

KING'S

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Dear Parents and Carers,

As the year draws to a close it is a wonderful opportunity for all of us to reflect on the fantastic year that has passed. There have been an incredible number of high points and I would like to thank all of the Students, Teachers, Parents, Carers and Governors for their friendship and kindness throughout the year. There have also been a number of extreme low points for the whole school community and I know we have all been strengthened by the way that the King's family have pulled together and supported each other at these difficult times whilst being mindful of the needs of others.

It has been a year to celebrate the amazing number of students who have given so much to the school in their educational journey and to wish all of those going on to greater things our best wishes and hopes for their futures. We also say goodbye to a number of staff and thank them for helping to make King's the very special place that it is:

Mr Clark, Mrs Clewlow, Mr Davis, rs Dodworth, Mr Finke, Mrs Greenfield, Mrs Martin, Mr Saunders, Mrs Snee, Mr Sutton, Miss Thomas, and Miss Wharrier.

Good luck and thank you for all of your support for the boys.

EXAMINATIONS 2019

A LEVEL RESULTS DAY - THURSDAY 15 AUGUST

Results to be collected from the Sixth Form Centre. A Level results will be available from 8:00am.

Mr Barton, Mr Whales and Mrs Topham will be in school until 3:00pm on 15 August and on Friday 16 August from 8:00am until 12 noon when priority will be given to Year 13 students and their university applications.

GCSE RESULTS DAY - THURSDAY 22 AUGUST

Results may be collected between 9:00am and 12 noon from the Sixth Form Centre. Members of staff will be available for guidance until 3:00pm.

Questions regarding changes to programmes of study for next year can be answered between 12:30-1:30pm and during the morning of 3 September.

For anyone wishing to apply for the postal results service, all information and an application form is available in the Examinations area of the school website.



VOLUNTEER ARCHIVIST

If you are interested in voluntary work in the school archive area, even if only for one hour per week, please contact Mrs Orrey, PA to the Head Master, in the first instance (su.orrey@kings.lincs.sch.uk)

The archives of the school are fascinating and give an incredible insight into how education has changed over the many years the school has been on this site. It is a real treat to look through old editions of school magazines, visitor photographs and memorabilia from former decades and the school receives several enquiries each term about past history.

BUS QUEUES FROM SEPTEMBER

It has been brought to our attention that a number of bus drivers from different companies have been very concerned about the potential for an accident outside of the school.

I have had a report of a student running alongside a bus as it slowed and pulled over at the stop outside the school. A minority of students leave the site, wait for buses at the junction of Brook Street and Castlegate, and then return to the school to catch the bus. Their behaviour has put them or others at risk. From September 2019 all students waiting for buses on the school side of Brook Street must remain in the school grounds. Students heading towards Castlegate at the end of the day will not be permitted to return to the bus queue. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

JUNIOR MATHS CHALLENGE

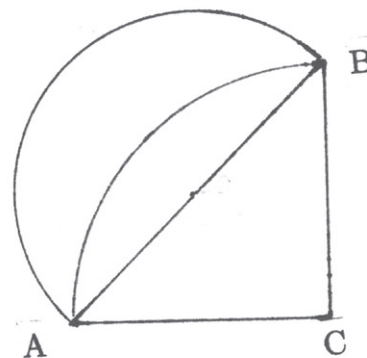
Year 8 students took part in the Junior Maths Challenge in April and achieved 12 Gold, 24 Silver and 32 Bronze certificates.

Harrison Taylor (8B) achieved the highest score in the school and, with Ollie Marsh, Timothy Vero, Tom Sefton, Abraham Tharakan, Jackson Bateman, Thomas Entwistle, Joshua Sanad and Oliver Beard, went on to the Pink Kangaroo round of the competition and were awarded merit or qualification certificates.

Mrs Cherry - Mathematics Teacher

MATHEMATICAL TEASER

Old Boy, Professor M.J. Sewell, Emeritus Professor of Applied Mathematics at the University of Reading, has sent in the following to see if any readers of this Newsletter can prove that the area of that lune is the same as the area of the right-angled triangle.



LANGUAGES DEPARTMENT

YEAR 7 SPELLING BEE

Eleven boys took part in the French Spelling Bee on 12 July. The boys had to spell a series of difficult words in different categories in French. The boys worked at a very high standard and there was a lovely atmosphere as other students came along to spectate and support.

The winners were Noah Koro (7B), Mikolaj Rutka (7F) and Toby Sharpe (7C). Well done to all those who participated.

Mrs Roberts - Head of French

GERMAN EX-CHANGE STUDENTS

Exchange students from Bamberg joined King's boys to complete the exchange programme this year. They thoroughly enjoyed their time here and many of them said they would have liked to stay longer. Thank you to the host families.



