



KING JAMES'S SCHOOL

KNARESBOROUGH

23rd June 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

With just one more A-Level exam to go on Monday, we have almost reached the end of the exam season. I want to take this opportunity to thank parents for all you have done to support your children over this study period. Due to the pandemic, this was the first time our Year 13 students have sat external exams and we are so proud of how all students have approached them, with confidence and determination. They will no doubt be delighted that they are over, and we look forward to celebrating with them at their prom events next week.

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1. The Week Ahead: 26th June 2023

Personal Development Focus: Personal Development Focus: ENGAGED - Integrity				
Day	Session	Year	Time	Location
Mon	Drama visiting practitioner	KS4	3.30pm	Drama Department
	Frantic Drama workshop	KS5	6pm	Drama Department
Tues				
Weds				
Thur	SEN transition day 3		All day	Around school
	Small schools' transition day		All day	Around school
	Manchester Velodrome trip	7&8	9.30-3.15	Manchester Velodrome
	Prom	11	6.30-10pm	S1
Fri	Prom	13	6.30-10pm	Majestic Hotel, Harrogate
Sat				
Sun	House Drama dress rehearsal	Various	10am-3pm	S1

2. Careers this week

Students in Year 9, 10 and 12 have had Career Aspirations assemblies this week which focused on how students can make themselves more employable.

On Friday, the Student Support Group had a site visit to the new Knaresborough Swimming Pool hosted by ISG Construction. Students were shown around the site and were able to see the areas where they are building the 2 new pools, the changing areas, the gym and also where the cafe will be.

As we approach the end of the term and the closing stages of the careers programme, we would really appreciate some feedback from parents on how we can further develop our careers programme. Please click on the link below to share your views:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=lfvQu1SqFk-56-p9SBOijnh4o-oZvOVGs9eD1fSdzB5UQINERFJNMzFNr1JSSlGxNzVLV0FDt*ThRQi4u

3. Duke of Edinburgh

Last weekend saw 7 groups head out on Duke of Edinburgh bronze expeditions. Setting off from either Ramsgill or Bouthwaite, the groups walked 10 miles ending in Middlesmoor where they camped for the night before setting off early the next day, in rainy conditions, to complete another 10 miles, finally finishing off in Pateley Bridge. Six of these groups were on their assessed expeditions. They had worked extremely hard on planning their routes, menus and kit lists and proved just how much they had learnt from their practice expeditions in May by being well prepared and all successfully completing their assessed trip. The seventh group were on their practice expedition and fared extremely well, preparing them nicely for their assessed trip in the autumn term. They also produced one of the best DofE meals to date! It was lovely to see how much all of the pupils enjoyed the experience, how hard they worked when things got a little tough and they were tired, how fantastic they worked in their teams and how many snacks they could fit in their bags. Hopefully, when their blisters have healed, they will be ready to sign up for the Silver Award.

4. English Schools' Athletics Competition

We are proud to share the success of three of our students who have been selected to represent North Yorkshire in the English Schools' Athletics Competition this weekend – a fantastic achievement to reach these standards and then be selected, from just 40 places available across the county.

Good luck to them all as they compete at this national level.

- Louie R, Year 9 – discus throw
- Will R, Year 13 – long jump
- Harry Rs, Year 11 – triple jump

5. Opal Coast French trip

43 students accompanied by 6 members of staff have just returned from a 5-day trip to the Opal Coast in France. They had a fantastic time staying in a chateau and visiting the local towns of Boulogne and Le Touquet. They went to a French boulangerie and made petit pains and croissants. They also went to a snail farm, getting to learn all about them and having a taste! Other activities included going to the beach and a theme park. Students thoroughly enjoyed the experience and have a new enthusiasm for French having now tried out their language skills.

6. Year 9 Rewards trip to Headingley Stadium

On Tuesday, 21 of our Year 9 students enjoyed a rewards trip to Yorkshire Country Cricket at Headingley Stadium to watch Yorkshire Vikings play Northamptonshire Steelbacks. Unfortunately, Yorkshire lost by 78 runs in the T20 fixture.

Luckily the weather cleared up by 4pm ready for them to enjoy the match in the sunshine. The students were a credit to the school and got into the spirit of the match, joining in with singing and dancing. Students were able to meet many of the Yorkshire players at the end of the match including former KJS student Jonny Tattersall.

