

Friday 20th October

King James's School Newsletter

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The Headteachers Message

Dear Parents/Carers

It was great to see all of our Year 8 students learning the life-saving skill of CPR delivered in school this week by volunteers from the Yorkshire Ambulance Service, NHS and North Yorkshire Police.

Best wishes for the weekend,

Clare Martin
Headteacher

The Big Ambition

Earlier this year, the Children's Commissioner's Office launched The Big Ambition – a new survey for children. The Big Ambition is a survey to hear directly from children, young people, and parents across the country about what they want to change ahead of the General Election. As we approach that General Election, this is the moment to take children and young people's voices to policymakers, government, and Whitehall, to make sure they are heard.

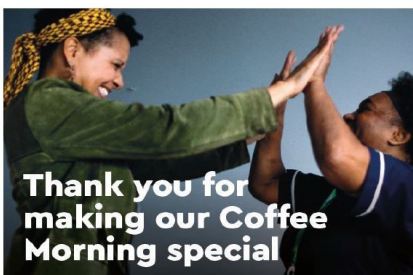
Children who would like to complete the survey can find it here or scan the QR code. The survey is open until 15 December and only takes ten minutes to complete.



PE success

There have been some fantastic sporting achievements over the last week, including the Year 9 rugby team who went to a rugby league tournament in York, winning all 4 of their matches. The Year 11 girls took part in a netball tournament at Ashville, coming 4th in the area overall, despite playing against some Junior Rhino's and England players. Twenty-eight of our students also travelled to Stockton-on-Tees to take part in the Cross Country Cup, competing against some of the top schools in the North East, and the Year 9 and 10 football teams are both through to the next round of the National Cup.

All these students showed determination, commitment and great team spirit; well done to them all. Thank you also to staff members for supporting the extra-curricular clubs, giving students these important opportunities outside of the classroom.



Whether you joined us for the cause, the chatter or the tasty treats, your generosity helped raise a fabulous

£ 473.01

to help support people living with cancer.



Response to conflict in Israel and Palestine

Over the last two weeks, many students have been asking questions about the conflict in Israel and Palestine. These questions are not easily answered because these questions do not have easy answers. As educators, we recognise our role in the personal development of the children in our care and because of this we have coordinated a response to this conflict. The school's wellbeing co-ordinator Mr Gordan and several colleagues have collaborated on materials to be delivered to our students which will happen next week.

A letter has been sent out, you can view this on the [school's website here](#).

Reporting Student Absence or appointment

When reporting a student absence, for example due to illness, or a medical appointment taking place in school time, please use the tab on the home page of the school website shown below. This ensures that the message reaches the appropriate member of staff.



Procedure when a student is taken ill in school

Should a student be unfortunate enough to feel unwell during the school day, in the first instance they should inform a member of staff who will send them to see the school nurse if appropriate. The school nurse will then contact parents/carers if this is felt to be necessary. Students should not contact parents/carers directly. It is vital that these safeguarding procedures are followed..

Year 11-13 Theatre trip

On 11th October, Year 11-13 went to York Theatre Royal to see Frantic Assembly's 'Metamorphosis'. An amazing opportunity to see such a successful and internationally renowned theatre company at their best! What a show!



The Week Ahead: 23rd October 2023

Personal Development Focus: READY - Responsibility

"Being accountable for my actions"

Day	Session	Year	Time	Location
Mon				
Tue	Catch up photographs	All	Morning	S1
Wed	Fire Safety assemblies			
Thur	Fire Safety assemblies Flu vaccinations	Years 7-11 (with consent)		S1
Fri	Flu vaccinations Half Term break	Years 7-11 (with consent)		S1

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