

NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2018

HEAD MASTER'S PAGE

Dear Parent/Carer.

Success is all about working towards the goals that we set ourselves. It is about putting ourselves outside our comfort zone and achieving things we did not think possible. I am delighted to write that I see success on a daily basis here at King's.

Years 11 and 13, supported by staff, are immersed in final preparations for the forthcoming external examinations. I ask for the support of parents to create a home environment condusive to work, and for providing support and encouragement to your son.

I wish you a Happy Easter and hope the holiday brings plenty of opportunities to spend time with your family and friends.

Boys return to school on Monday 16 April 2018.

F Hedley—Head Master

HEAD BOY & SENIOR PREFECTS FOR 2018-19

Following a vote by staff and students and an interview process, I am delighted to announce the Head Boy, Deputy, Assistants and Prefects for 2018-19:

Head Boy: Ed Johnston
Deputy Head Boy: Lewis Brady
Assistant Head Boys: Dominic Mould

Alex Pay

Robbie Robertshaw

Prefects:

Ed Buck, Noah Clegg, Felix Cross, William Dove, Thomas Evans, Archie Fraser-Dale, Charlie Gaskell, Dan Godfrey, Ben Gregory, Ben Johnson, Charlie Kay, Robbie Kelly, Nathan Kirby, Joe McCallion, Cameron Manderfield, Matthew Mills, Ben Payne, Jacob Pearson, Oliver Plowman, Luke Rimmer, William Sadler, Elliot Strother, Tom Scott, Monty Towns, James Walton, Ben Whinney, Henry Wood, Ben Wright

The boys take up their leadership roles immediately after the Easter break.

Thank you to Ollie Jakes (Head Boy for 2017-18) and his team for all their hard work during their term of office.



LITERACY FOCUS

The literacy focus for Term 5 is as follows:

Year 7: Spelling and CGP Sections 1 and 2

Year 8: Commas, CGP 27

Year 9: Sentence structure, CGP 48-52

Years 10 & 11: Employing subject specific vocabulary

MOBILE PHONES



May I remind all students and parents of the school policy on mobile phones. Mobiles should be switched off or placed on silent when boys ENTER the school gates in the morning. They should not be switched on again until they LEAVE school at 3:45pm.

If a student has an urgent issue whereby he feels he must contact home then he should seek permission from the school office to use the waiting room to do this.

If a student feels unwell during the school day he should go to the school office. He should not contact home first. He will be assessed and a decision made whether or not he is able to carry on with the school day. At this point the school office will contact parents.

May I also request that parents refrain from telephoning the school with reminder messages for boys for, e.g., dental appointments etc. Such requests are becoming frequent and it is not acceptable to interrupt the flow of lessons with these communications. Please make sure that such messages are given verbally to boys before they leave home in the morning and, if parents feel it is necessary, a message sent by text to the boy's mobile phone that he can check at the end of the school day.

HOUSE AWARDS EVENING 2018

The annual House Awards evening acknowledged and rewarded the qualities expected of our students both in school and as members of the community. These qualities are some of the most important that we can instill in the young people of today, but they can also be the most overlooked with the pressure for examination success. During the evening, seven prizes were awarded to individual students who have shown outstanding qualities in the following areas:

\Diamond	Leadership	Edward Birch
\Diamond	Teamwork	Lewis Wilby
\Diamond	Resilience	Brian Goncalves
\Diamond	Innovation/creativity	Milosz Kaluza
\Diamond	Courage	Zak Bahdi
\Diamond	Community	Ben Whinney
\Diamond	Kindness	Liam Bannister

The ceremony took place in the school Hall on 26 March and was a successful and enjoyable evening.

We commend all of the nominees for each award and congratulate the winners.

This year funds raised from the raffle, which are normally reinvested for House activities, are instead being donated to the Max Hubbard memorial tree fund.

