



KPS – Kendrick Parents’ Society

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Dear Parent/Carers,

We welcome you back to the new academic year into the school and we hope that you and your daughters are settling in well with the new year groups.

Firstly, a huge THANK YOU to all the existing parents who have helped and supported us through their active involvement in the last academic year. Also, many thanks to all the new Year 7 parents who have filled in the KPS membership forms and are now a part of the KPS family.

New Year 7

The new Year 7 parents had a really warm welcome from KPS. They had a picnic at Dinton pastures where new Year 7 parents, students and their siblings from all the three year groups got together and had a great gathering. This helped the new Year 7 students meet and mingle with the students of their own class group. We had overwhelming response for this and this has helped many students to settle well in the first weeks after the school had started. Parents were also happy to meet other families from the same area.

These parents also had another opportunity for networking when we organised the first day coffee morning for them. Thanks to Bill's café in Reading for supporting us in providing us the venue.

For those parents who have not yet sent their KPS membership form, can we request you to kindly have this done at the earliest so you do not miss out on any communications being passed on from us.

For your benefit here is the link to the **online membership form** - <https://forms.gle/GnmoZNfWAZt5TaMu7>

KPS 1st Meeting & Structure

We had our first KPS meeting for this academic year on 9th September, where we witnessed a huge number of existing and new parents. We saw great engagement and involvement from everyone. Thank you to all of those who came along to this.

We have revised our existing KPS structure and we are delighted to open up a few opportunities for you to become a part of the KPS committee. There are a number of roles and activities that you can be part of or perhaps share with a co-parent and work together on specific tasks. If you are interested to know about it, please get in touch with us.

Upcoming Events

The next major KPS event is **Diwali** which is planned on the **18th October** as a social evening with cultural performances and Indian dinner.

For student performances, **Mridhula Sridevi Prabhakar** from **Year 12NW** is collating all the interests. If your daughter is interested in participating, please ask her to get in touch with her, or you can email us and we can ask Mridhula to approach your daughter.

We are also looking for some parent performances too; if you are keen to showcase your talent, please get in touch with us. We will share more on the venue and timings in our subsequent newsletters.

Clearly an event of this scale would require involvement from as many of you as possible. If you can help or would like to provide any ideas or input please get in touch with us at chair.kps.uk@gmail.com



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GAYL

Give As You Live (GAYL) is one way with which you can help KPS receive additional funds with no cost to you! Raising funds is simple - 1,2,3,4 simple :-)

1. Create a login on GAYL <https://www.giveasyoulive.com/join/kendrick>
2. Browse the website for 4,200 top online stores
3. Once you identify what you want to shop, simply access the particular shop via GAYL
4. On completion of your shopping, KPS will be provided funds as a % of your shopping

There are some fabulous deals to grab throughout the year which you can enjoy along with the added peace of mind that with your shopping you are helping your daughter's school receive the much needed funds.

If you need more information, please contact secretary.kps.uk@gmail.com

AmazonSmile donations

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Watch this space for more info on Diwali preparations and we wish you all a great start to the new academic year!!

KPS Team