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King James's School Newsletter

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Student Achievement

Sixth Form student Lewis Winn (Year 13) has maintained 100% attendance over his two years in the Sixth Form, with no late marks. In addition, he has not been given any other negative marks over that time.

Lewis has never been anything other than hardworking, polite and respectful during his time in Sixth Form. He has studied Psychology, Art and Computer Science and is hoping to start an IT apprenticeship in the summer.

Earlier this week, Lewis met with the Head Teacher Mrs Martin and Director of Sixth Form Mr O'Hara who congratulated him on this fantastic achievement.

Well done Lewis, and good luck in the future. That attitude and approach will see you go far!

Duke of Edinburgh

Last weekend 69 Year 9 and Year 10 pupils headed out on their Bronze Practice Expedition for Duke of Edinburgh. They walked for 2 days around Nidderdale and although there were times of beautiful sun they also had to battle some terrible rain and tough terrain.

However, spirits were mostly high and all pupils successfully completed their walks, pitching their tents and cooking on a small camping stove. They learnt that being able to read a map is vital and that team work is the only way to succeed. They were a huge credit to the school and we are incredibly proud of their efforts and achievements.



UCAS Discovery Day

On Thursday the whole of Year 12 visited the UCAS Discovery Day at Leeds Beckett University. The event enabled students to speak to experts to help them decide on their next steps. They got help and advice about traditional degrees, apprenticeships, careers and more.



Our Year 12 students were able to speak to 130 exhibitors including a large variety of different higher education universities and institutions, employers, and apprenticeship providers. They were also able to attend seminars on student life, student finance, subject specific workshops, and wider support sessions from UCAS.

Everyone enjoyed the day and are now much better prepared and ready for their next steps.

Geography Fieldtrips

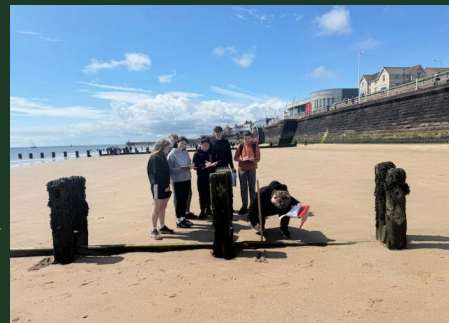
This week saw 170 Year 10 students participate in a Geography fieldtrip to Bridlington to collect their data in preparation for an exam next summer.

The Monday trip was wet, to say the least. What started off as a grey day quickly descended into a full on downpour, which thankfully ended 5 minutes after we got on the coach to head back to Knaresborough. The students braved the best that this summer could throw at us and I think did a remarkable job of remaining positive.

What a difference 24 hours makes, on Tuesday the other half of the Year group were met with glorious sunshine, the golden beaches could have been anywhere in the Caribbean, although the town of Bridlington nestled behind us soon brought us back down to Earth.

Having measured the height of the sand along the groynes, completed a land use survey, stood and counted people and then finished with an environmental survey, it is now down to the real business of writing up our findings in the guaranteed comfort of the classroom. The students have a better idea about how to collect data, about our case study that they are going to refer to in the exam and how to dress appropriately for the English Summer, I am hoping that they got a lot out of the day.

One final remark I would like to make is that we are all very proud of their behaviour on both days. They conducted themselves so maturely and were great ambassadors for our school.



SSG News

As part of our end of year celebrations, the Student Support Group had a fabulous time in Knaresborough on Wednesday, enjoying Art and Craft activities at Northernline Arts on Kirkgate. This was followed by a celebratory lunch at St John's Hub Cafe hosted by Community Stars where some of our SSG students currently do Work Experience Placements. Thank you to the parents of Sophie for their kind generosity enabling such a fantastic trip.



We say a fond farewell to three of our older students, Amy, Arturs and Sophie, and wish them good luck on the Pathways course at York College in September.



The Week Ahead: 24th June 2024

Personal Development Focus: ENGAGED - Aspirations

"Who are my positive role models in society?"

Day	Session	Year	Time	Location
Mon	KS3 House Week 4 Careers Fair	Years 10 and 12	All week All day	S1
Tue	Year 9 - Your Sustainable Future	Year 9		
Wed	Year 7 Parents Evening	Year 7	4.30-7.30pm	Online appointments
Thur	Year 6 SEN Transition Day 3 Year 11 Prom Year 12 Art Mock Exam Day 1 Year 6 Small School Transition Day	Year 11 Year 12	6.30-10.00pm All day	S1
Fri	Year 13 Prom Year 12 Art Mock Exam Day 2	Year 13 Year 12	All Day	

Year 10 Cup winners

The football season finished with a cup win for the Year 10 boys, with a well-deserved 5-2 win over Ermysteds Grammar School.

The team have held up the standards of the school extremely well and trained consistently, so were well deserving of this fantastic achievement.