MUSIC DEPARTMENT

YEAR 7 MASH UP CONCERT

Students in Forms 7C, 7M and 7S performed in an evening of music in the School Hall earlier this month. In order to develop their performance experience students have been learning to play either the Trombone, French Horn, Saxophone or Violin in lessons. The concert offered an opportunity to see some of the performance skills they have been developing. It gave students real experience of being a musician and playing in a concert.

There were also performances from the Senior Soul Band, allowing younger students to see what they could aspire to. During the day each class had a 40 minute workshop on either Djembe's or Samba drums run by Tim Brain, with performances from these also being included in the concert.



Year 7's in rehearsals and performance



SPRING CONCERT

Performances from the Concert Band, Wind Band, String Ensemble, Percussion Ensembles, Brass Ensembles and Choirs were enjoyed during the Spring Concert. There were also solos by Year 7 student Oliver Beard and Year 11 student Tim Stokes.

There were some fantastic performances that were extremely enjoyable and enabled the boys to showcase their musical talents.

Mr Lond—Director of Music

GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

RIVER FIELDWORK—written by students

On 20 March the Year 10 Geography students went out to various sites along the River Witham, including the Great Ponton and Colsterworth areas, gaining valuable fieldwork skills.

During the trip, we visited four different sites and took different measurements to help complete our hypothesis. Using a range of equipment, data was collected on the velocity, the depth and the width of the river. The collected data was then used to review the Bradshaw theory and to prepare us for our GCSE work.

Overall the trip gave us the skills necessary in our exams and for future trips. This trip also helped us to learn about a range of equipment and their functions and also to recognise the different characteristics of the River Witham's course.

Max Jappy (Year 10)

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From 19-23 March the Year 10 Geography students went to various sites along the River Witham as part of GCSE required fieldwork.

Throughout the day we went to four sites, each further away from the source than the last, and at each of the sites we took different measurements of the river such as the velocity, depth, and the size of the rocks on the river bed. We would then use our results in the following lessons to test our hypothesis that different characteristics of the river belong to different parts of the river, ie. How far the site was away from the source.

These results would help us as, in the exam, there will be questions to do with the rivers and about the certain characteristics of rivers that belong to the different sections of rivers. Now that we have comprehensive data it can help us in revision leading up to the exams.

We were outside and moving about for most of the day, so it was better than an ordinary classroom Geography lesson, and the whole process was enjoyable.

William Chatterton (Year 10)

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### GEOGRAPHY LECTURE AT NOTTINGHAM UNIVERSITY

On 21 March some of the Sixth Form Geographers, along with Mr Bufton and Mr Cawthorn, attended a lecture at Nottingham University led by Professor Stephen Legg on 'Globalisation and Global Governance'. This was the third lecture the Geography Department has attended at the university this year, with previous topics being 'climate change', 'carbon cycle and biodiversity'. All those who have attended the lectures have thoroughly enjoyed each of them and would like to thank Mr Bufton and Mr Cawthorn for providing this opportunity and especially the meal afterwards.

Matthew Mills (Year 12)

# GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

#### YEAR 12 GEOGRAPHY FIELD TRIP TO HULL

On 6 March all the Year 12 Geographers went to Hull to investigate urban regeneration. We carried out environmental surveys, land use surveys and completed other fieldwork tasks that focused around urban regeneration. We focused the data collection around key places such as St Stephen's shopping centre, the Princes Quay shopping centre, the marina, the fruit market and 'The Deep' aquarium. We were also given time to go and explore the city. We finally took the minibus back to King's at the end of a very good day.

This trip was essential to our 'A' level studies because we were able to test the methods we will be using when we do our coursework in lune

We all enjoyed the trip because of the opportunities that we wouldn't have during a normal school day.

Will North (Year 12)

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FIELDTRIPS TO HULL & THE HOLDERNESS COAST

Sixth Form Geographers travelled to Hull with Mr Bufton and Mr Cawthorn in order to carry out a number of data collection activities to prepare us for our upcoming coursework. Some of these included land use surveys and questionnaires which, as it was only one degree Celsius, was quite challenging to achieve.

