



HEAD MASTER'S PAGE

This Newsletter is packed full of the activities that have taken place in this very short term. Thank you for your continued support. I wish you and your family a happy Easter holiday.

HOUSE AWARDS

I was delighted to attend the House Awards Evening on Monday 21 March which celebrates achievement around our House themes of leadership, teamwork, resilience, innovation and creativity, courage, community and kindness. The recipients of this year's awards were:

Leadership: Toby Lumb, Form 7A, School

Teamwork: James Gandee, Form 8C, Foxe

Resilience: Max Jappy & Oliver Buckley, Form 8E, Curteis

Innovation & Creativity:

Will Ponsonby, Form 8A, School

Courage: Adam Halsey, Form 11D, Burleigh

Community: Bradley Marks, Form 13D, Curteis

Kindness: Lewis Seymour, Form 7B, More

House Leaders and House Captains have worked incredibly hard to inject a wider range of competitions and fun into the enrichment curriculum. After a year of intense competition I am pleased to announce the results of the House competitions for 2015-16:

SCHOOL	4554
MORE	4495
FOX E	4290
CURTEIS	4189
NEWTON	4039
BURLEIGH	3941

Congratulations to SCHOOL HOUSE

—HOUSE CHAMPIONS 2016



EXTERNAL EXAMINATIONS

As the Easter break approaches it is important that boys in Years 11, 12 and 13 reflect upon their plans ahead of the public examinations that begin in May. Planning, preparation, practice and effort are vital. Please encourage your son to work hard so that he is fully prepared. We wish the boys every success.

RIDGWAY SCHOLARSHIP

The Ridgway Scholarship offers an opportunity for a student who is normally resident in Lincolnshire or Huntingdonshire (before the boundary changes of 1974) to study for an academic year at the University of Evansville in the USA.

The scholarship is usually most attractive to those students completing their last year of secondary education and looking for a 'gap year' opportunity to study and travel in the USA. The Scholarship pays international air fare, all tuition costs, and room and board accommodation for a year of study at the University of Evansville in Indiana. As a major international scholarship, the grant offsets education costs of more than \$40,000.

Two students from the King's Sixth Form were interviewed at Harlaxton Manor earlier this month. Samuel Lee selected as the Ridgway Scholar for 2016-17.

Congratulations to Sam, and also well done to Joe Starks who impressed the panel with a strong interview.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

I am pleased to report that 3 boys from Year 13 have achieved their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

Congratulations to Hasnat Mufti, Oliver Smith-Evans and James Wilson.



ACHIEVEMENTS—INSPIRE+

Congratulations to Year 9 students Noah Cadby, Harry Latham and Kieran Morris, who attended the Sports Leaders BISI Badminton Festival Training led by inspire+

LITERACY FOCUS

The literacy focus for Term 5 in Writing Advice (Section 6). This will hopefully aid written expression in the summer examinations.

CHILDREN OF COURAGE

On 9 March Ethan Blackman of Year 13 attended the fifth annual Children of Courage Awards at the Urban Hotel where he received an award for the courage he displayed during the illness and death of his mother from cancer. Mrs Martin spoke at the ceremony. Mrs Hansen and Miss Jones had written to the Rotary Club to commend Ethan.

SCHOOL ARCHIVES

A few years ago two volunteers arrived in school to organize the school's archives.

Sam Branson, an ex-Master, and Joyce Barnes, parent to a past student, set about the task and have systematically brought order to the chaos. Sam and Joyce have now decided that the time is right for their second retirement and stepped down from this role earlier this month.

Their contribution, which has all been on a completely voluntary basis, has been wonderful.

If there is anyone who may be interested in voluntary work in the school archives office—even if only for an hour a week—we would like to hear from you.

Please contact Mrs Orrey, PA to Head Master in the first instance (Su.orrey@kings.lincs.sch.uk)

PTFA

The Easter Chocolate Tombola held on 23 March raised a further £381 for the King's School PTFA. Thank you to all parents for their donations of chocolates and thank you to the boys for purchasing tickets.



