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King Henry VIII 3-19 School
March 2025/Mawrth 2025

Headteacher Focus Group



Pupils in our Primary Phase Headteacher Focus Group have been producing posters to convince our pupils to read even more. In doing so they have been learning about persuasive writing techniques.

Key dates for April

- 3rd Easter Extravaganza (Primary Phase)
- 7th Rewards Trip Thorpe Park (Years 9/10)
- 8th Easter Assembly (Dosbarth Teigr)
- 9th Last Day of Term

Summer Term Start Dates

- 30th Years 5, 6, 11, 12, and 13
- 1st Years 3, 4, 7 and 10, and Specialist Resource Base
- 2nd Reception, and Years 1, 2, 8 and 9
- 6th Nursery

Platinum Award winner



Congratulations to Sophie in Year 9, the first pupil to achieve the Platinum Award this academic year. Da iawn



Value of the Month Equity / Ecwiti

Ensuring everyone has access to the same opportunities. Providing everyone with the support they need.

Accelerated Readers:

Pupils have read a total of
2,742,005 words
for 34 minutes per day (pupil average) in March

Sparx Maths:

389,008 questions answered correctly with 7,498
hours of personalised learning completed.

Merits awarded:

18270

World Down Syndrome Day



Thank you to everyone who supported the Year 7 cake sale to celebrate World Down Syndrome Day, and to raise money for 21 Plus. Thank you for wearing your great colourful socks.

21 Plus are an incredible charity based in Llanover who support young people with Down Syndrome. If you would like to donate please click on the link below:

<https://localgiving.org/Cake-sale-at-KHS>

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World Book Day Activities



We welcomed local storyteller and author Daniel Morden to our school to help us celebrate World Book week. All Year 7 pupils thoroughly enjoyed his stories and rushed to the library to borrow Daniel's books. A huge thank you to Daniel for a wonderful morning.



Primary phase pupils thoroughly enjoyed their World Book Day assembly with Mr Allen chatting about their favourite books and how important it is to read what you enjoy.



In the library pupils were asked to guess which member of staff was hiding behind their favourite book. Some were easier to guess than others! Well done to Elizabeth, Tyler, Evie, Abi (Year 7), Layla and Aurora (Year 9) on guessing all seventeen correctly.



Pupils enjoyed a lovely relaxing lunchtime in the library with our Headteacher Mr Watson, who read the pupils stories for World Book Day.

Primary Phase pupils enjoying their Eisteddfod activities



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Years 3 and 4 pupils launched their new topic with a fantastic WOW Day where they dressed up as Rainforest Rangers! As soon as they entered the room, the excitement was amazing! Wearing their khaki vests, binoculars, and hats, the young rangers looked ready to embark on a journey deep into the heart of the rainforest. Their costumes represented their commitment to understanding and preserving the rainforest's incredible biodiversity. The children learned that Rainforest Rangers are not only brave adventurers but also guardians of nature, working to protect the delicate balance of ecosystems that provide homes for countless species. Our WOW Day as Rainforest Rangers is all about building awareness, excitement, and a deep connection with the natural world. A big thank you to all the parents, carers, guardians for your support and positivity making this WOW day a day to remember .



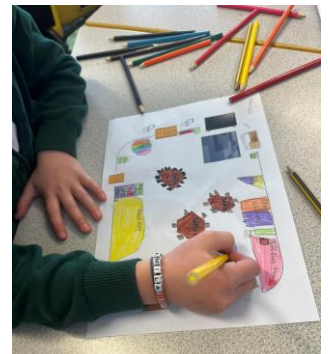
Pupils on our Primary site enjoyed making and eating pancakes and crempog's for Shrove Tuesday.



Reception pupils loved loving their African drumming sessions with Jason from Upbeat!



Year 2 have been taking part in road safety training. The pupils enjoyed learning the vital skills needed for when they are out and about in the community.



Transition to our new build has continued with Dosbarth Penguin designing classrooms and mapping out what they want each area to look like.

Dosbarth Starfish enjoyed their first Tacpac session. They experienced Welsh objects and listened to Welsh songs, as part of this terms topic 'Gwlad Gwlad!'



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Rotary Young Chef Competition in Cardiff

Conor in Year 11 represented the school at the District Final of the Rotary Young Chef competition in Cardiff. The standard of cooking was described as "magnificent" with "meals as good as many top restaurants". Conor prepared a meal of pan-fried seabass served on a bed of butterbeans cooked with prosciutto and red peppers, followed by a creamy lemon syllabub with shortbread biscuit.



Geography Fieldtrip



Year 12 have recently embarked on their fieldtrip in the Brecon Beacons. We explored the glaciated landscape around Craig Cerrig. Pupils drew and mapped the glaciated features situated within this landscape. They were able to place their learning from their glaciation module into the real-World context. The glaciated features were successfully drawn by our geographers, some were a master piece!

Library Chess Competition



Pupils from Years 7-9 once again took part in the annual Library Chess Competition. In a very competitive year Noah (Year 8) was outstanding winning all of his matches! A close second was Igor (Year 7) with Rufus (Year 8) and Malakai (Year 7) taking joint third. Well done to all pupils who took part!

Wales Netball and Cardiff Dragons

Pupils had a great time watching the first Cardiff Dragons game of the season



Jesus College Oxford



Thank you to Jesus College Oxford for their amazing performance of 'Romeo and Juliet'. It was thoroughly enjoyed by all.



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Sporting Successes

- ✓ Well done to the Years 7, 8 and 9 Netball teams in the end of season tournaments. Year 8 and 9 won their pool, and Year 7 won their pool, won their semi final and unfortunately lost 3-2 in the final to Haberdashers.
- ✓ Congratulations to Year 8 players Sofia and Maisie on their selection into the development squad.
- ✓ Good luck to Emmeline, Evie and Eleanor who have been trialling for South Wales Hockey.
- ✓ Year 7 and 9 Boys Hockey teams travelled to Swansea and were fantastic in the South Wales Hockey championship.
- ✓ Pupils competed with Abergavenny Hockey Club for the South Wales Hockey U14 Girls Plate. They played brilliant and came 5th in their pool, only 1 point from qualifying for the play offs. Well done to Lily (Year 10), Sophia, Emily, Evie (Year 9) and Emmeline (Year 7)
- ✓ Well done to Alicia, Bella, Gwen, Evan and Leon on their selection to represent South East Wales in Cross-country. They represented the county at the Welsh Championships and placed well in a very highly competitive field.
- ✓ The under 15 and under 13 girls Football teams have had an excellent season and have grown in each and every game this year.
- ✓ Keep up to date with the KHS 3-19 sporting news by following @KHS_PE_Dept

