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Welcome to KE6!

We're thrilled to have you here. This newsletter is your go-to guide for everything you need to know about college life at KE6 — designed to make your journey smoother, easier, and way more beneficial.

Think of this as your KE6 starter pack — packed with helpful info, handy tips, and a few friendly faces to get you settled in. Whether you're looking for answers or just curious about what's ahead, we've got you covered!

If you do have further questions after this guide, please email collegeservices@ke6n.ac.uk and we can help you with your queries.



ID Badges Policy

As part of our mission to inspire young people to gain the skills they need to thrive in an ever changing world, this year we are focusing on the students looking after their ID badges. This will help them learn responsibility and organisational skills for their day-to-day life.



Badge Policy:

Forgotten 3 times in a row?

Student must pay for a new badge

Forgotten 4 times in a half term?

Student will receive support from progress coach

Forgotten 5 times in a half term?

Student will be warned on their 4th occasion that they will be buying a new badge on the 5th.

Badge Prices:

**Full lanyard
- £3.50**

**ID card -
£2.40**

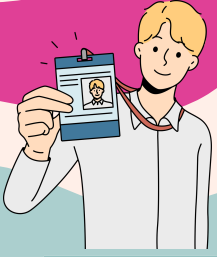
**Card holder
-10p**

Lanyard - £1

(card/contactless only)

(Please note that any exemptions will be with discretion)

College Services



General enquiries

Stationery Shop

Reporting absences/holidays

Borrow supplies

Status Letters

(for proof of identification)

School cloud

New ID cards (at a cost!)

Timetable or room queries

Cedar

Period Products

Temporary ID cards

Detail changes: number, email, address etc!

Cov Uni (Lancaster) Passes

Wisepay

Lesson Start and Finish Times

Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays

**9 - 10:30
10:50 - 12:20
13:10 - 14:40
15:00 - 16:30**

Wednesdays, Fridays

**9 - 10:30
10:50 - 12:20
13:10 - 14:40**

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

If you're going to be late, please call or email college services, and we can make your teacher aware.



Student Absences

If there is any reason why a student is absent for the day please let us know when you can.

Please report all absences via:

Email: collegeservices@ke6n.ac.uk

**Phone: 02476328231 (extension 1 - reception)
(extension 2 - student absence)**

Cedar: Parent Portal → Parent Reporting Function

Students please don't message your teachers or use TEAMS to reach College Services, as it doesn't always reach us and the register won't be amended correctly.

If you're emailing in your absence please include the below:

Student's full name and number

Dates and times of the absence

(example - 3/10/25 - for 9am - 14:40pm)

Reason for the absence (unwell, holiday, appointments)

Duration of the absence (just one day or multiple?)

Any other information...

Please be aware that you will not automatically receive a reply for an absence email.

However, every evening we send out automated emails for late marks and unauthorised/authorised absences, so we ensure the students are fully supported and parents/carers are kept informed.

STUDENT VOICE | BY KATIE BELL | TIPS TO FIRST YEARS



First and foremost...

Welcome to our fantastic, modern, friendly and diverse college, we're really excited to have you here and so are all of our teachers. College is a really exciting new journey after leaving secondary school; we get so much freedom and experience a whole new learning style (while having chance to meet new friends).

Before anything else, here are a few big things to keep in mind during first year:

1. Show up- although it goes without saying, attendance really is key to understanding A-levels and college courses.
2. Ask questions- don't be afraid to crave more knowledge! Ask teachers and older students, show you care.
3. Find your people- building a support network really helps as you go into second year as work gets challenging; expand your friend base.
4. Balance- don't burn out. Make space for other things such as our range of extra curriculum activities we offer.
5. Use your resources- campus services exist for you! Don't ignore them, they get really handy.
6. Embrace not knowing everything- use this opportunity to expand your mind: meet new people and ask new questions.



Top picks this month

- As the new year begins, so does your journey in our sports and academic clubs! Sign up now: contact your progress tutors for information to get involved.
- Student budgets - download Student Beans and Unidays to access exclusive student savings from food and transport for college to day-to-day clothes and activities for your free time.
- Study hack - try out the Pomodoro technique (25 mins focus, 5 mins rest).
- Wellbeing - eat well and exercise to reduce stress, enhance focus and clear your mind.
- Spotlight: Well done to the college netball team as they travelled to Stoke-on-Trent for their first match of the year.

"Perfection is not attainable, but if we chase perfection, we can catch excellence - Vince Lombardi."

Did you know?

Our college was first founded as a grammar school in 1552, receiving a charter from King Edwards VI. In the 1870s, sports such as cricket, football and athletics were introduced to the curriculum. The site we use now was moved into in the 1880s. In 1974/5, the grammar was closed and reopened as a sixth form college.