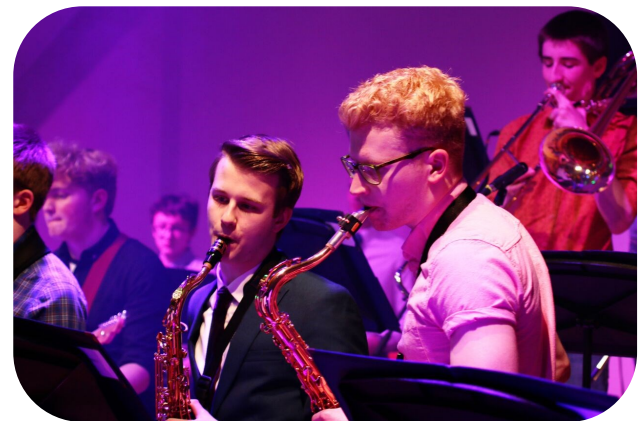
MUSIC DEPARTMENT

This term we have enjoyed several musical events, Jazz Nite, the Year 7 Concert and the Spring Concert. All events were very well received.

Spring Concert



Year 7 Concert



Jazz Nite

More images of Jazz Nite are at the end of the Newsletter

Boys from the Jazz Quartet delighted guests of the Rotary Club of Grantham at a recent performance. Well done to Matt Walton, Sam Williams, Chris Standen and Sam Shelton.

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

TABLE TENNIS

Matt Leete (Year 11) exceeded expectations and just missed out on a medal as he competed against the best players in England at the Junior National Cup earlier this month.

Matt, who plays for Clifedale Chandlers and Grantham College Table Tennis Academy, was invited to the tournament in Milton Keynes because of his position near the top of the Table Tennis England rankings. He took on nine other top players in a round robin event.

Seeded ninth for the event, he won six matches, only losing to the top three seeds.

Matt said "It was a lot better than I expected, finishing fourth when I was seeded ninth, so I'm pleased with how I played."

WATERPOLO

King's were the only non-independent school to secure a place in the English Schools U15 Boys/Mixed National Finals in Bolton earlier this month.

The opening rounds saw the team take on Haberdashers' Aske, London and Trinity School, Croydon. Their first match went well, although a last-minute goal from Haberdashers' saw the game end in a 2-2 draw. Their second game against Trinity needed to be a win to get a place in the semi-finals. The boys scored a goal in the first half and continued to play a defensive game in the second to secure a last-four place.

The semi-final saw them play Alleyns School and despite going ahead in the first half, Alleyns scored twice in the last few minutes. King's came up against Trinity again in the play-off to decide third and fourth place. At the end of the first half, King's were down 3-1 but in the second half they bravely fought back to score twice to tie the match at 3-3. This led to a penalty shoot-out which King's lost on sudden death.

Well done to Tom Cotton, goalkeeper Krzysztoff Fedorczuk, Will Seage, Noah Clegg, Cameron Chow, Harry Fowler, Jack Marshall, Cameron Manderfield, Will Shennan and Will Herring.

U18 TEAM

Mr Barton reports that he had the pleasure of accompanying the U18 Waterpolo team to the Finals of the ESSA National Plate competition at Oundle School earlier this month. The team dispatched St Bede's School, Bradford Grammar, City of London School, St Paul's and Eton en route to lifting the trophy. The coach of the other finalists said that we were deserved winners, not

least because our students do not have a designated coach and also because ours was the smallest squad present. The team were impeccably behaved and excellent company throughout the day.

Pictured from left to right are:

Cameron Knott,
Charlie Wilkinson,
Dan Hammond,
Jonny Birth,
Gareth Lord, Joe
Stark, Laurie Row-
land, Sam Bell
and Tom Green.



Well done to the whole team.

CHESS

Daniel Southern of Year 12 competed in the British Problem-Solving Society's Championship at Eton College on 20 February. Daniel qualified for this event as a result of being in the King's team that won the schools national team championship last year. He faced competition of the very highest standard including six ex-world champions and 14 Grandmasters, most notably two famous British players; Dr John Nunn (who was the youngest undergraduate since Cardinal Wolsey at Oriel College, Oxford and competed in the semi-

final of the World Championship), and Dr Jonathan Mestel (Professor of Mathematics at Imperial College London). The event also attracted champion solvers from Poland, Ukraine, Germany



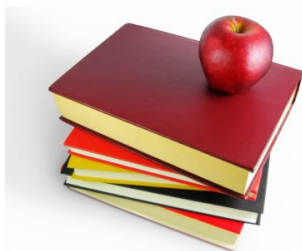
and Holland. In such distinguished company Daniel faced an enormous challenge. However, after five hours of problem solving with six different themes and lots of hard work, he finished in second place in the Junior Competition.

