



Parents' Weekly Bulletin No. 29
Monday 5th May to Sunday 11th May 2025
Theme of the Week: Victory (VE Day 80th Anniversary)
Week 1

	Events	Notes	Extra-Curricular	Notes
Mon 5 May	May Day Bank Holiday	School Closed		
Tues 6 May	8.55am: Year 11 Assembly	Chapel (CD) Approx. finish 9.30am	9.30am: Saxophone Quartet	Room 19 Approx. finish 9.55am
	8.55am: House Meetings: Dyson & Fitzmaurice	Dyson: LFH Fitzmaurice: Dining Hall	1.30pm: Biology Society	Room 44 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	8.55am: Vertical Tutor Groups: Spender & Warneford	Various	1.30pm: GCSE Art Catch Up Session Years 9-10	Room 36 Approx. finish 2.10pm
	9.00am: A Level Art Exam	Art Hut Finish 3.45pm	1.30pm: Maths Drop-In Support Session All year groups	Room 24 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.00am: A Level Mandarin Speaking Exam	Committee Room / Meeting Rm 2 Approx. finish 1.15pm	1.30pm: Epic Ensemble Years 7 & 8	Gym Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.10am: Leavers' Photograph Set up	Quad If LFH, start at 9.30am Approx. finish 11.00am	1.30pm: Politics & Economics Society: Years 12 & 13	Room 16 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.15am: House Meetings: Spender & Warneford	Spender: Dining Hall Warneford: LFH	1.45pm: Computer Science Club - all welcome	Room 51 Approx. finish 2.10pm Priority for those with CS homework
	9.15am: Vertical Tutor Groups: Dyson & Fitzmaurice	Various	1.50pm: Years 7 & 8 Guitars	Room 18 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.15am: Mid A Level Mock Exams Year 12	Gym/DC Conference Rm Line up: 8.55am/1.10pm Check seating plan via MS Teams	3.50pm: Chapel Choir	Room 18 Approx. finish 4.50pm
	9.40am: Personal Development	See attached timetable Finish 10.40am	4.15pm: Cricket training – Year 7	Manor Road Approx. finish 5.25pm
	9.45am: Year 11 Trip to Go Ape departs	Meet 9.45am Dairy Gate Approx. return 4.00pm		
	10.40am: Early break for Year 13	Finish 11.00am		
	11.00am Year 13 Leavers' & Staff Photograph	Quad / LFH Staff to join at 11.25am Finish 11.45am		
	11.25am: Break for Years 7-10	Finish 11.45am		
1.15pm: House Badminton Year 8	LFH Approx. finish 2.10pm			

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	2.30pm: Cricket U14A & B v Bishop Vesey's Grammar School	Away (B74 2NQ) Meet 1.00pm PE Foyer Approx. finish 6.30pm Approx. return 6.30pm		
	7.30pm: <i>faux pas</i> Meeting	LFH Foyer Approx. finish 8.30pm		
Wed 7 May	8.55am: Years 7-9 Exams Assembly Year 13 Assembly	LFH (SM) Chapel (HM)	8.30am: Chapel Choir	Guild Chapel Approx. finish 8.50am
	8.55am: Year 10 Tutor Groups	Various	1.30pm: KES Sounds	Room 18 Approx. finish 2.00pm
	9.15am: Mid A Level Mock Exams Year 12	Gym/DC Conference Rm Line up: 8.55am/1.10pm Check seating plan via MS Teams	1.30pm: Magistrates' Court Mock Trial Prosecution Team	Room 16 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	1.00pm: Athletics Combined Events Championship – selected Years 7-9 students	Pingles Stadium (CV11 4LX) Meet 11.00am PE Foyer Approx. return 6.30pm	3.45pm: Ultimate Frisbee Year 9 - 11	LFH Approx. finish 5.00pm
	1.30pm: Biology Challenge – selected Year 10 students	Room 19 Line up at 1.15pm Approx. finish 2.30pm	3.45pm: Fencing Years 7-9	Gym Approx. finish 5.15pm
	5.30pm: Governors' Finance and General Purposes Group	Committee Room Approx. finish 7.00pm	5.45pm: Fencing Club Years 10-13	Gym Approx. finish 7.30pm
Thur 8 May	8.55am: Years 7 & 8 Assembly Years 9 & 10 Assembly	Chapel (SM) LFH (CD)	8.40am: Middle School Choir	Drama Studio Approx. finish 9.10am
	8.55am: Year 13 Tutor Groups	Various	1.15pm: Chemistry Club – Years 9-11	CGL Approx. finish 1.45pm
	9.00am: GCSE German Speaking Exam	Room 10 Approx. finish 12 noon	1.30pm: Maths and Physics Society	Room 21 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.00am: GCSE Spanish Speaking Exam	Committee Room / Meeting Rm 2 Approx. finish 3.45pm	1.30pm: Maths Mentoring Selected Year 9 students	Room 25 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.00am: GCSE French Speaking Exam	Rooms 51 & 52 Approx. finish 12.45pm	1.30pm: Middle School Drama Club	Drama Studio Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.10am: Year 13 Leavers' Assembly	LFH Approx. finish 10.30am	1.30pm: Psychology Clinic – Year 13	Room 52 Approx. finish 2.00pm
	9.15am: Mid A Level Mock Exams Year 12	Gym/DC Conference Rm Line up: 8.55am/1.10pm Check seating plan via MS Teams	1.30pm: Art Society All welcome	Room 36 Approx. finish 2.10pm
	10.00am: Bronze DofE Practice Expedition – Year 10	Meet 9.00 - 10.00am Horley Scout Campsite (OX15 6AU) ///tinted.increased.writing	1.30pm: Magistrates' Court Mock Trial Defence Team	Room 16 Approx. finish 2.15pm

