



Kings Langley School News

Issue 21

A note from the Deputy Headteacher - Mrs Sudbury

In my previous [newsletter article](#) in December, I shared information about the Year 11 and 13 trial exams and a suggested revision model that students might find helpful in structuring their revision, consisting of **Prioritise**® **Consolidate**® **Memorise**® **Apply**.

This week, we are turning our focus to arrangements for the exam period and some additional resources that students may find helpful in their revision and exam preparation.

- The Summer 2025 GCSE and A-level exam timetables can be accessed as follows:

GCSE exams begin on Thursday 8th May 2025:

<https://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/assets/GCSE-exam-timetable-Summer-2025.pdf>

A-level exams begin on Monday 12th May 2025:

<https://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/assets/A-level-exam-timetable-Summer-2025.pdf>

There are two contingency dates, on the afternoon of **Wednesday 11th June 2025** and all day on **Wednesday 25th June 2025**.

These are in place to allow for any sustained national or local disruption that may arise during the exam period, and it is important that all Year 11 and 13 students are available on these dates in case any exams need to

School Events

Monday 24th March

Y11 Macbeth Theatre Trip -
5pm—11pm

Wednesday 26th March

Oliver Theatre Trip 7pm -
11pm

Friday 28th March

Y11 Silver DofE Expedition
departs

Young Musician of Kings
Langley Event

Y8 Report Home

Saturday 29th March

FoKLS Quiz Night 7pm -
10pm

Sunday 30th March

Y11 Silver DofE Expedition
returns

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be rescheduled.

- Information about study leave - and other important dates - is being shared with Year 11 and 13 parents and students in a separate letter being emailed this week.
- We know that social media is a big part of many students' lives but it is very important that they understand what's allowed/what's not allowed when using social media in their revision and exam preparation. To support this, the *Joint Council for Qualifications (JCQ)* has produced an infographic which can be accessed by clicking on the image below or using this link: <https://www.jcq.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2024/05/JCQ-Social-Media-Infographic-v6.pdf>.

Students must not use social media to:

- **buy/ask for/share exam or assessment content;**
- **pass on rumours of what's in exams or assessments;**
- **share their work; or**
- **work with others so that their exam or assessment is not their own independent work.**

Doing any of these activities could result in a written warning; loss of marks; being disqualified from a part of, or all of, their qualifications; or being banned from taking exams and assessments for a number of years.

JCQ Information for candidates
Using social media and examinations/assessments

While we like to share our experiences online, when it comes to exams and other assessments, we have to be careful.

- Sharing ideas online can be helpful when you're studying or revising
- However, sharing certain information (see information on the right) can break the rules and could affect your results
- If you're not sure what you can and can't discuss online, check with your teacher
- If you receive exam content on social media, you must tell your teacher
- Don't be caught out by scammers selling fake exam papers

Things to do on social media:

- Have fun
- Be responsible
- Report any exam or assessment content you see to your teacher

Things not to do on social media:

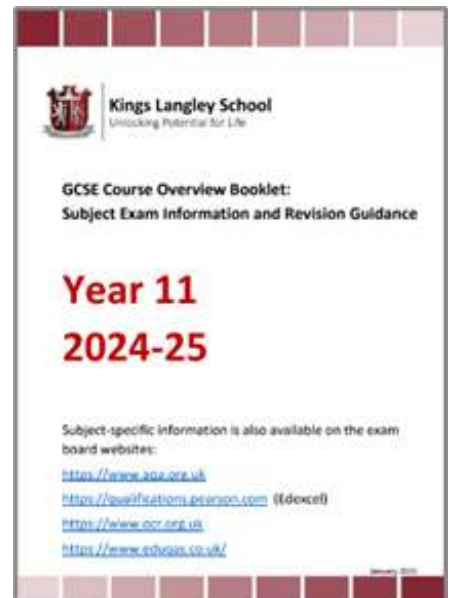
- Buy/ask for/share exam or assessment content
- Pass on rumours of what's in exams or assessments
- Share your work
- Work with others so that your assessment is not your own independent work