Daniel will be leading the King's Team in the Schools' Team Problem Solving Final at Imperial College in April when they attempt to retain their national title.

Mrs Drulia—Maths Teacher

LEARNING RESOURCE CENTRE

The Year 7 Knight's Tournament began at the beginning of last term. This tournament challenges the boys to read as many of the selected history titles (both fiction and non-fiction), write a review (at least one side of A4 lined paper) per title in their own handwriting and in return they get a house point for each book read. This is an initiative between the LRC and the History Department to encourage literacy in other subjects other than English.



Thanks are recorded to the PTFA for helping to fund the books required for this project.

The English Department's reading challenge has seen 7C read 88 books between them and have gained these points towards their annual house points.

It has been 7Es turn this term to see if they can beat the target.

Reading is continuing at a steady rate throughout the school with the range of boys reading/borrowing from all year groups. The Librarian tries to purchase all the latest titles in the popular series as well as adding new authors where possible, often taking recommendations from the boys themselves.

The Scholastic Book Club is not totally online—they are no longer issuing leaflets. You can still order from them and any orders will generate 20% of your order for the LRC to purchase from them. Books are delivered to the school free of charge. To make an order please go to <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/the-kings>.

I would like to thank all those who have previously bought from the club and all those now considering using the club in the future.

Mrs Snee—Librarian

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

Year 12 English Literature and Language students enjoyed an inspirational workshop from writer and parent Mrs Nicola Auckland. Nicola shared tips and advice on writing micro fiction and set the group the challenging task of writing a six word story using the theme of betrayal. All entries were posted onto her website—Sometimes Stellar Storyteller—with members of the writing community voting for the winning entry. The winner will also receive a £25 book voucher. One student commented that the workshop was “very engaging and valuable in informing us on the opportunities open to young writers.”

Mrs Oliver—English Teacher

MATHS DEPARTMENT

PI DAY

Lots of boys entered a 'Pi Day' competition (either for pie or for glory) and there were lots of impressive attempts. A special mention goes to William Chatterton of 8E who named pi to 81 places, the highest of any entrant from any year group.

Winners for the year groups were:

Year 7: Matthew Lineham (41)

Year 8: William Chatterton (81)

Year 9: Joe Farrington (14)

Year 10: Archie Fraser-Dale (37)

Year 11: Adam Halsey (11)

Year 12: Harry Mattison (36)

Year 13: Sam Evans (21)

Miss Burton—Maths Teacher

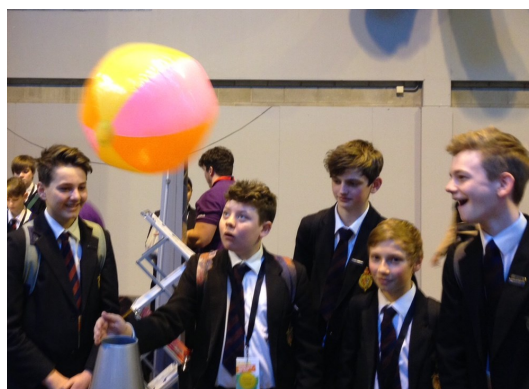
PHYSICS DEPARTMENT



Year 10 students had an exciting and exhilarating day of learning at the Big Bang Fair at the NEC on 16 March. Students took part in the St Johns Ambulance Medical challenge, saw Dallas Campbell from 'Bang Goes the Theory', made molecules of biodiesel, manufactured pharmaceuticals with GSK and worked with smart materials. Some even had their photograph taken with Tim Peake on the ESA stand.

