

# KING'S ACADEMY EASTHAMPSTEAD PARK



King's Academy  
Easthampstead Park

## WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

20th January - 24th January  
Week B

## RESPECTFUL, SUCCESSFUL, AND WORLD WISE

### A message from the Headteacher



Happy new year! The KAEP school community has made a striking start to 2025. Whilst students enjoyed the final day of the holidays on Monday 6th January, their teachers were in school, learning together about research-based approaches to teaching reading. At KAEP, we believe the skill of reading is vital to our students' future life chances, and the teachers spent the day considering the best ways to pre-teach vocabulary, to support students with developing their reading fluency, and to check their understanding of what they have read. Since the start of term, the students have hopefully seen some of the strategies such as 'choral response' being used by their teachers in their lessons!

Term 3 is a particularly busy term for students in Year 11 and Year 13 at KAEP, who have their final sets of practice exams looming. Year 11 started their mock exams in Art and Design this week, and will be sitting exams in their written subjects in the last two weeks before February half term. Likewise, Year 13 students are sitting mock exams immediately after the half term break. Much time and thought has gone into the design of our Year 11 and Year 13 teaching sequences leading up to these exams, considering who we can most effectively support the students with acquiring the knowledge and skills they need to reach the next grade. Many students have also been attending extra intervention sessions, for example in Maths on a Saturday morning! We are very grateful to our teachers for giving so willingly of their time to run these sessions and support the students.

Tomorrow, two of our Governors will be meeting with groups of Year 7 students to hear their insights and reflections on their first full term at our school. It is lovely for the students to have an opportunity to explain what they have been learning, and for our Governors to understand what it is like to being a student in Year 7 at KAEP.

Thank you for your continued support and your contribution to making our school such a special place.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

#### MONDAY 20TH JANUARY

Careers meetings - library  
New age Kurling - Garth Hill College  
Reading Football club intervention Yr8 and Yr 10

#### TUESDAY 21st JANUARY

Reading Bluecoats book trip  
ASK mock assessment centre - 1 hour  
ASK register to find an apprenticeship

#### WEDNESDAY 22nd JANUARY

Year 9 parents evening (virtual)  
Surrey University Campus visit yr9  
Winter warmers Yr11 Maths 7.40 - 8.20  
Sports council meetings - Breaktime room 54  
Year 11 MFL speaking exams

#### THURSDAY 23rd JANUARY

Yr 12 Fashion and retail trip  
Yr11 MFL Speaking exams

#### FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY

Surrey University - Yr7 reading in the library P1-3

#### SATURDAY 25TH JANUARY

KS4 and 5 Maths support (yr 11 9.30-11.30, KS5 10.30-12.30)

CLICK [HERE](#) FOR THE SCHOOL  
CALENDAR

## HOUSE CUP COMPETITION



44093



1st - 47000



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# NEWS and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The school has invested in the GCSEPod revision/study tool for your year 10 or 11 child.

GCSEPod used on a regular basis can help your child achieve or improve their GCSE results. It is very easy to use and very effective in helping your child revise and study for their exams.

GCSEPod regularly run webinars. Please find details of upcoming events below

For Parents and Students:

Title: Learning from Your Mocks: Building on Strengths, Bridging the Gaps

Date and Time: 28th January 2025, 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM

What You'll Learn:

- Turning mock results into a revision roadmap with RAG playlists.
- Boosting study skills using Study Smart pods.
- Prioritising physical and mental wellbeing with Keeping Fit and Healthy pods.
- Follow a student's journey as they balance their strengths and tackle areas for improvement.

How to Register:

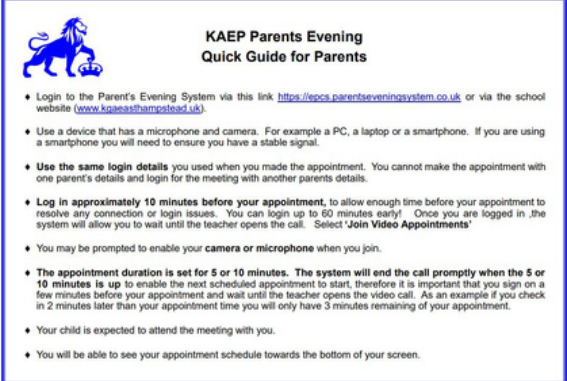
Click [here](#) to register!