If you do any of the above activities, you may:

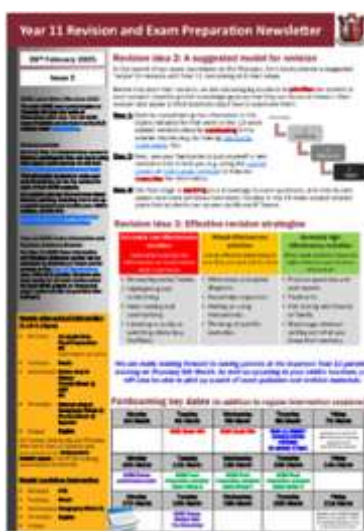
- Receive a written warning
- Lose marks
- Be disqualified from a part of or all of your qualifications
- Be banned from taking exams and assessments for a number of years

Please take the time to familiarise yourself with the JCQ rules:
[jqc.org.uk/exams-office/information-for-candidates-documents](https://www.jcq.org.uk/exams-office/information-for-candidates-documents)

- Year 11 students have been provided with a paper copy of our **GCSE Subject Exam Information and Revision Guidance booklet** and this can also be accessed on the school website: <https://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/assets/Year-11-Exam-Information-and-Revision-Guidance-Booklet-2024-25.pdf>. The aim of this booklet is to ensure that students are confident about the dates and formats of the exams in each subject and to provide them with links to useful revision websites and other resources that they might find helpful to support their revision.



- Year 11 students also have access to 13-week revision plans in every subject that break down the GCSE course into weekly chunks with the aim of giving students confidence that, if they tick off each section, they will have revised the whole course by the time their exams begin. Students can access electronic versions of these, which include links to relevant revision sites and past exam papers/mark schemes, on MS Teams using their usual school log-in: [13-Week Subject Revision Plans 2025](#).
- To provide parents and students with additional guidance, we are producing a weekly **Year 11 Revision and Exam Preparation newsletter** which is emailed to parents on a Friday afternoon. This contains information about weekly lunchtime and after-school intervention sessions, forthcoming key dates and revision ideas. We hope that you find it helpful. Past issues of the newsletter can also be found on the school website using this link or by clicking on the images below: https://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/home/parents/examinations/year-11-examinations/SearchForm/?Search=Weekly+revision+newsletter&action_results=



We wish our Year 11 and 13 students all the best in their exams this year and we are here if you need any support or information. If you have any questions or concerns about this year's exams, please do not hesitate to contact me on sudberyl@kls.herts.sch.uk.

NEW STUDENT MAGAZINE

Students in Year 12 have launched a new magazine called 'KLS Press'. This has been written, designed and produced by the students and we hope it will become a regular feature of KLS life. You can view an online version of the magazine here https://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/assets/Sixth-Form-/KLS-Press-March-2025_compressed.pdf

Friends of Kings Langley School (FoKLS)

FOKLS Quiz

A reminder that tickets are still available for our fundraising quiz on Saturday 29th March, 7 for 7:30pm.

We are hoping to raise funds for our general support for projects in school, and for the Music department in particular. Tickets are available from the QR code on the poster attached here, or through the fundraising link on Scopay - <https://kls.herts.sch.uk/home/parents/internet-payments/>

£5 per person, and table size is limited to 8 people. It is excellent to see that some tables of 8 have already sold out, however, don't let the table size put you off. If you only have a partial team, then we can match you up with other family groups on the night - if you would like that of course!

If you are not able to be with us on Saturday 29th March, please consider donating a raffle prize.

