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21.10.2020  
End of Term 1





Dear Parents / Carers,

Thank you.

The end of Term 1 - it's been quite some term.

My sincere thanks to all the staff at Kingsdown who have worked tirelessly to ensure that our students returned safely and calmly and thereby connected with Kingsdown - their school and their second family.

My thanks to our students - they have been amazing in re-engaging with their learning and our high expectations.

And.....my heartfelt thanks to you - our parents. Your support continues to be invaluable. These remain very different and difficult times and together Kingsdown school has felt very, very normal. Thank you for supporting your child with their home learning over the next three days.

Wishing you and your families a peaceful holiday. We look forward to welcoming back our students on 2nd November.

Mrs Leigh-Bennett & the Kingsdown Team

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# Home Learning 19th-21st October

Last week the students had assemblies on how the curriculum has been developed at Kingsdown School to provide excellent teaching and their role in ensuring brilliant learning takes place.

We shared with them our Excellent Teaching...Brilliant Learning documents:

Excellent Teaching... Brilliant Learning



As you can see a large feature of our teaching and learning is on 'review, recall and retrieve'. This is important as we want our students to have the knowledge taught in class embedded into their long-term memory.

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# Home Learning 19th-21st October

Students have also been told that next Monday- Wednesday are **normal school days** but they will follow their timetable at home.

Last week **departments provided work and explanations** to students detailing what they must do with their time.

The same **information** will be provided on **SatchelOne** as a reminder of what is expected. For Y11, this may also be through **GoogleClassroom**.

- The Home learning is around **Review, Recall & Retrieve** and students will be asked to complete tasks, activities and revision around the learning in term 1.

There will be an **assessment** on the **Home Learning** when they return.

As always, students can **email teachers** to ask for further **support**.

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# Reopening key changes



Following the changes announced recently, your child will have a new timetable in term 2. This will be shared with them on November 2nd.

This will mean:

1. More double lessons for all year groups
2. A change of days that your child has PE
3. A change in timings for break and lunch. These are slightly earlier each day- 10:40 for break and 12:50 for lunch. Will remain 30 mins each
4. Champion time with tutor at the end of each day

# Uniform and equipment



As the weather has got cooler, we have seen some non uniform items creep in to school, particularly on PE kit days.

Please use this 2 week break from school to ensure all your child's uniform is correct, including a Kingsdown PE jumper (non uniform jumpers/hoodies/sports jackets) will not be permitted.

The full list of uniform and PE kit can be found [here](#)



## Parent queries:

If you need to contact the school with any query, please email your **child's tutor**.

All email addresses are on our website, click [here](#) for the page. As always we will aim to get back to you within 48 hours.

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# Change of details/Medical

If you have recently moved home/changed contact details, please notify your progress leader to update this on the system.

Any medical conditions/changes, please notify your progress leader and the school nurse on [kridley@kingsdownschool.co.uk](mailto:kridley@kingsdownschool.co.uk)



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# EduLink



- EduLink provides both students and parents information such as timetables, catering balances, attendance and behaviour logs, school reports, etc. To access please click on this [link](#). (the school name is 'Kingsdown')
- Students need only click the 'log in with google' button and use their Google credentials also used for emails and Satchel One.
- New Parents can click on 'Reset Login' and use the same email address you would have provided the school in order to get details emailed to you.
- Further details on EduLink One are on our website [here](#).

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## Exams 2021



You no doubt caught the announcement on the 12th October from Gavin Williamson that exams next year (in England) are going ahead, but have been postponed by 3 weeks.

Therefore next years summer exam series will be between 7 June and 2 July.

Results day will be Friday 27 August

Full details can be found [here](#).

I will keep you updated of any further changes.

Please ensure that no holiday is booked until after 2nd of July.



# For Information

## Digital Strategy

Monday 12th October saw the roll out of our first phase of Chromebook issue.

The next phases will be to launch the devices with the remaining cohorts so that by the end of the year, all students have access to a chromebook to help support learning both in and out of lessons.

Full details of our strategic planning can be found [here](#).

Details of what a Chromebook is, can be found [here](#).



