

Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Upper School parents,

Welcome to this week's newsletter! Upper School pupils have continued to work hard this week, to be ready for next week's assessments. We look forwards to sharing the results of this hard work when we publish this term's reports on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December.

### PRIDE scores

Most classes continue to do a consistently excellent job, as reflected by their high PRIDE scores. All classes with a PRIDE score above 4.4 will join this half term's PRIDE prize on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> December.

The current leader board is as follows:

Position	Class	Half Term Average
1	10 Reading	4.59
2	10 East Anglia	4.49
3	11 Sussex	4.44
4	11 Aberystwyth	4.38
5	11 York	4.24
6	10 Keble	4.16

### Payslip

Particular payslip congratulations this week go to:

- Nazifa Begum in 10 Keble who earned 148 KSA pounds.
- Sadia Islam in 10 Reading who earned 146 KSA pounds.
- Ismail Nejjary and Holta Jahja in 10 East Anglia who both earned 124 KSA pounds.
- Iverson Martins in 11 Aberystwyth who earned 160 KSA pounds.
- Abu Baker Ali who earned 136 KSA pounds.
- Saba Ahmadi in 11 York who earned 128 KSA pounds.

### Trips

Pupils in Upper School have had the opportunity to participate in two different trips over the past week.

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November, Year 10 Business students visited Microsoft Headquarters to take part in a Business Challenge. They returned home as winners and are in proud possession of a trophy! Well done to those involved and thank you to Ms. Ashcroft for taking them.



On Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November, all GCSE art pupils had the opportunity to visit the Victoria and Albert Museum as part of their GCSE studies. Thanks to Ms. Panayides and Ms. Arkell for organising and supervising this enjoyable event.

Looking ahead to the rest of the year, for those who earn it, we look forwards to taking Year 10 pupils to Belgium **2<sup>nd</sup> July and 5<sup>th</sup> July** and Year 11 pupils to Cambridge University between **7<sup>th</sup> March and 9<sup>th</sup> March**. Year 11 have ten payslips left to earn this trip!

Thanks to all who have already contributed to their trip funds for the year. A reminder that you can add amounts starting from as little as £10 or £20 to your child's trip account, as and when you are ready to do so. This will hopefully particularly help parents who have multiple children in the school, so they don't have to pay a huge sum of money all at once. The deadline has also been extended to the **end of this term**. Any questions or concerns please speak to Ms. Crompton or either of the Upper School Heads of Year.

### Attendance

The vast majority of pupils continue to be here every day, working hard, and there are large numbers of pupils who retain 100% attendance this year. Well done to those pupils.

As we approach winter we understand that coughs and colds are more common. Whilst some colds can be severe, we would generally advise that pupils are only kept out of school on the advice of a doctor or healthcare professional. Please see this link from the NHS for more guidance about preventing coughs and colds, and for treating them: <http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/cold-common/pages/introduction.aspx>

### Expansion Plans



All parents are invited to come and visit Paddington Green Academy on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November. You can meet us there at 8.45 (Crompton Street entrance), or head over from KSA with Ms England or Mr Haimendorf. Please meet at either the infants or the juniors gate by 8.30 if you would like to go over together. You will have an opportunity to have a tour of the wonderful site there and to have another question and answer session with key senior leaders at the schools.

### Looking ahead- reminders

- Upper School pupils will sit formal assessments next week (W/B 20<sup>th</sup> November). Pupils should be revising carefully at home to ensure they are ready for these important assessments.
- There is an academy wide training day on **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**. Pupils will not be in school as teachers will be joining with other professionals from the ARK network to mark assessments.
- Half term 2 finishes on **Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> December**. The last week will be very important as pupils will receive their reports and learn about PSHE (both on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> December), receive feedback on assessments and celebrate their successes with the PRIDE prize and the Upper School Celebration Assembly.
- The Winter Fair takes place on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December. Thank you to the Parent Council for all their work on organising this! We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible to this community event. Please see the attached flier for more details.

Any questions, please do not hesitate to get in touch with either Ms. Woodham ([h.woodham@kingsolomonacademy.org](mailto:h.woodham@kingsolomonacademy.org)) , Ms. Mulvena ([r.mulvena@kingsolomonacademy.org](mailto:r.mulvena@kingsolomonacademy.org)) or myself.

**Coffee morning continues at 8.30am on Friday morning in Infants Commons – all KSA parents are welcome to come and catch up with each other and talk to leaders of the school - do come and join us!**

Thanks all,

Ms. Crompton (Head of Upper School)  
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# Winter Fair

## *King Solomon Academy*

- \*Santa's Grotto\*
- \*bouncy castle\*
- \*henna artistry\*
- \*glitter tattoo\*
- \*Arabic calligraphy\*
- \*bbq\*
- \*biryani\*
- \*cakes and refreshments\*

And lots more! All are welcome!  
Free entry  
01 December 2017 at 4-6.30pm

Lisson Street, London NW1 6RX