As we had to collect data from around the city we saw a number of Hull's main attractions including The Deep and the KCom Stadium, home to Hull City FC.

We have also visited the Holderness coast on another freezing Tuesday (this time in October), to carry out data collection activities to prepare us for the physical coursework. We drove from Withernsea down to Kilnsea on the way, measuring the rate of erosion (which shocked all of us as it is the quickest eroding coastline in Europe) and a number of other physical processes.

Both trips were very enjoyable and I think I can speak for everyone when saying it helped a huge amount in choosing whether to choose physical or human coursework.

Matthew Mills (Year 12)



PE DEPARTMENT

TABLE TENNIS

In February, Tom Konarski of Year 9, playing for Cliffedale Chandlers (CC), won the U16 Lincolnshire Schools' Individuals Tournament at The Meres in Grantham. Tom, who has been playing with CC for just a year, began his interest in table tennis on the school's tables on the Quad half-way through Year 7.



At the same event, Jai Mistry Moulton of Year 8, won the U13 event.

Well done to Tom and Jai. They will now go forward to the Individual Championship Finals in Wolverhampton on 21 April.

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Aalhad Kulkarni, Ben Johnson, Viren Panchal, Flynn Connolly, Ryan Sheardown competed in various teams for the National Junior League and acquitted themselves well.

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Via the Cliffedale Chandlers, Viren Panchal and Flynn Connolly have embarked upon a County Umpires Course. We wish them well in this endeavour.

#### **BASKETBALL**



The Year 7 Basketball team have played two matches to date—winning them both by very comfortable margins:

V. Priory 38-4 V. St Georges 43-7 Well done boys!

# **FOOTBALL**

The Year 7 Football team are having a successful season, winning 9-1 against Spalding and 6-3 against the Bourne Academy. We wish them well in the County Cup Final.



#### **VOLLEYBALL**

Well done to all students on the Year 8 Volleyball team who came second in the County Championships.



# PE DEPARTMENT

#### **RUGBY**

Our Year 8 and Year 9 Rugby teams have had fantastic seasons, with both being crowned County Cup champions for Lincolnshire.

Year 8 beat the LSST side by 50-0. Year 9 also beat LSST opposition, this time 63-0.

A great achievement. Well done to all team members.

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Tigers PDG

Sam Hawkins and Harry Clough will attend a 3-day residential training event at Denstone College with the Tigers PDG squad.

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### **Rugby Trials**

Will Helliwell, Alex Henderson, Bill Rush and Conor White have all attended trials with the Midlands team, being selected from 177 boys playing at U18 County level. 41 were selected to trial, so well done to all.

Will got through to the final 23 and spent a further 2 training sessions working up to the National Championship. He started at full-back against the South West (which they won), moving to fly half for the second half. He then played fly half against London and the South East, unfortunately getting injured in the second half of that match.



# **Rugby Dinner**

132 guests enjoyed a hugely successful Rugby Dinner on the evening of 23 March.

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William Helliwell of Year 13 was voted 'The Players' Player' for the 1st XV, and Isaac Ridley was voted the 'Coaches Player'.

The 2nd XV presentation was made to Dan Godfrey.

WATER POLO

Will Herring of Year 11 has been selected for the England U17 squad to compete in the Sovianka Cup in Poland at the end of April.

Good luck Will.

CRICKET

As the cricket season draws ever closer, it is with sadness that we learn of the death of Vic Heppenstall, who gave over 30 years of voluntary service to the school as an umpire on the cricket pitch.

Vic was passionate about youth and school cricket. He went on several overseas tours with King's and umpired many matches over the years. Mr Richardson, Head of Cricket, says "Vic always considered himself a friend of the school, and King's was very fortunate to have such a truly great friend. In an umpiring career that spanned over 30 years he officiated in hundreds of school cricket matches, from the U12s through to the first XI. He also enjoyed umpiring in the National Cup competitions which involved travelling all over the country. Without doubt his favourite school match of the season was King's First XI versus the MCC. He was a real driving force in publicising the match and making sure everything was just right. He officiated in over 30 MCC fixtures, which is an amazing achievement. Vic worked with three different Heads of Cricket in his time with the school, and they all agree that he was a true gentleman and a real pleasure to work with."

