Friday 24th October 2025

Parental Communications this week

	Communication Subject	Recipients
Year 7	Outdoor Adventure Programme	All Year 7 Families
Year 8		
Year 9	Belgium <u>visit</u> information	All eligible students
Year 10		
Year 11		
Whole School	Vaping – screen and searching	All families
	guidance attached	

If you have not received a communication noted above that you are an intended recipient of please contact enquiry@knbs.co.uk

Measles and MMR Immunisation Reminder

Please read the letter below regarding the measles and MMR immunisation reminder from Birmingham City Council.

Measles and MMR letter to parents

Information and Advice from West Midlands Police

As part of our ongoing partnership with West Midlands Police, we have been asked to share with you a number of important messages relating to your son's safety as winter approaches and the darker nights draw in. Click on the links below to access these:

Letter to parents and schools:

Letter for schools and teachers

Halloween:

A guide to halloween and fireworks

Mobile Phone Safety:

Robbery Presentation

Exam Boards and Revision Guides

We know that many parents of students in Years 10 and 11 are keen to purchase revision guides to support their sons' learning. Here is a summary of the exam boards for each subject area so that you can ensure that you purchase the correct guides; many of these are now exam-board specific. If there is a range of guides for each exam board and you require further guidance about which ones to purchase, please get in touch with us.

Subject	Exam Board	
Art	AQA	
Business	WJEC	
Computer Science	OCR	
Design and Technology	OCR	
Drama	AQA	
English Language	AQA	
English Literature	AQA	
Food	AQA	
French	AQA	
Geography	PEARSON EDEXCEL	
History	AQA	
Creative iMedia	OCR	
Maths	PEARSON EDEXCEL	
Music	WJEC	
Physical Education	OCR	
Religious Education	AQA	
Sciences (combined and separate)	PEARSON EDEXCEL	
Spanish	AQA	

RAF Careers (students in Years 10 and 11 considering Post 16 pathways)

The RAF is running a careers fair showcasing all the possible pathways into and through the RAF. 'Op Prosperity' is a careers fair like no other for young people aged 16+. Meet serving personnel, interact with exhibits and find out more about apprenticeships and roles in the RAF. Every RAF profession will be represented. This is taking place at RAF Cosford on 3rd December 2025. You will need to book tickets to attend (they are free) either the morning, afternoon or evening slots. These can be booked at: Buy Op Prosperity: An RAF Careers Fair Tickets at Royal Air Force Museum

Https://tickets.rafmuseum.org.uk/event-tickets/70430?branches.branchID=2048 Year 10 Work Experience 23-27th March 2026

We would like to remind Year 10 students and their parents that their work experience plans need to be uploaded onto Unifrog in order to get the Health and Safety checks completed in advance of us giving the final authorisation for their

placement to go ahead. Once uploaded to Unifrog, return the paper data collection form to Mr Clifton, ensuring it has the right signatures on the reverse side.

If your son has yet to secure a placement, he should make use of this half term break to continue (or start) his enquiries: https://www.unifrog.org/student/home. The 'placements' tool can be found under the 'recording' list of tools at the bottom of the home page when your son logs in to his Unifrog account. Parents and carers can sign up for their own Unifrog account to have access to the same resources as our boys. You will need to use the code: KNBSparent to link to our school account by signing up at www.unifrog.org/code. If you have any questions about work experience or Unifrog, please get in touch via enquiry@knbs.co.uk.

Year 11 PPEs

Year 11 PPEs began this week, and most students have coped well with getting used to the protocols of the exams and making sure they are prepared to do their very best. With another two weeks of exams taking place after half term, we will be advising students to ensure that they do rest and recuperate from what has been a gruelling half term, but that they also spend time getting ready to maximise their performance in the upcoming exams too. Please check in with your son over half term to encourage him to prepare well and support him in doing so.

Dates for your diary

- Monday 27th Friday 31st October Half Term Holiday
- Thursday 20th November Careers Fair
- Friday 21st November INSET Day
- Monday 22nd December Friday 2nd January Christmas Break

INSET Days (School closed to students)

- Friday 21st November
- Monday 5th January
- Wednesday 4th February