



A note from the Principal Assistant Headteacher - Mrs Harris

Celebrating diversity, ensuring equality for all, and creating an inclusive education environment is at the heart of what we do at Kings Langley School. After 'Showing racism the red card' on Friday 18th October, holding two minutes silence for 'Remembrance' and sharing with students thought provoking assemblies this week for 'World kindness day'; we as a community are proud of how our students have responded with positivity and awareness. We encourage all members of our community to "Be the change you wish to see in the world". This powerful message from Mahatma Gandhi reminds us that true change begins within ourselves. Real transformation starts with the choices we make and the actions we take.

This week I would like to share with you part of an article from <https://www.humanutopia.com/>. This is a website which empowers young people to make a change through short videos which encourage meaningful discussions at home, with friends or in school.

School Events

Thursday 21st November

Y10 Subject Consultation evening (online) 4pm -7pm

Friday 22nd November

KS5 DENS - Sleep Out to Help Out 7pm -7am



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What does it mean to “be the change”? Change is not just about transforming yourself; it is about creating a ripple effect that can inspire others to do the same. It means taking responsibility for shaping our own lives, rather than waiting for circumstances to shift or for someone else to step in and make things different. When we take charge of the changes we want to see, we gain control over our lives and allow all to flourish.

One area where we all have control is in the choices we make. Our choices shape how we see ourselves and our future. While we may not be able to control everything around us, we can control how we respond, adapt, and grow. Every decision we make moves us closer to or further from the person we want to become.

As we reflect on this concept of “being the change,” ask yourself: What changes could I make that would have a positive impact on my life? How could a new habit, a different mindset, or a fresh perspective lead to growth? Recognising that we all have the power to shape our lives empowers us to take steps towards a brighter future.

When we take responsibility for our growth, we set an example for those around us, showing that positive change is possible, one choice at a time.

So, what changes will you make today?



RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS
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SCHOOL ADMISSIONS CONSULTATION 2026/27

Kings Langley School is consulting on the proposed admissions arrangements for the school year 2026/27 and is seeking responses from parent/carers, schools and community groups.

The proposed changes are adding the following new rule:

Rule 3 - Children with a parent who is a permanent full-time or part-time member of the school staff (inclusive of teaching and support staff roles).

The consultation period runs from 28 October– 8 December 2024. Please send your comments regarding the proposal to the school via email to admin@kls.herts.sch.uk

Hertfordshire County Council is also running a consultation on the proposed admissions arrangements for community and voluntary controlled schools for the school year 2026/27 and is seeking responses from parent/carers, schools and community groups.

School Admissions Consultation 2026/27

The consultation on Hertfordshire County Council's school admission arrangements for 2026/27 is open until 8 December 2024.

The county council proposes to:

- Reduce the published admission number (PAN) at 4 community or voluntary controlled primary schools for 2026/27.
- Retain the remainder of the County Council's existing admission arrangements, including PANs, Relevant Areas and schemes of coordination.

Go to www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2026 for more information about the consultation and to respond online.

***Have
your
say***



Consultations are also taking place on the admission arrangements for some schools and academies that are responsible for their own admissions.

You can also view the proposals for these schools at www.hertfordshire.gov.uk/admissions2026

Headteacher Commendations



Mollie 7D

For her outstanding summer school creative montage.



Congratulations to the following winner and runners up to the Drama department:

1st place - Anneka 7D

2nd place - Lucy 9C

3rd place - Beth 7J





Recognition

Being noticed for doing something positive or achieving something

Students of the Week w/c 11th November

English	Sasha 10P
For working hard and showing real determination in lessons. Well done!	
Politics	Joel 12ANE
For continually and independently staying abreast of current political events outside of lessons, then using this to inform debates and judgements in the lessons themselves.	
History	Mia 12LIY
For making a fantastic effort contributing towards class discussions and catching up on the A Level History course, well done!	
Library	Malachi 7G
Making a wonderful start as a member of the library team. Kind, polite, patient and thoughtful.	
Modern Foreign Languages	Tammy 10D
Nominated by Mr Shaw, who is very pleased with her work in French.	
PSHE	Tara 10D
Excellent written work in PSHE lessons! Keep it up!	
Philosophy, Religion, Ethics	Freddie 9J
Brilliant contributions to lessons and excellent written work. Keep it up!	
Science	Olivia 10A
Consistently excellent written work and great thinking in science this term. Well done!	
Year 7 Head of Year	Anneka 7D
Currently leading the year group for the most recognition points to date. Well done!	
Year 8 Head of Year	Freddie 8A
Tries his best and we can see his efforts on a daily basis! Keep it up!	

Well done to all of our students who have achieved 'student of the week'.

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BECAUSE EVIDENCE MATTERS

It is **Anti-Bullying Week** in the UK, but bullying is an issue that all parents and schools everywhere have to consider.

Children of all ages can benefit from learning to recognise what bullying looks like and understanding the right steps to take when it occurs.

With the help of Tooled Up, there is plenty that parents can do at home to support these conversations.

Professor James O’Higgins Norman of Dublin University is one of the foremost experts on bullying in schools. In this fascinating conversation with Dr Kathy Weston, he describes practical steps that parents and schools can take in tackling it, and shares the best resources available.