Mr Whales commented, "Vic will be hugely missed by students and staff, both current and past. He was a big part of the King's sporting community, dropping in to see us throughout the year and being in his element in the cricket season. He was a beacon of traditional values and loved to share his vision of sport and competition to the boys, which invariably ended with him underlining the virtues of friendship. Vic always said how proud he was to be associated with the school. He will be sorely missed, but never forgotten.



Vic is pictured with a self-portrait presented to him in school to mark his 30 years of service. He had been pleased to meet another cricketing legend that day, West Indies legend Sir Garfield Sobers.

CAREERS FAIR

Year 10 students met with representatives of the following organisations to hear about the opportunities available to them:

Barclays Bank Finance Chattertons Solicitors Law

Get My Job First
Lindum
Armed Forces
Duncan & Toplis
Lincoln University
Datcom
KPMG
Apprenticeships
Construction
Army and RAF
Accountancy
University options
Business IT
KPMG
Apprenticeships
Construction
Army and RAF
Accountancy
University options



WHIST CLUB NEWS

This term has been an exciting one for the members of Whist Club as it witnessed the conclusion of the Annual Knock-Out Whist House Competition. Out of the original 40 entrants, 24 stalwarts saw the competition through to the end. Although School House fielded 10 of those competitors, meaning there was little the other Houses could do to prevent their victory, the individual title went to Aaron Fleckney (Year 9) of Burleigh.

Aaron was a worthy champion in a well-fought competition. Six competitors—Lukas Bellamy and Danny Brady (both of Form 8S), Kaviru de Zoysa (9B), Brian Gonclaves (9N), Jake Poon (10F) and William Hodder (10S) - all tied in 3rd place, only one point behind Alexander Cant (7S) who is a promising newcomer and worthy runner-up. Mention must also be made of Alex Turnbull (7M), another new member, who was alone responsible for scoring all the points for More. The results are shown below:

305 points 1st School 104 2nd Burleigh 3rd Foxe 85 4th Curteis 68 Newton 59 5th 6th More 24

Congratulations to all who took part.

Thanks are recorded to members of the Sixth Form: Louie Harvey (13F); Liam Culhane and Jamie Price (12C), Jack Arthur and Hayden Evans (12F) - for their assistance in overseeing the running of the competition.

Next term heralds the beginning of the Annual Partner Whist House Competition. All budding Whist players are welcome to enter. Form Tutors will have information of the start date for this.

Mrs Newton—Teaching Assistant & Whist Club Organiser

PFTA NEWS

GOLD CARD DRAW

The Draw took placing during the recent PTFA Committee meeting and the following winning numbers were drawn:

No. 1004 £60 January draw 0889 £60 February draw 0986 £60 March draw

For an annual fee of £10 you too could be a winner whilst contributing to PTFA funds. Details of joining the Draw are on the School's website.

ANNUAL BALL—SAVE THE DATE—SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER

Have you bought your tickets for the Annual Ball at Belton Woods Hotel, Grantham? Live music will be provided by The King's School Soul Band. Even if dancing isn't your thing, the three-course dinner is delicious and the company brilliant.

If you work for a company who would like to sponsor a raffle prize, please contact Julie Reid (jreid342001@yahoo.co.uk) or Michelle Tasker (michelletasker@rocketmail.com).

Contact Julie or Michelle for tickets—£40 per person (as in 2017).

SECOND-HAND SCHOOL UNIFORM

Donations of second –hand uniform and school sports kit are welcome for the PTFA's second-hand uniform shop, and items are available for purchase all year round (see the PTFA pages on the school's website for details). It's hoped to have items for sale at evening events in school, including Parents' Evenings.