GEOGRAPHY DEPARTMENT

FIELDWORK REPORT

The summer term keeps the Geography Department busy with a wide range of fieldwork opportunities for a number of different year groups. The Department's fieldwork programme began back in September with trips taking place throughout the year, but it is the summer term when the majority of these trips occur.

The second week in June saw Year 7 travel to the Stibbington Centre in the pouring rain. A month's worth of rain fell in just 2 days, which made the flooding element of the fieldwork very apt. Luke Carroll (7C) has written a report of his experiences of the fieldwork:

"We visited the Stibbington research centre and the Sacrewell Mill Stream to investigate the characteristics of the river channel and the rate of surface run-off which was extremely useful to our learning, and a fun day out at the same time. We carried out the investigation of surface run-off by using two trays (one containing vegetation and soil) and poured 250ml of water into each one and measure the amount of water collected after the water had passed down the trays, we found that the tray containing concrete let through 225ml of water whereas the tray containing the vegetation only let through 150ml of water. We concluded that it would be safer to have more vegetation near rivers instead of concrete roads to prevent flooding."

The week after the rain saw the return of the sun and Mr Cawthorn's annual pilgrimage to Lincoln with Year 10. Visiting three sites around the city to investigate the impact of urban processes, boys were kept busy collecting data to be used in their examinations. A report by Christopher Flint (10N) follows:

"In June Year 10 visited Lincoln for our human fieldwork, testing the contemporary urban processes which it, and the surrounding area, faces. We visited three sites during the day to test a different process at each one. At North Hykeham we tested the process of Suburbanisation, in Portland Street it was Re-Urbanisation having an impact and Counter-Urbanisation in Metheringham. We worked in small groups, carrying out different methods in order to prove or disprove our hypothesis (the contemporary urban processes were having an overall negative impact on Lincoln and the surrounding area). We had to carry out a questionnaire which meant interacting with the public and other surveys like testing the environmental quality of the area. It was a great experience and an enjoyable day."

In the penultimate week of June Year 9 embarked on a new piece of fieldwork for this academic year, visiting Skegness. The boys on this 'trip to the seaside' were kept busy with visits to Gibraltar Point, Skegness Aquarium and coastal management fieldwork. Harvey Triston (9N) writes:

"We used our fieldwork skills to experiment on sand dunes (the rise/decline per 5m, temperature changes to the dunes compared to air etc). When we returned to Skegness we had lunch in a parked and then visited the Aquarium. When we arrived, we had a presentation about the impact of plastic pollution and how we can cut down on using single use plastics followed by time to see the fish and other animals. We then took a walk down the coast to revise the area of coastal defences and how effective they can be. Overall I found the trip really interesting as it adds an element of fun and teamwork to learning about something that is quite boring in a classroom."

The programme of fieldwork provided a large number of boys the opportunity to learn about Geography in the real world as well as developing their skills outside the classroom. The Department would like to thank all staff and parents who supported this year's fieldwork programme and we look forward to doing it all again next year!

Mr Cawthorn

LONDONTHORPE CHURCH

The Music Department made its annual trip to St John the Baptist Church in Londonthorpe. The concert featured the String Ensemble, Senior Brass Ensemble, Junior Brass Ensemble and Soloists from Year 7 to Year 10.



