

Dates for your Diary

Monday 29th June - Inset Day. Students not in school

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

As we come towards the end of the exam season for Year 13 and Year 11, I'd like to share how proud we are of how the students have worked. As a school community, we have wished them well and hope that their hard work has paid off.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank the staff body as well. They have worked tirelessly to put on additional revision sessions - before, during, and after school! They really do put the students first and I cannot thank them enough.

I'd also like to thank our parent, carers, and families for all of their support. It isn't easy having teenagers at home during this stressful time - but you continue to be there for them, no matter what.

Finally, as we turn our attention now towards transition and making sure we end the year on a real positive in our lessons and tutor time, it is important to note that the end of term sees our PK Summer Fair coming to school. This will be an amazing opportunity for Kennedy community to celebrate what they have achieved this year - so make sure you get your child's wristband via [Parent Pay](#) before the end of the month!

Have a great weekend,

**Mr Lane, Headteacher**

## The Big Bang Young Scientist and Engineers

On Tuesday 9th June, 91 Year 8 students visited The Big Bang Young Scientist and Engineers Fair at the National Exhibition Centre (NEC) in Birmingham. Students had a fantastic time meeting people who work in STEM from various companies such as the Royal Aeronautical Society, Rolls-Royce and Network Rail as well as universities including Cambridge and Bristol.

Students had an amazing time engaging with interactive shows that included biomimicry; snakes whose venom could become a cure!

They also got to experience the marvels of nitrogen at -2000C exploding different objects and a chance to escape a climate crisis escape room.

Other highlights included our students wearing VR headsets to escape a space shuttle, and being transported to a working quarry. They also explored flying aerial survey drones, reassembling a model Rolls Royce submarine, hacking different codes to control traffic lights and robots. Two of their most exciting experiences were navigating a flight simulator from the Royal Aeronautical Society and being involved in Theatre craft lighting.

**Mrs Bryan, Joint KS3 Science Lead**



## Students Get Creative at the RSC

35 Year 8 students were taken to the RSC for a Shakespeare enrichment workshop, in which they had the opportunity to explore stagecraft, acting and the Bard's language and structural techniques. The students demonstrated incredible

energy, enthusiasm and leadership skills as they engaged with the various creative activities at the RSC.

*Miss Lobo, Teacher of English*



## Library Competition Winners!

Research shows that reading improves your mental well-being. So, during Mental Health Awareness Week, we asked our students to tell us how reading makes them feel better.

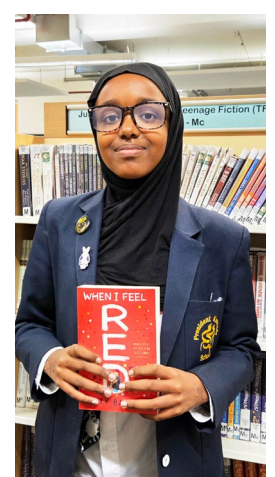
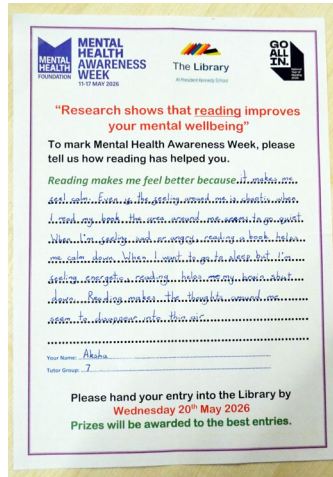
There were so many wonderful entries and it was fantastic to see how many of our students recognise the impact that reading for pleasure has on their mental well-being. It made

choosing a winner extremely difficult!

Congratulations to Aksha in Year 7, who won a Well-being Hamper and Samia, Evie and Scarlett who won runner up prizes.



*The Library Staff*



## P16 Students Get Financially Savvy!

On Tuesday 16th June, Year 12 students took part in an informative financial education session led by Lee Connor from Foresters Financial. During the presentation, Lee explained the Government's Child Trust Fund scheme and highlighted how many young people may be entitled to funds that become accessible when they turn 18.

Students learned how to check whether they have a Child Trust Fund and the steps involved in claiming it. The session also provided valuable guidance on personal finance, including the importance of saving, investing, and planning for the future.

Lee introduced students to a range of savings and investment options, helping them understand how small financial decisions made now can have a significant impact later in life. Students were highly engaged throughout the talk, asking thoughtful questions about Individual Savings Accounts (ISAs), different types of savings accounts, and strategies for managing money effectively as they move towards greater financial independence.

