

Friday 10th January 2025

# King James's School Newsletter

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## Message from the Headteacher

Happy New Year! Thank you for all your support and understanding this week, which has been tricky for everyone. I am hugely grateful to our site team who have worked tirelessly all week to clear and grit pathways and car parks (and to other staff volunteers who have helped out); to staff who have travelled through difficult conditions and set work remotely; and to you as parents for supporting home learning once again. We all look forward to being back to normal next week!

Clare Martin  
Headteacher

## Careers

Work Experience Opportunity for Years 12 and 13.

Labcorp are providing the opportunity to learn more about the exciting world of careers in Science and Drug Development by offering on site work experience placements for students in Year 12 and Year 13 in two different areas:



**Science in Industry:** an overview of the drug development process and practical insight into how science is used in business. This programme will be offered on two occasions in 2025 (30 Jun – 04 July 2025 & 14 July – 18 July 2025). There will be six places available per occasion. Students should indicate their preferred date on the application form.

**Histology:** a specialized programme recommended for students with a particular interest in the microanatomy of biological tissues. Students will have the opportunity to get hands on practical experience in all stages of the Histology Process. There will be two placements offered in this area in 2025 (one placement 30 Jun – 04 July 2025 and one placement 14 July – 18 July 2025). Students should indicate their preferred dates on the application form.

We are particularly keen to receive applications for the work experience placements from students who are interested in joining our Apprenticeship programme on completion of their studies in year 13.

Placements are in high demand and we can only accommodate a small number of students so we ask for all interested students to follow a simple selection process detailed below:

- Complete the Smartsheet form and attach completed application form using the following link:  
<https://app.smartsheet.com/b/form/1556eb1fdc4a4cb2b6878cf8480bd4eb>
- CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: 27 Jan 2025.
- Short Interviews for selected students by labcorp, these will take place February 2025.
- Email notification confirming or declining the allocation of placements will be sent to students no later than 28 February 2025.
- All consent paperwork confirming acceptance of placement returned to Labcorp no later than 31 March 2025.

The logo for the Maths Department Past Paper Society features a stylized orange and blue graphic of a book and a pencil on a grid background. The text "Maths Department" is in a small font, "PAST PAPER SOCIETY" is in large bold letters, and "GCSE and A-Level" is in a cursive font. A red box at the bottom says "TUESDAYS L52".

Maths Department  
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## Assemblies

It's a busy week for assemblies as we try and catch up on the ones that were missed this week.

We are delighted to have a number of guest speakers coming into school to deliver assemblies to our students.

On Tuesday, we welcome a representative from Air Cadets who will be delivering a presentation to Year 8.

On Wednesday and Friday, we welcome UTC Leeds who are delivering careers assemblies to Year 9 and Year 11.

The postponed 'Importance of Respect' assembly delivered by Mr McIntosh and Mrs Holdsworth will be delivered to all year groups throughout the week.

## Thought for the Fortnight

Thought for the Fortnight for the week beginning 10th January is:

"People will forget what you have said, people will forget what you did but people will never forget how you made them feel"



The Key takeaways are:

- Treat others as you want to be treated yourself .
- In lessons: show support and understanding when others speak, communicate in a positive way.
- Around school: show patience and good manners, behave safely and communicate politely.



## KING JAMES'S SIXTH FORM

Your future in safe hands

# OPEN EVENING 2025

Thursday 16th January

6:30pm - 8:00pm



### The Week Ahead: 13th January 2025

Day	Session	Year	Time	Location
Mon	Year 13 Mock Exams Week 2	13		
Tue				
Wed				
Thur	Sixth Form Open Evening		6.30-8.00pm	
Fri				