



School Newsletter



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Heads up

We have had a busy couple of weeks as this term speeds towards the Easter break. We hosted the Rotary Technology Tournament last week with 15 schools entering a number of teams from different year groups. Their task was to move a radioactive meteor and place it into a safe container without personally being closer than 1.5 meters to the meteor. Teams were given some wood,

screws, string and elastic bands and told to design and build the removal device, recording their steps along the way. All the teams were completely engaged and absorbed in the problem solving. KWS entered two teams and we performed very well. We look forward to hosting the event again next year.

It's careers month at KWS and individual subjects are focusing on the careers potential as students consider their options in the workplace. Mandarin had an external speaker in to present to different year groups and all staff have been encouraged to post their career paths on office and classroom doors for students to view. I find it very interesting and discover snippets of staff's history I did not know. I've discovered we have an ex film extra, navy radar operator, a research scientist, a published author and an ex Buckingham Palace staff member, to name but a few. Not a small bank of career experiences to get advice from! Please encourage your child to talk to the staff with career experiences they are interested in.

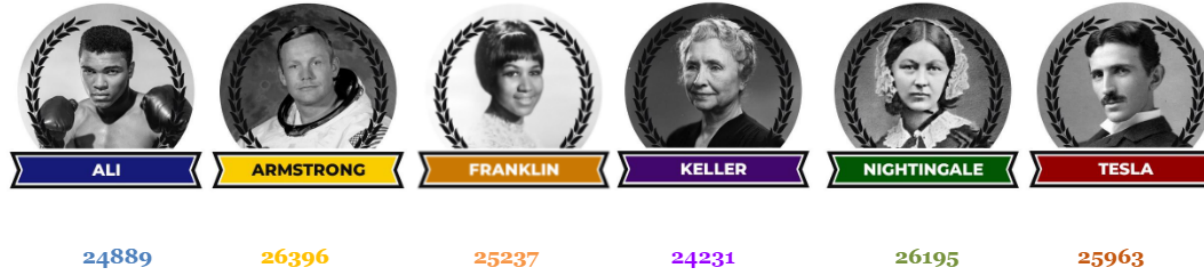
Thank you to parents who attended our meeting to discuss the KWS Pledge. The evening was very constructive and information and suggestions on embedding our approach successfully were very welcome. The students have responded really well and we are seeing more incidents reported and therefore we are able to address them. We coped and managed with two strike days this week. Students were again excellent in their approach when their subject teacher was not in and adjusted well to the changes to the normal routine. Being able to manage individual study time is a skill that comes to the fore at GCSE, A level and University.

As Shrek rehearsals are in full swing, several of our student musicians performed at the Harpenden School Spring Music Festival last week. They took a variety of instrumental roles in the orchestra alongside students from the other Harpenden secondary schools. A thoroughly enjoyable evening was had by all. Next week we are looking forward to our inter house sports events on Wednesday and Thursday, with as many students as possible playing a part.

Mr Smith
Headteacher

House Points

This weeks house point winner are **Armstrong**. Congratulations!



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DT Radioactive Meteorite Challenge

What do scissor-action grabbers, vending machine claws and parachutes all have in common? They are ingenious student inventions for handling a radioactive meteorite (A.K.A. a tennis ball). Last Wednesday KWS had the privilege of hosting the 23rd annual Rotary Technology Tournament in the sports hall - an inter-school competition for Design and Technology students. Our students competed against 30 teams ...



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STEM Trip and Science Week



British Science week 2023 is upon us and we're gearing up to celebrate it at KWS during our KS3 science lessons in the week beginning 20th March. Year 7, 8 and 9 students will have a range of tasks during their science lessons - looking at STEM careers, tardigrades, egg parachutes and the Van De Graaff generator to name but ...

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The Great KWS Easter Bake Off!

Tesla would like to launch our Easter event! Are you our KWS Star Baker? Introducing The Great KWS Easter Bake Off! Students (from any house) make and decorate cakes at home and enter them into our competition. House points will be awarded to all entrants and big points are on offer to the winner's & runner's up. Dates are as ...

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GBDO- Dance Competition

On Wednesday our KWS Dance Company competed in The Great Big Dance Off at The Gordon Craig Theatre. We were up against a number of schools within our region in the KS3 category, with our team consisting of students from Year 7, 8 and 9. We were fortunate enough to be able to perform on a professional stage, whilst able ...