Can't make it live? Register anyway, and we'll send you the recordings so you don't miss out.



Year 9 virtual parents evening  
Wednesday 22nd January 2024

Here are the joining instructions  
for your appointments



**KAEP Parents Evening  
Quick Guide for Parents**

- Login to the Parent's Evening System via this link <https://epcs.parentseveningsystem.co.uk> or via the school website ([www.kjarschoolhampstead.uk](http://www.kjarschoolhampstead.uk)).
- Use a device that has a microphone and camera. For example a PC, a laptop or a smartphone. If you are using a smartphone you will need to ensure you have a stable signal.
- Use the same login details you used when you made the appointment. You cannot make the appointment with one parent's details and login for the meeting with another parent's details.
- Log in approximately 10 minutes before your appointment, to allow enough time before your appointment to resolve any connection or login issues. You can login up to 60 minutes early! Once you are logged in, the system will allow you to wait until the teacher opens the call. Select 'Join Video Appointments'
- You may be prompted to enable your camera or microphone when you join.
- The appointment duration is set for 5 or 10 minutes. The system will end the call promptly when the 5 or 10 minutes is up to enable the next scheduled appointment to start, therefore it is important that you sign on a few minutes before your appointment and wait until the teacher opens the video call. As an example if you check in 2 minutes later than your appointment time you will only have 3 minutes remaining of your appointment.
- Your child is expected to attend the meeting with you.
- You will be able to see your appointment schedule towards the bottom of your screen.



The winners of the headteachers reward for last term. Congratulations!



We have launched a new vending machine in our reception area, for student rewards. This is separate to any house point based rewards. Students are selected by the heads of year, based on criteria that they believe have gone above and beyond. Here are our first 2 winners Lucien S-H and Ellie-May D N, awarded by Mr Clarke for their super hard work and progress they've made this term. Well done!



*Our students are successful*



# Sparx Maths



# HOUSE HEROES

Sparx Maths creates an hour's worth of perfectly tailored practice homework for each student each week driven by our scheme of learning.

The practice is challenging, to ensure students need to think and, crucially, achievable so that students can be successful.

We also ensure the practice uses spaced repetition and interleaving to support a change in students' long-term memories.

We are proud that Sparx Maths is inclusive and can adapt to all students' current level of expertise. This promotes engagement, confidence and ultimately learning.

Starting next week, each week will be naming, and rewarding the students and classes that have achieved the most on Sparx Maths

## ENGLERE

Ollie H 7D1  
Casper B 8D1  
Albie S 9D1  
Harry S 10D1  
Oscar H 11D1  
Meryam A 13D1

## SWINLEY

Dylan W 7D2  
Lily-Rose C 8D2  
Charlotte P 9D2  
Louie D 10D2  
Ninam R 11D2  
Casey G 12D2

## WILDMOOR

Isma R 7D3  
Parris-Jaie L 8D7  
Mai C 9D3  
Grace G 10D3  
Bonnie C 11D3  
Elise N W 13D1

## CAESAR

Evan N 7D4  
Tyler P 8D8  
Joshua B-D 9D4  
Jacob B 10D4  
Amber C 11D4  
Edward B 13D2

## DRYDEN

Megan M 7D5  
Harry E 8D5  
Oscar A 9D5  
Bethany E 10D5  
Noah S 11D5  
James C 13D2

## PINEWOOD

Aleksandra S 7D6  
Fabio F 8D6  
Mazie w 9D8  
Peter N 10D6  
Charlie S 11D6  
Lilly R-H 12D1

**WORD OF THE WEEK** 20/01/25

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**Perspective** *word and meaning*

(Noun)

1. A particular way of considering something.

**Where does the noun perspective come from?**

EARLIEST KNOWN USE  
**Middle English**

The earliest known use of the noun *perspective* is in the Middle English period (1150–1500). OED's earliest evidence for *perspective* is from before 1387, in a translation by John Trevisa, translator.

perspective is of multiple origins. Partly a borrowing from French. Partly a borrowing from Latin.

