



King's College Murcia Newsletter

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Message From **The Head**



HEAD'S WEEKLY UPDATE

Dear Parents,

The end of another week at school! We would firstly like to congratulate all of our Pre Nursery, Nursery and Reception children for being such amazing, inquisitive and energetic individuals. They have taken every day at school in their stride and with no hesitation. Overall, the children have been adapting to school life amazingly. We take so much pride watching them smile and laugh throughout the week. Well done, everybody!

The older pupils have been very focused this week as they prepared for the first cycle tests and assessments of the year. I have been impressed with their work ethic and I am pleased to see that they are making progress and we are only in Week 3 of the new school year.

We are excited to be launching LAMDA at the school. LAMDA is an exciting programme of speech and drama coaching which is the equivalent of music grades for children (and adults) who have an interest in performance and / or public speaking. More information to follow.

Breakfast with the Head this week I met with parents of the Nursery and Reception classes. I am looking forward to meeting the parents of Pre Nursery (on Monday) and Years 1 and 2 (on Tuesday). It is good to meet face to face in a safe environment, many thanks for your feedback and kind comments!

Next week Inspired Global Education Director Nick Wergan will visit the school and we will be looking at the school's strategic plan and future projects.

The furniture for the Sixth form common room will arrive in two weeks time so we can't wait!

Welcome to Malena who is our new school nurse!

Enjoy your weekend!

Dawn Akyürek
Headteacher





This week in Year 6

This week in Year 6 Yellow, the children were using the 'Good Angel v Bad Angel' drama technique to get to understand the feelings of the character who had a dilemma. They were very enthusiastic and got 'into role' very confidently.

In Year 6 Red, during PSHE, we used a ball of wool to show how we are all linked and alike, but still unique. We played 'me too'. I started with a statement about myself, and gently threw it to the nearest person who replied. "Me too!"

They really enjoyed it and ask to do it every PSHE lesson!

Mrs Hardwick.





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Primary

This week we celebrated World Peace day around the school, and we learned two wonderful new songs during our KS1 singing session outside. A highlight in our music lessons this week has been how the Year 4 children have responded to listening to "The Lark Ascending" by Vaughn Williams.

They created a bank of wonderful words to describe the music and finally depicted all those words in some beautiful artwork to represent the lark flying high in the sky!



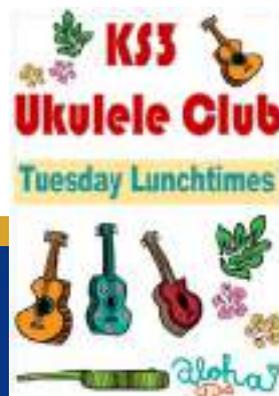
Secondary

We now have a fabulous cast for "The Greatest Showman" and have started rehearsals in both Year 8 and Year 9 Music and Drama lessons. The singing has been impressive and we have even managed to sing in harmony, despite not having sung for so long!

Our ukulele club started this week (Tuesday) for Key Stage 3 students of any level who would like to play in an informal atmosphere. We have room for lots more, so please encourage your children to come along!

A highlight in Music lessons this week has been the Year 7 debate of "Is this Music?" when listening to John Cage 4 '33". If you are interested in joining the debate - watch [this performance](#) and ask your child what they think too!

Learning a musical instrument has many benefits that extend across a child's life academically both academically and socially. If you would like to know more about these benefits, please click [HERE](#) and don't forget - you can still sign up for instrumental lessons - just email louise.rumistrzewicz@kings.education





Secondary English

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This year in English we have introduced a new novel in Year 9. 9Y are reading *Wonder* by RJ Palacio about a boy who has been home-schooled all of his life. He has Treacher Collins disease which affects the way he looks and he feels very different to everyone else. This week 9Y wrote a diary entry imagining that they were showing the main character, August around the school. I was impressed with their empathy skills, their focus on thoughts and feelings and the wide range of vocabulary they exhibited.

Year 10 have started their literature novel, 'Of Mice and Men' by John Steinbeck. Set in the depression in the 1930s it is about two friends and their time on a ranch in America. After reading Chapter 1, pupils really focused on imagery and the significance of the setting, such as the river, mountains and trees. They came up with some very impressive responses and showcased excellent analytical skills.

Mrs Rhiannon Williams.





