

Hello Middle School parents,

A busy first full week back at KSA is drawing to an end and there are many exciting things to share with you and lots to look forward to.

The week in review:

- The class of 2024 hosted a successful getting to know you dinner (GTKY) on Tuesday. It was great to see some many parents attendance. Thank you to all who attended and brought delicious food to share with the community. A big thank you should go to Mr Barton and the year 7 team for organising the event too. Mr Barton has fond memories of the 'spicy beef curry'
- 20 pupils from the class of 2022 continued their participation in the Kings Scholars Program by visiting Kings College. After the trip Year 9 pupil Houria Aizzi said, 'We had a funny and relatable speaker...I was able to memorise 20 different facts or routines just by visualising different places at home. I was very thankful for the trick he taught me...'
- The class of 2024 also had their first whole year group orchestra rehearsal and are learning quickly about how to be a professional looking and sounding group of musicians. They also had fun learning to use microscopes in science with Ms Jackson (see pic left)



Other whole school news and notices:

- Celebrations at the 10 year anniversary on Thursday thoroughly enjoyed by all and we wish the graduating cohort (Cof2017) the very best as they depart for university

Appointments

- Unless your child has an urgent appointment which cannot be rearranged, all appointments during the school day will not be authorised. Please make non-urgent appointments (dental check-ups, eye tests and routine doctor's appointments) for times outside of the school day, or in the school holidays. If your child does have an urgent appointment which cannot be rearranged you should communicate this with your child's Head of Year.

PSHE

- On Tuesday 26th September we will be starting our first PSHE cycle of this year! The children will be learning all about how to keep themselves healthy. This cycle will run from 26th September to 19th December. If you would like more information on the PSHE curriculum please see the school website.

Looking ahead:

- 2 more Getting to Know you dinners to look forward to;

- Year 8: 5.15-6.15pm on Tuesday 19th September
- Year 9: 5.15-6.15pm on **Tuesday 3rd October (the date has changed)**
- Applications for this year's school leaders will open next week with interviews happening the following week. Thank you to all of last year's school leaders for representing their school and class mates exceedingly well. The school leader residential trip will take place on Friday 13th to Saturday 14th October
- Application to join the ARK music programs of the Fusion and Spark ensembles will also be announced next week – if your child loves playing their instrument and singing and is committed and dedicated to music this is a great opportunity for them

Payslip and attendance heroes

- Congratulations to **Ms Jackson and 7 Homerton** for having the highest attendance percentage across middle school last week. Can anyone beat them next week?
- Top payslip in year 7 this week was **Masumah (Roshni) Ahmed** with a whopping 142! Well done!
- Top payslip in year 8 thus week was **Shahed Mirza** with an out of this world 212! Fantastic!
- Top payslip in year 9 thus week was **Asiyah Chairahman** with a brilliant 144! Excellent!

Mr Mvula

Head of Middle School