Study tips

Teya Kalirai
2nd year student

Sometimes the best advice doesn't come from a handbook or from teachers who only observe our studies, but from someone who lives it. I sat down with Teya Kalirai, a second year student, to hear what she wishes she had known as a first year.

Teya admitted the start of first year was really overwhelming yet her advice is outstanding. "Go to class even when you don't feel like it, half of success is showing up", Teya advised, finishing with, "Start assignments earlier than you think, future you will thank you!" Teya's words are a reminder that success isn't in perfection, but about showing up, starting early and taking good care of yourself. With that mindset, first year can be a strong foundation for everything ahead.

VISIT OUR STUDENT INSTAGRAM @KE6STUDENTS FOR MORE ADVICE!

"NEW CHAPTERS BRING UNCERTAINTY, BUT ALSO THE CHANCE TO BECOME WHO YOU'RE MEANT TO BE"

Finance

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

We are a **cashless** college (except the canteen), and we do ALL of our payments through Wisepay! If you telephone to speak to our Finance team during college opening hours, please use the main number and press 6.

Trips



**Stationery
+ resources**

Pay fines



**Printing
Credits**

**Art
Shop**



**Exam
fees**

If you buy print credit, please come to reception and show us the payment so we can add it to the system for you.

Please go to the exam office to sort your remark/resit payments.

All payments **need** to be made on **Wisepay**. If you haven't logged into Wisepay before, this is what you need:

organisational code: 51619497

username: college or parent email

password: is in the email you got in September, if you can't find an email or you don't have a password in the email this please go to the finance office.

Finance is located in T-Block, if you need help finding it, come to reception and we can direct you!

Bursary Information

At present, funding is intended to support students from households under the limit of £30,000. 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).

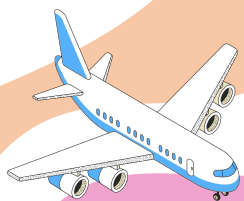
You could be eligible for free college meals if your annual gross income is no more than £16,190.

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

Bursary Information



Scan me!



AMAZING STUDENT OPPORTUNITY!



King Edward VI College

Funded Global Adventures Abroad 2-Weeks Project in Bali - March 2026

A transformative 15-day programme designed for learners from the King Edward Sixth Form College, enhancing your professional skills in a Balinese context with immersive cultural activities to develop global awareness!

📍 Ubud, Bali

- Discover the magic of Balinese culture through living and immersing in our partner Communities and Villages in Ubud

✅ What's Included

- Flights, Accommodation, Meals & Transport
- Cultural Activities and Group Adventures
- Experiential Learning with local social impact Organisations
- 24/7 support from Think Pacific & College Staff

💰 Student Contribution

- Most costs are covered by the Turing Scheme, with a small student contribution, which can be fundraised, self-funded or covered by bursaries.
- Ask your College for more information on costs & bursaries.

📱 Learn More via QR Code



To find out more, we warmly invite you and your child to attend an information presentation:

**Thursday 16th
October**

Time: 5pm - 6pm

**Location: KE6 Sports
Hall**

**CLICK
HERE!**

**TO BOOK
FOR THE
ABOVE**

We are delighted to share an exciting opportunity for your child to take part in a life-changing trip to **Bali** during the Easter half term (**29th March - 10th April**), in partnership with the award-winning organisation **Think Pacific**.

Think Pacific specialises in youth development through overseas experiences, and this trip is designed for young people who are ready to explore new cultures, challenge themselves, and grow as individuals. The programme includes cultural immersion, adventure activities, and workshops focused on leadership, sustainability, and global citizenship.

During the session with Think Pacific, we'll cover:

- The full itinerary and programme details**
- Travel and accommodation arrangements**
- Costs and payment options**
- Safety, supervision, and support**
- What your child will gain from the experience**

This is a fantastic opportunity for young people to broaden their horizons, make lasting friendships, and take part in something truly meaningful. If you have any questions ahead of the presentation, please don't hesitate to get in touch. We look forward to seeing you there!

Dates for your Diary

Important Dates!

Parents Evening for Y12 and R2 students -
10th November 2025

2025/2026

Autumn Term 2025

Half term - Mon 20 Oct - Fri 31 Oct
Term Starts - Mon 3 Nov - Fri 19 Dec
Holidays - Mon 22 Dec to Fri 2 Jan

Spring Term 2026

Term Starts - Monday 5 Jan
Half term - Monday 16 Feb - Friday 20 Feb
Term Starts - Monday 23 Feb - Friday 27 Mar
Holidays - Monday 30 Mar to Friday 10 Apr

Notice Board

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

[CLICK HERE](#)



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. Please follow us on the below:



Facebook: @ke6nuneaton



Instagram @ke6nuneaton & @KE6students



Tiktok: @ke6nuneaton



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