



Kings Langley School News

Issue 10

A note from the Principal Assistant Headteacher - Mrs Butt

Let's begin by defining what is meant by 'high starters' Every school will do this differently depending on their intake. Here at Kings Langley school, high starters is every child. Every child that wishes to not be defined by a number or a label but want to create their own path and achieve success on their own terms are high starters.

As Albert Einstein stated, 'Everybody is a genius. But if you judge a fish by its ability to climb a tree, it will live its whole life believing that it is stupid.' In order for every young person to find their talent, skill and true ability they have numerous opportunities to thrive and flourish at Kings Langley school. From school trips to clubs, opportunities in the library and other key areas, every child has a full menu of opportunities that they can make the most of.

Please find below some of the trips and events that have either taken place already or are on the calendar for the remainder of this academic year. Please speak to your young person and encourage them to broaden their horizons and increase their independence by participating.

School Events

Wednesday 27th November

Into KS5 Evening 6pm—8pm
Hall

Thursday 28th November

Inset day—school closed

Friday 29th November

Wellbeing day - school
closed

Monday 2nd December

Back to school 8.40am

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27/8-30/8	Summer school
September House Events	Drama Production Programme Design Competition Languages Day Competition
17/9/24	Years 10 -13 Drama Production auditions
18/9/24	ORS Student survey (contributing to community feedback)
October House Events	UK Bebras Competition Black History Month competition
1/10/24	Years 12 & 13 Senior Mathematics Challenge
10/9/24	Years 12 & 13 Theatre Trip: Our Country's Good
3/10/24	Opening Evening (volunteering)
15/10/24	MJ The Musical Theatre Trip
November House Events	Parliament Week Quiz STEM competition Poppy competition
15/11/24	Production of The Book Thief
18/11-29/11/24	Stem In Subjects Fortnight
20/11/24	Rotary Chef Competition
30/11/24	Kings Langley Christmas Fair – KLS Choir performance, Friends of KLS stall
December House Events	Christmas Wreath competition Christmas Cake competition Pantomime Competition Geography Quiz Dragon's Den competition
12/12/24	Friends of KLS Christmas Market
17/12/24	Christmas Concert
January House Events	TBC
17/1/24	Year 9 Drama Workshop
28/1/24	Holocaust Talk
28/1/24	Years 10 and 12 Work Experience Parent meeting
29/1/24	Year 9 and 10 Junior Mathematics Challenge
30/1/24	Year 11 Drama Showcase performance
February House Events	TBC
4/2/24	Chamber Concert
15/2-18/2/24	KS4 & 5 Geography Trip to Sicily
March House Events	Science Week Competition National Pi Day
5/3/24	Community Iftar
10/3-14/3/24	Stem In Action Charity Raising
15/3-17/3/24	Year 11 Silver Duke of Edinburgh Practice Expedition
15/3/24	International Day to Combat Islamophobia

23/3/24	Royal Albert Hall Performance
25/3/24	Year 12 UCAS Fair EXCEL London
28/3-30/3/24	Year 11 Silver Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
28/3/24	Young Musician of KLS
4/4-12/4/24	Ski Trip
April House Events	Spelling Bee SuperHero Poster Competition
1/5/24	Years 7 and 8 Junior Mathematics Challenge
8/5-12/5/24	Year 12 Gold Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
15/5-17/5/24	Year 12 Geography Fieldwork Trip
17/5/24	International Day Against Homophobia
24/5-31/5/24	Year 12 PGL Ardeche Trip (TBC)
June House Events	TBC
June TBC	STEM fair
19/6/24	Year 12 Geography Fieldwork River Study
20/6-22/6/24	Year 9 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
21/6/24	Kings Langley Carnival – Music performance
25/6/24	Year 12 Geography Fieldwork Urban study
July House Events	Walk to School -step count competition
3/7/24	Year 10 Geography Olympic Park Field work
10/7/24	Drama Production
12/7-14/7/24	Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Expedition
14/7-18/7/24	Activities week Work Experience week
22/7/24	Sports Day

Alongside this excellent programme of events, there are a number of other opportunities for our young people.

1. <https://massolit.io/>- This is a programme with video lectures from top university professors for secondary schools. All young people can expand their subject knowledge with this library of over 10,000 short video lectures – each one presented by a subject expert.
2. Bedrock- Whilst Bedrock is a superb programme for our students to improve their vocabulary and grammar. They can also complete extended projects that I add to their Bedrock Team which will lead to the Colours awards.