7. Future Lioness Summer Camps 2023

We have been asked to highlight the Future Lioness Summer Camp for **Girls aged 8-16 yrs**. In August they will be running four Summer Camp Days at Knaresborough Celtic FC (Thistle Hill, Knaresborough, HG5 8LS). The camps will be run by their Head Coach Jon Maloney, along with other Future Lioness coaches. Activities throughout the day will include skill development, ball mastery work, games and most importantly plenty of fun! Details/booking information can be found on their website: [Summer Camp | Future Lioness PDC](#). In brief:

- **Dates** (9am-3pm – later collection at 4pm available for additional £5/day)
Monday 7th August, Tuesday 8th August, Monday 21st August, Tuesday 22nd August
- **Cost** £27 per day (2 x days £50, 3 x days £77, 4 days £100)

8. Thank you to our football partners

We would like to thank all our community clubs who use our 3G facilities on an evening and in particular all our partner clubs Knaresborough Celtic, Scotton Scorchers and Leeds United. It was great to see over 1000 people making use of our facilities this weekend including Knaresborough Celtic's end-of-season celebration gala. We look forward to seeing you all next year.

9. Young Geographer of the Year 2023

The Royal Geographical Society have launched the annual Young Geographer of the Year Competition 2023, it would be great to think that our students are engaged with the world around them and enter this competition. This year the theme is:

What is your plan for our planet?

Our World is changing. The big geographical issues of today need to be addressed now to protect the future of our planet and the people who live on it.

The Society invites you to create your own blueprint for the future. We are looking for innovative ideas to address problems in areas such as food production and supply, energy and sustainability, water security, resources, population growth, economic crisis, transport, travel, urbanisation, risk management, trade, environmental management, biodiversity and more.

For further details, please click on the link below or speak to your Geography Teacher.

<https://www.rgs.org/schools/competitions/young-geographer-of-the-year/2023-competition/>

10. National Education Union Strikes

The National Education Union recently announced that further strikes by its members will take place on Wednesday 5th and Friday 7th July 2023.

Please see the letter outlining arrangements [here](#), but in summary;

- School will be open on both days for Year 12 students.
- Wednesday 5th July – open for Year 10 and year 12 students, closed for all other year groups

- Friday 7th July – open for Year 7 and Year 12 students, closed for all other year groups
- Unfortunately, the year 6 transition day on Wednesday 5th July will not go ahead. The transition day on Thursday 6th July will be adapted accordingly and the parents' information evening will go ahead as planned at 6pm.
- Sports Day will now take place on Thursday 13th July.

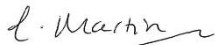
11. End of term arrangements

In the coming weeks, I will detail our end of term arrangements, examination results days times and programme for the start of term in September 2023. In the meantime, please remember that school closes for summer at 12.35pm on Friday 21st July 2023.

12. Resurrected Bites Community Shop & Café

Resurrected Bites is a Harrogate and Knaresborough based community organisation aiming to reduce food waste, loneliness and food poverty. They offer help for people and families who are currently struggling to feed themselves, especially with the forthcoming summer holidays which can be a difficult time financially. The flyers below provide information about their Community Grocery shops and cafe.

Best wishes



Clare Martin
Headteacher



DID YOU KNOW WE HAVE THREE GIVE-AS-YOU-CAN
COMMUNITY CAFES & SHOPS AS WELL?



WE USE GOOD QUALITY FOOD SURPLUS TO MAKE
DELICIOUS MEALS

EVERYONE IS WELCOME!

GIVE AS YOU CAN CAFE & SHOP - LOCATIONS

WEST PARK CHURCH
WEST PARK
HARROGATE
HG1 1BL

OPEN WEDNESDAYS
10-2
(LAST ORDERS 1.30PM)

KILLINGHALL
METHODIST CHURCH
RIPON ROAD
KILLINGHALL
HG3 2DF

OPEN THURSDAYS
11.30-2
(LAST ORDERS 1.30PM)

GRACIOUS ST
METHODIST CHURCH
CHAPEL STREET
KNARESBOROUGH
HG5 8AN

OPEN FRIDAYS
10-2
(LAST ORDERS 1.30PM)

www.resurrectedbites.co.uk



IF YOU ARE FINDING IT HARD TO
FEED YOURSELF OR YOUR FAMILY



PLEASE COME ALONG TO ONE OF OUR COMMUNITY
GROCERIES IN HARROGATE OR KNARESBOROUGH TO
SEE IF WE CAN HELP

COMMUNITY GROCERIES - LOCATIONS

ADDRESS

New Park Grocery
New Park Primary Academy
Skipton Road
Harrogate
HG1 3HF

Gracious St Methodist Church
Chapel Street
Knaresborough
HG5 8AN

OPENING HOURS

Tues & Thurs 9:30-3:00

Friday 8-2.30. Tues temporarily closed.
Check website for current times.

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Please note, both work part-time so leave a message and they will call you back

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