



Easter Trips

Two trips took place this Easter holiday. Five Year 8 girls joined King's School on their ski trip to the South of France. A full report and photos can be found on page 4.

The other trip was the Junior King's Italia Football Tour, where twenty Upper School boys enjoyed a six day tour around Italy. Please turn to page 2 to find out more.



From the Head

The Easter holidays have come to an end, but in the holidays some of our pupils enjoyed attending the skiing and football trips abroad. Both were successful and I am very grateful to all the staff for providing these enriching and wonderful activities for our pupils. This term we warmly welcome Mr Paddy Wilson to our MFL department, together with all the new pupils who have started at Junior King's.

Our school site is stunningly beautiful at the moment. The fruit trees around the grounds are in blossom and the sun is shining brightly as I write. It has an uplifting and positive effect at the start of the summer term and everyone can spend more time enjoying the outdoors. During assembly we reminded the pupils about the importance of protecting themselves in the sunshine, with suntan lotion, hats and having water bottles with them. There is so much to look forward to in the coming busy weeks ahead. The summer term is one of my favourites – it is a combination of both hard work with exams but also of excitement, anticipation and enjoyment of a host of events, and it provides a real culmination and celebration of achievements.

We wish our 8L pupils all the very best for next week as they take their scholarship exams at King's. I have thoroughly enjoyed meeting each of them individually in the last few days for their mock interviews and they are all feeling both excited and apprehensive.

This term our whole school focus is empathy. I introduced this theme at our assembly this week and demonstrated how important it is to stop and consider how our actions or words can affect others. We must remember to look at the world through someone else's eyes.



Junior King's Football Tour - Italia '18

On Saturday 24th March, a squad of Under 13 boys flew into Venice Marco Polo airport for the start of, what turned out to be, a hugely successful and highly enjoyable Italian football tour. Staying at the Bella Italia EFA Sports Village in the seaside resort of Lignano Sabbiadoro, we were blessed with a wonderful location, giving us great facilities, including unlimited use of their full size astro turf, an Olympic sized swimming pool and a beautiful beach just a five minute walk away.

We managed to get in plenty of football during our time there, including three training sessions, all lasting well over two hours plus two highly competitive matches for both the A and the B teams. The B team's first game was against Lignano A. The boys got a big wake up call to the skill levels of Italian football, losing 2 - 10. They were, however, far better prepared the following day, when they took on Portogruaro B and, whilst losing, kept the score to a far more respectable 2 - 4.

The A team's first match was against Latisana A, which seemed a huge task, given the fact that they were clearly an entire year or two older than our boys. Given what we had seen of the flair and skill levels of the Italians, this seemed to be a formidable match and we were honestly thinking about how we could stay close and not disgrace ourselves too badly. This, however, turned out to be one of the most exciting games of football we have ever witnessed. In a David and Goliath encounter, our boys met

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Latisana head on and ended up 1 - 0 victors, a result nobody would have predicted at the start of the game. Our second game, the following day, against Portogruaro A, was an equally close and exciting affair, although thankfully this time it was clearly against boys of our own age. With the confidence gained from the day before, we played some highly entertaining and skilful football and again ended up winning by 1 - 0. The victories were the icing on the cake and gave a real buzz to the atmosphere but, for the staff on the trip, what was even more satisfying was seeing the great passion and enthusiasm displayed by all of the boys, the pride they showed in representing their school in another nation, and the massive level of improvement they made in their overall standard of individual and team play during our time away.

In addition to all of the football, we also enjoyed a couple of fantastic cultural visits. Our day spent in Venice was particularly special. On a perfect day we caught the water taxi over to this most beautiful of cities, taking in the key sights, including the Bridge of Sighs, the Grand Canal and Rialto Bridge, and the majesty of St Mark's Square. In addition to Venice, we were also lucky enough to visit the ancient medieval town of Udine and the Dacia Stadium, home of Serie A team - Udinese. This was a real favourite with the boys who got to see the home team changing room, as well as the press room, where every boy got a chance to sit in the 'hot seat' and experience the feeling of a match day interview. They also got the opportunity to meet and have their photos taken with Udinese's star striker Kevin Lasagne, and best of all, experience the thrill of lining up in the tunnel, running out onto the pitch and sitting in the team dug outs.

We returned back to England on 29th March, exhausted but happy, knowing that we had all taken part in a very special tour. I am sure it will be an experience that the boys will never forget and, in the years to come, will look back on with nothing but the best of memories. I would like to thank Mr Smith, Mr Hounsell and Mr Stonier for all their help and support in making the tour the great success that it was, and to the boys - a huge thank you for being the perfect tourists in every way...

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Notices

- Safe Driving on site and parking

Some of our site had had new and updated line markings, including stop and give way signs and yellow no parking zones. Also, in order to avoid accidents, please note that our 5 mph speed limit applies to the entire site, including the exit road out by the barn and in to the Hamels.

- Invite your friends to our next Open Morning, on Saturday 28th April at 10am. [Email for more details.](#)
- Further photos of events and trips can be found on our [Facebook page](#), in our Photo Albums. Please do check there for extra photographs that we are unable to include in The Week.

From the Music Department



Four of our students took part in national-level groups over the holiday. I was able to attend two amazing concerts, firstly in Nottingham where



Abigail sang with the 160-strong National Youth Girls' Choir at the Royal Concert Hall, and then in Basingstoke where Theo was playing double bass with the National Children's Under 13 Orchestra at the Anvil Arts Centre. Philippa and

Arushi were also involved with rehearsals for the National Children's Choir, for an upcoming Summer Concert. There will be more about this in next week's edition of 'The Week'. Anyone interested in applying for these groups for next year should message me for more information.

