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#### Information for Parents and Carers.

This week we have moved to on-line lessons for all Year Groups. For your information all students have been informed by their Form Tutor of the following:

Students will receive a daily bulletin via email at the start of each day from their Form Tutor, this will include any notices, top tips on working at home, sharing good news and achievements.

Students should follow their timetable on TEAMS following the normal school timings for the day.

Students should log on to each class at the start of the period and their teacher will meet them on TEAMS to teach and set work for the lesson.

A register will be taken at the start of each TEAMS lesson.

House Worship will take place once a week for the whole school, this will be on Wednesday morning at 9.15am.

#### **Spring Term Rewards**

Rewards will include a £10 prize voucher for 3 pupils in each year group. The three reward categories are:

A positive Character Award nominated by the Head of Year and Tutors.

An Award for the pupil who has shown an improvement towards their attitude to learning.

All pupils who achieve the GOLD Award will be entered for a prize draw.

### Positive Self-Discipline for Learning

During this period of online learning positive Self-Discipline for Learning points will be awarded for:

Attending all remote lessons on MS TEAMS

Excellent/Outstanding effort.

Excellent/Outstanding work.

Perseverance/Determination/Participation/Organisation/Resilience/Respect/Courtesy/Responsibility/Cooperation/Teamwork.

#### **Online Learning Awards**

In addition to this, each week all staff will reward two pupils of their choice with the following awards:

### **Exceptional Progress**

**Exceptional Work** 

These awards will be logged in Class Charts, to pupils who demonstrate the **King's Standard and** display **positive Self-Discipline for Learning** during this period of lockdown. All pupils who receive an Exceptional Award will be entered into a prize draw at the end of lockdown and have a chance to win a £25 voucher Deliveroo or Uber Eats voucher for their family.



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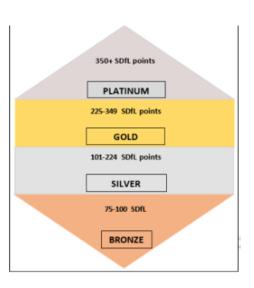
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# **Safeguarding & Emotional Well-Being**

Lockdown can be a stressful and worrying time for us all. The King's family are here to help and support in any way we possibly can. Please be assured we will do our utmost to help allay any fears/anxiety, and support students with their learning and emotional well –being. Form Tutors are the first point of call for students, but help can also be accessed via other agencies, don't suffer in silence there is *always* someone available to listen.

# The SHARP System (Student Help Advice Reporting Page System)

SHARP allows young people to report any incidents which occur within the school and local community anonymously and without fear. Aside from the reporting tool SHARP delivers educational content to raise awareness on a wide range of subjects including: Bullying, Health, Community Issues, Weapons and Hate Crime.



https://kingswolverhampton.the sharpsystem.com THE KING'S



If you would like to speak to a member of the School Nurse Team, they can be contacted on 01902 441143, they also offer Chat Health support via text for all pupils aged 11-19.



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Mr Sutton Designated Safeguarding Lead: p.sutton@kingswolverhampton.co.uk

Mrs Badger Deputy Safeguarding Lead: s.badger1@kingswolverhampton.co.uk

Prayer Requests: <a href="mailto:chaplain@kingswolverhampton.co.uk">chaplain@kingswolverhampton.co.uk</a>

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### The Big Read

This week saw the launch of the Big Read for our pupils in Years 7,8 & 9. Each day a link was sent to students to read along with or listen to the short story **Resigned** by Meg Rosoff, with an invitation being extended to Virtual Book Club on Friday lunchtime, where Mr Lingard and Mrs Morgan-Jones were available for students to ask any questions they may have had about the book, and talk generally about what they thought about the story.



The Big Read!

# **Presentation Evening**

We were truly honoured to have been joined by some very special guests at our virtual Presentation Evening last week.



A huge thank you to the Archbishop of York Stephen Cottrell, Judge Rinder and Julie Hesmondhalgh for their kind words and inspiring messages for our Y11 & Y13 students.

To view their special messages, please click here.







Congratulations to all students who received an award, and to those students who were honoured to have received a Principal Award, a fantastic achievement! we are extremely proud of you all.

Please find clips from the ceremony below.

<u>Principal's Award</u> <u>Full ceremony</u>

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# Important Notice—Free School Meal Vouchers

We can confirm that all pupils eligible for free school meals will be sent a £15 voucher code from Wednesday 13th January to their school email address. We will be distributing voucher codes weekly until pupils return to school. You can find out more information about how to redeem your FSM voucher codes <a href="https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/staysafebekind">here</a>. We would encourage you to visit the Council's Stay Safe Be Kind website <a href="https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/staysafebekind">www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/staysafebekind</a> for more information about other support that might be available to parents/carers at this time and contact the free school meals team at Wolverhampton City Council if you think that you might qualify for additional support, 01902 290241 or email <a href="mailto:freeschoolmeals@wolverhampton.gov.uk">freeschoolmeals@wolverhampton.gov.uk</a>.

