

Student & Parent/Carer Newsletter

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KING
EDWARD VI
COLLEGE



Happy New Year! Welcome to the January/February newsletter! We would love to share what we have been up to during this term. We hope you have a lovely half term break!

Student Shoutouts!

Morgan Burbage

Excellent contribution towards the presentation in IT!

Isabel Farren

Making real-life use of her Emergency First-Aid course, and being confident in her abilities whilst keeping her family calm all at once!

Fliss Bengler, Thomas Clarke, Nico Dawkins

Well done to the following students who gave up their time during the busy Mock exam week to take part in Round 1 of the RSC Chemistry Olympiad!

COLLEGE VISIT FROM OUR LOCAL MP!

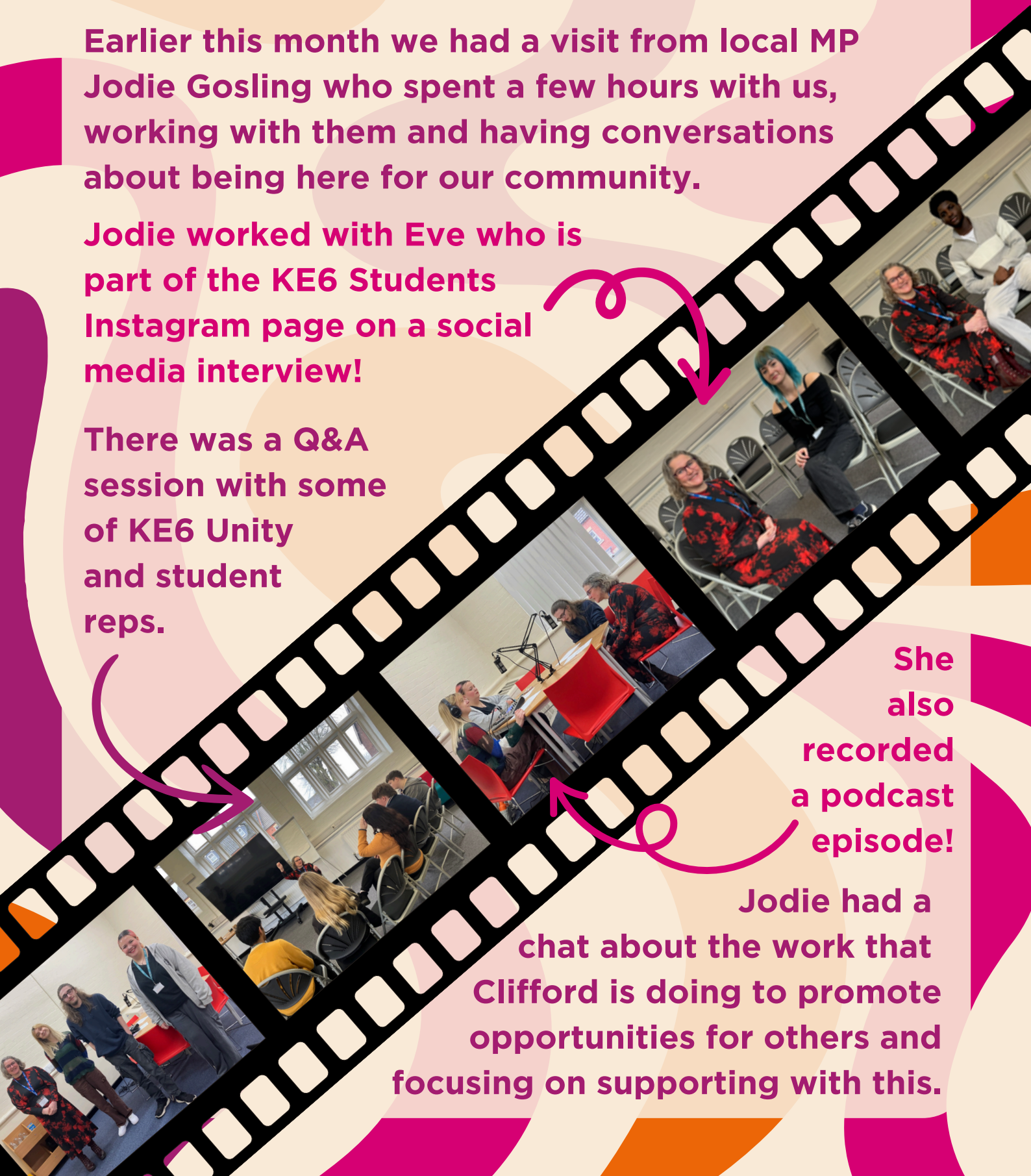
Earlier this month we had a visit from local MP Jodie Gosling who spent a few hours with us, working with them and having conversations about being here for our community.