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Shrek The Musical



Over 100 actors, singers and musicians are busy preparing for this year's production which is Shrek the Musical. This incredible production brings the beloved story of Shrek to life on stage. There will be four performances running from 18th May to 20th May at 7.00pm with a matinee performance on the Saturday at 2.30pm Tickets are available on our Performing ...

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KWS Bake Sale

On Wednesday 8th of March, Miss Annie organised a bake sale to raise money for earthquake victims out in Turkey. We managed to raise £360 even though it was a last minute bake sale. Miss Annie travelled to Turkey and distributed this money to the earthquake victims herself on behalf of KWS. Thank you for all of your contributions to ...

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Year 8 Coding Session



On Wednesday 15th March Cisco employees Emily, Areek and Hatti came in and delivered a coding session to a group of Year 8 students. The session was interactive and students coded several games using Python. They had a talk regarding Data, 5G, driverless cars, technology use in healthcare and smart cities. At the end of the session students were presented ...

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LAMDA Lessons

We are delighted to announce that from Easter, we are now able to offer tuition in LAMDA as part of our peripatetic service. LAMDA tuition can take a variety of forms including elocution, public speaking and verse and prose. These sessions are ideal for those wishing to either pursue a career in the performing arts, or for those who would ...

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KWS Vacancies

Here are our current vacancies:

Pastoral Head of Key Stage - Extended

Vacancies Closing Today:

Head of Business

Head of Business and Economics

Teacher of PRE

Teacher of Science KS5

Teacher of Science ECT

Katherine Warrington Association of Friends (KwAF)

If you would like to get involved and support your school's parents' association, please email kwaf@kwschool.co.uk or look out for updates on **Facebook@kwafkws**. If you haven't already done so, please sign up and follow us!

If you have any requests regarding the KwAF second-hand uniform, please email uniform.kwaf@kwschool.co.uk and not the main KwAF email.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday 21st March - Year 10 Option 2 Drama - Acting Workshop

Wednesday 22nd March - Interhouse Sports - Years 7 and 8

Wednesday 22nd March - Year 9 Parents Evening

Thursday 23rd March - Interhouse Sports - Year 9 and 10

Thursday 23rd March - Primary Netball Tournament

Thursday 23rd March - Year 10 Option 3 Drama - Acting Workshop

Monday 27th March - Year 10 Maths Feast (8 Students)

Friday 31st March - Non Uniform Day and End of Term - School closes at 12.05pm

Notices for Parents/Carers

Year 9 Bronze DofE

Year 10 Mock Examinations

Year 9 Parents Evening

Non KWS Events/Publicity

The Wheathampstead Young People's Project

The project runs on a Tuesday (during term time) from 7pm until 9pm in the newly refurbished Memorial Hall. The posters states 13-17 year olds but they will take 12 year olds too.



Services for
Young People


The Wheathampstead Young People's Project

The Services for Young People
Wheathampstead Positive Pathways
Project runs every week for all 13-17 year
olds. It's free, so come along meet new
people and take part in some of the
many different activities we offer,
including use of the football astroturf. All
in a safe place where you can
receive support from our
youth workers.

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7-9pm

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Memorial Hall

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Cook Stars Academy

NEW! Cooking classes (11-17yr)
@ KWS School, Harpenden Wednesdays
from 22nd February 17.15-19.00

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James Marshall Foundation Newsletter

Looking back on 2022: An incredible year

2022 was an incredible year for the Foundation with grant activity soaring to its highest ever level! In the last 12 months we have awarded over 1,000 grants totalling £300k of funding. What a wonderful way to celebrate an amazing 300-year legacy which will continue to support young people in 2023 and beyond.



"I pass his gravestone many times and think what a wonderful gift he gave to the people of this area."

Celebrating our 300th Anniversary

In June 2022 we were honoured to be joined by the Lord Lieutenant and High Sheriff of Hertfordshire at a Concert to celebrate the 300th year since James Marshall left a remarkable gift in his will to help young people in the local community. Given James Marshall's gravestone stands outside the entrance to St Helen's Church in Wheathampstead, it provided the ideal setting for this event. Thank you to the pupils at local schools for their amazing performances and to supporters and beneficiaries of the charity for attending.



At James Marshall's gravestone, St Helen's Church



The Lord Lieutenant of Hertfordshire cuts the celebration cake

"It was wonderful to be part of such an occasion and we felt incredibly privileged to share in the experience. We are so grateful to the James Marshall Foundation for supporting some of our students and I hope that our relationship continues for many years to come to support these young people in their ambitions and dreams."