Karate Success

Last weekend, Lottie H in Year 8 went to Huddersfield to take part in the Halifax Cup Karate competition. She gained 3rd place, earning a rather impressive medal for her efforts! Well done Lottie!



House Drama

House Drama 2024 takes place on Monday 1st July and Tuesday 2nd July at 6pm. Judging night is Tuesday. Prices are £3 for OAP and £4 for all others. The performances are:

Airedale - Gnomeo & Juliet
Nidderdale - Coraline
Swaledale - Oliver
Wharfedale - Mary Poppins

Tickets are now on sale every lunchtime outside the library.

King James's Proudly Presents

House Drama

Monday 1st July
Tuesday 2nd July
Location: In S1

Prices:
Concessions: £3
Regular: £4

Gnomeo & Juliet
Coraline
Oliver
Mary Poppins

Tickets will be available to purchase at the library during lunchtime.

Year 7 Parents Evening

We are aware that a small number of parents have been unable to get appointments with all their child's teachers for the forthcoming Year 7 Parents' Evening. Unfortunately, we can't guarantee every parent will be able to access an appointment with every subject teacher. If you find a member of staff's appointments are already full or the member of staff is unavailable when you are booking your appointments, please do not worry. Let us know via the main school email address (admin@kingjames.co.uk) and we will collate this information, assess the needs and make alternative arrangements for the necessary communications to take place.

Careers Fair for Post 16/18 opportunities

On Monday 24th June we will be welcoming a number of employers, training providers, colleges and universities to school to meet with our Year 10 and 12 students. The aim of the event is to help them understand some of their post 16 & 18 choices and to support them with their next steps.

Students will be spending some time during the day interacting with our visitors asking them questions and gathering the necessary information to help them with their decision making.

Library Resources

We offer our students many ways to enjoy reading, from physical books to eBooks that they can read outside of school.



Renaissance
myON

myON is a digital book service that provides access to over 5,000 books, many of which are non-fiction. Students will be able to carry out research, read around their subjects, complete homework tasks, and in Year 7 they can take AR quizzes which will contribute to their progress in Accelerated Reader. The following link is a parents' guide to myON: <https://renaissance.widen.net/s/fwx2tspkx>.



Wheeler's ePlatform is a library of over 1,000 eBooks. Once an eBook is borrowed, the font size can be changed and there is an option to add overlays in the text settings. You can get access online at: <https://king-james/eplatform.co> or via the ePlatform app.

For both digital platforms, logon details can be found in your child's planner or email library@king-james.co.uk.

Browse Books By Category > Science > Earth & Space Science

420 books



Year 8 Art Project

Year 8 students recently undertook an art project whereby they were asked to create a giant version of a favourite food item out of any materials. Some of the creations are being displayed in the library window, and we are sure you will agree that they are fantastic, and extremely creative. Well done Year 8!



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RIPON ROAD
KILLINGHALL
HG3 2DG

GRACIOUS ST METHODIST CHURCH
CHAPEL STREET
KNARESBOROUGH
HG5 8AN

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LAST ORDERS 1.30PM

OPEN FRIDAYS 10-2pm
LAST ORDERS 1.30PM

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IF YOU ARE FINDING IT HARD TO FEED YOURSELF & YOUR FAMILY



PLEASE POP IN TO ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY GROCERIES IN HARROGATE OR KNARESBOROUGH TO SEE IF WE CAN HELP

COMMUNITY GROCERIES - LOCATIONS & OPENING TIMES

ADDRESS	New Park Grocery New Park Primary Academy Corner of West St (through the blue gates) Harrogate HG1 3HF	Gracious St. Methodist Church Chapel Street Knaresborough HG5 8AN
OPENING HOURS	Thursday 9.30am - 4.30pm Last Entry @ 4.15pm	Friday 8am - 2pm Last Entry 1.45pm
CONTACT	Simon - 07434 639911	Simon - 07434 639911

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Inspire Youth

Some parents may be aware of the fantastic work led by Inspire Youth, both in school and in the community. Inspire Youth offer a service that meets the needs of the ever-changing world, which is adaptive and responsive for young people across the Harrogate district and surrounding areas. Their Youth Services are based on listening to young people and working with them to make sure they get the best out of all the activities or allowing young people to have a voice and educating others to understand them and their experiences.

Please see the flyer advertising their open day for their new Community Hub on Halfpenny Lane on 22nd June 2024.

OPEN DAY

**INSPIRE
YOUTH
YORKSHIRE**

COMMUNITY HUB

**9-10 HALFPENNY CLOSE
KNARESBOROUGH
HG5 0TG**

**22ND JUNE 2024
11AM-2PM**

JOIN US TO CELEBRATE THE OPENING OF OUR NEW COMMUNITY HUB. THERE WILL BE LOTS OF ACTIVITIES, SOME DEMOS FROM CURRENT USERS, A BBQ, FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES AND AN UPDATE FROM US.

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO JOIN US, LET US KNOW BY EMAILING BOOKINGS@INSPIREYOUTH.UK