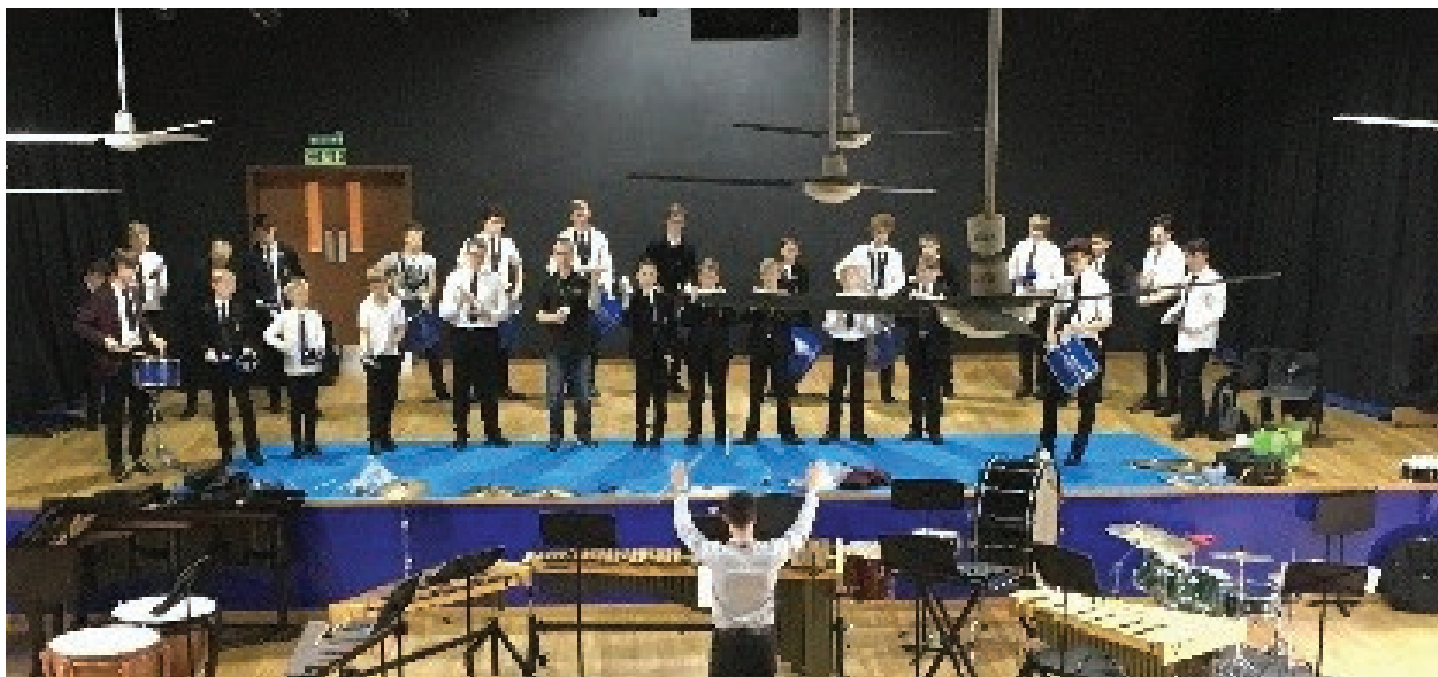
PERCUSSION WORKSHOP

A Percussion Workshop day was run by former student George Topham (now at Leeds University). During the day boys looked at playing techniques and ensemble playing. During the evening they also used the new Samba kit that has been custom-made for the Music Department.



PERCUSSION WORKSHOP & EVENING CONCERT

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SUMMER CONCERT IN THE HEAD MASTER'S GARDEN

The summer concert featured the Big Band, Senior Soul Band, Senior Brass Ensemble, Junior Brass Ensemble, Junior Choir and Soloists from Years 10 to 12.



GIN & JAZZ AT GRANTHAM HOUSE

The Music Department provided the music for an Evening of Gin and Jazz, featuring the Big Band and the Senior Soul Band in the grounds of Grantham House, organised by St Wulfram's Church. The evening was a great success and we have already been booked again for next year!

Mr Lond - Director of Music

WHIST CLUB NEWS ROUND-UP

The summer term bore witness to a well-fought Partner Whist competition. Fifteen pairs took part and although Burleigh and Foxe failed to field any entrants, those 15 had an exciting time. In the end More stole the show. This meant that for the first time in recent years, School's domination in Whist competitions was overcome. The overall points scored are shown below:

More	602	Curteis	29
School	484	Burleigh	0
Newton	216	Foxe	0

However, whilst More beat School into first place for house points, Alex Cant and Harry Profit of School were the triumphant pair. Hot on their heels were Matthew Ross and Alex Turnbull of More, followed by Danny Brady and Ryan Twose of School.

Whilst Alex and Harry stole the lead, all pairs fought determined battles. Positions swapped numerous times as pairs continued to vie for the runner-up and 3rd places. Victory was decided only in the final session. Congratulations to all who took part and well done for adding valuable House Points for their respective Houses!

As the academic year draws to a close, mention must be made of the Club's helpers. Huge thanks go to Mr Belton, who took over running the Club when Mrs Newton could not be there. Grateful thanks go as well to Liam Culhane of Year 13 who continued to assist in the running during his final year at school. Many thanks are also due to Daniel Hill of Year 11 who gave much-needed help, especially during the running of competitions.

Mrs Newton - Whist Co-ordinator

MODELLING CLUB

The Modelling Club tries to meet every lunchtime in Room 36 and we have now expanded to include the use of K'nex to undertake projects.

Next year we will be running a competition each term for a team of students to make the best model on a theme - the competition in the first term will be bridge design to withstand a given loading, to look aesthetically pleasing and environmentally sympathetic. This competition will be open to all year groups.

To help us we would very much appreciate any K'nex that happens to be collecting dust and in need of a good home - we already have good project amounts but always need more resources. Anyone not wanting to take part in the projects can just attend and build their own ideas in a relaxing environment.

