



Parent 20 Clicks

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Thank you - #we are all in this together



I remain incredibly proud of your children. They are a true credit to you. Term 3 has comprised 6 very full on weeks: Kingsdown went live with a fully remote on line curriculum We opened up our provision for 45 students who are now close on a 100 Developed our tutor challenges and rewards.

I remain indebted to the teaching, inclusion and support staff teams at Kingsdown. They have all been brilliant. Many thanks for all your very kind messages of thanks and taking the time to leave a review on Google - [here](#) and on the Ofsted parent review link - [here](#).

Wishing you and your family a peaceful week.
Mrs Leigh-Bennett

Safeguarding - Keeping your child safe online



Keeping your child safe when they are online is really important. We have a really good leaflet to support you with conversations with your child about being safe online.

[Leaflet](#)

Reopening of Kingsdown - awaiting more news



We are expecting a further Government announcement around w/c 22nd February. We will share our plans with you early next term.

From 22nd February our live online remote learning programme will continue for the majority of our students. This, as before, starts with a beat time for tutor time and P1 .

Our Kingsdown Provision will remain open for children of our key worker parents and our vulnerable students - see our website banner if you'd like to find out more.

For information



Message from Head Boy and Head Girl

On behalf of all the students, we would like to express our gratitude to our amazing staff for relentlessly working to equip us with exceptional online lessons.

Once again, the foreseeable future has its uncertainties, stretching us to adapt to situations we have never encountered, but it is our staff who make us feel secure in our education with their compassion and resilience towards their students during this pandemic. We are proud and inspired by the way you have all risen to the challenge, embracing innovative ways of teaching, yet never compromising the quality of our learning. We truly appreciate your perseverance, whether you are working at home or at school, as you have set an extraordinary example of commitment and strength.

Please stay safe, and we all hope to see you soon in the coming weeks.

Mahira Chowdhury and Matthew Spencer

February Half Term



Schools will close as usual over February half-term.

We are not expected to remain open to vulnerable children and the children of critical workers during this week.

A reminder to use the covid@kingsdownschool.co.uk email to report any positive cases prior to or during the holidays.

It is anticipated that FSM vouchers will continue, using the current system during half term.

Staying Safe at Half Term



Lockdown is a challenge for us all but it is so important that our young people continue to stay safe and follow the rules:

- Stay at home
- Avoid meeting others from outside your household
- Avoid travel



Random Acts of Kindness



This week's assembly has been about random Acts of Kindness and how students can get involved. For ideas over the half term, follow the link and encourage your child to sign up and become a RAKtivist.

<https://www.randomactsofkindness.org/become-a-raktivist>



Supporting our families



If for any reasons your circumstances at home have changed recently, please keep us up to date. This includes:

- Change of address or contact details
- Change of financial circumstance - you may be eligible for FSM
- Change of job - you may be able to use our provision if you are now a critical key worker

Year 9 options



Thank you year 9 parents and carers for all of your support with the options process. This week saw our students engaging in online taster sessions and having meetings with their tutors to discuss next steps.

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Term 4 Key Dates



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We are still awaiting the outcome of the recent Ofqual consultation around the processes and procedures for awarding of GCSEs in 2021.

We will update students and parents of this once announced, along with our robust systems to ensure all students receive the grades they deserve.

For now, please support us in ensuring all year 11 students remain engaged with all lessons and feedback any support we can offer at this challenging time.

Help us to help you.