We are holding a raffle to raise money for our upcoming tour to Germany. Prizes include tickets to Glyndebourne and tickets to the Women's Hockey World Cup as well as other prizes. Tickets cost £1 each and are available from Mrs Berry in the music office. You could also take some tickets away to sell to friends and family as they have detachable stubs. The draw will take place at the Chapel Choir Concert and Barbecue on Monday 14 May.



There are a couple of music events coming up this term. A sign-up sheet is in the Music Department for the Informal Concert on Thursday 3rd May at 4.30pm. Anyone is welcome to sign up.

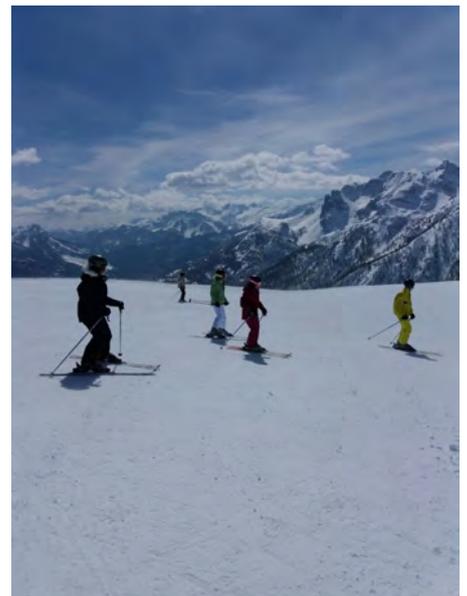
The second event is the Strings' Workshops on Thursday 10th May. This has been split into two sessions: Pre-prep - Year 5 at 4.30pm and Years 6-8 at 6.15pm. This is an important event for all those playing violin, viola, cello or double bass. A guest professional musician will be at the concert to help with all performances. It is open to all of those who learn both in school and out of school. Please sign up on the Music School notice board. Make sure to consult with your teacher first. If you learn in school your teacher will sign you up if you have a piece ready. There are three weeks to learn and improve those pieces.

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Joint Ski Trip with King's School

Five Year 8 pupils joined pupils from King's School, Canterbury on their ski trip to Serre Chevalier, Briancon over the Easter Holidays. The girls had a wonderful time and enjoyed skiing. Two of the group were confident skiers; the other three had never skied before. However, all benefited from lessons and were able to have fun on the slopes. They also integrated well with the pupils from the Senior School and, hopefully, next year, will be able to rekindle some of the friendships made on the trip.



THE MINI WEEK

FROM THE PRE-PREP

Pre-Prep children started this term as they mean to go on! We welcomed new friends James, Darren and Herbie to our team and have all been very industrious.



While Nursery have been introducing James and Darren to our fabulous garden and exciting toys, the children in Hazels have been examining changes. Here we are back in September and on our first day back this term. Don't we look grown up! Meanwhile, Willows have been counting to 100.





Limes took their learning outside to study books about plants and transferred their knowledge by identifying and examining plants in our environment. Oaks read a book called *Handa's Surprise*, which is set in Kenya. We painted our own Kenyan sunsets, which look stunning in our own sunny playground.

Finally, the Year 2 IT lesson was used to record signs of spring. We had a photo competition and learned how to use our iPads to take photographs. Landscape or portrait? Close up or distance? Composing our photographs to incorporate contrast, colour and shadow. Here are the winning entries. Well done Pip, Ewan, and Ciall in Sycamores, and Kyle and Dhiya in Chestnuts.





Above: Junior House Girls' Cricket season got off to a fabulous start with the wonderful weather.

Below: The glorious sunshine has provided opportunities to learn beyond the classroom in our beautiful grounds. The Year 6 pupils measured the perimeter of the tennis courts, whilst Year 8 enhanced their OS Map reading skills ready for their CE exams.





Calling all Bakers, Picklers and Kitchen-gardeners!

We really appreciate your donations to the Home Produce Stall.

Please bring all cakes, jams, chutneys, home-grown fruit and veg etc. to outside the Library on the morning of the Fête.

Thank you.



The Junior King's School Fête

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Milner Court, Sturry

Monday 7th May

2pm

Stalls galore...

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| Plants | Raffle | Crafts |
| Produce | Tombola | Books |
| Toys | Sporting Challenges | Cakes |
| Bric-a-Brac | Maypole Dancing | |
| Cream teas | Live music | Barbecue |

...and much more!



Nut Free

Please remember that we are a nut free school and so all donations of cakes, jams etc. must not contain any traces of nuts. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



Calendar

Saturday April 21st	14:00	Boys' Cricket: 1st XI (A) v Wellesley House
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Sunday April 22nd		Boarders' Activity: Revolution Skate/Year 8 Ten Pin Bowling
	10:00	Informal Service in the Music School
	16:00	13+ Academic Scholarship Tea, The King's School
Monday April 23rd		King's Academic Scholarship Examination
	17:00	Boys' Tennis: U13A (A) v Wellesley House
Tuesday April 24th		King's Academic Scholarship Examination
		Eastbourne College Jazz Day
	09:00	Year 2 Trip to Gurdwara, Gravesend
	17:00	Year 7 Parents' Evening
Wednesday April 25th		King's Academic Scholarship Examination
	08:30	PAUSE
	14:00	Boys' Cricket: U13 House Matches (Round 1)
	14:15	Rounders: U11A (H) v Wellesley House
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Thursday April 26th	09:00	Year 1 Trip to Mount Ephraim
	14:00	Year 5 Mathematics Challenge in the Sports Hall
Friday April 27th	08:20	Friends' Coffee Morning
	09:00	The Milner Voices rehearsal
	15:00	Rounders: U13A & B (H) v St Lawrence
	15:00	Boys' Tennis: U13 (H) v Simon Langton
	19:00	Prefects' Dinner