



Kesteven & Grantham Girls' School

Weekly Newsletter

Friday 4th November 2022

Headteacher's Update

It has been a busy week for all at KGGS after returning from the half term break. Monday saw the annual Halloween bake off competition run by 9P with some fantastic baked creations; further details will follow in next weeks newsletter. Year 10 Art students were in London on Tuesday for a visit to the British Museum followed by Year 10 House netball on Wednesday. Year 12 and 13 students were in school on Thursday evening to help with our sixth form open evening for Year 11, a big thank you to all the students who helped on the evening.



Tonight sees the return of the Year 7 disco after a three year hiatus, with KGGS students being joined by year 7 students from The King's School. The evening will be hosted by our very own "DJ Smithy", with refreshments being provided by KGGS students, raising funds for their World Scout Jamboree, which takes place in South Korea during Summer 2023.

Our Christmas Fayre is also returning this year with students raising funds for a variety of causes; please pencil in Wednesday 14th December into your diaries.

Have a great weekend everyone and good luck to the KGGS Equestrian Team who are in action.

James Fuller

Calendar of Events for w/c 7th November 2022

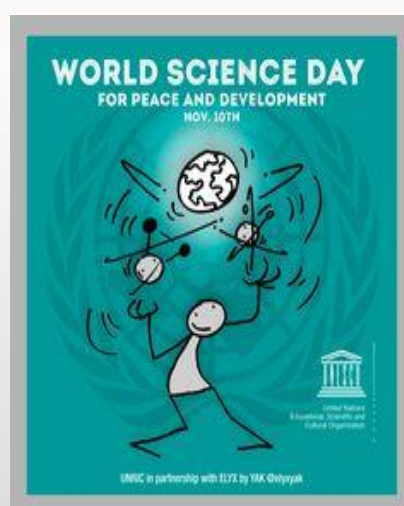
- All week - Remembrance Assemblies
- Monday 7th - Year 7 Safety Day
- KS3 "Night at the Theatre" 4pm – 5.30pm
- Tuesday 8th - Year 10 GCSE PE Residential Starts
- Wednesday 9th - Y10 GCSE Residential
- Thursday 10th - Y10 GCSE PE Residential
- Years 12 and 13 Physics Live Trip
- Friday 11th - Year 10 GCSE PE Residential Returns



Theme of the Week

Theme – World Science Day (10th)

Thought – World Science Day was created by UNESCO (United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation) in 2001. It is celebrated on 10 November across the world. Under the acronym WSDPD (World Science Day for Peace and Development, it seeks to draw attention to the importance of scientific work worldwide. It also aims to keep people aware of emerging scientific issues, such as AI (Artificial Intelligence) and renewable energy. It also aims to highlight the relevance of science to how we save our lives and to use the technology that surrounds us to inspire people to participate in scientific activities. Each year, there's a theme for the day and 2022's theme is 'Science for and with society'.





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KGGS Mental Health and Wellbeing

KGGS aims to provide a learning environment which promotes and enhances positive mental health and wellbeing for everyone in it's community.



Each week we will be publishing a quote of the week chosen by our Head Girls and Wellbeing Team, for some thought and reflection.

This week our quote is

Quote of the Week

"Life is too short to spend it at war with yourself."

Faculty News

Enterprise Education Faculty

The Enterprise faculty is a collection of subjects that allow students to explore the world of design, materials, products, business and the economy.

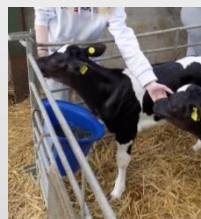
Design and Technology

In Design and Technology, students explore ideas and materials via mini projects. They design and make products utilising the practical skills and techniques appropriate for the materials used. Students love the hands-on lessons and are often seen having fun at lunchtime support sessions developing their projects further and being creative. Recently our Year 10 students had a Chocolate-filled time visiting Cadbury World, investigating packaging, production processes and marketing. A-Level students recently enjoyed a trip to The Design Museum in London, investigating product designs to incorporate in their own projects.



Food Technology

In Food Technology, students learn about ingredients and their properties, safe handling and preparation techniques using a range of recipes. Combining ingredients, they discover how to combine and evaluate successful combinations of flavour, texture and temperature. GCSE students visit a local farm to understand their production processes and how they have become a successful small business. House competitions are run throughout the year, one of our favourites is the GCSE student's Christmas cake competition; the creations are phenomenal.





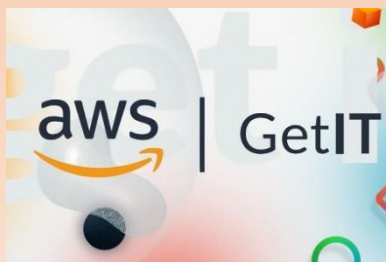
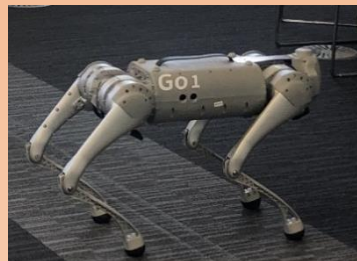
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Faculty News Continued

Computing

Computing explores the creation of software, digital skills and impact of technology on students' lives. It empowers students to become safe and confident digital citizens, who understand the risks and rewards of using technology moving forward throughout their lives. Problem solving and creating programs using Scratch, Python and C# allow students to be creative and gain a deeper understanding of the technology around them. Code Club, Amazon GetIT and Cyber First clubs and activities are a great way to encourage more girls into STEM. Last year, Computing STEM club students visited the Nottingham Trent University Robotics department to hear about the exciting PHD student projects.