(Ed Johnston with Tim Peake)

Miss Jones—Subject Leader, Physics



CCF NEWS

COMBAT CADET 2016

The Army section of the CCF competed in the Combat Cadet event at Thetford over the weekend. They enjoyed a successful weekend, coming fourth overall 2nd CCF Contingent in Combat Cadet. Well done to all the team, and particularly to Charlie Stewart (Year 13) who won the Best Section Command from the 20 teams who competed from across England.

The team (pictured below) consisted of Charlie Stewart, Fraser Macdellan, Krisna Reed, Eliot Smith, James Danby, Ewan Sinclair, Tom Sellars, Tom Layhe and Sam Farrington.



Charlie Stewart with his Award



ARMY SECTION

The Army Section has had a very successful one day exercise at Stoke Rochford learning the basics of Fieldcraft. 56 cadets attended this event at the end of February and all cadets passed the training.

The Summer Camp for the Army Section has been approved by the 7th Infantry Brigade and cadets will be going to Kendrew Barracks thanks to sponsorship by the 2nd Royal Anglians who are based there.



FLYING SCHOLARSHIP

Further to the report in the last Newsletter, we are delighted to report that William Cooper of Year 12 has been successful in his application for the Air Cadet Pilot Scholarship Award. This is a fantastic achievement as there were approximately 160 cadets who initially applied. Well done William! He is now waiting for his dates to be confirmed with the RAF.



William being congratulated by Fitter Lt Barton

Flying is an important part of the RAF Section curriculum. On Sunday 6 March ten cadets took part in this activity at RAF Cranwell (one of the cadets is pictured right)

Aerobatics for senior cadets were included in the flying programme and four cadets flew for the first time.



RAF COMPETITION

Over the weekend of 12/13 March the national RAF competition was held at RAF Halton. King's was competing with 17 other schools for the Air Squadron Trophy (team pictured below).

The team achieved 12th place which is a good achievement considering how many CCF RAF Sections there are in the UK in private and state schools.



TASTER DAY FOR YEAR 7 BOYS

For those students who are not yet cadets there will be a Taster Day for Year 7 students on 13 July 2016 where they can see and participate in cadet activities to see if it is something they would like to join.

R Ogg—Lt Col

YEAR 10 CAREERS FAIR



On 10 March all Year 10 students attended a Careers Fair in the Old School. Companies represented were Barclays, Vibraplast, Chattertons Solicitors, NHS, Army, RAF, Specsavers, Datcom and Nottingham University Vet School. Each of the Year 10 Forms attended

the event for an hour each and had the opportunity to listen to presentations by each organization. There was also an additional opportunity to speak with presenters at lunch.

APPRENTICESHIP PACK

More information is available on the school website on 'All About School Leavers Apprenticeship Pack' which students and parents of boys in Years 10 and 11 may find of interest.



INTER-HOUSE COMPETITIONS

On 16 March the entire school took part in Inter-House competitions during an extended Form Period. Each year group took part in the following competitions:

Year 7	Articulate
Year 8	Quiz
Year 9	Maggot Race
Years 10/11	Tug of War (pictured below)
Years 12/13	Pong



DR ARIC SIGMAN

Dr Aric Sigman delivered a series of talks to Year 9 students on 3 March on 'The Facts About Alcohol'. He also delivered an evening talk to parents on 'Parenting the Demanding Generation' based on his book 'The Spoilt Generation'. A copy of the handout can be downloaded from the school website.

Dr Sigman is a Fellow of the Society of Biology, Associate Fellow of the British Psychological Society and a Chartered Scientist. He has worked extensively with the Department of Health, European Parliament and the Royal College of Paediatrics on teenage health. He has published five books and worked on teenage health campaigns with the Department of Health. As a health education specialist he lectures at schools, medical schools and to NHS doctors and is a regular guest on television debates. Dr Sigman also travels abroad frequently to study child wellbeing and development in various cultures.



PE DEPARTMENT

GYMNASTICS

Representing the school at the recent Grantham and District Gymnastics competition, Ryan Collingwood of Year 7 came 2nd in his age category. Well done Ryan.

TENNIS



Following on from the report in the last Newsletter, after a three day tournament in Bolton this month the Senior Tennis Team finished the competition in 3rd place. The competition featured the best schools from England, Wales and Scotland.