Additionally we would welcome any un-built or part-assembled plastic models - for example, Airfix and Revell - since we are always making models and putting them on display. All donations are very much welcome and you can be assured that students will be completing these models in their lunchtimes under my guidance.

Mr Baker

ENGLISH YOUTH BALLET

Congratulations to Matthew Ross of Year 8 who successfully auditioned for the English Youth Ballet's production of Sleeping Beauty Act 3 & Ballet Etudes which will take place in October 2019.

This is a great achievement - those chosen to participate have achieved a high standard of ballet. Well done Matthew.

CHESS CLUB

Congratulations to Abdullah Pirwani of Year 12. He has been rewarded for his hard work in leading the Senior Chess Team and helping to run the Junior Chess Club by being awarded the title of Chess Captain. Mrs Drulia presented Abdullah with his Captain badge at the end of June.

Everyone involved would like to thank him for his enthusiasm and patience.

The screenshot shows the Price & Buckland website interface. At the top, the logo 'Price & Buckland' is displayed with the tagline 'SCHOOLWEAR SINCE 1959'. Navigation links include 'Shop Now' and 'Help'. A shopping cart icon shows '£0.00', and there are links for 'Sign In' and 'ENG'. A dark blue banner prominently features 'THE KING'S SCHOOL'. Below this, three service icons are shown: 'Hassle free returns', 'Secure Payments', and 'Two free monthly deliveries into school'. The breadcrumb trail reads 'Home > The King's School'. The main heading is 'The King's School'. Below this, it says '10 Items' and 'Sort By Position'. Four items are displayed in a grid:

- Polo With Panels**: A maroon polo shirt with navy blue panels on the sleeves. Price: From £11.50. Button: BUY NOW.
- Shorts**: Navy blue shorts with a maroon stripe on the side. Price: From £11.00. Button: BUY NOW.
- Rugby Top**: A maroon rugby shirt with navy blue panels on the sleeves. Price: From £18.00. Button: BUY NOW.
- Rugby Shorts**: Navy blue shorts with a maroon stripe on the side. Price: From £13.75. Button: BUY NOW.

ORDER SCHOOL UNIFORM ONLINE

The school uniform is supplied by Price and Buckland, who have been manufacturing exceptional schoolwear since 1959. Visit the website (price-buckland.co.uk) to shop for your school uniform.

HOW TO ORDER:

There is a brand-new online school uniform shop:

1. Visit the school finder located on the Price and Buckland website.
2. Browse the range and buy your uniform.
3. Enter your delivery details and await your order.
4. Register your details or log in to your account to view your order status and history.

CRICKET REPORT

KING'S V. MCC MATCH

On a sunny Friday at the end of June, the MCC Captain, Peter Wright, won the toss and elected to bat in what was the 35th year of this fixture.

The MCC lost an early wicket with the score on 17 when Harry Robinson clean bowled Evison for 1. Clayfield (46) and Hornsby (75) steadied the ship for the MCC and left them in a strong position at lunch. Wickets started to tumble after lunch as the MCC looked to set a total for the school to chase. They sportingly declared on 221 for 6 off 50 overs. Ben Robinson finished with 3 wickets for 43 runs and Harry Robinson, 2 wickets for 63 runs.

King's started well in the run chase, with Seb Newton (17) and Ben Lumb (79) putting on 47 for the 1st wicket. The good batting continued with George Park making 34 runs in a 77 run partnership with Lumb. As the match entered the last 20 overs King's were 102-1 and needed a further 120 runs with 8 wickets in hand. With the score on 152 Ben Lumb was run out and a mini-collapse followed. The school then rallied with Oliver Barry scoring 17 from 15 balls. Unfortunately, or maybe fortunately, King's ran out of overs and the innings finished on 198 for 7 wickets from 51 overs. The match was officially a draw. Man of the Match was Ben Lumb for his superb 79 which included 9 fours and a six. He received the Vic Heppenstall memorial trophy and an MCC Spirit of Cricket cap.

GENERAL REPORT

The 1st XI won 3 of their 8 fixtures this season, beating Carres by 140 runs, Spalding by 6 wickets and the Old Boys by 9 wickets. A draw against the MCC was the highlight of the 2019 season.

The Under 15's made it through to the County Cup final where they face Tollbar Academy, having beaten Carres and Spalding on the way. They also made it to the T20 final where they lost out to Stamford in a close match. In the national cup competition they lost by 8 runs to Bedford School, which was an excellent performance against a top independent cricketing school.

The Under 14's have enjoyed great success this year thanks mainly to the wickets and runs of Theo Mussell. They remained undefeated all season and managed to win the county cup final against Stamford by losing one less wicket in a tied match (almost as exciting as the World Cup winning match!). They will go on to represent Lincolnshire in the national cup next season.

