



Katherine  
Warrington  
School

**HEADS UP**  
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The second stage of our transition began when we moved into the Phase 1 build on Monday 30<sup>th</sup> September. It was like starting again - new rooms, new equipment, new routines. I am sure students and staff were a little nervous but in general everything seemed to run reasonably smoothly. It was the first time our catering operation swung into action and the response from students was a very positive thumbs up. I am happy to say that our broadband connectivity will be functioning properly early this week.

It was wonderful to be able to welcome parents/carers to the school last Monday evening to have a look around, meet some staff and collect students' Chromebooks. The positive comments from parents regarding the space, light and technology available in classrooms was edifying. It has been a long journey for many of us and being able to see the results should make us all feel very proud. I cannot thank parents/carers enough for their continued support. The completed Phase 2 build is on track for handover in July 2020. I am informed that the roadworks outside the school gates should be completed before the start of the next half term.

Well done to those students who are cycling into school but please remember that you should be wearing a cycle helmet. May I remind all parents /carers that any student arriving by car needs to be dropped and collected well away from the school gates. We have previously sent all parents/carers a map indicating a 5 and 10 minutes 'park and stride' walk zone and ask that parents respect that. As with all these things it only takes a few people to ignore this and our attempts to be a good neighbour to the nearby residents and reduce car pollution from the school vicinity will fail.

Finally, we held our Open Day on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October. The number of attendees was staggering but what was even better was the KWS students who gave up time on a Saturday to represent the school. They did so with real pride and looked very smart in their school uniforms. A special mention to Harry H and Maanasee N who joined me speaking in the main auditorium.



Tony Smith  
**Headteacher**



## Student Achievements

Well done to all students this week. We had a fabulous first week in our new site and students have settled well into their new surroundings and are getting used to their new timetable.



Along the way, as a year group, students have managed to pick up a whopping 419 recognitions! The students listed below have done exceptionally well having achieved 5 or 6 recognition points in one week.

Mabel (Nightingale)  
Samuel (Tesla)  
Benjamin (Tesla)  
Freddie (Nightingale)  
Cameron (Keller)  
Summer (Franklin)  
Oliver (Nightingale)  
George (Armstrong)  
Maanasee (Franklin)  
Oliver (Franklin)  
Jack (Tesla)  
Toluwani (Tesla)  
Anna (Tesla)  
Kaelan Wildman-Burgess (Tesla)

**Mrs Aikman**

## Sporting Achievements and Upcoming Sports Events

This week sees the beginning of a busy few weeks for the KWS girls' football team with mini matches scheduled against other Harpenden schools. We also have our first netball fixture against Loreto school on **Tuesday 15th October** so keep your eyes out for that! Team details of these events will be sent out nearer the time.

**Miss Anderson**

## Forthcoming Events

**Halloween Disco** - This month, we will be supported by the PTA to organise a Halloween Disco for our Year 7's. This will be held on **Thursday 24th October from 6.30pm - 8.00pm** so feel free to start getting your costumes ready! We are yet to find a venue but will put tickets on sale as soon as we have done so.

**Chromebooks for Parents - Tuesday 19th November 6.30 - 9pm** - An opportunity to get hands on and learn more about how Chromebooks and Google Suite work and what your child is using them for in school.

## Recent notices to parents /carers:

- Lost property
- Music lessons
- Ipay (cashless catering)

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