Business Studies

Business can be studied at GCSE and A-Level. Students get a taster session in Year 9 to help them decide if their future is in business. Business is a very popular subject, where students investigate the different functions of a Business from Operations, HR, Marketing and Finance. Students enjoy understanding how their favourite companies operate and analysing their successes and failures. Decision making is vital in any business, and students develop their chain of reasoning skills to justify which options are the best and why. In Year 12, students can create their own business via the Young Enterprise competition. Students engage with a business mentor to develop their business idea and, if successful, present their plan through the local, regional and national stages.



Economics

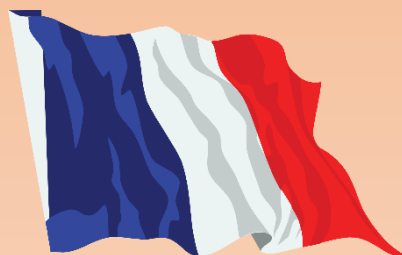
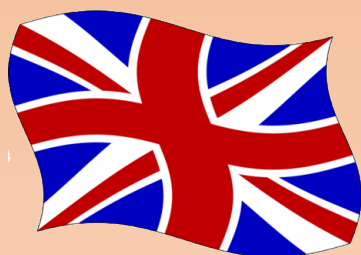
Economics is an option available at GCSE onwards, where students are required to think on a wider scale. Students get a taster session in Year 9 to help them decide if Economics is for them by delving into the choices that individuals, businesses, governments, and nations make to efficiently allocate their resources. Justifying their choices using their chain of reasoning skills, students consider a range of factors to answer the basic economic problem: how to make the best of what we have. Students don't always agree on the best course of action, leading to lively student debate, replicating the real-world environment. Recently an ex-student, who now works at the Bank of England, gave our A-Level Economics students a fascinating talk on economic policy at the Bank of England and the impact this has on society. Students enjoyed raising their own questions on issues they have identified during their lessons.





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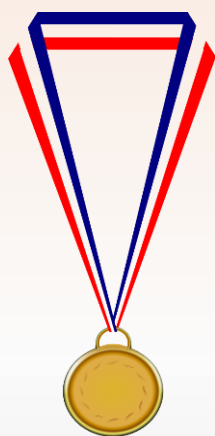
Year 9 French Residential Trip and German Exchange

Don't forget to apply for your child to take part in either the French residential trip to Normandy or the German exchange.

Year 9 students who wish to study French and/or German at GCSE, are currently given the opportunity to either participate in a French residential trip to Normandy (25th to 29th May 2023) or a German exchange (9th to 15th June 2023 – visit to Germany; 22nd to 29th September 2023 – return visit, hosting of German students).

Full information about both trips has been sent out separately and you can register your interest until 5th November for the French trip and 11th November for the German exchange.

Miss Soudanne, Head of Faculty, MFL



Royal Life Saving Society UK

Year 12 student, *Fiona Hewerdine*, has been awarded the Royal Life Saving Society UK Queens Platinum Jubilee 2022 medallion in recognition of her achievements. The award is a replica of a 1941 life saving award achieved by Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II.



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KGGS Equestrian Team

Our equestrian team students have had a busy half term in training for the upcoming season with eventing training with Emma Hyslop Webb, locally based international event rider. We were lucky to catch her before she left to compete at Pau International in France after coaching our students in the morning! The students were amazing and really gained some confidence and strength as a team.

Last weekend we went to the Heidi Coys brand new surface and show jump arena; a fantastic facility with another high level coach, this time to focus on show jumping ready for the first team outing on the 6th November, with an amazing 21 entries from the KGGS squad, with height entries ranging from 70cm to 1m!

Please wish the team luck!!!



Sruthi UK

Year 11 student, *Shikha Sathish*, participated in an Indian cultural event of performing arts known as 'Sruthi U.K.' at Queen Margaret's school, York. Shikha was part of the dance team who performed an Indian classical dance form known as 'Bharatanatyam' wherein they depicted multiple layers of 'Bhava' (a feeling or mood) which results in showcasing the intensity of nine 'Rasas' (a concept in Indian arts about the aesthetic flavour of any visual or musical work that evokes an emotion or feeling in the audience but cannot be described).

Shikha was also part of the music orchestra team playing Bass guitar and singing vocals. The orchestra paid tribute to some of the Indian musicians who passed away during the COVID pandemic.





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Mobile Phones in School

In our last newsletter, we asked for your help in reminding students that their mobile phones should be switched off during school hours.



Thank you for your continued support with this.

If you need to get a message to your child whilst they are in school, please telephone the school office on 01476 563017 and we will make sure your message is passed on.

House Netball

Results of the Year 10 netball are as follows:

- 1st- Rossetti (winning all of their games)
- 2nd Austen
- 3rd- Bronte (won 2 and scored 15 goals)
- 4th Potter (won 2, scored 12 goals)
- 5th- Browning
- 6th- Eliot

Well done to all that played. The standard of netball was excellent .

Mrs McGrath 😊



Online Safety Newsletter

Our latest Online Safety newsletter is also attached to this email.





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Environcom E-Waste

We did it! We won the laptop!

Thank you for all your help. The laptop will be well used in our student support room.



Pictured: Edward from Environcom presenting the laptop to Mr Fuller

YMCA Lincolnshire Football

YMCA LINCOLNSHIRE

Can You Kick It?

£20 per session
or
All 4 sessions for £60!

7-11 year olds
12-16 year olds

Join us for a kickabout or a game of FIFA, and watch the World Cup at **The Showroom** every Saturday throughout the tournament!

Have a game of 5-a-side at our indoor cage, or play some FIFA with your mates. Then tune-in to watch the World Cup on our big screen!

26/11 2pm-6.30pm
03/12 1pm-5.30pm
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