Jodie worked with Eve who is part of the KE6 Students Instagram page on a social media interview!

There was a Q&A session with some of KE6 Unity and student reps.

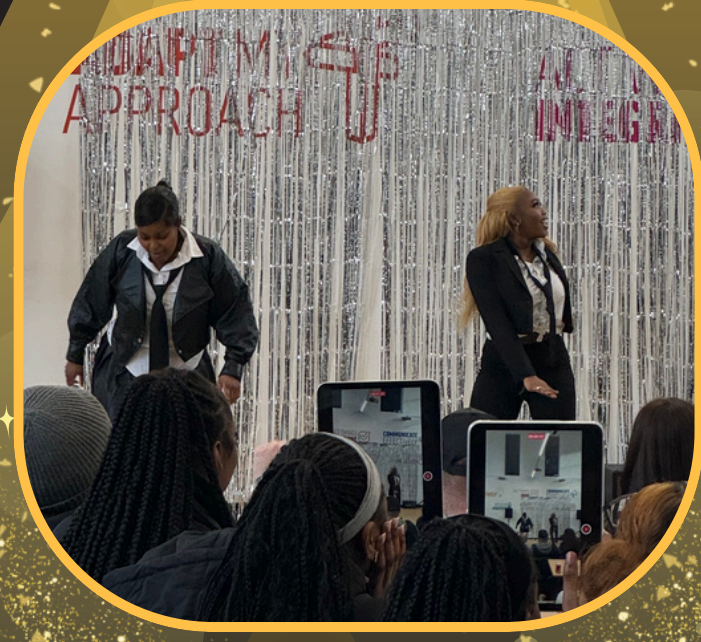
She also recorded a podcast episode!

Jodie had a chat about the work that Clifford is doing to promote opportunities for others and focusing on supporting with this.



KE6 GOT TALENT!