<https://1704915.fs1.hubspotusercontent-na1.net/hubfs/1704915/FY24%20-%20MARKETING%20COLLATERAL%20AND%20DOWNLOADS/Literacy%20Activity%20Packs/Bedrock%20Literacy%20Activities%20-%20Christmas.pdf>

3. Talking of Colours Awards- Please refer to our website for more detail on this. <https://www.kls.herts.sch.uk/home/personal-development/colour-awards/>
4. Reading- there is nothing more valuable and beneficial to young people in developing their independence and broadening their knowledge. With a superbly resourced library and a very knowledgeable librarian, our young people have every opportunity to grow- today a reader, tomorrow a leader!

These are just some examples of the opportunities available at Kings Langley school for all young people to develop into high achieving, independent success stories.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact me on butts@kls.herts.sch.uk

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



Congratulations to the following U13 girls football team Nefeli 7P, Teagan 8C, Ilaria 8C, Willow 8C, Marnie 8C, Esme 8J, Isabella 8P, Saffy 8D, and Madison 8D on their success last week narrowly losing in the final of the EFL Utilita Girls Cup. The tournament was tough, as we finished the group phase as runners up and progressed to the semi finals where we faced Beaumont school (who were the County cup champions last year). A close semi final as the match finished 0-0 after extra time. Penalties decided the winner. KLS 3-2 winners.

The final was against Rickmansworth school. They had a really strong team, but we held our own and the score after extra time was 1-1. We had chances to win the match but was not able to convert them. At extra time we were not able to match them as they scored two more goals.

KLS 3-1 Tring school
KLS 0-4 Roundwood Park school
KLS 0-0 Rickmansworth school
KLS 3-0 The Sacred Heart school

Semi final
KLS 0-0 Beaumont school AET
3-2 pen

Final
KLS 1-1 Rickmansworth school FT
1-3 AET



Headteacher Commendations



Congratulations to the following students for delivering the WW1 assemblies last week:

Megan 8A, Isma'il 7D, Tom 9C, Alex 9C, Joseph 10A, Solomon 11A, Leticia 11P and Sybella 12ANE.

Top Performers - LanguageNut for October 2024



Congratulations to the following students

Benji 7A, Hesanya 7C, Joel 7D, Jack 7G, Chloe 7J, and Nefeli 7P.

Polly 8A, Raiyah 8C, Mia 8D, Alice 8G, Erika 8J, and James 8P.

James 9A, Alex 9C, Tom 9D, George & Sammy 9G, Lila 9J, Nathan 9P, and Freya 9T.

Year 10 GCSE - Beau 10J, Joao 10A, Nicole 10A, and Lottie 10A

Year 11 GCSE - Finlay 11J, Emily 11G, Oliver 11C and Inaara 11D





Recognition

Being noticed for doing something positive or achieving something

Students of the Week w/c 18th November

Art	Izzy 10P
Beautiful drawing completed for October drawing challenge from a conker. This work is in addition to homework set and has been completed with real skill and understanding of form. Well done Izzy.	
English	Daniel 11J
For continuously working hard in English, especially with independent studies.	
Geography	Levi 8G
Excellent effort in class and contributions to lesson. Well done for completing extra research about the structure of the Earth!	
Politics	Eric 12ANE
Incredible attitude towards independent learning, completing tasks before they are even set by looking ahead in the SharePoint resources folders! You are taking ownership of your learning rather than allowing it to be shaped by lessons alone.	
History	Casey-Jay 7J
Outstanding, detailed work on medieval towns which was used as an exemplar to the rest of the class. A superb effort shown to produce a high standard of work.	
Library	Ariella 9J
Showing emotional maturity and self-regulation when dealing with others.	
Modern Foreign Languages	Daniel 7C
For fantastic participation, always looking for ways to extend his answers and identifying links between new content and his prior knowledge.	
Music	Rebecca 9J
Showing incredible resilience. Learning an entirely new bass guitar skill from scratch and being able to play the whole of a song. Amazing!	
Psychology	Emily 12 HAD
For an excellent assessment grade which demonstrated a very diligent approach to revision.	
Philosophy, Religion, Ethics	Rebecca 9J
For excellent work on the ethics topic and sharing great ideas in class discussion.	

Science	Daniel 11D
Asked and answered questions well in the chemistry class.	
Year 8 Head of Year	Freddie 8C
Amazing improvements! Well done!	
Key Stage 5 Head of Year	Toby 12HAD
For being an amazing ambassador for the sixth form.	