STOP PRESS: A big thank you to everyone who donated items for the Chocolate Tombola and to the boys who turned up enthusiastically, spent their money and won prizes. The event raised £482.40.

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Find out what the PTFA are doing and have done via Facebook.

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KING'S NEWSLETTER

Items for the King's Newsletter should be submitted to Mrs Orrey, PA to the Head Master, at least 10 days prior to the end of each term (su.orrey@kings.lincs.sch.uk)

WYNDHAM PARK EASTER EGG HUNT & DUCK RACE

On Saturday 31 March the Wyndham Park Easter Egg Hunt & Duck Race will take place from 10:30am-12:30pm.

£1 per Egg Hunt (starts at 10:30am) and

£1 per duck (12:00 start)

Tickets will be on sale on the white bridge from 10:30am.

Follow the Easter trail and solve the clues to win a small chocolate reward.

CCF NEWS



Lt Col Ogg



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Master Cadet Course

Confirmation has been received that Sgt Ed Johnston (Year 12) has a place on the pilot course for CCF Cadets at Frimley Park. He is the only cadet selected from Lincolnshire (CCF's) to participate.

The aim of the course is to develop the leadership and military skills of ACF 4* cadets. The course lasts for 5 days and aims to broaden and develop further the leadership, instructional and administrative responsibilities of 4* cadets with the intention of making better use of their abilities. It also encourages the retention of senior cadets by giving them something to strive for beyond 4*. It is a physically arduous and mentally demanding course. Candidates must ensure that they are adequately prepared. All applicants must have completed fieldcraft as a progressive subject and have qualified on the Senior Cadets Instructors' Cadre.

Successful completion of the Master Cadet Course qualifies cadets for consideration for appointment to Master Cadet. This appointment is at the discretion of the ACF Commandant/CCF Contingent Commander.

Ed will be the first cadet from King's to have participated in this course.

Other News

This has been a quiet term with the Contingent mainly developing skills in a classroom training environment.

The RAF have now notified us of Summer Camp Dates and the RAF CCF Section have been offered 10 places from 28 July to 4 August.

The annual Fieldcraft Exercise was held at Stoke Rochford for 41 of our younger cadets to prepare them for Exercise March Hare at Oasby in the near future.

Pictured below: students at Stoke Rochford



A cheque for £120 was presented to the Army Benevolent Fund whilst we were training at Stoke Rochford. Capt. Neil McCorquodale commented that "he was really grateful to the Contingent for its continued support of the ABF, the Soldiers' Charity".

Capt Dunlop and SSI Pulfrey have just returned from attending the pre-summer camp briefing at Crowborough. This should allow us to ensure that 40 army cadets have an excellent summer camp.

A Range day at RAF Cranwell was cancelled due to adverse weather conditions, but it is hoped to carry out this activity on 12 May.

Potential Officers, Tom Dunlop and Chris Wade's commissioning process is going well and they will hopefully soon be new officers in the King's Contingent, Army Section.

The CCF is always recruiting, so any student from Year 9 upwards can join. If you are interested, please call in and see SSI Pulfrey in his office.

Finally, the Contingent provides uniform freely to its cadets, the only stipulation is that when Cadets leave the CCF, they return the uniform. If anyone reading this newsletter still has their (or their son's) uniform and has left the CCF or school, could they please return the kit to SSI Pulfrey as soon as possible.

Thank you.

Lt Col Ogg



CHARITY EVENT

Thomas Linford of Year 9 is organising a charity event in aid of Beaumond House Community Hospice in Newark where his grandfather received great care and support in his final months.