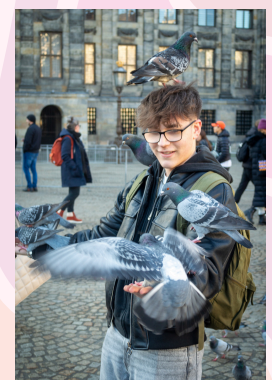
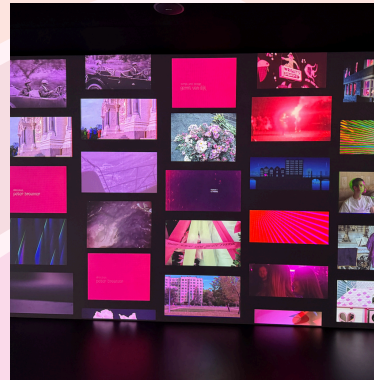
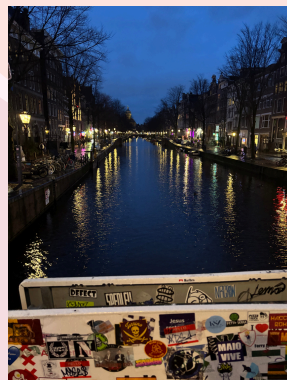
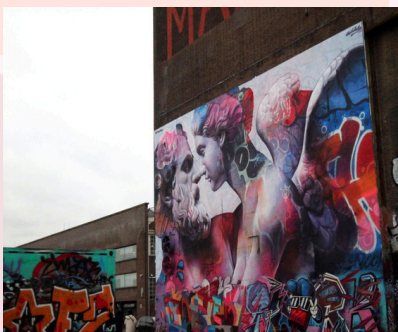
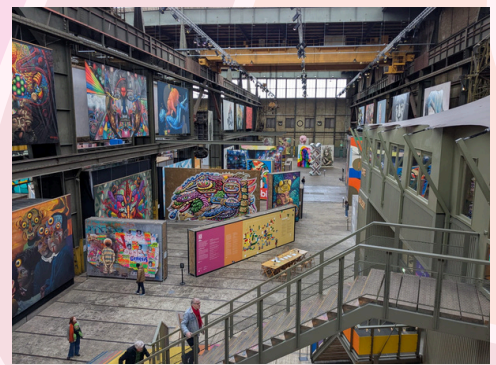
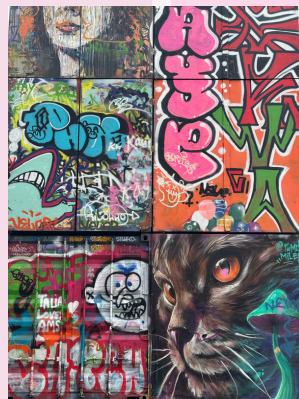
Well done to everyone who participated in the talent show, you were all absolutely incredible and thank you to all the staff and students who came down to support!



**Congratulations to our winners
Dancing Queens,
Happiness and Mata!!!!**

Amsterdam Trip!

Earlier this month, the creative arts and E-sports students went to Amsterdam, to get involved in the culture and explore new places! They took so many amazing photos so here is some of the best bits!



Even more trips...

The KE6 Quantum Speed Racing team competed against other teams from across the midlands at Aston University on Thursday 6th February. They designed and built their own car and created a team logo and branding. They spent the day being interviewed by the judges and racing the car. It was our first time in the competition and the team came a very creditable 12th out of 28 teams in our division.

Anyone interested in joining the team for next year, or finding out more information about it, should contact Bob Finch via teams or email.



Aspiring Oxbridge students took a trip to Oxford University and Keble College!



Short Story Competition!

Due to it being National Storytelling Week last week we held a short story competition, with the theme of family. We would love to thank everyone who participated and took the time to create these, they were all absolutely amazing!

Congratulations to our 1st place winner - Areesha Imran with Reminiscing!

Also a huge well done to our 2nd place - Isabel Farren with The Concept of Fate and our 3rd place - Kieanna Mack with Beyond the Surface. Thank you to everyone who entered, your stories





Library News!



**Lover Birds by
Leanne Egan
is now
available to
borrow in the
library!**

**If you there's any
books you want to
see in the library,
click on the QR code
to fill out the form!**

**Help us improve our
college library!**

**We have these QR codes round
the college to scan to help us
see what you want as students
in the library. You can also click
on this QR code to fill it out. If
you have any suggestions,
please put them in this survey
as we want to make it better
for you!**



*Book
of the
month*



Sporting Fixtures!

Netball...

The first match with the A Team game, we came home with a win and a score of 31-24!

On the second game it was another win from our incredible team, 20-18 to us against Shrewsbury College!



Football...

Our men's Sports Performance Academy football team won 2-1 against Sandwell College!