The Under 13's have certainly made improvements from last year, as they made it



all the way to the county cup final, but lost out to QEGS Gainsborough. They also had notable wins against Trent College and St Hugh's, thanks mainly to the runs made by Jack Hall.

The Under 12's have played 8 matches this season but unfortunately they have only managed to win two matches, against Bourne Grammar and Hill House. Hopefully a better 2020 season awaits.

KING'S V. MCC MATCH

The King's 1st XI played a match against the Australian Wanderers in a 40 over match on 9 July.

The Wanderers batted first and posted a total of 173 all out. The King's team had 40 overs to score the runs but soon found themselves in trouble at 15 for 5. Thankfully Ben Robinson has an unbeaten 50 to leave King's all out for 132.



KING'S V. OLD BOYS'

On Thursday 4 July Mr Stewart's Old Boys' v. Mr Richardson's Old Boys' T20 match.

Mr Stewart's team elected to bat first and James Clayfield (19) and Matthew Ragless (16) got them off to a good start with 21 from the first 3 overs. Wickets then started to tumble and they found themselves 60 for 3. Lincolnshire County Captain Carl Wilson steadied the ship with a handy 30 not out from 25 balls. The final total was 116 for 7 wickets off 20 overs, with the best of the bowling from Sam Jennings (2-24) and Jack Copley (3-20).

Mr Richardson's team chased the total down in 16.2 overs, losing the wicket for 1 run. Jack Copley retired injured on 27, as did Dom Exton on 42. The not out batsmen were Jamie Morgan (17) and Dan Wilson (18). The final score was a win for Mr Richardson's Old Boys by 9 wickets.

In another Old Boys' match on 5 July, the Old Boys elected to bat first in conditions that were conducive to swing bowling. They soon found themselves in trouble when Tony Williams was bowled for 0 first ball of the match. Dan Wilson (23) and Josh Sugden (28) helped recover the situation but wickets continued to fall and the Old Boys were all out for 109. Ben Robinson finished with 4 for 10 runs from his 7 overs. The school had little trouble reaching the total, with Seb Newton scoring 25, George Park smashing 65 not out from only 48 balls, including 13 fours, and the King's Captain for the day, Jaidev Prakash, scored 11 not out. The final result was a win for the school by 9 wickets.

Man of the Match was Ben Robinson and he received the Alec Weightman memorial trophy.

WELL DONE

Ben Lumb of Year 12 recently captained Notts Under 17's for the first time in a match against Wales in Cardiff. Against a strong Wales side and a very young Notts team, they chased down 240 from 50 overs with 3 overs to spare. It was a great team performance.

It has been another successful season for King's athletes. Both the junior and intermediate boys' teams qualified for regional finals in the Track and Field Cup Competition and there has been notable individual success.

Following the district trials, 31 King's students were selected to represent Kesteven at the County Championships (see below). After exceptional performances at the County Championships, 4 students were selected to represent Lincolnshire at the English Schools Athletics competition - Praise Olalere, Tom Evans, Tate Emery-Peters and Jonathan Esiwe. This event brings together the best athletes in the country and was streamed live on the internet.

Competing in the Intermediate Boys competition a year young, both Tate (800m) and Jonathan (100m) ran exceptionally well. Tate narrowly missed out on a place in the final having run a huge personal best time of 1 minute 57 seconds. In the Senior Boys events Tom finished 5th in the final of the 400m and Praise claimed the Bronze medal, finishing 3rd in the 100m in a blistering 10.78 seconds.

Minor - Year 7:	William Leaning	100m
	Ekine Esiwe	100m
	Joshua Clee	800m
Junior (Years 8 & 9):	Ronnie Davey	Hurdles & High Jump
	Riley Field	Hurdles
	Edwin Mensah	200m
	Jamie Porter	300m
	Ben Taylor	300m & Long Jump
	Henry Herries	800m
	Jack Pemberton	800m
	Jasper Adamson	1500m
	Theo Mussell	1500m & Javelin
	Kuba Wasowski	Long Jump
	Joshua Brahoua	Shot & Hammer
	George Conron	Shot & Hammer
Intermediate: (Years 9 and 10)	Thomas Craddock	Discus
	Jonathan Esiwe	100m & Long Jump
	George Whinney	100m & Long Jump
	Will Czajkowski	200m & Discus
	Matt Darlington	200m
	Oliver Coyle	400m
	Regan Wade	400m & Triple Jump

Tate Emery-Peters:	800m
Will Dickson	800m
Marcel O'Sullivan	1500m
Luca Cenci	Shot
Lawrence Ford Pain	Discus
Senior (Years 12 & 13):	
Praise Olalere	100m
Tom Evans	400m
Sheldon Fivaz	100m, 200m & Long Jump
Lewis Wilby	Javelin

TABLE TENNIS

Tom Konarski of Year 10 was recently selected to umpire at the British Senior Schools International Table Tennis tournament in Guernsey, flying out with the England Team. Tom is currently the youngest Level 1 umpire in the country. Well done Tom.