Ms Chabrel - on behalf of Friends of Kings Langley School





£5 per person or £40 per table

Friends of Kings Langley School



Family Quiz Night

FUNDRAISING FOR THE FoKLS & THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT

Saturday 29th March

7 for 7.30pm

hosted by Mr Shephard

Maximum of 8 people per team

Tickets available by SCOPAY

or scan the QR code

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Recognition

Being noticed for doing something positive or achieving something

Students of the Week w/c 17th March

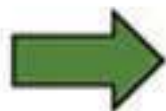
Art	Beatrice 10G
Beautiful entry for the Young Artists' Summer Show, good luck to Beatrice!	
Drama	Giovanna 12ANE
Her dedication to her studies and her continual drive and motivation to do better.	
English	Pooja 11P
Magnificent independent learning in preparation for the GCSE examinations.	
History	Tom R 9C
For another legendary history club presentation on the Infantry Revolution.	
Music	Ethan 7D
For excellent work in music lessons; enthusiastic participation in practical work as well as answering lots of questions in class.	
Politics	Mia 12ANE
For always staying on top of her classwork, homework and essays, completing work well in advance of deadlines and revising efficiently and effectively using past papers	
Library	Jay 12BRY
For making good use of private study periods in the library.	
Physical Education	Buddy 8C
For continued resilience in his games lessons.	
Psychology	Mischa 13DLK
For showing excellent fortitude and very good evidence of subject preparation.	
Philosophy, Religion, Ethics	James 8P
Excellent achievement in the PRE assessment.	
Science	Gethin 7A
Excellent engagement and effort with classwork.	

Sociology	Giovanna 12ANE
For showing a very consistent work ethic and initiative.	
Year 7 Head of Year	Anneka 7D
Currently has the highest number of recognition points in Year 7	
Year 8 Head of Year	Masha 8A
Helping at the Community Iftar.	
Year 10 Head of Year	Dexter 10J
Stepping up at the last minute to play in goal for the Year 10 football team!	
KS5 Head of Year	Sybella 12ANE & Ana-Louiza 12ANE
For conducting themselves in a respectable manner whilst on a trip to Auschwitz. Credit to the school.	

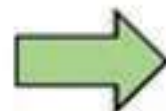
Well done to all of our students who have achieved 'student of the week'.

**MORE TIME IN SCHOOL =
MORE TIME TO LEARN!**

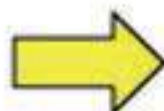
4 SCHOOL DAYS
OFF EACH YEAR



7 SCHOOL DAYS
OFF EACH YEAR



9 SCHOOL DAYS
OFF EACH YEAR



11 SCHOOL DAYS
OFF EACH YEAR



19 SCHOOL DAYS
OFF EACH YEAR



2 MONTHS
OFF EACH YEAR



Nationally, only 35% of students who miss between 10% - 20% of school go on to achieve 5 GCSEs at grade 9 to 4 (A* - C)





AUDITIONS



This year's
summer show is
THE MIRACLE
by Lin Coghlan
Audition on either
Thursday 27th or
Friday 28th March. No need
to prepare anything.
3.15-4.45pm in the main
school hall



BIG AND SMALL ROLES AVAILABLE!
SHOW DATE WILL BE THURSDAY 10TH JULY
FOR MORE INFO SEE MISS ABBOTT OR MRS
CARR



Music News

Music Department Newsletter

THIS WEEK

SUNDAY 23RD MARCH

Royal Albert Hall Concert for all performers who signed up to this trip. Please check your email for the final notices for this trip.

NEXT WEEK

Join us and the FOLKS for our Family Quiz Night on **Saturday 29th March**. Tickets are available on Scopay. It will be a fun-filled evening.

REMINDERS

MONDAY LUNCH BREAK

Ukuele Club

WEDNESDAY AFTER SCHOOL

Choir

THURSDAY LUNCH TIME

Guitar Group

FRIDAY LUNCH BREAK

Keyboard Club

News

RAH REHEARSAL

Music students preparing for their performance at the Royal Albert Hall this weekend attended a massed rehearsal at the University of Hertfordshire last weekend. We were exceptionally proud of their commitment and behaviour during this gruelling rehearsal!

Well done to all involved!