E-Sports Results

Wednesday 29th January

BSA Griffins vs KE6V League of Legends 1-0 ✗

KE6V Rocket League vs SSC Serpents 3-0 ✗

KE6V Overwatch 2 vs Franklin Raiders 3-0 ✓

BSA Griffins Black vs KE6V Overwatch 2 0-3 ✓

KE6V VALORANT vs BAC VAL 13-1 ✓

KE6V VALORANT Womens vs Serenity 13-6 ✓



Wednesday 5th February

KE6V League of Legends vs AGSB 0-1 ✗

Thomas Rotherham College vs KE6V Rocket League 0-3 ✓

KE6V Overwatch 2 vs Franklin Raiders 3-0 ✓

KE6V Overwatch 2 vs Sunderland Seers 2-3 ✗

CCSW Sandstorm PINK vs KE6V VALORANT 4-13 ✓

KE6V VALORANT Womens vs Cambria Chimeras 4-13 ✗

Route 2 Students!

We have 3 students on the R2 programme who still currently have 100% attendance across the board since starting in September. What a fantastic achievement and effort!

**Ella
Sopaj**

**Grace
Murray**

**Lucas
Moffa**

Every month we complete a prize draw for all R2 students who have had 100% attendance for that month. Everyone with 100% goes into the draw that can be seen on social media with the winner getting £10 Amazon voucher.

Congratulations to our winners...

December:

Caitlin Williams!

**January:
Ella Sopaj!**



Congratulations to our new student governors!!!



Lily Williams!



Ayesha Akhter!

**Introductions from the
students are on the next page!**

“The Local Governing Body is delighted to welcome their new Student Governors, Lily and Ayesha for a one-year term of office. Having student voice within the LGB is essential to ensure good governance and oversight of the College. Thank you to all the students that put themselves forward for election for this important role.” - Chair & Governors, KE6.

Congratulations to our new student governors!!!

Lily Williams

I would like to be a student governor because I believe I can make an effective and positive impact on our college community. I am passionate about representing the voices of my peers to ensure that everyone feels heard and listened to. If I were to be chosen as a student governor, I would work on creating an inclusive and productive environment where students feel they can share their ideas and or concerns. I also want to help organize events that help promote spirit across the college, as well as enhance not only our educational experience but our personal experience too. Ultimately, I would use the role as student governor to lead by example and as an opportunity to create a safe and valuable environment for all students.

Ayesha Akhter

Hi, my name is Ayesha, I'm a year 12 student here at kegs. I'm currently studying A-level Biology, Chemistry, psychology and mathematical studies. I believe I'm a strong candidate for student governor because I truly value the power of the student voice and want to ensure that every student feels heard and appreciated. As your student governor, my goal is to represent the issues and concerns of the student body here at Kegs. I am eager to create an inclusive and comfortable environment where everyone can thrive. I believe that the best people to make decisions for our college is us, the students, our ideas and opinions matters the most so I want to try and bring your ideas to life.

I will actively listen to your feedback to address challenges we face. I aim to build a stronger sense of community and a space where everyone can share their thoughts and ideas. Change starts with us, and together, we have the power to make a meaningful difference. So, I ask for your vote, and I promise to ensure that everyone's voice is heard. Thank you!

K26 PODCAST

SEASON 2

SCAN
HERE!



**SEASON 2 OF
OUR PODCAST
IS AVAILABLE
NOW!**



**RECORDING
NEW
EPISODES
AS WE
SPEAK!**

Careers Information!

We are excited to launch our new portal to access information about careers opportunities will be regularly added so check back regularly - this includes apprenticeships, university summer schools, and work experience!

CLICK HERE 

Second years!

UCAS is still taking applications for Summer 2025, if you haven't yet applied you can do so on www.ucas.com please speak to your tutor in the first instance our buzzword is KE6NUN2025

Once you have applied to university you will receive offers back. Once you have received all of your offers you will need to accept them. You should do this on UCAS - remember that your firm offer should be the highest grades and the university you want to go to, and your insurance a university you are still happy to go to but with lower grades.

If you need any help apprenticeships, use these links to find the one for you!