KICKBOXING CHAMPIONS

Oliver McDonald and Harley Bradley of Year 7 took part in a Pad-Work competition (for Kickboxing Clubs - Pro Marshal Arts Schools) at the Meres in May.

Olly and Harley were up against about 30 pairs of competitors and emerged victorious as champions against some very experienced opposition. Well done to you both.



SPORTS DAY

Thank you to all of the students staff for such an amazing sports day. It was another hugely successful event which saw Foxe House reclaim their title as Athletics champions. The final scores were:

Foxe	863	Curteis	828
Newton	768.5	Burleigh	752.5
School	739.5	More	718.5



Records Broken:

Jasper Adamson of Year 8 for the 1500m - old record 4.52, new record 4.45

Tate Emery-Peters of Year 10 for the 800m - old record 2.06, new record 2.02.23

Archie Bradbury of Year 8 for the 800m - old record 2.16.43, new record 2.14.18

Kieran Hollis of Year 12, for the High Jump - old record 1.58m, new record 1.59m

Well done boys.



COMBINED CADET FORCE

Another successful year of CCF activities is coming to a close, with cadets attending RAF Cranwell and RAF Syerston for flying and gliding, and canoeing at Rutland Water under Capt. Dunlop's supervision during the school holidays.

The annual Leavers' Regimental Dinner Night was held in the Old School at the end of June with the Lord Lieutenant of Lincolnshire as our chief guest. The Dinner was well-attended and prizes were awarded. The Queen's message to the Contingent was read by Aaron Trevor and the Loyal Toast was conducted by everyone present.

The Leavers' dinner marked the last parade of Magnus School's CCF cadets following their two years of training under the King's CCF. They will now be their own CCF unit and will parade independently. Best of luck to them.

Any boy who would like to join the CCF (and who will be in Year 9 or above in September 2019) should consider the following feature from the 2019 Summer Camp. You too can join in these activities which are the backbone of the CCF, not forgetting the flying and gliding opportunities on offer in the RAF CCF section too. If you are interested in joining the CCF, please see SSI Pulfrey in school for a joining pack.

ARMED FORCES DAY

Armed Forces Day 2019 was marked with a flag-raising ceremony at the offices of SKDC. Cadets from King's CCF attended, with a rendition of the Last Post conducted by Bugler Oskar Batty (Year 12).

CCF FLYING

Eight cadets had a great day flying Grob Tutors at RAF Cranwell on 18 July. Two of the cadets were first time flyers. Thank you to Fl. Lt. Barton for taking the boys.



SUMMER CAMP 2019

The Summer Camp took place at Beckingham with 50 cadets and Army Section staff. The programme of events enjoyed was as follows:

- First day: Weapon and Radio training and updates
- Second day: Range shooting, 5.56 and 7.62 target rifle, and Clay Shooting, together with Air Rifle Shooting for the younger cadets
- Third Day: Rutland Water - Canoeing, Sailing, Raft Building and other activities
- Fourth Day: Fieldcraft, shelter building, section formations, paintballing, Camouflage and Concealment
- Fifth and 24 hour exercise under the supervision of SSI Pulfrey and
- Sixth Days: Capt. Dunlop, a night out under the star, an early morning blank firing exercise using pyrotechnics and smoke, together with cooking rations for 24 hours
- Seventh Day: Tidy up, sweep the billets and return home.

What a great summer camp package which saw cadets qualifying at Marksman, first class shots at the Range, together with advanced APC badges and their Fieldcraft badge.

Without the dedication of the staff involved (Flt Lt Barton, OC RAF Section and Capt. Dunlop OCArmy Section and their staff) these extra-curricular activities would not take place. Thank you to them all.





7 BRIGADE
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JOINED THE
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THEIR SKILLS
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INCLUDING 7.62
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PARENTS, TEACHERS & FRIENDS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL BALL - SAVE THE DATE

The Annual Ball will take place at Belton Woods Hotel on Saturday 12 October 2019.

Tickets are £40.00 per person for this great night out and can be booked now - please contact Michelletasker@rocketmail.com.

Could you or your business offer sponsorship towards the costs of the evening? This entitles you or your business to put out advertising flyers on the dinner tables and shout-outs on social media. Again, please contact Michelle.