Sports News

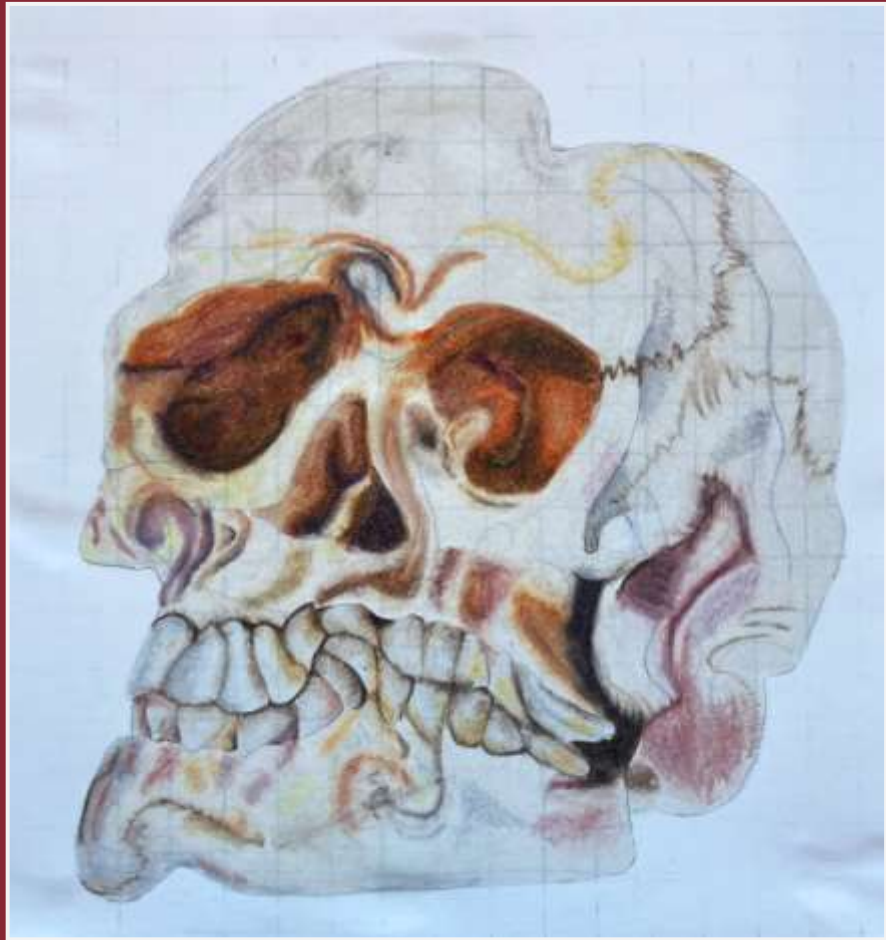


Cross Country

A huge congratulations to Oliver (13WES) who represented Hertfordshire Schools at last weekend's National Inter-Counties Cross Country Championships in Ardingley. His performance helped the Hertfordshire Senior Boys Team clinch the national team title and the honour of being 'Champions of England'. Oliver has been a fantastic athlete during his time at KLS and a superb role model to our younger runners. Although this chapter of his school's competition is ending, he will be starting a transatlantic career in the very near future.



Artwork of the Week



Beatrice - 10G

For her beautiful entry for the Young Artists' Summer Show. Good luck to Beatrice!



Iftar 2025



On Thursday 13th March, Kings Langley School hosted our Annual Community Iftar hosting approximately 150 staff, members of the community and students and their families. The event was organised and led by staff and ably assisted by a group of student volunteers who have worked tirelessly to ensure that Kings Langley School is a school that appreciates and supports diversity, inclusion and character.

This is our third Iftar and after the huge success of previous years, it was important for us all to ensure that we had another fabulous evening breaking bread together and enjoying being part of one community.

Last night's event celebrated the importance of charity, community and prayer- all three elements that link closely with our character virtues of empathy, stickability and self - regulation. Guests participated in henna painting, a quiz and enjoyed some wonderful food including samosas, pilau rice, pakoras, chicken tikka and kebabs, all of which was home cooked. The community really pitched in as could be seen by the heavily laden and glorious dessert table! Whilst many people were fasting, this was not mandatory but the whole community broke fast together at 5.54pm, following on from the call to prayer, making this an event promoting unity and equality.