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

Best at Bedrock! Week 10

All of these names have been placed into a prize draw which will be drawn at the end of the term.

Highest points earned in each year group

- **Mariia 7G (441 points)**
- Alice 8G (117 points)
- Sastika 9A (142 points)
- Rebecca 10G (125 points)
- Sheryl 11A (57 points)

Highest progress made in each year group

- Rishi 7J (153%)
- James 8P (48%)
- Isaac 9A (300%)
- **George 10A (419%)**
- Aidan 11D (340%)



Artwork of the Week



Izzy Y10

Beautiful drawing challenge from a conker. This work is in addition to homework set and has been completed with real skill and understanding of form. Well done Izzy.



Sixth Form Applications

September 2025 Entry

The Kings Langley Sixth Form Open Evening takes place on **WEDNESDAY 27TH NOVEMBER, 6-8PM**

Students and people at home are invited to attend our annual 'Into the Sixth Form' open evening where you have the opportunity to explore the wide and diverse subject range on offer, speak to current A-Level students, discuss subject pathways with subject specialists alongside getting the information you need to ensure that you make an informed decision about where your next stage of education is.

Come and view our impressive facilities and experience why Kings Langley Sixth Form is fast becoming student's first-choice provider and how we provide more than just A-Levels.

We are excited to see the development of our Sixth Form and are already enjoying the journey towards becoming Hertfordshire's number one Sixth Form provider. With a diverse A-Level subject offer alongside an engaging curriculum that firmly promotes equality and belonging we look forward to students submitting their applications to us by the **14th January**.



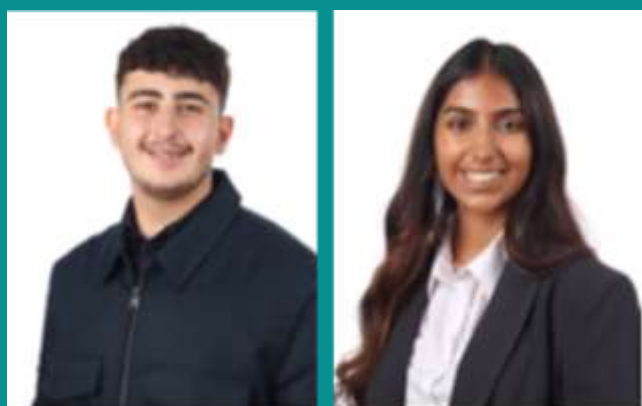
Head Student Results

Head Student & Student Leadership Team 2024

We are pleased to announce that following campaign week and a ballot, our new Head Students and Student Leadership Team are now in place. These students represent the whole student body from Yr7 through to Yr13. Over the coming weeks, this new team will begin their legacy projects and making an impact on positive areas of change.

Head Students

Deniz & Sai



Deputy Head Students

Ella & Freddie



Student Leadership Team Members

Amrit, Lois, Sybella, Denisa, Ana, Siya, Toby, Olivia, and Esme





House Competition Christmas Cakes



Competition:

Are you a STAR Baker. Design and make a Christmas cake or set of cakes.

You may choose any style and size of cake and any form of decoration.

Competition details:

Students should bring in their completed cakes on Thursday 12th December to Miss Scanlan in G205 Food room by 8:30am. Your cake will need to have a label to go next to it with your name and form.

Several prizes are up for grabs as well as house points for entering. Cakes will be judged during the day (12th December) and then in the evening at the School Christmas Market. You will be able to take your cake home at 7pm on the evening of the 12th December from the Christmas Market.



Netball News



Netball News 13/11

This week we have seen our Year 10's play some lovely netball against Ashlyns B. A great win for the girls **28-18** in their second league match. Excellent tips on the ball and turnovers, matched with some excellent conversion rates by both our shooters ensured a strong performance from start to finish.

Oppositions' Player: **Elena**

Manager's Player: **Annie**

Upcoming fixtures:

Monday 25th 7B & 10A 'v' Laureate (Home)

Tuesday 26th 7B & 8B 'v' Longdean (Away)





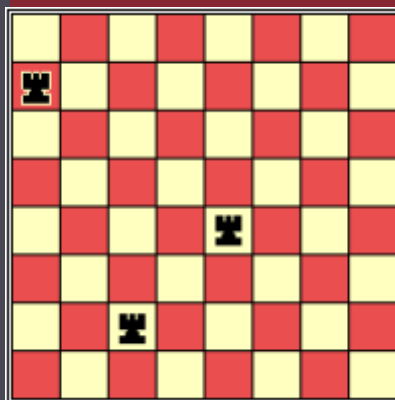
STEM Challenge

This week's challenge:

If you write the numbers 400 to 500 how many times will you have written the number 4

Answer next week.

