



# School Newsletter



## **KWS Newsletter - Issue 75 - 15.9.23**

### **Heads up**

It has been great to have a full week back at school. The students have settled really well into the new academic year and are taking full advantage of all the opportunities available to them.

It really is a case of hitting the ground running as our sports trials for KWS teams have begun, along with KWS Dance Company auditions, and the start of rehearsals for the Performing Arts next production of *Beauty and the Beast*. The opportunity to represent the school is a privilege and is therefore conditional on good behaviour. We have been thoroughly impressed with the large number of students who have put themselves forward for selection. This Saturday will see us host our Open Day. The staff have been busily preparing the school and are looking forward to showcasing the school to prospective Year 6 students and families.

Our brand new 3G pitch has begun to be constructed and we eagerly await the completion so we can enable the students to take advantage of this exciting new facility.

In the last week our Year 7s completed their cognitive ability tests (CATs). These assess the main types of reasoning ability known to make a difference to learning and achievement, and support teachers to better understand the students they teach. Well done to our Year 7s who took this all in their stride.

Our third edition of 'Inside KWS' has been published. It condenses the year's array of pursuits and activities available for students to engage with here at KWS and will be available on our website shortly.

Finally I wanted to sing the praises of a couple of students, Ben A and Alican B (both Year 11) who took it upon themselves to be entered early for a GCSE qualification. They gained the highest grade possible of a 9 and received their results during the summer holidays. A tremendous reward for the hard work they both put in. Well done!

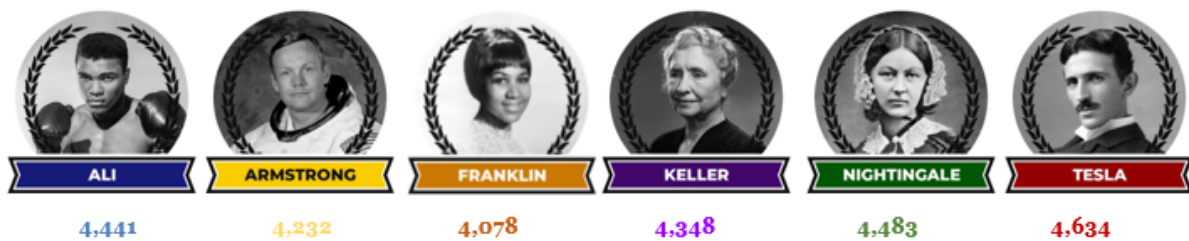
Wishing everyone a happy weekend and we wish our Jewish families Shanah Tovah as they celebrate the start of the Jewish New Year and begin to prepare for Yom Kippur.

**David Martin**  
**Headteacher**

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## House Points

This week's house point winners are **Tesla. Congratulations!**



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## PE Update

The start of term has already seen a number of sporting activities take place. The opening weeks of the new school year mark the cross country season. On Tuesday we had the MOB race for our new Year 7s. Encouraging performances by all students, with fantastic runs in particular by Thomas B (4th place) and Lucy H (6th place). Following ...

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## Period 7 and Lunchtime Clubs start on Monday

Our staff team are really excited to begin our super curriculum offer of Period 7 and lunchtime clubs for students from Monday. Period 7 is such a key component of life at KWS, providing our students with a great range of opportunities and experiences. As always, we work hard to allocate as many students as possible their first choices for Mind, ...



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## Year 7's First Day

Last Tuesday morning, the gates of KWS opened once again to welcome in a new cohort of Year 7 students. Amongst the nerves there was a distinct sense of excitement in the air as SLT and the Transition Team welcomed everybody into the courtyard looking ever so smart in their brand new uniforms. It was a packed day starting with ...



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Languages Day International Cooking Competition - Tuesday 26th September





**Languages Day**  
TUESDAY 26 SEPTEMBER

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AMAZON VOUCHER  
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RECOGNITIONS FOR  
ALL ENTRIES.

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES: 26 SEPTEMBER

**INTERNATIONAL COOKING  
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1. COOK ANY DISH FROM AROUND THE WORLD
2. TAKE A PHOTO OF YOUR FOOD (WITH YOU IN IT IF POSSIBLE)
3. EMAIL PHOTO TO YOUR LANGUAGE TEACHER TO ENTER

## KWS Vacancies

Examination Invigilators – part-time (zero hours contract)

**Apply here**

## Katherine Warington Association of Friends (KWAF)

If you would like to get involved and support your school's parents' association, please email [kwaf@kwschool.co.uk](mailto:kwaf@kwschool.co.uk) or look out for updates on [Facebook@kwafkws](https://www.facebook.com/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](mailto:uniform.kwaf@kwschool.co.uk) and not the main KWAF email.

## Upcoming Events

Saturday 16th September - Open day

Monday 18th September - Year 11 Geography Field Trip

Thursday 21st September - Year 10 Spanish Trip Information Evening - School Hall from 6pm

Friday 22nd September - Choir Rehearsal

Sunday 24th September - Choir performing at Mayors Civil Service

Monday 25th September to Friday 20th October - Prospective Parent/Student Tours  
Thursday 28th September - Year 7 Tutor Parents Evening  
Friday 29th September - INSET DAY - NO STUDENTS IN SCHOOL

## Notices to parents/carers

Traffic Congestion  
Careers Event

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## Non KWS Events/Publicity

Constellations - The Abbey Theatre St Albans



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# CONSTELLATIONS

A play by Nick Payne

The Studio at the Abbey Theatre, St Albans

Thursday 5th October 2023  
8pm, doors open 7.30pm  
Tickets £16 (concessions £14)  
Ticket price includes a drink on arrival

'A zingy, entertaining play'  
**Time Out**  
'A high-concept romance – a Sliding  
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