Please do not hesitate to contact Mr Lingard (<a href="mailto:freeschoolmeals@kingswolverhampton.co.uk">freeschoolmeals@kingswolverhampton.co.uk</a> or phone 01902 558333) if there is any way in which we can support you further.

#### **Increased 4G Data Allowances**

The Government has announced that some mobile phone providers are increasing customer data allowances for free to help with remote learning. If your child is using mobile phone data rather than wi-fi, then please complete the form by clicking on the link below and we will see what we can do to help.

Mobile Data Form

Mr Sutton

# **6th Form Applications**

Due to the current situation with the Covid pandemic
The King's School Sixth Form application deadline has been extended until Friday 12th February 2021.



There is now plenty of time to apply to the OFSTED rated GOOD Sixth Form.

www.kingswolverhampton.co.uk/ sixthformadmissions





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# **Black Country Virtual Careers Expo**

# VIRTUAL EVENT

Black Country Skills Factory

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Here at The Kings CE School we believe that Careers Education is vitally important, our programme is designed to meet the needs of all our students and provide them with exciting learning experiences. Please feel free to get in touch with any questions or queries you may have about Careers, lots of information can be found on our <u>website</u> and we will be more than happy to discuss our programme in more detail.

Going live on 14 January 2021, and available for 4 weeks, the Black Country Virtual Careers Expo will provide information for students and parents/carers across the Black Country and give you access to a wide range of careers advice. This includes employment information, apprenticeships, skills and training programmes, FE and HE information and SEND opportunities, all under one virtual roof. There is also be a "live vacancies" section for employment and apprenticeship opportunities across the Black Country.

With a fantastic mix of local and national organisations, you can visit all of the online exhibitors and watch a collection of helpful pre-recorded videos to help make the right choice.

#### What do you need to do?

- Register today using the link below to secure your place at the expo.
- Sign up:<u>www.ukcareersfair.com/black-country-virtual-careers-expo</u>

This link will also be made available on the careers section of the website and on our social media platforms.

Ms Arnold

#### With thanks.....

We would like to share this thank you card with you which we have received from the Friends of Di's Kitchen, in recognition of the donations you so kindly gave for our Harvest Appeal.





### We are Recruiting.....

We currently have vacancies for the following positions:

Head of Maths

Teacher of English

PT Teacher of Computing

Please visit our website, link below for further information.

**Vacancies** 

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# From the Chaplain....

Today we tend to read the Bible and interpret its words in a very personal way. We look to see what God is saying to us as individuals in terms of comfort or guidance for example. This week we have started reading the Old Testament story of Joseph, and we might identify with the highs and lows he experiences in his life and recognise that God is with him throughout. But what if we were to read Joseph's story and look for its message to us not just as individuals but as a whole community, in the way that the early church might have done?

Jacob had two wives and two concubines so Joseph and his brothers had four different mothers between them. Because Rachel was the favourite wife, her sons Joseph and Benjamin, despite being the youngest, were most definitely the favourites. This led to all manner of jealousy and rivalry between Jacob's wives and between his sons. It is difficult to see the family as a cohesive team. And yet, just as God often chooses unlikely individuals to work through, this is the family he has chosen to become the ancestors of the Hebrew nation. From the twelve sons of Jacob, the twelve tribes of Israel will be descended. Somehow, over the next few generations, they will need to learn to listen to God and to one another in order to survive famine, oppression and exile in the wilderness.

In this week's story Joseph's treatment by his brothers is quite shocking, and although the events took place over three and a half thousand years ago, some of the themes have definite echoes in social issues today, namely domestic abuse and human trafficking. Indeed, we might look around us at the problems our society faces and wonder where God is and how anything positive might ever come of all the suffering and injustice. But as we read Joseph's story we will discover that God's ability to reconcile people where relationships have broken down, and his ability to use desperate situations and to bring hope and healing out of them, is beyond anything we might dream possible. Three and a half thousand years might have passed since then, but our God is still very much still with us and still at work among us. I pray that we will keep trusting him and looking forward to the ways that he will use our current struggles to bring us, and others, his abundant blessings in the future.

Like Joseph we feel far from our normal life... but God has not abandoned us!



# Next Week's Theme for Worship Genesis 39:1-20

Injustice







At The King's CE School we believe that everyone is unique and created in God's image. We enable all to achieve their God-given potential; to grow, learn and aspire; to transform their lives and the lives of others and to journey in faith without limits within a unified, respectful and harmonious community.

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