

Kings Langley School News

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A note from the Headteacher

We come to the end of a short but successful half term. As always thank you as a community for your ongoing support of the school. A huge well done to our GCSE and A Level cohorts on their progress throughout their examinations, feedback has been positive from students leaving the exam hall which is always a pleasing sign and that the revision they are putting in is paying off.

As per our previous communication we have had over 260 applications for our sixth form this year which is a great achievement as we become first choice for this provision in our local area. We need those students in particular in year 11 to either accept their places or decline them as we now have significant waiting lists for places to get into our sixth form. Any queries on this please contact the sixth form team directly about places for September, we do not want Kings Langley students missing out on places with so many external students this year applying. Also a reminder that next term we will be holding our taster days for sixth form which will run the week commencing 24th June 2024.



School Events

Tuesday 4th June -Lyon Trip parent meeting -6.30pm - 7.30pm DofE meeting -3.30pm - 4.30pm

Wednesday 5th June -County league Athletics 4pm - 6.30pm Jarman Park

Thursday 6th June -Barcelona Trip parents meeting - 6.30pm

Friday 7th June -Y10 DofE Bronze Exhibition Departs.

Sunday 8th June -Y10 DofE Bronze Exhibition Returns



As we build up for the final half term of this academic year which includes many events, talks, speakers, proms, celebrations and ends with our annual activities week, please can you support us by ensuring over half term that your child returns with all the correct uniform, PE kit and equipment to ensure we start the half term as we mean to go on and your child is school ready for the term ahead.

Finally, we have seen an increase in parents dropping off very late in the mornings, we have heard many excuses from students, but we know traffic is bad so please leave early to drop off by 8.35am, as this is when school starts as such please ensure you leave plenty of time to drop off by this time.

It leaves me to wish you a wonderful half term break together and we look forward to seeing your son/daughter after the break refreshed and ready to learn.



Kings Langley School Welcomes Visitors

Hello, my name is Phoebe (8A) and here is my experience as an Ambassador for the school when we welcomed the group.

On Thursday the 16th of May, we hosted 40 students from SCALA college from Alphen on the Rhine, Holland. These visitors were matched in numbers by student representatives from each Year 8 tutor group (42 to be precise). Our Dutch friends were in England for a week and visited us for two hours. Kings Langley School has had a relationship with SCALA bilingual college for almost twenty years.

This included full exchanges when students from either school stayed with families in the host country. We alternated years as hosts.

What did we do?

We greeted our friends at the front gate and led them to the main hall, where we formed groups, half English, half Dutch. I was in a group with three lovely students, Hayden, Gillian and Fleur.

We started in the hall, with a quiz about Dutch and English people and places, whilst the other half toured the school. We then swapped over.

The students found the technology side especially interesting, due to the fact they do not study this area of the curriculum in Holland. We must also point out how amazingly these students spoke English. Even those of us who spoke fast were still understood. We all had a fantastic time, ending the morning with some sweets and pictures!

A few English students from my group have also given some quotes:

Daisy-Rose 8P - 'It was fun, and everyone was really nice, I would really want to do it again'.

Lucy 8C - 'It was a learning experience as we questioned what was different in their culture and education'.

Clara 8C- 'It was very enjoyable and I loved making new friends from a different country'.



















Save the date! Tickets will go on sale after half term.

Kings Langley School Presents Shakespeare's

Much Ado About Nothing

Thursday 4th July 2024 7pm Doors open at 6.30pm Please use the QR code to book your tickets







Students of the Week w/c 20th May

Drama	Thomas 8C
Outstanding leadership of his group working on non-	naturalism.
English	Beth 9G
Excellent, detailed and engaging narrative – well don	e!
Food Technology	Maddie 9C
Always willing to help, and for showing excellent per-	severance in yesterday's Swiss roll lesson.
Geography	Morgan 7D
Fantastic score on assessment week test, the result of in lessons and being very well prepared with revision	of being exceptionally hardworking and conscientious
Politics	Georgia 12DLK
For completing practice questions methodically as pa Politics trial exams.	art of revision, securing greater success in her A Level
Graphics	Rosie 10G
Great knowledge shown during revision lesson.	
History	Lily-May 8P
Excellent attitude to learning. Well done.	
Library	Polly 7A
Fantastic reading (doing the voices!) on our visit to t	he care home.
Mathematics	Hannah 9D
Highest score in the end of year exam. This is a well- in lessons and the hard work put in for revision. Well	
Modern Foreign Languages	Morgan 7D
Excellent work all week.	
Music	Zoe 8C
An amazing performance of Satie's Gymnopedie in m	nusic this week. Well done!

PSHE	Nyla 7G
Excellent written work in PSHE/Resilience. Keep it up	!
Physical Education	Dylan 10C
Outstanding contributions to school sport this week.	
Product Design	Riley 10P
Great knowledge shown during revision lesson.	
Philosophy, Religion, Ethics	Daniel 10J
Consistent stickability and aspiration in PRE.	
Science	Henry 7P
Doing brilliantly in the science exam.	
Textiles	Joseph 9A
Excellent work – design ideas and practical.	
Year 7 Head of Year	Beau 7G
A beautiful act of kindness.	
Key Stage 5 Head of Year	Jaydon 12JNN
Showing excellent Post 18 knowledge.	

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

Sports News



Trampolining

Alex (10P) travelled to Telford on Sunday where he competed in the British FIG Qualifier in the 15-16 age group. He competed against older competitors and pulled out a personal best of 10.5 in difficulty to gain a respectable 10th place in his category with two clean rounds. Alex is hopeful this success might be enough to qualify for the British Championships in October and possibly get his name out there to Team GB selectors.

Dacorum Gymnastics Competition Report:

The first ever gymnastics competition that Kings Langley School have entered!

The Dacorum Gymnastics Competition took place at Sapphire School of Gymnastics on the 21st May 2024. We were competing against 4 other schools (JFK, Tring, Astley Cooper and Adeyfield) This saw 10 very bright and keen students make their way into the history books of the school



by being the first every gymnasts to compete for the school. Not only did they compete and represent the school very successfully, but as a team they had the most points out of all the schools competing! A very well done to them all.

A special mention to Lola (7C) who came 1st in both her floor routine and vault leading her to win the competition overall!





Well done to Esme (7J) who did amazingly well to finish 2nd in vault and 3rd overall.

Alexa (7A) had an amazing floor routine and as a result finished 3rd on floor.

Pheobe (8D) finished 3rd in vault after performing a well-shaped handstand flat back.

A special shoutout to the other 6 gymnasts

for working hard with me for the last month as they prepared for the competition: Alice (7G), Amy (7G), Masha (7A), Cerys (7G), Daniella (7A) and Lily (7C).

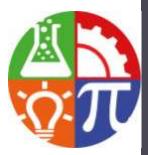
You were all amazing!

Mr Raine









STEM Challenge

This weeks challenge:

A young man is inside his apartment at night without any lights inside. He does not have a lamp, a candle or a torch or phone yet he is still reading his favourite book, How?

Answer next week.

Last weeks answer:

Paul's father keeps his fishing boat at the dock. The boat has a ladder that hangs over he side, almost touching the water. The rungs are 20cms apart. How many rungs are underwater during high tide when the water raises 30cms?

Answer

None, the boat floats so that the ladder rises above the water.



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Name of young person:

Address:

	Postcode:
Telephone:	DOB:
Emergency contact 1:	Name:
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I acknowledge the need for obedience and responsible behaviour on my child's part throughout this activity, and the need to take to note of any special safety instructions.

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