SECOND-HAND UNIFORM SHOP -

SCHOOL LEAVERS

If your son is leaving King's this summer we would love to have his uniform, especially Sixth Form blazers, which are often in good condition. Items can be left at the School Office.

Get in touch via our email if your son hopes to go into the Sixth Form to see if we have a blazer to fit him.

Can you spare a few hours a month during the day to help sort (and possibly launder) the clothes in the shop? If you could also help sell the secondhand uniform at Parents' Evenings that would be fantastic! A DBS can be arranged through school. Get in touch using: ptfauniformshop@gmail.com.

PTFA SECRETARY - VACANCY

The role includes taking notes at meetings and creating minutes (maximum of four meetings a year, plus the AGM), liaising with the school about PTFA matters, and being confident in using email.

Contact Jo Payne for more information: jopayne21@gmail.com

KEEP IN TOUCH

Find out what we have done, and keep in touch with what we are doing:

Facebook - @KingsPTFA / Twitter – [Twitter.com/Kings PTFA](https://twitter.com/KingsPTFA)

Secondhand uniform - ptfauniformshop@gmail.com

Email – admin@kings.lincs.sch.uk

Annual Ball - michelletasker@rocketmail.com

SCHOOL SAMBA BAND

A massive thank you to the PTFA who supported the school with a full set of Samba Drums.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

As your new President I am honoured to be able to join The King's School Old Boys' Society on the next stage of its journey.

My first, and hopefully not only, success so far has been to keep our inspirational indefatigable yet langourous outgoing President, W.S.A. Shaw Esq. on the Committee.

I am afraid I must use the words of someone else here - John Richardson Jr said "When it comes to the future there are three kinds of people; those who let it happen, those who make it happen and those whom wondered what happened".

I believe that as Kingsmen and indeed King's-people, we are given the skills to make it happen. Although too often on a Monday morning we are in the third group.

The King's School was, and is, the common bond that we share between us all. Like a family you probably didn't get to choose it and there are some bits of it that you wish you didn't have to share a bathroom with. However, it will always be there to provide that network of connectivity and support we all need at some point in life.

The Old Boys' Society is in some ways like a set of kindly grandparents that lets you smoke, drink and tell off-colour jokes at parties, but will always be around for a big hug when it all gets too much.

I hope that we can forge stronger links with the PTFA and support boys through not only their time when they leave school, but also during their years at school. In particular in building a network of members who can help with careers advice and younger alumni who can reach out at universities to those new to undergraduate life.

As ever, we will continue to arrange and encourage participation in a variety of activities and sporting events, including golf (although there is some question as to its Olympic status), and to be a beacon for pre-Christmas fun at our dinner.

The more the merrier and the more we will gain from mutual support if we participate. So please keep in touch and keep others in touch.

Your President,
Matthew Spoors



Lincolnshire Newsday Project Review



The Final four, from left to right; Ben Dewick, Tom Harris, Jack Hutchinson (me) and Tom Isler read the finished copy of 'The Apple'.

During the last two periods on Friday the 26th of March, a selection of boys from 7C grabbed a handful of news fresh from the internet. They took the important parts of the story they found and transformed it into their own report whilst trying to finish the stories on a tight deadline.

There were five main groups on the day in room 9; the five main groups were Local News, National News, Global News, The Editorial and The Designers.

By Jack Hutchinson 7C

Local News

The Local News group consisted of three people: Arujun Kumar, Andrew Kidd and Jack Hutchinson (me).

"For our front page local story, our group and the rest of the selection of boys from 7C agreed that we should go with the story 'Try and Stop Roley' because it would appeal to our target readers," said the Local News group.

One of the things which we had to consider in this project was to get a readership for the newspaper so we chose KS3 boys in Grammar Schools in Lincolnshire. We felt it was easier to target this age of reader because we were the same age as the target reader.

National News

Gathering the stories from around the country (UK) were Jonathan Cook, Sam Lee and Tom Harris.

"Our lead story in our newspaper is of a teenage boy who lives in Essex who left the school premises whilst on a lunch break to go and buy some chips but on the way there was a nervous woman standing on a bridge. He encouraged her to come back over the barrier. We thought that this would appeal because of his good deed," said Jonathan Cook.

Global News

Sam Bell, Tom Isler and Oscar Harding surfed the web for the best global News for that specific day.

Oscar Harding said: "We chose stories about alligator wrestlers in Arizona, fatal snorers in China (one of them died) and Osama Bin Laden to try and add some variety to the newspaper."

Editorial

Daniel Simpson and Jack McCallum chose to comment on the previously mentioned school boy who left the school premises but saved a life.