Etymons: French perspective; Latin perspectiva.

**example usage**

- Try and see the situation from a different *perspective*.
- He brings a new *perspective* to the job.
- Let's try to talk about both sides of the issue and put it in *perspective*.

**Synonyms:** attitude, outlook, frame of mind, approach

## YEAR 9 & 10 GIRLS PLAYERS WANTED

LOOKING FOR A NEW TEAM, NEW CHALLENGE  
OR WANT TO PLAY IN A HIGHER DIVISION?

BAFC U15 ROCKETTES PLAY IN THE BERKS COUNTY GIRLS  
LEAGUE IN DIV 1, AND WE ARE LOOKING FOR 2/3 PASSIONATE  
AND COMMITTED PLAYERS TO BOLSTER OUR CURRENT SQUAD.

FA APPROVED COACHES  
3G WINTER TRAINING ON TUESDAY  
GAMES PLAYED SATURDAY'S

**EMAIL US FOR A TRIAL - [hello.baafc@outlook.com](mailto:hello.baafc@outlook.com)**

EXPERIENCED TEAM PLAYERS PREFERRED

## SCIENCE HOMEWORK CLUB

**When:**  
Every Wednesday 3:10PM - 4PM

**Where:**  
Science Room 138  
(Miss Ortucu's classroom)

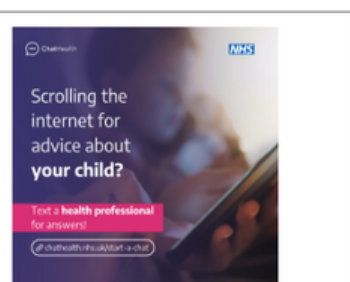
Laptops will be available for you to complete  
Kayscience homework and Miss Ortucu will be  
available to help!  
Stay for as long as you like!

It's tough watching your child struggle. Whether it's settling back into school, health worries, or simply dark days making everything harder - help is here!

Text our health professionals for confidential advice to support your child.

Text us at **07312 263194**

Find help near you  
→ [chathealth.nhs.uk/start-a-chat](https://chathealth.nhs.uk/start-a-chat)



**Our students are respectful**



# LITTER DUTY ROTA

20th January

9D6

21st January

9D7

22nd January

9D8

23rd January

7D1

24th January

7D2



ChatHealth

NHS  
Berkshire Healthcare  
Children, Young People and  
Families services

## Do you have a 5-19 year old?

We can offer advice and support on many topics like:

- ✓ Sleep
- ✓ Behaviour
- ✓ Bullying
- ✓ Parenting
- ✓ Healthy eating
- ✓ Bedwetting
- ✓ Dealing with medical conditions in school
- ✓ Emotional health & wellbeing

Text a school nurse  
for confidential advice and support  
**07312 263194**

cypf.berkshirehealthcare.nhs.uk

We might inform someone if we were concerned about your safety but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other health care staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should get an immediate message back to confirm we have received your text. Texts will only be seen between Mon-Fri 9am-8.30pm. If you need help before you hear back from us contact your GP, nearest walk-in centre or dial 111. Our text number does not receive voice calls or MMS picture messages. We support messaging from UK mobile numbers only (which does not include messages sent from landlines, international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile apps). To prevent the health professional from sending messages to you, text STOP to our number. Messages are charged at your usual rates.

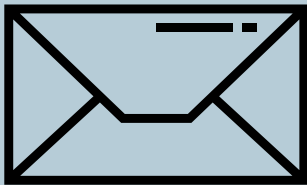
## Download the Studybugs app for reporting your child's absence.

A quick and secure way to report absence due to illness and send messages to school.