The event is a musical concert featuring:

'Just Sing' Community Choir Barnby Road Academy Chamber Choir The King's School Junior Soul Band Concordia—Singing Quartet Shirley Overbury—Vocalist Peter Higgins—Pianist Thomas Linford—Saxophonist Viraj Deorukhkar—Pianist Libby Wyatt—Flautist Gary Wyatt—Cornet Player

Sunday 22 April 2018 at Barnby Road Academy, Newark £5.00 per ticket (to include tea and cake)

Tickets available from Beaumond House Reception or by telephoning Thomas Linford on 01636 605484

DATES FOR DIARIES—EVENTS DURING TERM 5 (2018)

WEEK COMMENCING 16 APRIL: WEEK B YEAR 10 EXAMINATION WEEK

Monday 16 April: TERM BEGINS

Tuesday 17 April: OLD BOYS' AGM—7:30PM IN ROOM 34
Wednesday 18 April: HOUSE ASSEMBLIES—NEWTON & CURTEIS

1ST XI CRICKET V CARRES (H) - 1:30PM

• Thursday 29 April: YEAR 8 PARENTS' EVENING—4:15-7:15PM IN THE HALL

WEEK COMMENCING 23 APRIL: WEEK A

Monday 23 April: YEAR 9—THE FACTS ABOUT ALCOHOL—DR ARIC SIGMAN

HEAD OF YEAR INTERVENTION MEETINGS FOR SELECTED PARENTS, ALL YEAR GROUPS-4:00-

6:00PM IN THE BISHOP FOXE & TOMBS ROOMS

DR ARIC SIGMAN—MANAGING SCREEN DEPENDENCY—5:00-6:30PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL

Tuesday 24 April: GCSE AND A LEVEL MUSIC RECORDINGS TAKE PLACE ALL DAY IN ROOM 55

YEAR 7 'MATHS EXPLAINED' - 6:30PM IN ROOM 33

Wednesday 25 April: HOUSE ASSEMBLIES—MORE & SCHOOL

GCSE AND A LEVEL MUSIC RECORDINGS TAKE PLACE ALL DAY IN ROOM 55

1ST XI CRICKET V SPALDING (A) - 2:00PM

YEAR 12 HIGHER EDUCATION EVENING—7:00PM IN THE OLD SCHOOL

Thursday 26 April: JUNIOR MATHS CHALLENGE—TIME TBC—IN THE HALL

U13 CRICKET V LEICESTER GRAMMAR (H) - 2:00PM

Weekend: YEAR 10 BRONZE DUKE OF EDINBURGH—2 DAY PRACTICE EXPEDITION

WEEK COMMENCING 30 APRIL: WEEK B

Monday 30 April: U12 CRICKET V STAMFORD A & B TEAMS (A) - 2:00PM

Tuesday 1 April: SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING—12 NOON IN THE OLD SCHOOL

Wednesday 2 April: HOUSE ASSEMBLIES—FOXE & BURLEIGH

CRICKET—1ST XI/ U15/ U14/ U13/ U12 V WORKSOP (A) - 2:00PM

WEEK COMMENCING 7 MAY: WEEK A

Monday 7 May: BANK HOLIDAY

Tuesday 8 May: U14 CRICKET V HILL HOUSE (A) - 2:00PM

Wednesday 14 May: U13 CRICKET V STAMFORD A & B TEAMS (H) - 2:00PM

Weekend: YEAR 10 BRONZE DUKE OF EDINBURGH—2 DAY ASSESSED EXPEDITION

WEEK COMMENCING 14 MAY: WEEK B YEAR 7 & YEAR 8 EXAMINATION WEEK (CAT3)

GCSE/A LEVEL EXAMINATIONS BEGIN

Monday 14 May: U14 & U15 CRICKET V LEICESTER (A) - 2:00PM

WEEK COMMENCING 21 MAY: WEEK A YEAR 7 & YEAR 8 EXAMINATION WEEK (CAT3)

GCSE/A LEVEL EXAMINATIONS

Tuesday 22 May: U14 & U15 CRICKET V TRENT COLLEGE (A) - 2:00PM
 Thursday 24 May: 1ST XI CRICKET V TRENT COLLEGE (H) - 2:00PM T20

U12 CRICKET V LEICESTER GRAMMAR (A) - 2:00PM

Friday 25 May:
 END OF TERM—3:45PM