The Iftar event was the perfect opportunity for the Kings Langley School community to get together, learn about another culture and faith whilst re-enforcing strong links within our community through a shared appreciation of developing strong character traits and love of celebration and food! The joy, happiness and feeling of togetherness was almost palpable.

Charity being an important element of not only Ramadan but also our ethos at Kings Langley School, ticket sales and donations will go to the **'Save The Children'** charity.

Finally, I would like to say a huge thank you to the following people;

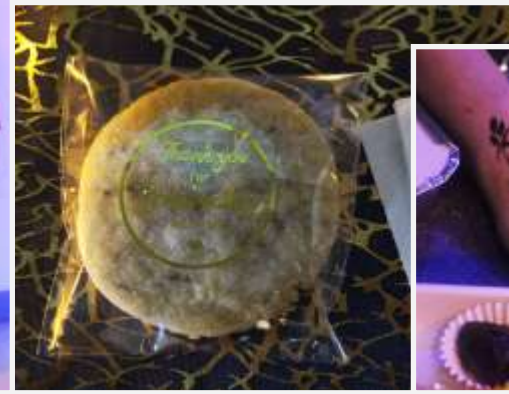
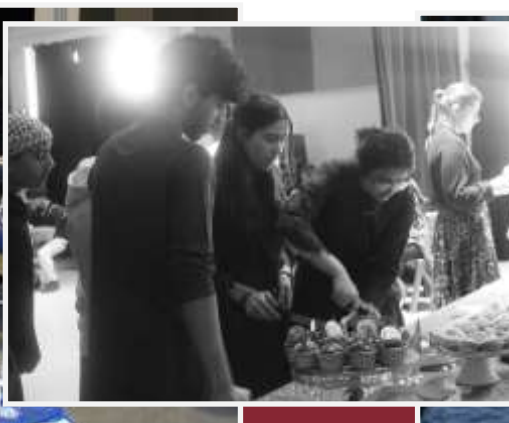
- All the students, friends and family for the scrumptious desserts.
- Uzair for the beautiful recitation of the adhaan.
- Syed for leading the Maghrib prayers.
- Our wonderful student volunteers for all the decorating and planning.
- Mr. Davies for the help with the setting up and cleaning up.
- Miss Scanlan for the full use of her area so we could prepare the food.
- Mr. Fisher for his unwavering support from the initial idea to the execution.
- Mrs. Stickley- Chair of Governors for her enthusiastic support.
- All members of staff who helped bake goodies for the event.
- All of our wonderful staff who came along, enjoyed and supported the KLS community.



And last, but by no means least, all our wonderful community who came along to celebrate this special occasion with us. Thank you and we hope to see you next year.



Mrs Butt - Principal Assistant Headteacher.



Netball News

Year 7 Versatility Netball Tournament @Ashlyns

Monday 17th March 2025

Our 7A team had some fun at the Versatility Tournament where the oppositions' teacher picks your position out of a bag. Which position you will play is anyone's guess. We found ourselves in pool A against some strong contenders. With one loss, 2 draws and 2 wins we reached the playoffs for 5th and 6th place against Adeyfield. A strong and confident win in our final game saw the KLS girls finish 5th out of 12 teams.

Ashlyns A 2-2

Tring B 0-0

Abbot's Hill A 0-2 loss

Hemel 1-0 win

Longdean B 8-0 win

Adeyfield 4-1 win



Players' Player of the Tournament goes to Poppy in 7P and Manager's Player of the tournament awarded to Matilda in 7A. A lovely way to finish the Netball season.

We would like to thank all of the parents and siblings who have been dedicated in attending fixtures and tournaments giving the girls some great support and cheering them on along the way! We look forwards to seeing what the next season will bring for both our A and B teams and are committed to improving our standings in both the Cup and League next year. Well done Year 7!