<https://www.ratemyapprenticeship.co.uk/>

<https://www.getmyfirstjob.co.uk/>

<https://www.notgoingtouni.co.uk/>

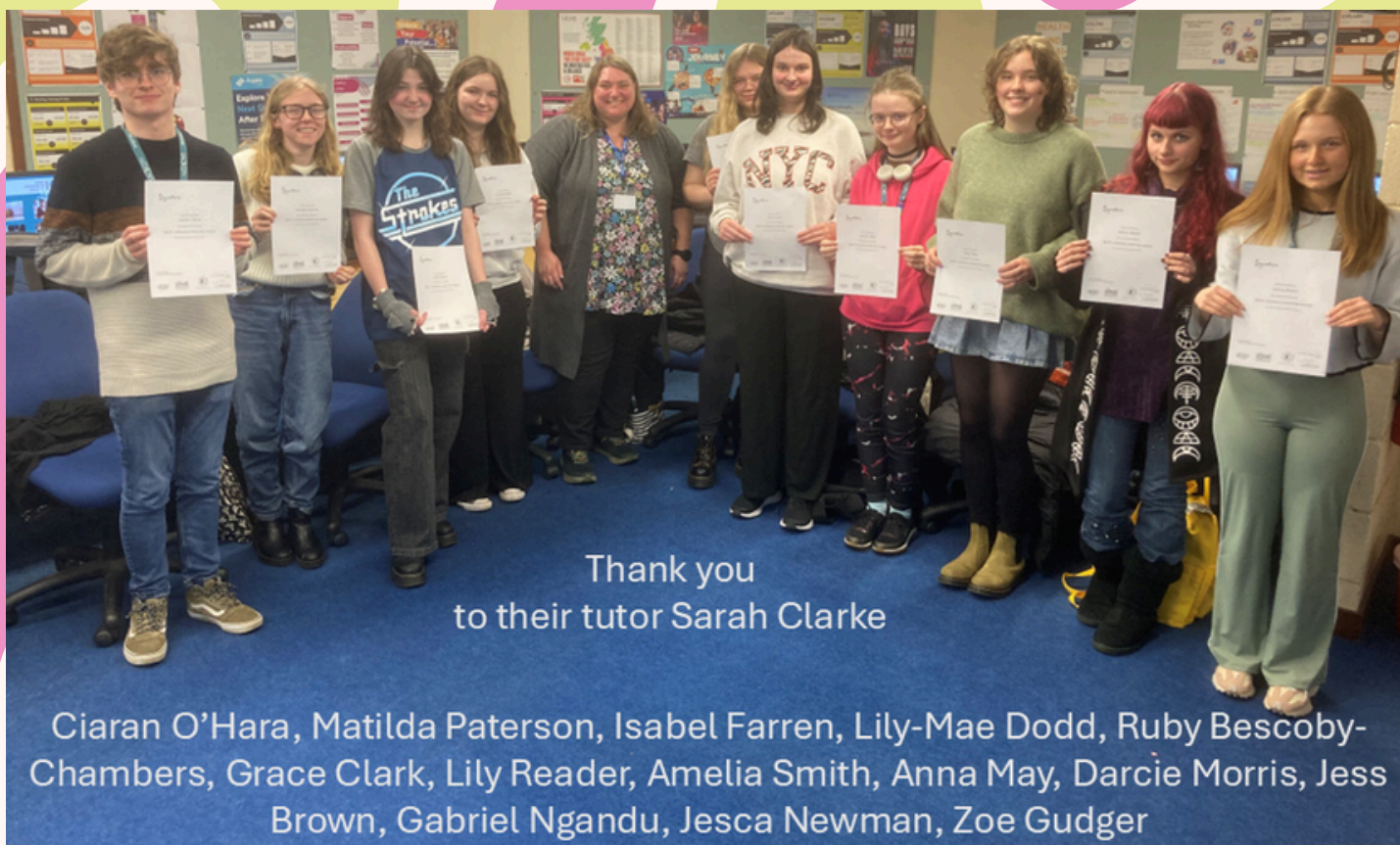
<https://careerfinder.ucas.com/>

<https://www.allaboutschoolleavers.co.uk/>

<https://www.findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk/apprenticeshipsearch>

General Information

Our students have been working very hard to achieve their certificates for the British Sign Language first module, and are now enthusiastically completing the full year course. Keep up the good work!