The session provided students with practical knowledge and skills that will support them as they prepare for life beyond Post-16.



*Ms Rejali,*

*Teacher of Religious Education and Leader of Personal Development in Post-16*



## West Midlands School Athletics Finals



On Saturday, Mr Garlick, Miss Michell and Miss Twite took students to the West Midlands School Athletics Finals in Tipton.

All the pupils performed really well, and special mentions to our West Midlands school champions

Isaac B u18 110m hurdles  
Aisha S u16 girls discuss  
Efehi O u16 girls 100m

The three students mentioned above and Henry will get to represent West Midlands this Saturday at Stoke on Trent in the Mason Trophy.

**Mr Garlick, P.E Department**

## Year 10 Sports Leaders

Sports leaders from Year 10 went to Parkgate Primary School last Friday to lead some sports activities.

This was a great opportunity for our students to enhance their leadership skills and the students from Parkgate enjoyed the activities and we received great feedback.

**Miss Mitchell, Teacher of P.E**



## Celebrating Year 10 Student Success in Financial Skills Literacy

Congratulations to all Year 10 students who have successfully completed the 'Managing My Money for Young Adults' course through The Open University Open Studies programme as part of their work experience!

Through this engaging programme, students have developed vital life skills including budgeting, saving, managing bank accounts, and understanding debt. This will prepare them for the financial challenges of adult life.

Students' dedication and hard work have earned them a recognised digital badge and certificate, showcasing both their achievement and commitment to personal development.

We are incredibly proud of their success and confidence in taking control of their financial future.

Well done, your future is already off to a strong financial start!

**Mrs Petrak, Business Studies Department**



## The Library

At President Kennedy School

## FANTASTIC BOOKS AND WHERE TO FIND THEM...

This week the Library's recommended reads are...



### Wolf Siren by Beth O'Brien

The woods are hiding a secret... but then so is Red...

Red is not allowed to go into the woods. Everyone knows that they are dangerous - because of their strange magic and the wolves that lurk there... But Red finds herself increasingly drawn to the woods and the place where her grandmother disappeared without a trace three years ago. When the woodcutter fails to return home one night and wolves are spotted close to the village boundary, fear drives a deep and dangerous divide between the villagers and the nature they live alongside.

Only Red seems to hold the key - but she has a secret, and exposing it could ruin her family forever...



### Maya in Multicolour by Swati Teerdhala

Enter college heartthrob Nishant Rai, an upperclass man, notorious playboy, and well-connected DJ. After the student council makes him Maya's co-planner, she finds herself working closely with the one guy on campus she can't have and definitely doesn't want. He plans to turn the event into #HoliFest, a flashy EDM festival blending old traditions with the fresh new twist of a music festival. As the two grow closer, Maya realises Nishant is so much more than a pretty face. Is he just wasting her time, or has she finally found her meet-cute?

Both books are available to borrow from the School Library.

**Library Staff**



## WHAT'S HAPPENING?

THEME PARK FUN - RIGHT AT SCHOOL!



BIG RIDES



CLIMBING WALL



ROLLER DISCO



STUDENT-LED STALLS



MUSIC



MORE FOOD VANS THAN EVER



...AND MUCH MORE!

NO LONG JOURNEYS. NO BIG QUEUES.  
ALL THE EXCITEMENT RIGHT HERE AT PKS -  
**BIGGER AND BETTER!**

## WHY YOU SHOULD JOIN!

**BIG THRILLS.**  
**BIG FUN.**  
**BIG MEMORIES.**



BRAND NEW RIDES BOOKED!



EXCLUSIVE EXPERIENCES!



A FULL DAY OF ENTERTAINMENT WITH FRIENDS!



**SOME RIDES REQUIRE A WRISTBAND!**

## HOW TO GET INVOLVED

**VIP WRISTBANDS - £25**

- ✓ FULL ACCESS TO ALL RIDES & ACTIVITIES
- ✓ AVAILABLE FOR YEAR 7 TO YEAR 10
- ✓ PURCHASE VIA PARENTPAY
- ✓ PAY IN INSTALMENTS AVAILABLE



**!! NO PAYMENTS ACCEPTED ON THE DAY !!**



**DON'T MISS OUT!**  
GRAB YOUR WRISTBAND AND GET READY FOR  
THE BEST DAY OF THE SUMMER!

