

**Friday 6th February 2026**

### **Judo Success!**

We are extremely proud of one of our Year 7 students, Herbie A, who two weeks ago won Judo gold in the u34kg category in Cardiff at the Welsh Regional Schools' qualifier. He then went on to win the Pre-Cadet Open gold medal in Surrey a week later. What a phenomenal achievement – here he is on the podium looking rightfully proud of himself!



### **February Safeguarding Newsletter**

There are two important topics and events being explored in the February safeguarding newsletter this week: Children's Mental Health Week and Safer Internet Day. Please [click here:](#)

[February Secondary 2026](#) [Download](#)

### **'Man Up' – Mental Health**

Yesterday, Thursday 5th February, was the nation's biggest mental health conversation. Time to Talk day, led by the mental health charity, Mind, was a day for all of us to come together to talk, listen and change lives. To start the conversation in school, this week's assemblies have been focused on the theme 'Man Up' helping us to highlight the stigma attached to mental health and emphasise the importance of speaking out.

At KNSB, we encourage our boys to talk openly and honestly about how they're feeling through regular interactions with pastoral staff, discussions during lessons and even whilst socialising with their mates at break and lunch. Collectively, we're working every day to eradicate the long-standing stigma of men's and boys' mental health by creating spaces for *our* boys to feel vulnerable and offering relatable

support. As ever, if you feel your son needs any additional support or could do with a boost, please reach out to the pastoral team linked to your son's year group.

### **Year 10 Work Experience 23-27 March 2026 FINAL Reminder**

The final deadline for all work experience placement paperwork is Friday 13<sup>th</sup> February. This needs to be uploaded to Unifrog as per instructions in previous weeks' communications. If you have any questions regarding work experience, please contact Mr Hanson via our enquiry email.

### **Year 11 STEM Tutoring**

The weeks leading up to the GCSE exams are crucial for securing key knowledge, understanding and skills ready for the final exams, and to support along this final stretch we are pleased to inform you that we are ready to go live with STEM Tutoring, supported by the AIM13 learning platform for all Year 11 students.

#### What STEM Tutoring Provides

Your son will have access to a structured programme designed to support progress, confidence and exam success. This includes weekly live subject lessons taught by experienced teachers, pre-recorded lessons for catch-up and revision, and a comprehensive online platform that brings learning, revision and assessment together in one place.

#### Lesson Schedule

All live lessons take place in the evening to avoid clashes with school. Each subject has a clearly defined weekly slot, and full schedules for each GCSE subject are included in the Student Starter Pack. Students should always log in five minutes early to ensure they do not miss instructions or warm-up tasks.

#### Next Steps

We will be providing access to all Y11 students, however, if you would prefer your son **not to have access**, you need to let us know using the form below. We also need to know if there are circumstances at home which would prevent him from accessing the platform, so could all parents and carers please click the link here to complete the form [STEM Tutoring – Fill in form](#) and share any relevant information with us.

Responses need to be submitted by Monday 9th February 2pm.

For those who are happy for us to proceed, following submission, your son will be emailed his login details and will be shown how to log onto the platform to access the live sessions.

### **Year 11 PPE's.**

Please note that there has been a slight amendment to the PPE timetable. This affects exams taking place on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> February. The French Reading and

Listening Exam will now take place in the morning with an 8.30am start. The RE exam will now take place in the afternoon with a 2pm start.

### **Weekly Report Card**

Today we have emailed the first weekly report card to parents, these reports will be emailed at the end of the school day each Friday and will include your child's attendance levels for the year to date. Additionally, the report will provide an overview of your child's behaviour, highlighting any commendations received as well as any point deductions for that week.

If you have not do not receive your sons report card via email please let us know at [enquiry@knbs.co.uk](mailto:enquiry@knbs.co.uk)

We hope this regular update helps you stay informed and engaged with your child's progress and school experience.

### **Dates for your diary**

Week commencing 2<sup>nd</sup> February Year 11 Pre-Public Exams begin  
Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> February INSET Day – school closed to all students