



Kesteven & Grantham Girls' School

Inspire, Challenge, Achieve

An Outstanding Selective Academy

Headteacher: Mr J Fuller

September 2022 Year 9
Dear Parents

I hope that you and your daughter have had an enjoyable and relaxing holiday period. I would like to wish you a warm welcome back to KGGS and hope that your daughter will be happy and successful in our care.

I am writing early in the new term to tell you about some important dates that I hope will be of interest. You will be reminded of these dates by specific letters nearer the time of the events, but you may wish to note some of the following in your diaries from the list overleaf.

Your daughter will participate in a 'Guidance' lesson taught by her Form Tutor for one hour every two weeks. These lessons are designed to meet the requirements of the PHSE, Citizenship, Relationships and Sex Education National Curriculum as well as the 11-19 National Framework for Careers Education and Guidance. Many of the elements of these Programmes of Study are included in subjects across the whole curriculum, but in Year 9 the following topics are considered in Guidance lessons:

Influence of TV and the media
Intimate relationships
Sexuality
Consent
Teenage pressures
Sexting
Personal safety
Public sexual harassment
Sexual health – STIs
Becoming a parent

Teenage Pregnancy
Drugs and Addiction – external talk
Resilience
Financial capability
Contraception (including FGM) delivered by Positive Health
Exam Revision Strategies
Grooming – theatre group
The Real Game
Government and Voting
Advice on choosing GCSE Options/Learning to Learn
Social & Moral Dilemmas

Our curriculum at KGGS includes:

- The *Formal Curriculum* - a three-year KS3; two-year KS4; and two-year KS5, featuring a wide range of subjects and courses taught in lessons.
- The *Wider Curriculum* - including extra-curricular activities and clubs; out-of-lesson learning and support; educational visits; wider reading initiatives; competitions and challenges; sports fixtures; charity work; assemblies; and thoughts for the day.

For more information about what is taught in each subject from Year 7 to Year 13, and the assessments scheduled to check students' understanding, peruse our Subject Curriculum Maps, which can be found on the curriculum pages of our school website:

<https://www.kestevengrantham.lincs.sch.uk/curriculum-map/>

We pride ourselves on our pastoral care at KGGS and our aim is to do all we can to ensure that your daughter has a very happy and productive experience here, and that all parents enjoy a cordial and positive relationship with the school. If you have any concerns that you wish to discuss, please contact your daughter's Form Tutor by telephoning the school (01476 563017). If the Tutor is unable to take your call immediately, please leave a message and you will be contacted as soon as possible.

Please note the Music Department would like you to be aware that students taking peripatetic music lessons during the school day are expected to perform in school productions.

With best wishes for a successful term.

Yours sincerely

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9BG Miss E Yates

9R Mr J McCabe
9BT Mr G Burgess

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9E Miss B Timmins

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Event List Whole School

6 Sep	Induction Day for Year 7, 10 & 12
7 Sep	School open for all students
9 Sep	D of E Bronze assessed Group 1 leave
14 Sep	Year 7, 9, 10 & 12 individual and sibling photographs
17 Sep	11+ verbal reasoning test
23 Sep	D of E Bronze assessed Group 2 leave
24 Sep	11+ non verbal reasoning test
13 Oct	Ada Lovelace Day (Mathematics)
7 Nov	KS3 'Night at the Theatre' 4-5.30pm
7 Dec	GCSE Presentation Afternoon 2.30pm
12 Dec	Carol Service St Wulfram's Church 6pm
13 Dec	A level Presentation Evening 6pm
w/c 12 Dec	Progress Reports home & Year 11 Exam Results
6 Jan 2023	Student/Tutor 1:1 Reviews
9 Jan	KS4 & 5 'Night at the Theatre@ 4-5.30pm
2 Mar	World Book Day
8 Mar	Year 11 & 13 Year group photographs, sports teams & siblings
w/c 27 Mar	Progress Reports home
21 April	Student/Tutor 1:1 Reviews
24 April	All students 'Night at the Theatre@ 4-5.30pm
22 May	Mental Health Awareness Week
28 June	A level Art and Photography Exhibition
4 July	New Intake Day
11 July	Year 5 Information Evening 6-8pm
14 July	House Track & Field Event (Meres Stadium)
w/c 17 July	Progress Reports home
21 July	Thanksgiving Service at St Wulfram's 2pm
	Year 9 specific
7 Sep	Team Building Day
8 Dec	Year 9 Consultation Evening
5 Jan	Year 9 Information Evening 6-7.30pm
6 Jan	Learning to Learn and GCSE Option Choices
11 Jan	Chelsea's Choice performance (pm)
20 Jan	Real Game period 1-3
8-12 May	Year 9 examinations
25 May	Year 9 French residential trip (provisional)
9 June	Year 9 German residential trip (provisional)
22 June	Big Bang Fair
23 June	Year 9 Safety Day
26 June	Financial Capability
27	End of Key Stage Trip
28 June	Financial Capability