

Kendrick School

Weekly Update

Friday 11th May 2018

Message from Ms Kattirtzi, Headteacher

I hope everyone enjoyed the extended weekend and lovely weather!

We started the weekend with the annual Air Ambulance Concert on Friday night and once again what a treat it was to be at a concert organised, presented and performed by students of Kendrick and Reading Schools. Well done to the organisers. This week we had another musical event, the Lower School Chamber Concert, where 27 individual performances were given by students of Years 7-9. Some students were accomplished performers and others were performing to an audience for the first time. Well done to all of them for a super and varied programme and of course thanks to Mrs Cooper and Ms Jury for organising the event.

Some of our Year 9 students with Mme Cervera will be taking part in the next round of the Mock Trial competition tomorrow at the Crown Courts in Reading and we wish them well.

Finally, our Year 11 students had a super day yesterday celebrating their five years at Kendrick before embarking on their study leave. Their day followed a military theme with the students dressed accordingly. The usual jokes and observations about their time at Kendrick were funny and clever! Similarly today, our Year 13 students had their celebration day before starting their study leave in a week's time. Their theme was Disney and there were some fabulous costumes of Disney characters. They too chose to reflect and reminisce about their time at Kendrick as well as acknowledging their teachers and in their time at the school. We wish all of them well in their examinations and in their future plans. We appreciate and thank them for the enormous work and the contributions they have made to our school.

Ms Christine Kattirtzi, Headteacher

NEWS AND EVENTS - WHOLE SCHOOL

News on our Website, Local Press and Social Media

[Year 12 Oxford Material Science Trip](#)

[Year 10 Athletics Success](#)

GDPR and Kendrick School

Thank you to those parents/carers that have completed the information required via the link below. If you have

not yet completed the form, please could you do so by Friday 18th May 2018. Each parent/carer should complete their own form.

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/F9Y8RCY>

On 25th May 2018 the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) will come into force.

The GDPR requires public authorities and businesses to identify the lawful basis for storing personal data, audit information we already hold and take a 'data protection by design and default' approach to personal data. This means as data controllers and processors, Kendrick School must implement appropriate measures to manage data protection principles and comply with the new legislation. It also introduces new individual rights relating to personal data, such as the right to erasure and the right to rectification.

As a school, it is important that we keep comprehensive and up to date records on all our students and their parents/carers to fulfil our legal obligations. This is particularly essential in times of an emergency or where a school wide message requires your attention. We have published new Privacy Notices for students and parents that clarify the GDPR regulations, your rights as parents and those of our students. Children are recognised as having their own data protection rights from the age of 12 years old hence we have also published a child friendly version of the Privacy Notice explaining what the GDPR regulations mean for them. This will be communicated to the students in due course.

All our Privacy Notices, including how your personal details will be stored and used, can be found on our website www.kendrick.reading.sch.uk

I hope that you find the Weekly Update sent to you on Friday by ParentMail useful and an important source of information about life at Kendrick School. GDPR requires that we seek your permission to continue to send you this information as it includes marketing and fundraising information from the School and the Kendrick Parents' Society (KPS)

When your daughter joined us, we requested your consent to use her photograph in publications and on our website as well as the use of digitalised biometric information for our cashless payment system and printing facilities. However, for clarification and completeness, we are asking that you complete the online form by **Friday 18th May 2018** via the link below giving your consent to the options given. Each parent/carer should complete their own individual form.

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It is important to note that we cannot continue to send you the Weekly Update in its current form without your consent. This means that you could miss out on important information relating to your daughter's education such as booking appointments for parent consultation afternoons, key dates, educational visits and all related school events.

You can withdraw your consent at any time by contacting Kendrick School by telephone, email or in writing.

To learn more about the General Data Protection Regulation, please visit the Information Commissioner's Office website on <http://ico.org.uk>.

Mental Health Awareness Week

Monday 14th May is the start of Mental Health Awareness Week. The Head Girl Team has some ideas for students to relax and spread the caring attitude for one another. This will include a 'Chill Out' session on Wednesday at 2nd Break in Rooms P and Q; further details will be on the registers.

Vacancies

We currently have the following vacancies:

- Mathematics Teacher (to start September 2018)
- Technology and Art Technician (to start June 2018)

Please see our website for more information and forward to friends and family who may be interested in applying.

<https://www.kendrick.reading.sch.uk/page/?title=Vacancies&pid=29>

Safeguarding

The National Online Safety Team have created a FREE guide for the school community about Roblox, the online game which is dubbed by its makers as 'the largest interactive social platform for play'.

The guide informs parents about the dangers associated with the platform and how they can reduce the associated risks, including, but not limited to; 'Chatting to Strangers', 'Griefing' and 'Cyberbullying', 'Online Payments' and 'Information Sharing'. The link to the guide is below.

<https://twitter.com/natonlinesafety/status/994235062852997124>

ParentPay Reminders

- Year 8 Black Country Living Museum trip on 6th June - £22
- Year 9 PGL residential to Devon 4 – 8 June 2018 – Full balance of £390 to be paid by 25th May 2018. Please continue to pay instalments.

Calendar for Week Commencing Monday 14th May 2018 (A Week)

Mental Health Awareness Week

Monday 14 th May	Public exams start
Tuesday 15 th May	Governor Resources meeting, 4.30pm
Wednesday 16 th May	Year 9 River Trip (half year group each day)
Thursday 17 th May	Year 9 River Trip (half year group each day)

News and Events – By Year Group

Years 11 and 13

Valerie Hume Bursary Award 2018

This bursary award has been set up in memory of Valerie Hume, Head of History at Kendrick School, 2009-2012. The bursary was set up by the family of Mrs Hume from donations received and will thereafter be supported by James Hume and Denis and Mary Cooper.

The bursary consists of an annual award of two x £250 for a student or students in Years 11 and 13 to pursue an activity that is constructive, useful, supporting an academic interest or vocational development in the area of Arts, Science, Humanities, Languages, Mathematics or a practical discipline. The award is to encourage an activity that would otherwise not take place. It needs to be equivalent to that which at a later stage in life might be defined as:

'Enhancing to professional development, being relevant to the acquisition of particular skill or knowledge, helpful to the individual either to make better academic choices (* Y11) or to reinforce those made (*Y13).'

For Year 11 this may be an extracurricular activity which may be undertaken to assist an individual in a decision about what they may wish to do when they leave school. **For Year 13**, students may have already chosen a university course or professional direction and the activity they choose may help to strengthen their foundational knowledge.

Examples of activities may include a visit to a museum or an ancient site, attending a lecture or series of lectures, a masterclass, buying key books or equipment to assist in a practical activity/area of interest, experiencing an activity that will enhance personal and intellectual development.

At both levels the award is about studying positively, joyfully and constructively because you want to rather than because you have to, as well as well, as practising good decision making skills and making appropriate responsible choices, demonstrating courage and conviction and taking risks but measured ones.

How to apply:

- Write a statement in no more than 500 words explaining the purpose of the activity you wish to pursue and how it will help you pursue the objective as set out above. State who you are and confirm your eligibility and financial need as well as the costs involved
- Make your application by **Friday 25th May 2018**
- Address it to Ms Kattirtzi, Mr Hume and Drs Cooper

AFTERWARDS

Award winners will be notified by the end of June 2018. When an award has been received and used for the purpose intended, bursary recipients will be asked to submit a brief statement, no more than 300 words, explaining what they did and the outcome of their activity.

Mr Hume, Drs Cooper and Ms Kattirtzi
March 2018