The team, consisting of Michael Cragg (Year 13), Oliver White (Year 12), Joe Patton and Lewis Picker (Year 11) had done exceptionally well to get to the finals, defeating a number of top independent schools in order to do so. They beat Stanwell School and King Edwards' Chelmsford, but narrowly lost to Truro School when playing for a place in the final.

The boys were a credit to both the sport and the school, demonstrating not only high skill levels but a level of sportsmanship unrivaled by their opposition.

RUGBY

Well done to the Year 7 Rugby Team who won the County Cup in emphatic style, conceding only one try all day. The results were:

King's 25 Deepings 0

King's 30 Bourne Acacemy 0

King's 20 Priory LSST 5

Semi-final: King's 20 Lincoln Minster 0

Final: King's 5 Carre's 0



YEAR 7 RUGBY

Mr McHugh reports on a very good day of Rugby on 23 March. Three of our Year 11 GCSE PE students organised the tournament as part of their PE coursework. The other six schools involved commented on how well this had been done and how good our qualified Sixth Form referees were.

The Year 7 A team got to the final but lost to a well-drilled Cheadle Hume school, whilst the B team lost out in the semi-final to St George's Sleaford.

All 24 boys who played (3 Year 11's and the 12 Sixth Formers who coached, marshalled and refereed) were wonderful ambassadors for King's.

A special mention is made of the ever-youthful Mr Brister who guided the referees with his knowledge and experience.

LEICESTER TIGERS

Bill Rush and Jonny Law represented Leicester Tigers U16 earlier this month for their elite squad and played well, beating Northampton Saints and losing to Wasps. Both boys played very well and were a credit to King's. Well done to Jonny as he was a year younger than everyone else on the pitch—an outstanding achievement to play up a year at that level.

Year 7 students who went to watch a Leicester Tigers versus London Irish match in February



FOOTBALL—YEAR 10 COUNTY CUP FINAL

The Year 10 Football team got through to the final of the County Cup, played at Lincoln College on 15 March where they lost by 2 goals to one. Nevertheless, it was a good achievement. Well done to : Lewis Brady, Ben Barretto, Oliver Brewill, Jacob Bradshaw, Jake Eagle, Iwan Evans, Tom Evans, Charlie Gaskell, Max Carrington-Hayward, Sam Letchworth, Jonny Law, George Patterson and Kasper Rutka.

PE DEPARTMENT

YEAR 9 FUTSAL TEAM

The Year 9 Futsal team were victorious at the County Futsal Finals on 11 March. They now progress to the Midlands Finals as Lincolnshire's representatives. Well done to Kieran Hollis, Henry Rowland, Sam King-Deutsch, Tom Duncomb, Ben Lumb, Max Fedorson, Seb Edwards, James Scott and Tom Rawson.



YEAR 9 FOOTBALL - COUNTY CHAMPIONS

The Year 9 Football team continued their outstanding season by securing the Lincolnshire County title with a solid win over Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Gainsborough earlier this month.

The team have been fantastic all season and played the game in their now accustomed style, showing both discipline and confidence in their performance. The game was exceptionally tight until a tactical switch saw Kieran Hollis added to the attacking line to make it 3 up front in an attempt to impose growing dominance on their defence. Within seconds Hollis changed the game and nearly scored himself, and with the resulting corner the inspirational James 'Scholesey' Scott drove the ball into the net.

The defensive line which has been superbly led by captain King-Deutsch all season, held out and victory was secured.



Pictured left to right are: Ben Lumb, Kieran Hollis, Henry Rowland, Sam King-Deutsch, Callum Lodge, Seb Edwards, Lucasz Pomorski, Max Fedorson, James Scott, Bradley Musgrove, Tom Duncomb, Tom Rawson and Alex Ismail.