Helping young people from Ukraine

During 2022 we were delighted to be able to support young people who had arrived in our local community from Ukraine. We awarded 126 grants totalling £35k, in particular assisting young people to have the items needed to start at school or college as well as to join local sports clubs or participate in music lessons.

"Our children are going through a difficult time and your support is valuable and significant."

2022 was our 300th Anniversary year during which we awarded £300K in grant funding to young people from families of limited financial means. An incredible 1,008 grants enabled educational or career development opportunities that otherwise would have been unavailable.

Further education and work
76 grants were provided towards helping young people access further education or develop their career in the form of support for equipment, training, travel and accommodation costs.

"Thank you very much for the grant, this will help me massively in my apprenticeship and help me hopefully become a fully qualified mechanic."

Computers/printers
With the continuing importance of online learning, we helped supply **220** laptops, Chromebooks, printers, and school-approved digital devices to young people, so they had the technology to support their learning.

"What an amazing charity! Thank you so much. This will help a lot!"



Extra-curricular activities
Whether it is sport, music, DofE, Scouts, dance or drama, we have helped **154** young people to follow their passions.

"We are really grateful to you and your Foundation for the help and support. You make our children happier at this challenging time."

School and college trips
211 young people were supported to attend residential trips both in the UK and further afield to enrich their learning.

"Thank you for bridging the gap financially to help my son and others who otherwise would miss out on such opportunities."

Uniform/clothing
347 young people were assisted with purchases of school uniform or with specific clothing required for their course or work.

"Our parents really appreciate the lifeline you provide! Thank you for all your support!"

Thank You!

The Trustees and staff members would like to thank all the schools, colleges, local organisations and others we work with who refer applicants to JMF and help us deliver our funding effectively.

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February 2023

BeeZee Bodies



Hello, parents & guardians!

We are **BeeZee Bodies**, and we work with Hertfordshire County Council to provide FREE (and FUN!) healthy lifestyles support for families.

We run **BeeZee Families** courses after school, across Herts, or you could join our online courses instead. We have new groups beginning in May. Click below to sign up for your family's FREE place!*



SCAN ME WITH YOUR
SMARTPHONE CAMERA OR
CLICK HERE TO SIGN UP!

*To be eligible for this awesome free service, your family must live/go to school/be registered with a GP in Hertfordshire and include one child aged 5 - 15 who is above their ideal healthy weight



Roll into Spring

Each year, 20th March marks the first day of SPRING! As we look forward to longer days and warmer weather, try these tasty **Rainbow Spring Rolls** to get you excited for all the yummy vegetables to come over the season.

Ingredients:

For the roll:

- 1 Spring Roll Wrapper (Rice Paper OR Small Tortilla Wrap)
- Red & Yellow Bell Pepper
- Cucumber
- Carrot
- Purple Cabbage

Any other veggies you like or have in the fridge (it doesn't have to be a rainbow!)

For the dip:

- 2 tbsp Soy sauce
- 1 tsp Hoisin
- 1/2 tsp Rice Vinegar
- 1/2 tsp Maple Syrup
- 1/2 tsp Sriracha

What to do:

1. Choose which veggies you'd like in your roll and chop them all into thin matchstick-size strips
2. If using rice paper, soak in warm water until it softens and becomes flexible. If using a tortilla wrap, skip steps 2 & 3
3. Remove the wrapper from the water and place it on your chopping board - pat it dry with a paper towel
4. Add your assortment of colourful veggies to the centre of the wrapper
5. Fold the sides in towards the centre, and roll it up tight from the bottom
6. For the dip: measure all ingredients into a small bowl and stir to combine
7. With a sharp knife, carefully cut your rainbow spring roll in half, dip and enjoy!

Top Tip

If you don't have the ingredients for the dip on hand, soy sauce by itself tastes great too! You can also experiment with other ingredients you have to create your own sauce!



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Junior Netball 4 Fun

I currently run a Monday night netball session for Seniors in the sports hall. Teri is a Netball Coach at STAHS and we both have previous experience coaching juniors.

We are both England Netball Level 2 Qualified Coaches. We hold valid Level 3 First Aid, DBS and Safeguarding Certificates.

We are starting a series of Saturday summer sessions at KWS.