Mrs Coughlan - PE



TOOLED UP[®]

BECAUSE EVIDENCE MATTERS

This week on 20th March, we celebrate **UN International Day of Happiness**. The day recognises the importance and relevance of happiness as a goal and it also seeks to encourage equitable economic growth that promotes the wellbeing of all people.

So much of what we do as adults in the lives of children is aimed at promoting their happiness, but we also know it is not always easy to achieve or sustain.

Happiness is linked to cognitive flexibility, which is a learned skill. Tooled Up has a number of resources to help you to support your child's wellbeing and emotional literacy so that they can reflect and work on their own happiness.

A great place to start **for children of all ages** is for them to consider the different aspects of their wellbeing. Our **Happiness Checklist** activity will help them **identify the positives and any gaps** where things could be better.

For teenagers, My Wellbeing Journal provides a **tool to encourage reflection on experiences and achievements in order to build resilience**. Completed over a two-week period, **the activity helps children to develop and maintain a positive mindset** and improve wellbeing.

The **A-Z of Tooled Up Tips for Supporting Children's Mental Health and Wellbeing** showcases **26 evidence based key tips**. The resource includes **links to a host of webinars, podcasts and activities** available on the **Tooled Up platform to help in everyday family life**.





STEM Challenge

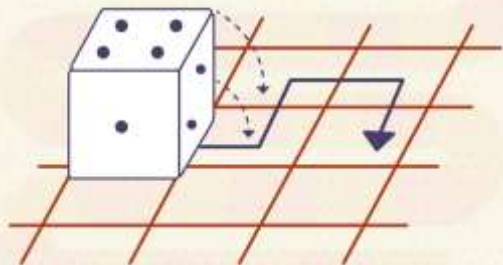
This week's challenge:

A man stands on one side of a river, his dog on the other. The man calls his dog, who immediately crosses the river without getting wet and without using a bridge or a boat. How did the dog do it?

Answer next week

Last week's answer:

If the dice is rolled on the showed path, what will be the number on the top?



In the first box 5 will be on the top, in the second box, will be 1, in the third box it will be 3, and in the fourth box it will be 5.



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This week's jackpot winning number was:

121417

One of our supporters won £29.70 in the draw!



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

KLS CHARITY FOOTBALL MATCH



STAFF

vs



**SIXTH
FORM**

Date:

Thursday 3rd April 2025

Venue:

Kings Langley School

Price:

£2.50 (18+)

£1 (Under 18)

Kick Off:

3:45pm



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WATFORD JUNIOR CHALLENGE



Watford Harriers Athletics Club
Watfordharriers.org.uk

Saturday 29th March 2025

This year Watford Harriers club celebrates its centenary
The Junior Challenge is an exciting fun run road race held annually
10:00 - 13:00 Cassiobury Park, Gade Ave, Watford WD18 7LG, UK

This is open to all children in primary school and secondary school years 7-9. This is also regardless of ability and a great opportunity for athletes to represent their schools in a competitive event. We have two races in the following age categories: Under 8s (but above Under 5s) & Under 10s-Under 14s.

Races will start and finish on the path between the Stratford Way entrance to Cassiobury Park and the bandstand.

See Map <https://www.google.com/maps/@51.6604607,-0.4136463,16z?entry=ttu>



DUE TO EXPECTED NUMBERS, THERE WILL BE TWO SEPARATE RACES:

The first for **UNDER 8's** of approx. 1.2 km will start at **11.45 am**

The second for **UNDER 10's, UNDER 12's and UNDER 14's** of approx. 2.5 km at **12:15 pm**

A runner's medal will be given to all finishers.

The first three boys and girls in each category will receive a prize to be presented at the start and finish as soon as possible after the races.

Register at: <https://www.atwevents.co.uk/e/watford-junior-challenge-9306>

If you have any queries, please contact our Watford Harriers Club Race Organiser at whogm@watfordharriers.org.uk