Also we have recently completed Access Arrangements training with staff relating to coursework and homework. Staff have been asked to use their discretion when requests are made by students who would have extra time in exams. Requests for extension must be made by the student and agreed by teachers in advance.

Young Writers Competition!

All of Alex Bradbury's students who entered publications for 'Fight Or Flight - Awesome Stories' have been chosen, which is absolutely incredible, there is so much talent that has been shared, congratulations to all of you who entered! The collection will be published on 31st March 2025 for anyone wanting to read!

Upcoming trips for students!

- 28.02.25 Progress - What University? and What Career? (NEC Birmingham)**
- 04.03.25 Physics - Nottingham Trent University (Astrophysics)**
- 12.03.25 - Drama - Theatre Royal Nottingham**
- 19.03.25 - Chemistry - Warwick University**
- 27.03.25 - Criminology - London Dungeons**
- 09.04.25 - History - British Museum and more...**
- 11.04.25 - DofE - Silver Practice Expedition**
- 30.04.25 - Criminology - Alton Towers**



WESTHAM HOUSE FUND

Registered Charity Number 700637

**Young Person's Fellowship
for 16-25 year olds**

£500 Award

**Broaden your
educational horizons!**



Great Wall of China

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We provide funding for non-vocational projects or study programmes that develop your interests in languages, music, art, culture or wellbeing but are not related to your current studies or work.

Want to know more?



**Scan this code
to open our
webpage**

**Apply to us by
30 April 2025**

For more information, contact westhamhousefund@gmail.com

Bursary Information

At present, funding is intended to support students from households under the limit of £27,500. However, all students are encouraged to fill out the application, as some benefits declared are not taken into consideration in our assessment. Students who meet the general eligibility criteria will need to provide evidence of their parent/carer's income (see QR Code).

You could be eligible for free college meals if your annual gross income is no more than £16,190.

Any questions, please contact Anne-Marie Boyd via email anne-marie.boyd@ke6n.ac.uk.

Bursary Information



Scan me!

KE6 Alumni

Are you a former student of
King Edward VI College?



SCAN HERE TO
JOIN OUR ALUMNI
NETWORK

This week we
launched our Alumni
network. If you are a
former student and
would like to be a
part of this exciting
network, please sign
up using the button
below

CLICK HERE



KE6 Alumni Benefits

- 1 Exclusive Content**
Newsletter with updates and insights.
- 2 Professional Connections**
Join the KE6 Alumni Network to expand your career contacts.
- 3 Give Back**
Engage with current students through talks, curriculum development, and mock interviews.
- 4 Alumni Events**
Invitations to exclusive gatherings with fellow alumni.
- 5 Hall Of Fame**
Earn a place in our celebrated Alumni Hall of Fame.
- 6 Mentoring Opportunities**
Participate in our mentoring program.

Exam Breakfasts

We are pleased to announce that starting from 6th January, free exam breakfasts will be available for students sitting 9am exams.

The breakfast will include a pastry and a choice of water or juice.

The canteen has been provided with a list of names of those students who are scheduled for these exams.

Please ensure you have collected your breakfast by 08:30am to allow enough time to arrive at your exam before it begins.

Best of luck with your exams!

Boost your grades! Separate A-Level Psychology, Sociology & Law Grade Booster Workshops!

Are you preparing for your A-Level exams in Psychology, Sociology, or Law? Don't miss these AQA A-Level Grade Booster workshops, designed to help you master exam techniques, focus on key content, and boost your exam performance!