JUNIOR NETBALL 4 FUN

Y7 & 8 Netball fundamentals & match play sessions with England Netball accredited Level 2 coaches

Why?
4 Friendship, 4 Fitness, 4 Everyone

When?
Saturday 22nd April - Saturday 15th July
11 weeks: 10.15-11.45am

Who?
Year 7 & 8

Where?
Katherine Warrington School (KWS)
Lower Luton Road, Harpenden, AL5 5FH

No special kits needed - Just suitable trailers & water!

1.9 a session

18 Places Available

Please email for more details & how to register your interest:
netball4funcontact@gmail.com

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Agatha Christie's Go Back For Murder



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GO BACK FOR MURDER



Directed by
Margaret Cox

23rd & 24th March 8pm

25th March 2.30pm

Tickets £10

Katherine Warrington School, Lower Luton Rd, Harpenden AL5 5FH

Call **01582 620269**, available from **Manor Pharmacy**

or **www.hsplayers.org.uk**



This amateur production of "Go Back for Murder" is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals Ltd. on behalf of Samuel French Ltd. www.concordtheatricals.co.uk



Easter Eggsperience - St Nicholas Church Hall

EASTER EGGSPERIENCE



Games * Easter Egg Hunts* Craft

Date: Easter Saturday, 8th April

Time: 10 am—12 noon

Join us for a fun morning of Easter inspired crafts, games,
Easter garden making, Easter egg hunts, story telling and more!

Where: St Nicholas Church Hall

Cost: £1 per child, payable on the day

All children are welcome and will need to have a parent or
carer with them for the whole event.

**Places are filling up quickly so
Book NOW!**

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Harpenden



Harpenden Live

A vibrant poster for the Harpenden Live 9 festival. The background shows a night-time concert stage with a large crowd of people. The text is overlaid on the image. At the top center, it says 'Harpenden' in a white serif font, with 'Live 9' in a colorful, stylized font below it. In the top left corner, it says 'EARLY BIRD TICKETS AVAILABLE NOW!' in blue. In the top right corner, it lists 'CRAFT BEER', 'GIN BAR', 'FOOD FESTIVAL', and 'FAMILY ENTERTAINMENT' in pink. The main text in the center lists the performers: 'BARBARA', 'INDIA ARKIN - DARLIN - EAR CANDY', 'BABY ELEANOR - OWEN KENNEDY - LEO', and 'ABBIE GATHARD - SAM CLIFT - JAHLEEL (DJ SET)'. At the bottom, it says 'SATURDAY 15TH JULY 2023 - GATES OPEN 12PM' in yellow. The website 'WWW.HARPENDEN-LIVE.COM' is at the bottom center in green.

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Baking Buddies - Holiday Camp Easter Special



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Baking Buddies Holiday Camp Easter Special

Make some yummy Easter breakfast bakes with my easy croissant and jam making master class on Thursday and special brioche making workshop including a surprise dish on Friday.

It will be an immersive, fun and inspiring baking experience for young minds aged 11+.



WHERE :KWS (Katharine Warrington School), Harpenden

WHEN: Thursday 6th April* & Friday 14th April

TIME: 9am-1.30pm or 9am-3pm

PRICE: £50 half day, £65 full day

*Days offered depending on numbers signing up

"Thank you for teaching us how to make delicious food!"



Contact me now
to book a session or to find out more

Sabrina Shafer

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Lambing Weekend at St Albans Campus - Oaklands College

Time to get excited folks! This year's lambing weekend on the 25th and 26th March just got even more special - Bluey is coming along for the ride! Bring the kids along for some fun & interactive activities.

There's something for everyone! Come and join us at our St Albans Campus and get ready to create some memorable moments. See you all soon! Book your Lambing Weekend tickets here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/lambing-weekend-2023-tickets-528204502887>



Lambing Weekend
25th-26th March
10am - 4pm
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The poster features a blue background with white clouds and yellow butterflies. At the bottom, there are illustrations of a brown horse, a white rabbit, a yellow chicken, and two sheep. The text is arranged in a clear, hierarchical layout, with the event title in large, stylized letters at the top. The date and time are presented in white text on blue cloud-like shapes. The location is listed in white text below the date. The Oaklands College logo is prominently displayed in the bottom right corner, along with a '100 Years Teaching Excellence' badge.

Bluey

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day!

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The poster features the cartoon character Bluey, a blue dog, running happily on a green grassy field. In the background, there is a colorful house with a red roof and a palm tree. The sky is blue with a few white clouds. The text is arranged in a clean, modern font, with the date in a red balloon-like shape.





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