Last weeks answer:



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

Answer

125.

Reasoning

There are 61 squares of size 1x1.

There are 39 squares of size 2x2.

There are 20 squares of size 3x3.

There are 5 squares of size 4x4.

A total of $61 + 39 + 20 + 5 = 125$.



This week's jackpot winning numbers are:

445808

Your supporter has donated their winnings of £30.60

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

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Have your say on Dacorum's future. Dacorum Borough Council is inviting the public to participate in a Regulation 19 consultation on the Dacorum draft Local Plan. Your input will help ensure the plan is legally sound and aligns with national planning policies. The plan outlines proposals for housing, jobs, infrastructure, and environmental protection. To find out more and participate visit <https://letstalk.dacorum.gov.uk/hub-page/newlocalplan>
You can also visit the Council's news article at www.dacorum.gov.uk/home/all-news.



Dacorum Local Plan to 2041

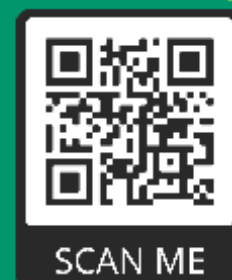
Pre-submission Regulation 19 Consultation



The consultation opens at
Midday on 4 November 2024
and closes at midday on 17 December 2024

To take part in the consultation online,
and for more information, please go to:
letstalk.dacorum.gov.uk

Email: strategic.planning@dacorum.gov.uk
Phone: 01442 228000 and ask for Strategic Planning





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Land North of Chipperfield Road, Community Event



Scan the QR code to visit **LNCR.Place** for more information.

Join us for a community event filled with fun activities for everyone and find out more about the proposals for Land North of Chipperfield Road.

Friday 29 November 2024, 1pm to 5pm
Saturday 30 November 2024, 10.30am to 3.30pm

**at Kings Langley Secondary School, Sixth Form Centre,
Love Lane, Kings Langley WD4 9HN**

Bicycle and car parking will be available in the school grounds for visitors to the event on Friday and Saturday.
NB Friday 29 November is a non-school day.

See reverse for more information

The Land North of Chipperfield Road community event is being organised by JTP on behalf of Hill Group and Silversaw Ltd. For more information please visit **LNCR.Place** contact the JTP team at community@jtp.co.uk on Freephone **0800 012 6730** or write to us at **Freepost JTP** (no stamp needed).



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Land North of Chipperfield Road, Community Event



Land North of Chipperfield Road

Land North of Chipperfield Road, located to the northwest of Kings Langley, is a proposed new neighbourhood set in beautifully curated landscape with up to 150 high-quality and sustainable homes, including 35% affordable housing. The plans also include the creation of an on site farmstead, in collaboration with Sunnyside Rural Trust to provide a wide range of rural and horticultural learning and therapeutic activities for children.

Come and find out more about the proposals and take part in fun activities throughout the two day community event.

**Friday 29 November 2024, 1pm to 5pm &
Saturday 30 November 2024, 10.30am to 3.30pm
Kings Langley Secondary School, WD4 9HN**

If you are unable to attend in person, you can view the exhibition boards online at **LNCR.Place**

You can submit your comments on the proposals at the event, by email to **community@jtp.co.uk** or by mail to **Freepost JTP** (no stamp needed). The deadline for comments is Monday 9 December 2024.

Following the community event, the team will prepare an Outline Planning Application which is expected to be submitted by the end of 2024.

Join us for fun activities led by Sunnyside Rural Trust & JTP

Attractions and activities throughout Friday and Saturday include:

- **Apple press** – bring your own fruit and bottles to take away. Don't worry if you don't have an apple tree, we'll have apples available for you!
- Help make fresh **vegetable soup** from Sunnyside Rural Trust produce.
- **Vegetable garden** to showcase growing and learning.
- **Chicken Run** – six chickens to see and learn about animal husbandry.
- **Market stall** with Sunnyside Rural Trust produce for sale.
- **Free refreshments** including coffee truck.
- **Face painting** for kids of all ages.

On Saturday only – **Propagation workshop** where you can learn how to take your own plant cuttings.



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