"It was a controversial story because the boy (Oliver) left the school premises but in doing so he saved a life so the school should not have punished him."

Designers

Ben Dewick and Josh Latham had the most nail biting job of the lot as they had to put all of the reports into publisher and get them sorted out in time for Mr Lockwood to post 'The Apple' into the post box.

The Apple

Near that end of the Newsday project we had to make a decision on a new name for the newspaper or stick with the original name 'GSL Messenger'. We chose to change it to 'The Apple' suggested by Tom Harris. "'The Apple' has two different ways of you seeing it," said Tom. "The first links to our most famous pupil of the school Sir Isaac Newton who discovered gravity from the famous apple, and the second way of seeing it is the newspaper gives the reader the core news from the day."

Contributions

These people below from 7C are the people who contributed to the project but were not in room 9 on the day because of the nature of their various tasks.

- Kalon Martin, Joseph Hoskins and Joe Rogers designed advertisements.
- Brendan Cox drew the newspaper's cartoon strip.
- Jacob Storey and Scott Cammies devised the word puzzle 'Honeycomb'.
- James Clack, James Cann, David Chambers, Stuart Wilson, Sam Chan, Euan Hogg and Ethan Blackman wrote for the review section.
- Ben Gott and Jacob Barnett wrote a feature article on the poor condition of some of Grantham's public places.
- Phillip Jackson wrote a feature giving advice on healthy eating.
- Daniel Blair wrote a feature article on brawling in football.

Mr Lockwood was given the job of running to the post office to post the newspaper on time for the last collection of the day so the Judges could judge the newsletter in time.

Romanian Master of Sciences 2010

Photos courtesy of Robin Bhattacharyya

Every year young mathematicians from around the world gather for an extravaganza of problem-solving and socialising that I like to think of as the muggle equivalent of the Quidditch World Cup: the International Mathematical Olympiad. OK, wand-waving, enormous stadia packed with excited spectators and the Minister for Magic may all be less prevalent than at their fictional counterpart (and the competitiveness rarely spills over into violence), but all of the other ingredients are there: huge amounts of hard work and dedication; proud teams from all corners of the globe; enormous challenges (albeit mental rather than physical); eternal glory for the victors.

With similar thoughts in mind (maybe), several years ago (at an IMO in fact) a few influential Romanian mathematicians got together and decided that to complement this contest there should be a smaller annual tournament, akin to the tennis masters. Following this discussion the Romanian Master of Mathematics competition was born.

The inaugural event was held in 2008 and (from a British perspective) was a great success; the three-man team came away with one gold, one silver and one bronze medal between them, and overall victory in the team rankings. I get the feeling that this was something of a shock to the other nations, as the UK are small fry in comparison with the giants of China, the USA, Russia and many other strong eastern European countries (although China and the USA did not in fact enter the RMM in 2008).

Anyway, this year I was lucky enough to be selected to represent the UK at the competition, referred to by the organisers as the "3rd Edition" (for obvious reasons, despite the slightly misleading use of the word "edition"). A small change in format for 2010 (the addition of a small physics contest) meant the name was changed to the Romanian Master of Sciences, whilst the single five-hour

four-question exam that constituted the previous years' centrepiece was replaced with two four-and-a-half-hour three-question exams à la IMO.



Back at Heathrow with the leaders, flag and medals

Since 2009 teams of up to six have been allowed to enter, with the top three scores counting towards the team rankings. Most countries therefore send six students, with a leader and a deputy leader (these are responsible for looking after the team and setting and marking the exams). The UK team consisted of Luke Betts, Andrew Carlotti, Richard Freeland, Andrew Hyer, Aled Walker and myself, with Robin Bhattacharyya (a teacher at Loughborough Grammar School) team leader, and James Cranch (of the University of Leicester) his deputy. This gave the team a large Midlands contingent (especially when taking into account that one of the other team members was from Birmingham), which is nice to see in an arena which is often dominated by the large public schools, and the high-powered state schools and colleges, of the south.

The eight of us met at Heathrow airport on the 24th February and the flight to Bucharest was fairly uneventful. We arrived at the hotel (in the centre of the city) fairly late, so after a quick meal we headed off to bed. The next day the leaders had to prepare the exams, so the students were taken off for a tour of the capital. It is a real mix of styles, with the majestic (and vast) Palace of the Parliament only a stone's throw away from slightly drab concrete blocks associated with the former Communist states.

That afternoon was the grand opening ceremony, attended by many dignitaries and a local TV crew; despite joining the EU in 2007 and being accepted as a fairly Westernised modern country, they still seemed very keen to impress their mathematical guests.



The team (minus one) with our Romanian guides after the closing ceremony



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