support our messages of road safety, we ask that if you drive your children to school, please drop them off in a safe and suitable location.

Please do not allow students to get out of the car on Hyde Road when the traffic lights are on red. This does not allow them to cross roads safely and puts them and other drivers at risk. Thank you for your support.

For Information

Social Media - advice for parents



Streaming Social Media

What Parents Need to Know About Squid Game



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This week's free online safety guide focuses on Squid Game, it takes a look at a number of risks such as inappropriate content, viral spin-offs and scene re-enactments.

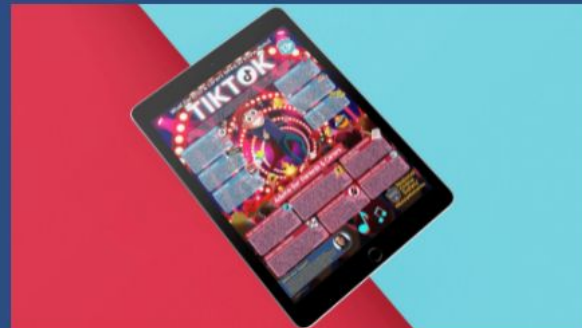
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Social Media

What Parents Need to Know About TikTok



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This week's free online safety guide focuses on TikTok, it takes a look at a number of risks such as age-inappropriate content, addiction and in-app spending.

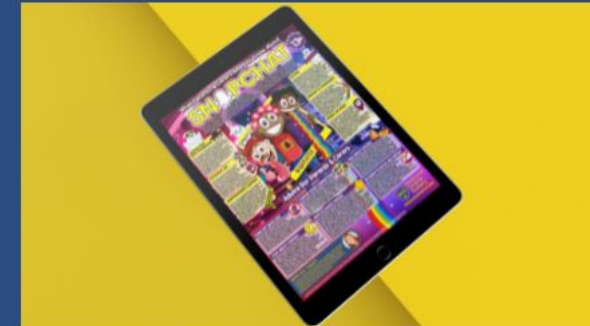
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Online Platforms Social Media

What Parents Need to Know About Snapchat



Published 3rd November 2021

This week's free online safety guide focuses on Snapchat, it takes a look at a number of risks such as sexting, visible location and strangers.

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For Information

ATLs



Your child's Attitude to Learning report is available on Edulink. This week, they have completed a reflection task based on their recent report.

Please look through this report and discuss what target areas your child has identified for this term.

The Lion's Roar - the Kingsdown Newspaper



One of our Enrichment groups this year is our School Newspaper. The talented team of reporters from Term 1 have produced a fantastic first edition of the “Lion’s Roar”.

Students have written a broad array of articles from film reviews to pieces on travel and politics. It is fabulous to see young people with such diverse interests.

You can read the term 1 newspaper [HERE](#)

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable week 1



Nov 2021 W/C 8th	Monday 8th	Tuesday 9th	Wednesday 10th	Thursday 11th	Friday 12th
Start Time	8:50am English Lit Paper 1 90min	8:50am Science Paper Chemistry 75mins	8:50am Maths Calc P2 90mins	8:50am Maths Calc P3 90mins	8:50am ART E11 E12
	11:30am History (60mins)	11:30am Geography Paper 1 45mins	11:30am DT R/Materials 90mins	11:30 am Classic Civilisations 90mins Health and Social Care 60mins	ART E11 E12 P3 Spanish Listening Higher 45mins
	1:30pm Spanish Reading 60mins	1:30pm Spanish Writing 80mins	ENRICHMENT	1:30pm Spanish Listening Foundation 45mins	1:30pm Art E11 E12

Year 11 Mock Exam Timetable week 2



WC 15th Novemb er 2021	Monday 15 th	Tuesday 16 th	Wednesday 17th	Thursday 18th	Friday 19th
Start Time	8 :50am English Language Paper 1 45min	8:50am Maths Non Calc P1 90mins	8:50am Business Studies P1 (56) 105 mins Extra Time 131 mins	8:50am R Studies 105 mins Computer Science 120 mins	8:50am rench Writing 60mins
	11:20am Sports Studies 90 mins Music Theory 80mins	11:20am Drama 60mins	11:20am French Listening HIGHER 45mins		11:20am DT Food 95 mins
	1:30pm French Reading 45mins	1:30pm French Listening 45mins	ENRICHMENT	1:30pm Geography Paper 2 (88) 45mins	