

17th December 2021

End of Autumn Term Update

Dear Parent/Carer,

I can't thank you all enough for your support this term. It's been a very full, busy and successful one, in which our students have achieved a great deal. None of that would be possible without the backing we get from you all at home – so thank you.

I've included here a range of important information, which I'd be grateful if people could take on board.

Parent Reports – Years 7 to 11

Students have worked very hard for their end of term assessments, and have in some cases now been told their grade by their teacher. We will be writing to all parents in Years 7-11 with a full breakdown of their results in early January, and will include a commentary from your child's form tutor. Parents of Years 7-10 will get these by email, and parents of Year 11s will receive results at the Mock Results Evening on Thursday 6th January. Please look out for these reports and discuss them with your child, reinforcing the key messages. Thank you.

Sixth Form Assessments

Our sixth formers will sit a series of assessments as soon as they are back, and should prepare for these appropriately over the holiday. For Year 13, they are a critical indicator of likely A Level performance, and for Year 12 they are an important measure of how students have started in their courses. Please support us with making sure students complete a good amount of revision, alongside having a well-earned break.

Free School Meals Holiday Vouchers

The Royal Borough of Kensington & Chelsea is again providing RBKC schools with funding for Free School Meals vouchers for the Christmas break. Parents whose children are eligible for Free School Meals will receive a £36 voucher today via email from Wonde. Any queries regarding your Free School Meals vouchers should be directed to our Data Manager at o.davies@kaa.org.uk.

Start to Spring 1

All students will need to complete Covid tests at the start of next term, and should be in the routine of doing this by now anyway. Please test at home prior to coming back, and be aware that we will be completing tests in school that week during form time. This is in response to Department of Education guidance and is standard in all schools.

If you don't have a supply of home tests you can collect from a pharmacy, or from reception at KAA. We do regularly give them out to students though, so they should be passing them on.

Testing is increasing standard now in a number of settings, not just schools, but if you don't consent to your child taking a test at school you must complete this form here: <https://forms.gle/gnDI GaaavUHTFpst6>. Thank you.

Parent Evenings in the Spring Term

A reminder below of the upcoming parent evening events in the Spring term, further details will be sent via email nearer the time, but please add these dates to your diary now:

Year 7

Progress Meetings - Thursday 27th January 2022, 4.30pm-7.30pm

Year 9

GCSE Options Evening - Thursday 20th January 2022, 5pm-7pm

Year 10

Progress Meetings - Thursday 17th March 2022, 4.30pm-7.30pm

Year 11

Mock Results Evening - Thursday 6th January 2022, 6pm-7pm

Progress Meetings - Thursday 10th February 2022, 4.30pm-7.30pm

“Crunch Time” Parents’ Evening - Thursday 31st March 2022, 6pm-7pm

Intrepidus Magazine

Our students have achieved so much this term – please do take a look at the autumn term issue of Intrepidus Magazine [here](#). Congratulations to Franklin on their win in House Music this half term during our finals with guest judge Cerys Matthews! This puts Franklin and Pankhurst less than 1,000 points apart in first and second place after Pankhurst’s House Art win in Autumn !! We’re looking forward to the major House Dance competition in Spring 1 – do encourage your child to sign up to take part.

I’ll just close by drawing your attention to our Staff Christmas video on YouTube at <https://youtu.be/znGXfZel3AY>.

Wishing you all a lovely, restful Christmas break and we will see you all in 2022!

Best wishes,



David Benson
Principal