

# King James's School Newsletter

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## Assemblies

Assemblies the first week back after Easter are varied and focus on Year groups priorities.

Year 12 have their Post 18 Programme launch assembly. Year 13 are having an assembly focused on maintaining motivation.

Year 11 have Mr Giles delivering exam expectations as they approach the GCSE exam period. Year 10 are having an assembly delivered by Mrs Eastaugh focused on preparing them for the Year 10 exams coming up next term.

Years 8 & 9 have Year group priorities delivered by Mr Berry and Year 7 have Mr King delivering an assembly focused on being a role model.

## Year 7 Swimathon

On 22nd March, three girls from Year 7 took part in a Swimathon to raise funds for Cancer Research UK and Marie Curie.

Their amazing efforts have managed to raise £334 so far, what an incredible achievement!

We all send a massive 'Well done' to Poppy M, Charlotte B and Lily S.



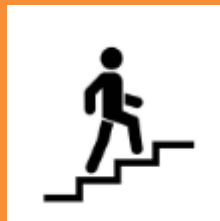
## Message from Ms Oakley

Dear parents, carers and students,



What an incredible term we have had! From mock examinations, a safeguarding review by the Local Authority, World Book Day, Comic Relief, a whole school musical, two concerts, countless sporting events, trips and visits – it really has been a term where I have been incredibly proud of everyone at King James's School.

### STEPS to Success!



After Easter we will be launching STEP marking with our students. STEP marking will be used for a minimum of three pieces of work within a Learning Cycle. For these pieces a S – strength will be identified, a T – target set, students will then be asked to E – evaluate feedback, thinking and reflecting and then using their purple pens asked to respond in a P – progress task, improving and redrafting.

### Thank you

Thank you to the wonderful Year 11 students I've had the pleasure of interviewing for sixth form places. It has been so lovely to speak with you, learn about your plans and see how dedicated you are to examinations success this summer. The future feels very safe in your hands!

Thank you to the students who performed on Monday in our Spring Concert. You were so extremely talented and brave. As I drove home, I felt so uplifted and in awe of you.

And finally...thank you to Charlotte B, Sarah B, Hollie B, Lucy E and Imogen C for achieving our school value awards of Ready, Respect and Engaged in both Learning Cycle 1 and 2. What a stunning achievement, it was lovely celebrating with you!

I hope everyone has a lovely Easter, thank you as always for your ongoing support,

Kind regards,  
Ms Oakley

## Comic Relief

A big thank you to everyone who has supported our comic relief fundraising efforts. Your generosity is making a positive difference, helping to provide vital support to people facing poverty and hardship both here in the UK and around the world.

We raised a total of **£1755.50**.

## The Week Ahead: 13th April 2026

Day	Event	Year	Time	Location
Mon				
Tue				
Wed	Year 12 Parents Evening	12	4.30pm-7.30pm	Online
Thur				
Fri	Sixth Form Non-uniform day	12 & 13		



**GREAT  
KNARESBOROUGH  
SPRING CLEAN**

**A WONDERFULL CHANCE TO HELP  
CLEAN UP KNARESBOROUGH WHILE  
EXPERIENCING ITS HISTORY**

**29<sup>th</sup> March  
10am - 1pm**

**MEET AT BUTTERCUP CAFE, BUTTER  
LANE, KNARESBOROUGH!**

**THE GREAT BRITISH  
SPRING  
CLEAN.**

**KNARESBOROUGH YOUTH COUNCIL  
KYC  
YOUNG MINDS. BIG IMPACT**

### Careers

Virtual opportunity for students wanting to go into Business Management after 6th Form

Insight into PwC  
PwC Flying Start Business Management

Tuesday 31st March 5pm – 6pm

PwC is one of the Big Four professional services firms, supporting businesses across audit, tax, consulting, and technology. Their programmes offer a unique pathway into the industry, allowing you to earn while learning via paid internships and gaining real-world experience at a globally recognised firm.

This event will inspire and empower the next generation of professionals by providing valuable career insights, networking opportunities, and practical guidance on the next steps in your business and accounting career journey.

Apply via the link below to secure your place.

[Click here to sign up now!](#)

### Careers

Supporting Your Young Person: Exploring a Career in the British Army

Tuesday 28 April | 18:00 – 19:00 | Online

Recent research with over 600 parents and guardians showed that only 27% felt fully confident supporting their young person through the Army application process. This session is designed to help change that by bringing reliable information together in one place.