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	10.30am: Year 13 trip to Delta Force Paintballing departs	Meet 10.30am Quad Approx. return 3.30pm	1.40pm: Psychology Society Years 11-13	Room 27 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	1.15pm: House Volleyball Year 7	LFH Approx. finish 2.10pm	1.45pm: Computer Science Club All welcome	Room 51 Approx. finish 2.10pm Priority for those with CS homework
	1.30pm: Biology Challenge – selected Year 9 students	Room 19 Line up at 1.15pm Approx. finish 2.30pm	1.50pm: GuitarKEstra	Room 19 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	2.30pm: Cricket U13A v Bishop Vesey's Grammar School	Away (B74 2NQ) Meet 1.00pm PE Foyer Approx. finish 6.30pm Approx. return 6.30pm	3.45pm: Fencing Year 7	Gym Approx. finish 5.15pm
	2.30pm: Cricket U13B v Bishop Vesey's Grammar School	Home Meet 1.30pm manor Rd Approx. finish 5.30pm	4.15pm: Cricket training – Year 9	Stratford Cricket Club (CV37 7LS) Approx. finish 5.25pm
	3.50pm: School Detention	DC Conference Room Finish 4.50pm		
	6.30pm: Holy Trinity Youth Group	Sixth Form Common Rm Approx. finish 8.00pm		
	7.00pm: Music Trip to <i>The Marriage of Figaro</i> at Birmingham Hippodrome	Meet 3.30pm Room 17 Approx. finish 10.20pm Collect promptly from Warwick Parkway Station at midnight		
Fri 9 May	8.55am: Years 7 & 8 Assembly Years 9 & 10 Assembly	LFH (CD) Chapel (SM)	8.40am: Lower School Choir	Room 18 Approx. finish 9.10am
	9.00am: GCSE German Speaking Exam	Room 10 Approx. finish 3.30pm	1.20pm: Jazzsquad!	Room 18 Approx. finish 1.45pm
	9.00am: GCSE Spanish Speaking Exam	Committee Room / Meeting Rm 2 Approx. finish 3.45pm	1.20pm: Sixth Form Computer Programming Club	Room 25 Approx. finish 2.10pm
	9.00am: GCSE French Speaking Exam	Rooms 51 & 52 Approx. finish 3.45pm	1.30pm: Playwriting Club – Years 9-13	Drama Studio Approx. finish 2.15pm
	9.15am: Mid A Level Mock Exams Year 12	LFH/Gym/ DC Conference Rm Line up: 8.55am/1.10pm Check seating plan via MS Teams	1.30pm: Photography Society Years 8 – 13	Room 36 Approx. finish 2.10pm
	2.15pm: Year 8 Author Event – Charlie Higson	Drama Studio Approx. finish 3.15pm	1.30pm: Physics Puzzle Club Year 12 Physics students	Room 40 Approx. finish 2.15pm
	3.00pm: Bronze DofE Practice Expedition finishes – Year 10	Finish 3–4.00pm Burton Dassett Hills Car Park //circles.snoozing.gateway	1.30pm: KESonomics: Years 9 & 10	Room 16 Approx. finish 2.15pm
			1.35pm: El Classico!	Room 13 Approx. finish 2.10pm
			1.40pm: Philosophy Society: Years 10-13	Room 30 Approx. finish 2.10pm

