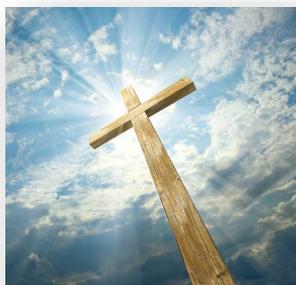


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Easter Message

Dear All

I write at the end of a term that has brought much suffering, sadness and grief in our school community and amongst communities across our nation and beyond.

At times of great trouble, many of us turn (or return) to God, and thankfully He is always there for us to do so. As difficulties, trials and tribulations increase, we may even be tempted to doubt and accuse Him. But the Bible reassures us that God is both powerful and wise, and that He loves and cares for us. This remains no less true in times of profound suffering even though – without God's perfect wisdom – we may not be able to understand it.

And at Easter time, which would usually have been a time of gatherings and rejoicing, we can remember and celebrate God's decisive victory over death and defeat of evil when Jesus, having been crucified at Calvary, then rose again triumphant from the dead, bringing the certain assurance of eternal life with Him.

“For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.” (*John 3:16*)

With my prayers for you, your families, and our community at this time of Easter hope,

Mr Dawes - Principal

Year 11: Easter Break Study Schedule

Following the government's announcements regarding grades for GCSEs the academy is offering access to school study facilities over the holidays, with scheduled sessions in certain subjects (see below). Year 13 are in a similar position. For the relevant letters, please see: [Letters from the Principal | The King's Academy](#)

Mon 29 Mar	Tue 30 Mar	Wed 31 Mar	Thu 1 Apr	Fri 2 Apr
Art (9am-1pm)	English Language* (9.30am-3pm)	English Literature* (10.30am-2pm)	Mathematics* (9am-12noon)	<i>Good Friday</i>
Computing (9am-1pm)	Independent Study (9am-1pm)	Music Technology* (9am-1pm)	Independent Study (9am-1pm)	
Engineering* (9am-1pm)		Independent Study (9am-1pm)		
IT (9am-1pm)				
Textiles (9am-1pm)				
Independent Study (9am-1pm)				

Mon 5 Apr	Tue 6 Apr	Wed 7 Apr	Thu 8 Apr	Fri 9 Apr
<i>Easter Monday</i>	Geography (9am-12noon)	Drama (9am-1pm)	PE (9am-2pm)	Child Development* (9am-1pm)
	Independent Study (9am-1pm)	Independent Study (9am-1pm)	Independent Study (9am-1pm)	Independent Study (9am-1pm)

Post-16 Departments:

Psychology

“You teach Psychology...What’s that?” is a question I am often asked by younger students in the Academy. As a subject that only comes on to timetables in Sixth form it can often hold an air of mystery.

Psychology is the study of the mind and human behaviour. Students this year have enjoyed exploring how memory works, how early attachments can be vital in shaping our lives, why relationships form and breakdown, as well as exploring psychopathologies such as schizophrenia, OCD, phobias and criminal behavior.

If this sounds your thing, it is never too early to chat to myself or Miss Hartshorne.

Mr Wills - Teacher i/c Psychology

Highlights of the week

Year 7 - Even though it has been a challenging term, Year 7 have been resilient and are adjusting to life back at the academy. We hope that they have a restful Easter holiday and we look forward to seeing them in the summer term.

Year 8 - The Year 8s have received a fantastic merit haul this week. Pupils have been engaged in their learning and are clearly enjoying being back at The King’s Academy.

Year 9 - It was really lovely to see all of Year 9 in our briefing on Thursday morning. It’s the first time we’ve been together as a year group this academic year.

Year 10 - Both Mr Davies and Mrs Dodsworth commented on how mature and hard working their Year 10 PE classes have been this week. They both said they are a pleasure to teach.

Year 11 - Excellent behaviour at social times, often organising their own small football games and demonstrating skills in team work, inclusivity and sports etiquette- it is a lovely environment for students and duty staff.

Sixth Form - Several of our Year 12 students attended ‘Oxbridge Unlocked’ this week and in the coming weeks students contemplating Oxbridge applications will be taking part in masterclasses in Medicine, Chemistry, Geography, Philosophy and Engineering through Corpus Christi College, Cambridge.

Additional Notices

Please Note: Students coming from Hemlington should be using the new path to access the site. The Health and Safety of our students is our priority.

Students should return to school on Monday 12 April at 8.20am

If parents are able to do so, we would ask that students self-test prior to their return to school—either on the evening of Sunday 11 March, or on the morning of the 12th.

Childhood Immunisation Team



The Childhood Immunisation Team are responsible for delivering all school-aged vaccinations. For more information on vaccinations, preparing for vaccines, completing their online form and more, or to contact the Childhood Immunisation Team directly, please follow their [Facebook page](#).

Virtual Careers in the Real World

On Wednesday 24 March, Detective Chief Inspector Davies, currently responsible for Custody and Offender Management at Durham Constabulary, joined Years 9-11 and some sixth form students for a virtual talk about her role and experiences within the police service. She provided students with a valuable insight into her day-to-day experiences, answering a fabulous range of questions prepared by Y9 students. These included details of her career path, the fitness requirements, the different sectors within the police, and career progression. She responded to a range of questions from all tutor groups in the "chat", recounting experiences of a range of situations from working with dogs to helicopters.

Ms Gibson - Careers Lead