Each workshop is separate and tailored to its specific subject, offering you focused revision to achieve your best grades.

Workshop Location, Dates, Times, and Costs (Per Workshop):

Location: Vue Cinema, Star City, Birmingham

AQA A-Level Psychology:

Grade Booster Workshop

Thursday, March 20, 2025

10:30 AM – 3:15 PM

Cost: £36 per student

AQA A-Level Sociology Grade Booster Workshop

Thursday, March 20, 2025

10:30 AM – 3:15 PM

Cost: £36 per student

AQA A-Level Law Grade Booster Workshop

Thursday, March 20, 2025

10:30 AM – 3:15 PM

Cost: £36 per student

For more information or to sign up, visit the Tutor2u website or contact the relevant teacher:

- For Psychology, email Latifa Ravat at latifa.ravat@ke6n.ac.uk
- For Sociology, email Mark Walford at mark.walford@ke6n.ac.uk
- For Law, email Colin Hughes at colin.hughes@ke6n.ac.uk

Spaces are limited—secure your spot today!

Dates for your Diary

2024/2025

Spring Term 2025

Term Starts - Monday 6 January

Half Term - Monday 17 February - Friday 21 February

Term Ends - Friday 11 April

Summer Term 2025

Term Starts - Monday 28 April

Bank Holiday - Monday 5 May & Monday 26 May

Half Term - Monday 26 May - Friday 30 May

Term Ends - Friday 4 July

Important Dates!

Parents/Carers evening YEAR 12 ONLY -
Thursday 26th June

Notice Board

**Please see the
parent/carer
section on our
website!**

[CLICK HERE](#)



Bike Locks

There have been recent bike thefts that have taken place on college site. The police have advised for students to use a strong D-Lock rather than thin cable locks when securing their bike. This will help to prevent these thefts.



The college does not take responsibility for any theft, loss or damage to vehicles on college site. Should the above happen, we will assist the police as best we can.

Our cashless system



Download wisePAY here

Students - please refer to the email sent on 16th November for log in details!



Google Play

App Store



College Services

The College Services and Library team can be found in reception or the library. Come and visit us to:

- Report absences
- Change student/parent/carer details
- Study
- Borrow resources
- Print
- Buy stationery
- Add print credits to your account

Communication



collegeservices@ke6n.ac.uk

We send an automated email to parents/carers of students who have an absence mark on registers. This is to ensure students are supported through any absence and to enable us to keep you informed.

Please report all absences asap and preferably on the day. You should always report any absences to College Services even if you have advised your teachers. Please do this by telephone, email collegeservices@ke6n.ac.uk or Cedar (parent function). We do not send an acknowledgement of a reported absence as a matter of course.

The Finance office is open everyday between 11am-1pm, apart from Wednesday, for student drop-ins.



We now have a cashless system and only accept card, Google/Apple Pay. If you telephone to speak to our Finance team during college opening hours/days, please use the main number and press 6.

Lesson Start and Finish Times

A reminder that lessons start and finish as follows:

Monday, Wednesday and Friday

9am-11am

11.20am-12.20pm

1.10pm-2.10pm

Tuesday and Thursday

9am-11am

11.20am-12.20pm

1.10pm-2.10pm

2.30pm-4.30pm

Please arrive on time for your lesson to start when stated.



Menstruation Stations!

Free period products are available from the toilets for all students. Plain packaged 3-day supply bags are available in T, N, R, S, Q block and W building toilets. Additional items can be obtained from College Services in the Library.



KE6 is on Social Media!

One of the best ways to keep up to date with the latest news about college is to follow our social media. Find us on:



Facebook: @ke6nuneaton



Instagram @ke6nuneaton & @KE6students



Tiktok: @ke6nuneaton



Spotify podcasts at
<https://linktr.ee/KingEdwardVICollegeNuneaton>