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			1.50pm: Saxophone Choir	Room 18 Approx. finish 2.15pm
			2.00pm: Performance Rowing	SUABC Approx. finish 4.00pm
			5.00pm: Fencing Squad	Gym Approx. finish 7.00pm
Sat 10 May	9.30am: Cricket U15A v King Henry VIII	Away (CV3 6AQ) Meet 8.45am at venue Approx. finish 11.30am		
	9.30am: Cricket U14A & U13A v King Henry VIII	Away (CV3 4EJ) Meet 8.45am at venue Approx. finish 11.30am		
	9.30am: Cricket U12A v King Henry VIII	Home Meet 8.45am Manor Rd Approx. finish 11.30am		
	10.30am: New Year 7 Music Try Out Morning – selected students	LFH Approx. finish 12 noon		
Sun 11 May	tbc Ball Cup South Regatta	Dorney Lake (SL4 6FJ) Exact timings tbc via MS Teams		

Parent Notices:

Duty Boy & Lunch Duty

The following students from Years 7 & 8 are on Duty this week either as Duty Boy in the School Office or on Lunch Duty:

Date	Duty Boy	Lunch Duty		
Tuesday 6 th May	Shrivats Prashanth	Daniel Waldron	Rithin Mateti	Eddie Begg
Wednesday 7 th May	Noah Rush	Louis Wingfield	Ethan Meyer	Noah Boyd
Thursday 8 th May	Nael Saeed	Thomas Le Grand	Aiden Nelloora	Yakshith Sai Kondala
Friday 9 th May	Arnav Sahai	Julius Tan	Henry Thomas	William Thomas

Those students on the Duty Boy rota should register and attend Tutor period, Assembly and/or personal development as normal before reporting to the School Office. Please bring School books and a reading book with you. If your son has a musical instrument lesson, in class tests/practicals or Games on his Duty Day, he will still attend these. If you have any queries, please email Mrs Long via cal@kes.net. Those on Lunch Duty should report to the Prefects in the Dining Hall at **1.45pm**.

Individual Student Tracking (IST) Reports – Years 7-10

Students in Years 7-10 brought home IST reports on **Wednesday 9th April**. Please ensure that your son returns their completed yellow IST Report reply slip to their tutor as soon as possible as the deadline was **Tuesday 29th April**. Thank you.

Year 8 GCSE Plus Options Choices

We would like to remind parents that the deadline for students to have made their GCSE Plus Options choices is **Tuesday 6th May**. Students should submit their choices via the online form set as an assignment on the Year 8 Team.

Sports Teams Photographs

As you are no doubt aware, Sports Team photographs were taken on Friday 28th March. Gillman and Soame have now made the photos available to order via their gallery link [here](#).

Spring Recital – Tuesday 13th May

This year's Spring Recital (for musicians in Years 7 to 10) will be held in the Levi Fox Hall on **Tuesday 13th May** at **5.00pm**. It will feature a range of soloists from Years 8 to 10 as well as KES Sounds, Saxophone Choir and JazzSquad! If students in Years 8 -10 would like to nominate themselves to perform a solo in this concert, they should complete [this online form](#) with the title and composer of the piece by **Friday 2nd May**.

Fencing Summer Term

Fees for the Summer Term are now due and on *ParentPay*. Please sign up for the Summer Term by using the appropriate link below:

- [Year 7 Fencing Summer Term](#)
- [Year 8 Fencing Summer Term](#)
- [Years 9-13 Fencing Summer Term](#)

Physical Fellowship: Monday 23rd June – tickets now on sale

The Belgrade Theatre are pleased to announce that tickets for the Physical Fellowship Performance on **Monday 23rd June** are now on sale. Parents of those students who are taking part are invited to call the theatre's box office to book their tickets. The Belgrade has allocated 35 tickets per school so parents will need to give the name of their school upon booking. Tickets initially limited to 2 tickets per booking and if parents would like more than this, they will be added to a waiting list and contacted after **Friday 23rd May** to be invited to book further tickets. After that any remaining tickets will be released for general sale and anyone can book them. Please do book early to avoid disappointment. The Box office can reach via phone on 024 7655 3055.

Cultural Tour to Beijing/Shanghai

We would like to remind parents that the next instalment for this trip is now overdue. As per Miss Wang's letter, please note that payment of **£2,490.00 was due last week**, with a deadline of **Thursday 5th June** for full payment of the total **£2,900**. Thank you.