Nursery

This week in Nursery we have been reading the story of 'Goldilocks and the Three bears'. The children have enjoyed listening to the story and have also been very enthusiastic about using the learning opportunities provided for them during child-initiated learning. All of the learning opportunities provided for the children each week are either linked to the story that we are reading, the Maths that we are learning or to encourage creativity and develop fine motor skills (in preparation for writing). This week the children have had the opportunity to explore sorting and matching during our Maths sessions. They have been able to sort and match by colour, shape and size. They have also been learning how to count accurately to 10 both forwards and backwards. They have used the tuff trays for mark making, sorting, counting and matching. The water tray encourages the children to develop role playing skills as well as mathematical skills e.g.: capacity and using the language linked to this.

I am so very proud of each and every one of the children in Nursery. They have all settled so well and have quickly adapted to the daily routine of the class. You should all be very proud of your children. They have been fantastic. I look forward to a very exciting year ahead as we embark on this learning journey together.

Miss Tandi Emerson



First Term School Calendar



HONESTY FAITH COURAGE

Mon 27 Sep			KCM Inter-House Handball Competition Week
Tue 27 Sep	9:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with The Head - Pre-Nursery Parents
Tue 28 Sep	9:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with the Head - Year 1 & 2 Parents
Thu 30 Sep	9:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with the Head - Year 3 & 4 Parents
Fri 1 Oct	9:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with the Head - Year 5 & 6 Parents
Tue 5 Oct	9:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with the Head - Year 7 Parents
Tue 5 Oct	16:45	18:00	Year 7 Tutor - Parent Meeting
Thu 7 Oct			SCHOOL CLOSED - LOCAL FIESTA (Torre Pacheca)
Fri 8 Oct	09:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with the Head - Year 8 & 9 Parents
Mon 11 Oct			SCHOOL CLOSED
Tue 12 Oct			SCHOOL CLOSED
Thu 14 Oct	09:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with the Head - Year 12 & 13 Parents
Fri 15 Oct	09:30	16:10	Sixth Form Bonding Trip - Calblanque
Fri 15 Oct	09:15	10:15	Coffee Morning with the Head - Year 10 & 11 Parents
Thu 21 Oct	09:30	13:00	Reception Class Trip to El Valle Wildlife Centre
Fri 22 Oct	09:30	16:10	Year 11 GCSE Geography trip to Cartagena
Mon 25 Oct			KCM Inter-House Football Week
Tue 26 Oct			Year 12 & 13 UNIFOUR Event - Murcia
Tue 26 Oct	16:45	18:30	Primary Parents' Evening
Wed 27 Oct	16:45	18:30	Primary Parents' Evening
Fri 29 Oct			Year 11 Duke of Edinburgh Expedition Starts
Fri 29 Oct			Year 7 - 11 Mid-Term Reports Released on ISAMS portal
Fri 29 Oct	09:30	10:30	EYFS and Key Stage 1 Halloween Parade
Sat 30 Oct			Year 11 Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
Sun 31 Oct			Year 11 Duke of Edinburgh Expedition Returns
Mon 1 Nov			SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 3 Nov			Year 11 and A level Theatre Trip to Alicante
Thu 4 Nov	09:30	16:10	Year 10 GCSE Geography Magazine Fieldwork
Fri 12 Nov			Year 11 Duke of Edinburgh Expedition starts
Sun 14 Nov			Year 11 Duke of Edinburgh Expedition returns
Tue 16 Nov	16:45	18:30	Year 10 Parents' Evening
Mon 22 Nov			KCM Inter-House Athletics Week
Tue 23 Nov	16:45	18:30	Year 12 Parents' Evening
Wed 24 Nov			Year 11 & 13 Mock Examinations begin
Wed 1 Dec			Year 11 & 13 Mock Examinations end
Tue 14 Dec	15:00	16:30	Secondary Christmas Musical
Tue 14 Dec	16:45	18:30	Year 11 & 13 Parents' Evening
Wed 15 Dec	10:00	11:30	Secondary Christmas Musical
Thu 16 Dec	10:00	11:00	EYFS Nativity Performance
Fri 17 Dec	10:00	11:00	EYFS Nativity Performance
Fri 17 Dec	15:00	16:15	Key Stage 2 Christmas Cantata
Mon 20 Dec			First Term Reports released on Parent Portal
Mon 20 Dec	15:00	16:15	Key Stage 1 Christmas Performance
Tue 21 Dec			Last Day of First Term for Pupils
Wed 22 Dec	09:00	16:00	Whole School Parent Meeting Day





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