24th May 2019

Re: Grenfell Updates

Dear Parent / Carer,

I hope this letter finds you well. Please see below two updates relating to Grenfell.

**Grenfell Memorial Garden on Art Terrace**

As you may be aware, over the last six months students and staff have been working on the design of the permanent memorial for the five students we lost in Grenfell. I want to thank them for their time and ideas and I’m pleased to announce the garden is now in its final stages and will be ready after half term. I’m sure it will provide a peaceful place within the school that will allow people to reflect and remember. We will be hosting a ceremony to mark the opening of the garden on Monday 3rd June at 4 pm with students and staff who have been involved in the construction and representatives from Grenfell United and the bereaved families. I’d be very happy for other parents and students to attend too – it would be lovely to have people there to support – please can I just ask that you email our Communications Manager Miss Turner at v.turner@kaa.org.uk to sign up in advance. When school resumes on Wednesday 5th June the Garden will be open for all students to use at break and lunch should they wish.

![Garden Image]

**Two Year Anniversary of Grenfell**

During the week of Monday 10th June we will be holding some student-led assemblies to mark the two year anniversary and on the day itself – Friday 14th June – we will be going “Green for Grenfell” along with other local schools. Our focus will be recognising the great strength, togetherness, hope and ambition for the future that students have shown since the tragedy. We will talk to students directly about this nearer the time but I wanted to let parents know we have plans in place to mark this important event appropriately and provide students with the emotional support they might need during the week (this includes working with Grenfell CAHMS to prepare). As ever, the week will involve us balancing the need to give students space to reflect and remember with the importance of us maintaining the structure and stability that is fundamental to their education and safety, particularly at a busy time in the run up to the end of year exams. If parents have queries or questions regarding the anniversary again please contact Miss Turner.

Yours sincerely,

David Benson
Principal