MORE IMAGES FROM JAZZ NITE



DATES FOR DIARIES—EVENTS DURING TERM 5 (2015-16)

WEEK COMMENCING 11 APRIL:

- Monday 11 April : STAFF TRAINING DAY—SCHOOL CLOSED TO STUDENTS
DUBAI TRIP DEPARTS—RETURNS ON 15 APRIL
- Tuesday 12 April: BOYS RETURN TO SCHOOL
- Wednesday 13 April : HOUSE ASSEMBLIES—CURTEIS AND NEWTON
YEAR 7 PARENTS' EVENING IN THE HALL (4:30-7:00PM)

WEEK COMMENCING 18 APRIL:

- Monday 18 April: COUNTY GOLF COMPETITION AT SLEAFORD GC—10:00AM
HEAD OF YEAR INTERVENTION MEETINGS—4:00-6:30PM
- Tuesday 19 April: YEAR 7 MATHS EXPLAINED—ROOM 33—6:30PM
- Wednesday 20 April: HOUSE ASSEMBLIES—MORE & SCHOOL
CRICKET MATCH—1ST XI V. CARRE'S (H)- 1:30PM

WEEK COMMENCING 25 APRIL:

- Monday 25 April: COUNTY GOLF COMPETITION AT SOUTH KYME GC—10:00AM
- Tuesday 26 April: SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING—2:00PM
CRICKET MATCH—U14 V. LINCOLN MINSTER (A) - 2:00PM
- Wednesday 27 April: HOUSE ASSEMBLIES—FOXES & BURLEIGH
CRICKET MATCH—1ST XI V. SPALDING (A) - 2:00PM
- Thursday 28 April: YEAR 10 STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOP IN THE OLD SCHOOL
CRICKET MATCH—U15 V. LINCOLN MINSTER (A) - 2:00PM
YEAR 10 STUDY SKILLS WORKSHOP FOR PARENTS & STUDENTS IN THE HALL—5:45-6:30PM
- Friday 29 April: CAREERS ADVICE—MORNING—TOMBS ROOM
CRICKET MATCH—U12 V. RANBY HOUSE (A) - 1:00PM
- Weekend: CCF MARCH HARE

WEEK COMMENCING 2 MAY:

- Monday 2 May: **BANK HOLIDAY**
- Tuesday 3 May: CRICKET MATCH—1ST XI V. STAMFORD (A) - 2:00PM
- Wednesday 4 May: CRICKET MATCHES—1ST XI—U15 & U14 V. WORKSHOP COLLEGE (A) - 2:00PM
CRICKET MATCH—U13 V. TRENT COLLEGE (H) - 2:00PM
- Thursday 5 May: GCSE CONTROLLED ASSESSMENT DEADLINE
CRICKET MATCHES—U13 & U12 V. LEICESTER GRAMMAR (H) - 2:00PM
YEAR 8 PARENTS' EVENING IN THE HALL—4:30-7:00PM
- Friday 6 May: CCF—YEAR 9 STEM EVENT
- Weekend: BRONZE DUKE OF EDINBURGH PRACTICE

WEEK COMMENCING 9 MAY: GCSE EXAMINATIONS BEGIN—TO 24 JUNE 2016

- Monday 9 May: CRICKET MATCH—U12 V. STAMFORD (H) - 2:30PM (A & B TEAMS)
- Tuesday 21 May: CRICKET MATCH—U14 V. TRENT COLLEGE (A) —2:00PM
- Wednesday 11 May: CRICKET MATCH—U13 V. STAMFORD (A) - 2:30PM
CRICKET MATCH—U12 V. TRENT COLLEGE (H) - 2:00PM
- Thursday 12 May: CRICKET MATCH—U15 V. TRENT COLLEGE (A) - 2:00PM
YEAR 12 HIGHER EDUCATION EVENING IN THE HALL—7:00PM
- Weekend: BRONZE DUKE OF EDINBURGH EXPEDITION

WEEK COMMENCING 16 MAY: GCSE EXAMINATIONS, PLUS EXAMINATION WEEK FOR YEARS 7, 8 AND 9

- Monday 16 May: CRICKET MATCHES—U15 & U14 V. LEICESTER GRAMMAR (A) —2:00PM

WEEK COMMENCING 23 MAY: GCSE EXAMINATIONS, PLUS EXAMINATION WEEK FOR YEARS 7, 8 AND 9

- Thursday 26 May: CRICKET MATCH—U15 V. HILL HOUSE (A) - 2:00PM
- Friday 27 May: **TERM ENDS—3:45PM**