During the session, parents and guardians will:

- Get a simple overview of the journey into the Army

- Hear from other parents
- Learn about the support available, including:
  1. Brand new parent-focused resources
  2. Opportunities to sign up to our monthly newsletter
  3. A new webpage designed specifically for parents and guardians

Register for the event:

<https://britishar.my/AParentsPerspectiveEvent>

## Rugby Success

Congratulations to one of our Year 8 students, Sebastian H, who celebrated winning the U13's Yorkshire Cup with his team, York RUFC. Seb plays as Hooker and the team managed to go unbeaten throughout the tournament, only conceding 3 tries! It was quite the season, training in all weathers and temperatures.



## World Book Day - Dress Your Door

The winners have been announced for the Dress Your Door competition for World Book Day. Some fantastic designs and effort has gone into these!



8W2

**The Secret Garden**

*KS3 Winner*



11N1

**The Wizard Of Oz**

*KS4 Winner*



12W2

**Moby Dick**

*KS5 Winner*



KING JAMES'S  
SIXTH FORM



## Opportunities! Sixth Form & beyond

Bespoke opportunities for Years 12 & 13 updated weekly from KJS Sixth Form Knaresborough:

[https://wakelet.com/wake/hO\\_PLuy0Xrky73rMfYrlr](https://wakelet.com/wake/hO_PLuy0Xrky73rMfYrlr)



## Arts Award

A reminder that there is still time for your child to apply for the Arts Award, the details of which were included in last week's newsletter.



If you think your child may be interested in this fantastic opportunity, or if you have any questions, please feel free to contact us at [library@king-james.co.uk](mailto:library@king-james.co.uk) using 'Arts Award' as the subject heading.

# EASTER HOLIDAY CAMPS



LEEDS UNITED  
FOUNDATION

CHARITY NUMBER: 1137703

5-12  
YEARS OLD

# MIXED SOCCER SCHOOLS

30TH MAR - 17TH APR

9:00AM - 3:00PM

KINGS JAMES HIGH SCHOOL, HG5 8EB  
GRAMMAR SCHOOL AT LEEDS, LS17 8GS  
GARFORTH ACADEMY, LS25 1LJ  
ST FRANCIS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, LS27 9LX  
ST WILFRIDS CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, WF7 6BD  
PRINCE HENRY GRAMMAR SCHOOL, LS21 2BB

Led by FA-qualified coaches, our sessions are packed with skill-building activities, small-sided games, and friendly competitions designed to boost confidence both on and off the pitch.

Every child is fully supervised by DBS-checked, first-aid-trained coaches, ensuring a safe, supportive, and positive environment throughout.

You can book per day or make the most of it with our full 4-day course. Perfect for kids who love football and want to learn the Leeds United way!

## HOW TO BOOK:

EMAIL: [soccer.schools@leedsunited.com](mailto:soccer.schools@leedsunited.com)  
or scan the QR code.

SCAN HERE!



SECURE  
YOUR  
CHILDS  
PLACE  
NOW!



Tees, Esk and Wear Valleys  
NHS Foundation Trust

# Understand and improve ADHD services in Harrogate

This workshop is an opportunity to understand ADHD services as well as a chance to shape how ADHD services are delivered

## About the workshop

We would like to hear from parents and carers who have accessed or are currently trying to access our CAMHS ADHD service for their child.

### The workshop will cover:

- The pathways and process that young people and families experience
- The communication before, during and after accessing the service
- The feedback of the assessment and the report
- Information that families want to know when accessing the support

## Details of the workshop

**Date:** 30<sup>th</sup> April 2026

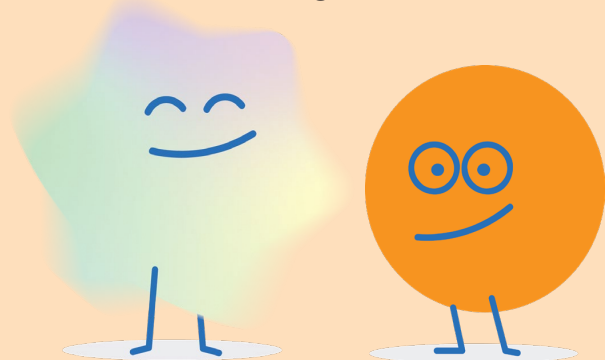
**Time:** 18:00 – 19:30

### Location:

Rossett High school  
Green lane  
HG2 9JP

### How to get involved:

Please contact your school SENCO or you can email [tewv.camhscocreationnyys@nhs.net](mailto:tewv.camhscocreationnyys@nhs.net) saying that you are planning to attend



Your involvement will not impact care of anyone who is currently accessing or trying to access CAMHS services