



NEWSLETTER

21st October 2020

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Useful Dates

2 Nov	FIRST DAY OF TERM
4 Nov	Year 13 Parents' Evening
5 Nov	Year 7 Flu vaccination and HPV catch up
9-20 Nov	Year 12 Formal Assessment Weeks
10 Nov	Bags2School Collection Day
10 Nov	Year 13 NEA Field Trip to Boston
13 Nov	Year 13 NEA Field Trip to Skegness

Dear Parent/Carer,

When I welcomed parents at the start of this academic year I knew that this term would be like no other in my 26 year career in education. Terms like 'the new normal' were bandied around and whilst staff all knew they would need to work differently I don't think any of us could have imagined what the average day in a secondary school would feel like.

Juggling remote teaching via Teams, face to face teaching in school and sometimes both at the same time has been both rewarding and frazzling for staff and students. Not to mention dealing with the typical ups and downs of helping bright students navigate their way through their school careers and the added challenges of supporting those whose lockdown experience may have proved especially challenging.

Students have shown us just how much they appreciate and value what their teachers and support staff have to offer them. My particular respect goes to:

- Our new starters in Year 7 who have settled in brilliantly and provide me with great stories of their experiences in and out of school when we chat at breaktimes.
- Year 11 and 13 students who are working so hard in class to prepare themselves for their busy months ahead and are waiting patiently like staff to hear of any further changes to their examinations.
- The wonderful Year 13 senior student team who have tried hard to connect with younger students remotely and who have put lots of work into making our forthcoming Sixth Form Open Event for Year 11 informative and engaging.
- And all our students who havemastered the art of learning over video....volunteered to be School Councils reps....earned themselves a Growth Mindset award this term.....worked on their Duke of Edinburgh award even if they didn't make it to their expedition....or taken themselves outside their comfort zone by being part of an extra-curricular club.

All our worlds may have narrowed and half term plans might be more modest this year, but all staff and students hopefully feel as proud as I do to be part of the industry and achievement that continues inside our school gates each day.

Thank you for your continued support as ever. Your emails of kind words and encouragement mean a lot to staff who receive them and are always passed on.

Have a safe half term.

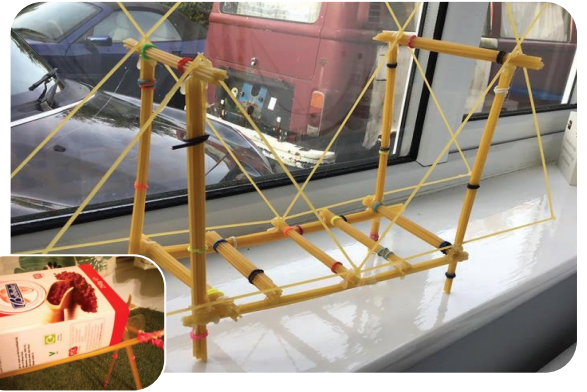
Mrs J Smith
Head of School

KSHS Virtual School Tour

Because we have been unable to show visitors around the school our website home page now contains a virtual tour of the school site. It is primarily designed for prospective parents but do have a look too especially if it feels like a long time since you've been able to visit us. The virtual tour can be found at <https://www.kshs.uk/site/default.asp>

Virtual STEM Club

Many of the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) extra-curricular opportunities usually on offer have not been able to run this year due to external competition events being understandably cancelled. Nevertheless we have continued to try and inspire our budding engineers, scientists and mathematicians in school. This term saw the launch of the Virtual STEM Club to allow students to still get involved in activities and challenges in a safe way.



Students in the club have joined a Microsoft Team, where each week a new challenge is posted for them to complete, at home, within a week. This allows students to complete the challenge in their own time and even allows family members to get involved in these activities. One of this term's challenges was to build spaghetti bridges to hold bags of sugar, such as the brilliant bridge built by Evie and Chloe.

The club is open to students in Years 7 and 8 - if students want to sign up to the club they can do so by asking their Science Teacher.

Mr S Norris

Teacher of Physics and STEM Leader RCT

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD REMINDER

Students who wish to register for any level of the Duke of Edinburgh Award should do so by 31 October 2020.

