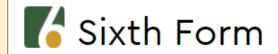


Which Week?

This Week: Mon 20th Nov Oct (Week 2)
Next Week: Monday 27th Nov (Week 1)



Inside Kingshurst



Eco-Schools Award for Kingshurst!

This is our eco committee, led by Mr Venson, who have worked hard over the last year to achieve the Eco-Schools Green Flag Award and are now onto the next stage of their campaign. Following an environmental review of the school the team made an action plan to improve some key areas such as waste management, energy use and transport to and from school.

Last year, our Active Travel Ambassadors took a trip to the Solihull Civic Suite to campaign to win funding for a park and stride campaign to encourage students to be dropped-off further away from school and to walk in to reduce congestion with the closing of the turning circle as it evolved into an additional play area for brunch and lunch times. We look forward to reporting back as the impact of their work continues to take shape and applaud the work of team for making our Academy more ecologically sound.



Save the date: Thursday 30th November 2023 @ 3.05-5pm

Next Thursday is the annual Careers Fair! This is the second year of this brilliant event and even though Yr11, 12 and 13 will have exclusive access to the event during Period 5 (and are welcome to stay-on), ALL students, parents and carers are invited to attend from 3.05pm-5pm in order to speak to the wealth of local and national employers, apprenticeship providers universities and colleges.

The Incredible Power of Our Young Carers

We are committed to supporting young carers and ensuring that they have the best possible educational experience, despite the challenges that they may face as a young carer. We recognise the significant responsibility that they take on as a young carer and the impact that it can have on their daily life. In June 2023 we achieved the Young Carers in School Bronze Award!

A young carer is a person under 18 who looks after someone in their family or a friend who is ill, disabled, or has a mental health problem or an addiction. They may be doing things like cooking, cleaning, shopping and giving medicine to provide support. Within the Academy community, we have number of children who take on this incredible responsibility as a young carers for a range of these different contexts and deserve every recognition for the selfless work that they perform for those in their care.

Often, young carers can be affected in the following ways:

- They worry about the person they care for
- They are unable to spend time with friends
- They feel lonely and isolated

As many as one in five students in the UK could be a young carer; however, within the Academy, support is available! Come and see Mrs Ridley or Mr Quinn in the safeguarding office if you need help or someone to speak to. Additional resources can also be found on our website via the following link: https://www.kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk/about/young-carers/.





National Online Safety: TikTok

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In fact, a 2022 Ofcom report found TikTok to be the most-used social media platform for posting content, particularly among young people aged 12 to 17. Our guide on Page 2 provides further advice a guidance regarding this platform.

Website: https://www.kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk/

Applications for Sixth Form are now open and can be accessed via the following link: https://www.kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk/sixth-form/apply-online/

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

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WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

DANGEROUS CHALLENGES

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

IN-APP SPENDING

ADDICTIVE NATURE

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Advice for Parents & Carers

ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING

MAKE ACCOUNTS PRIVATE

RAME

LIMIT IN-APP SPENDING

DISCUSS THE DANGERS

READ THE SIGNS

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