GET IT ON  
Google Play

Download on the  
App Store

Studybugs



Please see the latest newsletter from the school nursing team [HERE](#)

# COMMUNICATIONS

PLEASE SEE BELOW FOR LINKS TO ALL COMMUNICATIONS SENT OUT LAST WEEK

[Bushcraft Trip Letter](#)

[Trip Letter - New Age Kurling](#)

[Mock Trial Letter](#)

[Year 9 Surrey University Trip Letter](#)

[Berkshire Book Awards Trip Letter](#)

[Year 11 PSHE Ltr](#)

[Year 10 PSHE Ltr](#)

[Year 9 PSHE Ltr](#)

[Year 8 PSHE Ltr](#)

[Year 7 PSHE Ltr](#)

[Letter Sociology A level revision guides](#)

[Letter Psychology A level revision guides](#)

# Extra Curricular Clubs

Participating in extracurricular clubs offers numerous benefits for students, extending far beyond academic achievements. These clubs provide a platform for students to explore their interests, develop new skills, and foster a sense of community. By engaging in activities they are passionate about, students can enhance their creativity and critical thinking. Leadership roles within clubs teach responsibility, teamwork, and communication skills, which are invaluable in both personal and professional realms. Additionally, extracurricular involvement can improve time management as students balance their academic responsibilities with club commitments. Overall, these clubs enrich the educational experience, helping students to grow holistically and preparing them for future challenges.

# Sports Clubs

Joining sports clubs offers a myriad of benefits that contribute to both physical and mental well-being. These clubs provide an excellent opportunity for regular exercise, which is essential for maintaining good health and fitness. Participation in sports fosters teamwork, discipline, and perseverance as athletes work together towards common goals and strive to improve their skills. Sports clubs also help in building strong social connections, promoting camaraderie and friendships that can last a lifetime. Additionally, being part of a sports team can boost self-confidence and relieve stress, as the physical activity releases endorphins and provides a constructive outlet for energy. Ultimately, sports clubs enhance the overall development of individuals, instilling valuable life skills and promoting a healthy, active lifestyle.

△ = Counts toward DofE skill

## KAEP NON-PE CLUBS

Day	Club	Time	Room/staff
Monday	Bereavement Club Chess Club △ Book Club (Week A only) △ Poetry Club	Break Lunch 3:10-4:10 3:10-3:50	129/Mr Noakes Library/Mr Ball Library/Mrs Collins 58/Various
Tuesday	Debate Club/Mock Trial △	Lunch	7/Mr Ball
Wednesday	Art Club	3:15-4:15	34/Ms Thake
Thursday	Craft Club (Week A only) Board Game Club (Week B only) Textiles Club (Week B only) △ Astronomy Club △ Theatre Skills Club Cooking Club (Week A only) Dungeons and Dragons Club	Break Break 3:15-4:15 3:10-4:10 3:10-4:10 3:10-4:30 3:10-4:10	100/Various 100/Various 44/Miss Miller 130/ Mr Noakes E2/Various KS3 Kitchen/Mrs Wise Library/Mrs Collins
Friday	Touch Typing Club Warhammer △	Lunch 3:15-4:15	115/Ms Evans Library/Mrs Collins



## Term 3 PE Co-Curricular



Day	Break (10:30 - 11:00 am)	After school (3:10 - 4:10 pm)
Monday		Year 7 - 9 Basketball - Sports Hall (CGS) Year 7 - 10 Fitness - Gym (JAC)
Tuesday		Year 7 - 10 Girls Rugby (touch & contact) - Field (JEW) Year 7 - 10 Netball - Courts (SEB)
Wednesday	Week B Sports Council - 54 (SEB) Just Dance - Gym (JEW)	
Thursday		Year 7 - 11 Girls Football - 3G (CGO) Duke of Edinburgh - (SEB/PJC) Boxing - Gym (External Coach - Prior sign up)
Friday	Year 7-11 Multi-Sports - Sports Hall (CGO & LSM)	



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