SILVER PRACTICE EXPEDITION

25 students from Year 12 of the Robert Carré Trust recently completed their Silver Practice Expedition in the Peak District over 2 days and 2 nights. The weather was wet and despite it having been 18 months since their Bronze Assessed Expedition the students all coped really well.

Mrs M Walker

Duke of Edinburgh Award Coordinator



Pictured are Emily, Ellie and Sarah
(day 2 of the expedition)

NOTICE FROM TESCO AND ICELAND

Tesco have been in contact with the school to let us know that after half term they will be implementing a traffic light system for members of the public, including students. They would also like to reiterate that social distancing of students should take place in their stores, whilst students are in a 'bubble' in school the rules on social distancing apply to all members of the public outside school. Similarly, Iceland would like to reiterate that whilst students are in their store they should socially distance, not stand in groups in the aisles and be mindful of other customers, workers and members of the public.

TESCO Iceland

ERRATUM

The Great European Bake Off!

An error was made in our last edition of the Newsletter:

The cake was in fact made by Lizzie in

7W - well done to

Lizzie - the cake looks delicious!



Spotlight on Sport

County Football



Well done to Abby Wellock, Abi Saggs, Neve Shore, Ruby Harmston, Lottie Wells and Niamh Cairns who have been selected to play in the Lincolnshire County Football Team.

Katherine Norton (9L) Cross Country



At the weekend Katherine took part in a 5K cross country race in her home village of Caythorpe (The Caythorpe Dash). Katherine came in 2nd place for female runner and 5th place overall out of 17 runners (12 females).

Well done Katherine!

Extra-curricular PE Clubs after school 3.40pm to 4.30pm

Monday	Year 11 GCSE Practical
	Year 7 Yoga
Tuesday	Year 9 & 10 Football
Wednesday	Year 11 Fitness
	Year 11 GCSE NEA Clinic
Thursday	Year 7 & 8 Football

10th November 2020



In aid of the school PTA and Children in Need

Wear a **yellow** accessory

Yellow hair accessories (but no yellow hair!)

Yellow socks. **Yellow** jewellery. **Yellow** earrings
(not too huge). **Yellow** nails (no
falsies/extensions)

1. Bring a bag of unwanted clothes to outside
the K Block – collect a raffle ticket to hand in to
your form tutor. (You do not need to pay £1) or

2. Wear something yellow (as above) bring £1
Monies raised will be split between the PTA and
Children in Need



GROWTH MINDSET NOMINATIONS

21st September to 2nd October 2020



Staff are invited to nominate students who have demonstrated a Growth Mindset in the past few weeks. This might have been in lessons, in clubs, in tutor time or simply around school.

Please note we already award bi-annual subject badges and merits for good academic work, effort and improvement. These Growth Mindset nominations recognise those who show resilience (academic or otherwise); who aren't afraid to get things wrong and learn from it; those who have a go, take themselves out of their comfort zone or show that even if a task is tough they will persevere.

Subject area	Student being nominated	Tutor Group	Staff nominating
French	Kitty Cameron	8MC	Miss A Beckitt
French	Isabel Lee	8KDU	Miss A Beckitt
French	Ava Roberts	9L	Miss A Beckitt
Geography	Charlie Blair	10A	Mrs S Livingstone
Geography	Rosie Ibbs	8KDU	Mrs S Livingstone
German	Evie Hardbattle	11F	Mr L Rooke
German	Katie Lifton	11L	Mr L Rooke
German	Ella Rippon	11L	Mr L Rooke
Maths	Zahra Abdallah	7A	Mrs K Brown
Maths	Alice Constantine	9A	Mrs K Brown
Maths	Elsa Cullum	10A	Mrs K Brown
Maths	Alyssa Farley	10A	Mrs K Brown
Maths	Emelia Fuller	10F	Mrs K Brown
Maths	Amelia Lyons	11L	Mrs K Brown
Maths	Reese Ward-Walters	9A	Mrs K Brown
Maths	Abbie Wilkinson	11W	Mrs K Brown
PE	Charlotte Oliver	7L	Mrs M McGann
Tutor	Lily Threapleton	8KB	Mrs K Brown