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King James's School Newsletter

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The Headteacher's Message

It was great to see so many parents and students at our Sixth Form Open evening last night. We are proud of our fantastic sixth form – as Ofsted quoted 'students flourish!'.

KJS Sixth Formers succeed in so many ways – in their academic performance; development of skills and confidence; and are well prepared for a wide range of brilliant destinations. We welcome students from other schools and are delighted that most of our KJS students stay with us too. If anyone would like any more information then please do let us know.

Clare Martin
Headteacher

If you're applying to our Sixth form you'll find the application forms and all our key dates on our School Website, which can be accessed via the QR code below:



Percussion lessons

Our music department would dearly love to hear from anyone who may be able to come into school to teach percussion lessons, just for 2-2.5 hours per week. Please do pass this message onto anyone who you think may be interested and able to help. Thank you so much for your support.



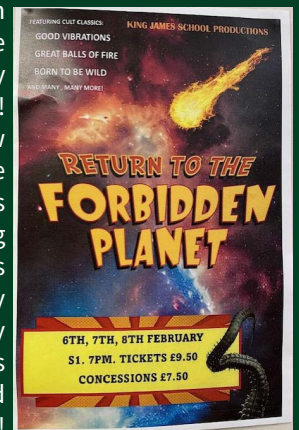
Football Success

Congratulations to our Year 10 football team who won their national cup match on Friday last week, winning 4-0. They are now into the last 16 of the competition. Well done



School Production

A reminder that tickets for 'Return to the Forbidden Planet' are now on sale at lunchtimes outside the library! Students will need to bring cash to buy them at £7.50 for students and £9.50 for adults! They have all been working so hard as a cast, crew and band since September and as one of the staple events of our school calendar, we hope to see lots of you there supporting them! They are wandering around school in their promotional purple hoodies and getting very excited for our show nights! They will also be in school all day on Sunday 28th January for their technical rehearsal - the smoke machines are warming up, final costumes being stitched and fitted and instruments are being tuned as we speak!



Return to the Forbidden Planet is a jukebox musical by Bob Carlton based on the 1956 science fiction film Forbidden Planet, which, in turn, is loosely based on Shakespeare's play The Tempest. The show features a score of 1950s and 1960s rock and roll classics such as Great Balls of Fire, Born to be Wild and even The Monster Mash!

Often billed as "Shakespeare's forgotten rock and roll masterpiece", Return to the Forbidden Planet has been performed all over the world since its premiere in London in the 1980s and won the Olivier Award for Best New Musical for both 1989 and 1990.

Come and see if our version does it justice!

GCSE Geography Revision

Year 11 students have been given a revision timetable that aims to support them over the next 4 months with their revision. GCSE Geography revision materials are now available on ItsLearning - this includes 'Voiced-over Powerpoints' for each of the topics that have been covered (Year 10-Year 11) that go through key ideas, concepts and case studies.

This material is available right up until the exams and can be accessed any time and viewed as many times as necessary.

Also, please keep an eye out for the posters around the department that detail revision sessions with Mrs Eastaugh. The next one is on Monday 22nd January, looking at Rivers and Coasts.

Refurbishment of Mint Garth play area in Knaresborough

North Yorkshire Council is working with Knaresborough Town Council on a project to improve the quality of the Mint Garth Play Area in Knaresborough. The play area currently lacks a good range of play equipment for a wide age range of users. There is a lot of unused space on the play area site which we feel would benefit from some up-to-date play equipment.

This public consultation will gather opinions from residents to help create the most suitable design for the play area. The consultation report will be used to create a wish list for the design brief, which will influence the final decision.

The money (£50,000) for this project would come from the S106 money (Commutated Sums). This is money paid to North Yorkshire Council by property developers when providing residential properties within the council area.

We would appreciate your views, please complete the [online survey](#) by Sunday 3 March 2024



The Week Ahead: 22nd January 2024

Personal Development Focus: Ready - Integrity "being able to implement positive change"				
Day	Session	Year	Time	Location
Mon	School Council Meeting Week Food Prep & Nutrition NEA2 Trial	11		
Tue				
Wed	Year 9 Parents Evening	9	4.30-7.30pm	Via video call
Thur	STEM Careers Guest Speaker Hosp & Catering Practical Mock Exam Y11 breakfast visit to Sixth Form	9 11 11	Periods 1 & 3 All day 8.45 - 9.10am	Sixth Form Centre
Fri	Hosp & Catering Practical Mock Exam	11	All day	

Parent and Carer Support Session – Anxiety

Anxiety is a common feeling, but it can sometimes cause difficulties in our lives. This sessions aim is to help in learning more about anxiety and how to help your young person.

This session will cover:

- What anxiety is, how it can affect young people and to understand when your child might need help.
- How to recognise anxiety in children and young people and how this may be displayed through avoidance and safety behaviours.
- The triggers of anxiety and the fight, flight and freeze response.
 - Some simple techniques to support your child with anxiety.
 - Signposting to additional resources and Apps.

Dates and Times

Wednesday 7th February 2024 @ 17:30

Location

Online

Information

Please email tewv.wimthamandrich@nhs.net to register your interest and to receive your session link.



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