Year 8 Activities Week Residential 2025 (Devon)

We would like to remind parents that the full payment of the **£515** is now overdue. Please could we ask parents to be make the full and final payment by Friday 25th April as per the schedule in the letter dated Friday 6th December. Thank you.

Year 13 ParentPay Lunch Balance

Please can we remind parents of Year 13 students to review your son/daughter's *ParentPay* Lunch balance before they use this for the last time and check for any historic credits or debits that may have been forgotten about. Please ensure you pay any debts outstanding or if the account is in credit, then advise finance@kes.net if you would like a refund.

Save the Date - Wednesday 17th September 2025: An Evening with Martin Bayfield

Martin Bayfield is an ex England & British Lions Rugby player, actor and after dinner speaker and will be speaking in the LFH on **Wednesday 17th September**. Please save the date and tickets for the event will be available soon.

Solihull Rugby Sevens Photographs

Long-time friend (and former parent of the School) Nick Browning was at the recent Solihull Sevens Rugby Tournament taking professional photos of the event. These can now be purchased via his website www.nickbimages.com. There is a general folder for the event, but also a specific folder of just our players. Please go to 'find my photos', select King Edward VI School and enter the password 'Stratford'. You will then be able to find the photos in the folder 2024-25. Thank you as always to Nick for these great action shots!

**This week's
Parents'
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attachments**

This week's Dispatch includes the following:

Whole School

Headmaster's Update

Year 7

Year 7 Third Language Option – SM

Year 11

Sixth Form Orientation Day Information – RB

Year 12

Warwickshire Justice Centre trip – TMW

Other (Selected Students)

Lower School Choir trip to Warwick Arts Centre – DCM

Senior Games Options and Payment – TJW

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Forthcoming Events	Tuesday 6 th May	Year 11 Activity Day and Study Leave begins
	Tuesday 6 th May	Year 13 Leavers' Photograph
	Thursday 8 th May	Year 13 Activity Day and Study Leave begins
	Thursday 8 th May & Friday 9 th May	Year 10 Bronze DofE Practice Expedition
	Thursday 8 th May – 24 th June	Public GCSE and A Level Examinations
	Tuesday 13 th May	Spring Recital
	Thursday 15 th May	Year 10 Parents' Evening (online)
	Saturday 17 th May – 21 st May	Geography Trip to The Azores
	Tuesday 20 th May	Year 7 Community Day
	Friday 23 rd May	Non-Uniform Day
	w/c Monday 2 nd June	School Examinations (Years 7-9)
	Thursday 5 th June – Friday 6 th June	Year 10 Bronze DofE Expedition
	Thursday 5 th June	Edward's Boys' Performance of <i>Queen Hester</i> (York)
	Friday 6 th June	Year 8 Social Enterprise Day
	Friday 6 th June	Lower School Disco
	Friday 13 th June	Geoff Calcott Cricket Match
	Tuesday 17 th June	Lower School Choir Trip
Wednesday 18 th June	Performance Track and Field	

Safeguarding: The Designated Safeguarding Lead at King Edward VI School is Mr Chris Dunford, Assistant Head. The Deputy Designated Safeguarding Leads are the Heads of School, Assistant Heads of Schools and Deputy Heads of Sixth Form. If none of these members of staff are available, reference should be made to the Headmaster.



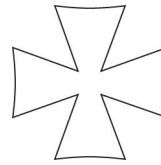
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Personal Development: Tuesday 6th May

Years 7-11						
Pillar	1. Learning to learn	2. Knowing yourself and others	3. UK in the Wider World	4. Global Citizenship	5. Financial and Political Awareness	6. Life after K.E.S.

	Year 7	Year 8	Year 9	Year 10
K	NPT - Room 49	SPF - Room 15	CLS - Room 23	SEM - Room 27
E	ZVL - Room 47	AHS - Room 21	AXW - Room 24	PG – Room 28
S	AJD - Room 48	SKL - Room 22	JWH - Room 25	RMB – Room 29

Sixth Form								
Pillar	Managing Finances	Reading for Pleasure	Preparing to Leave Home	Positive Relationships	Navigating Friendships	Basic First Aid	Democracy, Voting and Elections	Economical Shopping and Eating

	Group 1	Group 2	Group 3	Group 4	Group 5	Group 6	Group 7	Group 8
Year 12	Mock Examinations							
Year 13	REH - 39	AB - CGL	DCM - 40	MXB - 42	SM - 43	JM - 44	BLL - 45	FEH - 46