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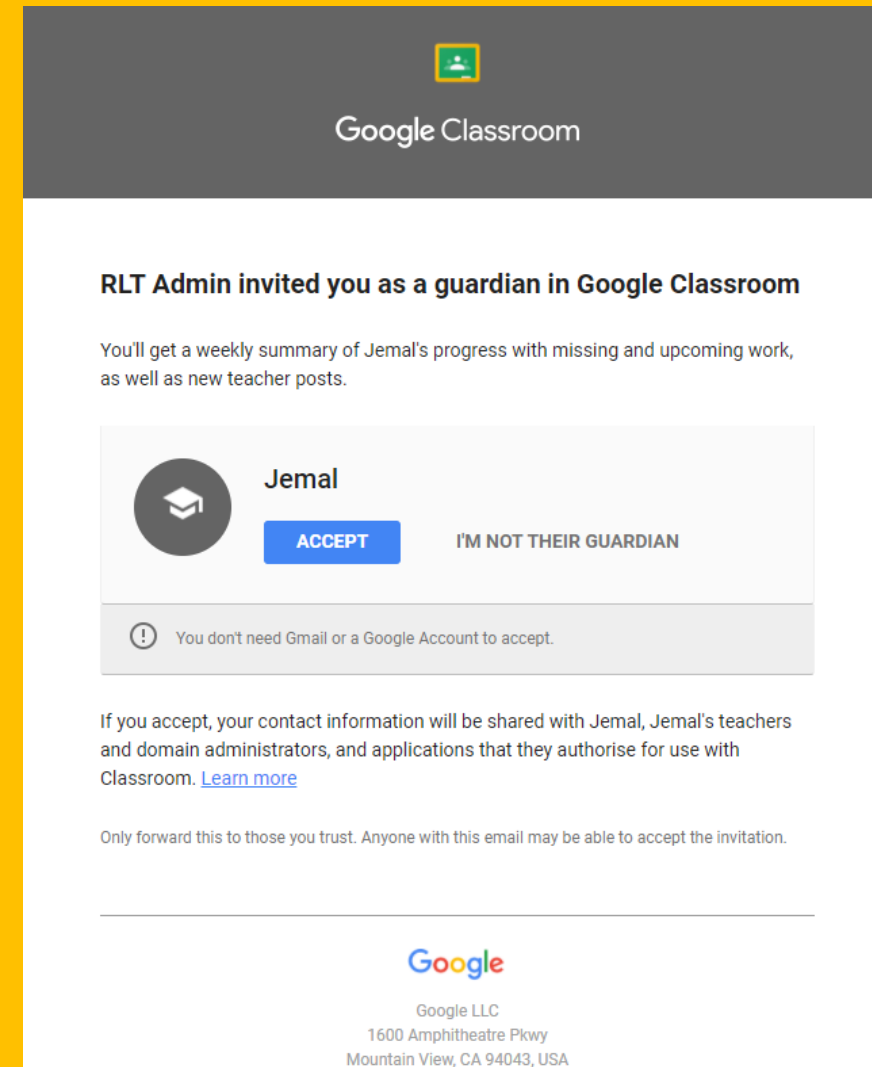
## Digital Strategy

As we enter into our next phase, we will be inviting all parents/carers to join 'Google Classroom' as a guardian.

This will ensure you can be effectively communicated with through this exciting new platform. More details of this can be found [here](#).

For this to be set up, you will receive an invitation email from "RLT Admin (Classroom)" asking for you to follow a link to receive update emails from Google Classroom. It will look like the image to the right.

We encourage you to accept this invite, but it is your decision as to whether you do so.



# Safeguarding - Helping to keep you and your families safe

## Keeping your children safe in the community



There has been a lot in the local press about youth violence and gang like behaviour. As the school holiday starts and the nights get darker, we want to share information with you about keeping your children safe when they are out in the community

Please click the link below, should you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact a member of the safeguarding team.

[County Lines](#)



# Safeguarding

Concerned or worried about the welfare of a child?

At Kingsdown school, our number one priority is to ensure that our children feel safe and that both students and parents know who to speak to if there is a safeguarding concern.

Our safeguarding team are:

**Designated Safeguarding Lead:** Shontelle Magenty (Assistant headteacher)

**Deputy Safeguarding Lead:** Karen Agambar (Child Protection Coordinator)

If you would like to contact a member of the safeguarding team, please use our SHARPs button on our school website





# Over Half Term – We Should! !



Avoid Crowded places and try to Stay at Home

Limit visitors into the home

Frequently clean and wash hands



Public Health



We champion each and every student



## Any Symptoms of Covid!

- Must Isolate for 10 days
- Get a test
- If test is positive other members need to isolate for 14 days.



Clean, Clean, Clean



Covid test a sample from throat and nose



Public Health





We Must !!



Socially Distance – 2m



Wash Hands Frequently



Wear a Face Covering in Social spaces



Only Meet in a Group of up to 6 people.

Remember!



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Stay Healthy



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# Safeguarding

## Online bullying



During the holidays we received a number of messages regarding online bullying. If your child is being bullied either through an app, game or a chat room, below is some advice for you to follow:

- Get your child to remove themselves from the situation and block the bully.
- Report the concern to the app, game or chat room
- If the content of the message is racist, sexual, has threatening content or is homophobic. Please report this to the police.

If you would like specific information about games, please visit [Net Aware](#) who provide detailed information about individual games.