Bullies thrive on the silence and complicity of bystanders. We would love our children to be “upstanders” who challenge harmful behaviour. Read these tips on raising an upstander, and then read Dr Elly Hanson’s advice on helping children challenge harmful talk in their peer group.

To develop this dialogue at home, use these Conversation Starters for discussing core family values.

If your child feels vulnerable to bullying it can often be linked to feelings of being “different” or left out. This Belonging Journal can help – it asks teens to consider their network of friends, their strengths and how they fit in.

IMPORTANT: UPCOMING EVENT

Have you ever wanted friends and family to experience Tooled Up talks? We invite you and your friends and family to join us for our first FREE public webinar OPEN TO ALL.

An Exploration of Parenting Styles: 21st November 19:30

What is your parenting style and how may this affect your children and their future outcome?

Join Dr Kathy Weston and psychiatrist, Professor Stephen Scott of King’s College London as they talk us through different parenting approaches and how we can best support children within family life. **To register click this link: Exploration of Parenting Styles Webinar**

This free event is open to all so please share this link with any of your parent friends and family that might like to join the webinar.



Sports News

Table tennis

Three teams of boys from Years 10 & 11 entered the District Table Tennis Championships this week and were up against 10 other teams from across Dacorum. The standard of play on show was strong, with many of the matches going into tie-breaks. At the end of a long evening, it was our own KLS 'B' Team that came out on top and came away with the trophy. A huge well done to Alex, Logan, Olly and Teddy on their success.



Charity News



Katie in 7J attended the Lord Mayor's Show on Saturday 9 November 2024. Her role was walking with the RNLI and Fuellers (a livery company who provide the charity with fuel for their boats). The walk was designed to celebrate the 200th anniversary of the RNLI and their float was part of the wider 85 -90 separate floats on show!



Friends of Kings Langley School (KLS)



We are pleased to announce that the Kings Langley Christmas lights switch on is happening as a community event on **Saturday 23rd November**. We have booked to have a fundraising stall with a bottle and sweets tombola. So, please could you donate any unwanted bottles of soft drinks, alcoholic beverages, shampoo, shower gel and bags or boxes of sweets to our stall. Donations can be left in reception and will be collected in form time by students from 8C. Please do come along to Kings Langley High Street, on the afternoon of 23rd November, from **3:15 – 6:15pm**, to support the stall and listen to our music students entertaining from the stage too.

We are also hosting our Christmas market on the evening of **Thursday 12th December, 6:00 – 8:30pm**. It is £1 to enter, but children under the age of 10 are free. We have already received bookings from 25 local stall holders so there will be a wide variety of gifts to buy and hot food and drinks to enjoy too. It promises to be a good evening. The Friends of Kings Langley School will also be running a stall of second hand uniform and PE kit to sell to parents at this event.

Ms Chabrel, on behalf of Friends of Kings Langley School



Children welcome -
a festive event for all
the family



KINGS LANGLEY SCHOOL

Invite you to join us at
our forthcoming

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Thursday 12th December 2024

6pm - 8.30pm

A variety of stalls offering everthing from fashion accessories, candles, a wide range of jewellery, cosmetics and skin care, handmade cards, gifts, home accessories, artwork, pickles and chutney's, sweets, decorations, books, childrens crafts, pocket money items, refreshments and much more...

£1 entry, children under 10 free

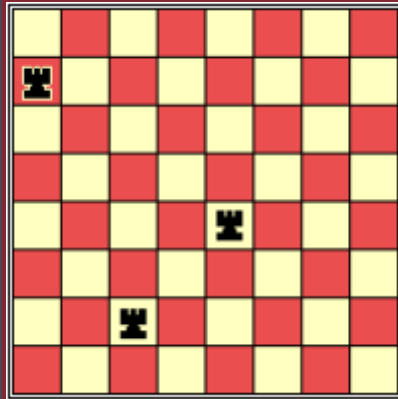
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STEM Challenge

This week's challenge:

How many squares, of any size, can you find on this chessboard that do not contain a rook?



Answer next week.

Last weeks answer:

While riding along in a river, you approach a boat. This boat has not sunk. However, when you look closely, you see that there is not a single person on the boat. How is this possible?

Answer: Everyone on the boat is married

This week's jackpot winning numbers are:

155235

Your supporter has donated their winnings of £30.90



If you haven't signed up yet visit our lottery here - <https://www.yourschoollottery.co.uk/lottery/school/kings-langley-secondary-school>





An Evening of Football Careers

At Vicarage Road Stadium

New Signing!

Wednesday 20th November | 6.30-8.30pm

Come along to find out more about an exciting new A-Levels and football project for 16-19 year old females

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Sixth Form Open Evening

 Kings Langley Secondary School,
Love Lane, Kings Langley, WD4 9HN

Wednesday 27th November | 6-8pm

Come along to find out more about an exciting new A-Levels and football project for 16-19 year old females





Are you worried about
your child's internet
safety?

Do you have any burning
questions?

Join our Daytime and Evening face-to-face sessions as we cover the basics of internet, digital communication, and social media safety, in collaboration with Herts Police.

Daytime E-Safety session:

Wednesday 11th December 2024 – 1:30 - 3:00pm

Evening E-Safety session:

Wednesday 11th December 2024 – 6:00 - 7:00pm

For Parents

Location: Greenhills Day Service, Tenzing Road,
Hemel Hempstead, HP2 4HS.



If you have any questions before our session, don't hesitate to contact us at:
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