



Mosbach House - Mr Dadge

Welcome to our House, where we focus on confidence, ambition and resilience. As Head of House, I want to help everyone do their best by being 1% better each day, support each other and celebrate what we achieve.

I love being Head of House because I get to see our students grow, live our values and work together for success.



Bike Permits

As our students embrace the independence of riding their bikes, our priority remains safety and security. All students who wish to ride their bike to school must have a **Bike Permit**. A form can be collected from Reception or Student Services. To receive a Bike Permit students must :

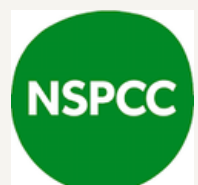
- Wear a bike helmet to and from school
- Cycle without wearing headphones
- Ensure they dismount their bike at the top of the driveway
- Lock their bike and helmet securely in the storage area
- Service their bike regularly
- Cycle sensible on their journey
- Display their bike permit tag
- Arrive to lock their bike up by 8.25am at the latest



As of next week this will be monitored and messages sent home of students who do not have a permit.

Online Safety

We would be grateful if you could please take the NSPCC online quiz regarding online safety
<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/quiz/>



Cakes with the Head

This term we are celebrating students achievements, in each year group, where students have cakes with the Head and they nominate two members of staff to share the cakes with.

This week I had the pleasure of meeting with Year 7, 8 & 9 students. #BEATs #Pride



Communication at KDS

All contact details for members of staff can be found on the Parent Portal. A reminder that there is a 5 day turnaround for responses to queries.

Home Learning at Kingsdown

Kingsdown's Home Learning programme is focused on helping students embed knowledge for the long term and develop independent learning habits to prepare them for GCSEs and beyond.

Key Details and Expectations

- Workload: Students will receive no more than one hour of home learning per subject, per week.
- Deadline: They are given a full week to complete the work.
- Rewards: High-quality completion is regularly celebrated through the rewards ladder.
- Consequence: Failure to meet a deadline results in a 30-minute after-school detention.

Support for Students and Parents

- Parent Support: Parents are encouraged to help their child organise their time and check their 'to do list' on Google Classroom each week.
- Study on site : The Learning Lounge (a quiet study space in the library) is open for students from Tuesday to Friday until 3:30pm.
- Wellbeing/Extensions: If a student is worried about completing their work on time, they should speak to their teacher to request an extension for support.

Future events and important dates

- 16.10.25 - Year 7 - Meet the tutor evening - Main Hall - 5.30pm - 6.30pm - no booking required
- 14.10.25 - Year 9 Football Tournament Marlborough
- 16.10.25 - Year 8 Football Tournament Foundation Park
- 17.10.25 - GCSE Music Festival Swindon
- 22.10.25 - End of term 1 - school finishes at 2.45pm
- 03.11. 25 - T D Day / River Learning Trust whole school meetings - school closed to students
- 04.11. 25 - Start of term 2 - All students return at 8.15am and go to their roll call areas
- 04.11.24 - Carers Week
- 10.11.25 - Literature Festival (all week)
- 10.11.25 - Year 11 Mocks (2 weeks)



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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