



# Inside Kingshurst



**Welcome** to 'Inside Kingshurst', our weekly newsletter! Each week, we will endeavour to keep you updated as to the details of news and events within the academy in addition to key themes both locally or nationally.

In addition, each newsletter will provide a guide, authored by the National Online Safety organisation who have produced a comprehensive series of guides, written with parents, carers and children in mind and covering a breadth e-safety topics in order to keep you informed as to recent developments within the electronic platforms and devices.

Research suggests that if we want to improve the life chances of all children, that parents, carers and schools must work in partnership and be involved within their child's school experience. We look forward to the line of communication, afforded by this newsletter providing additional information and clarity to support this partnership.

Over the coming weeks, I very much hope that you will provide us with feedback, using the contact method at the bottom of the page.

## Coronation of King Charles III



With the coronation of King Charles III set for Saturday 6th May, many people across the country and indeed, globe, will be preparing to celebrate in their own inimitable way from Union Jack bunting and excessive tea-drinking through to a rousing chorus of God Save the King!

During the mid-1990s, the Academy was able to experience its own form of Royal pageantry when His Royal Highness, The Prince Phillip, Duke of Edinburgh, visited the previous iteration of the Academy shortly after it had opened, arriving in style by helicopter on the school playing fields, much to the amazement of the local area, before being taken on a tour of each of the buildings.

The picture taken outside of the Student Reception will no doubt be familiar to many of you who will have trodden these same steps on the way route to attend a Parents Evening appointment or watch Performing Arts event within the main building.

Regardless of what you choose to do with your own bank holiday weekend, it will be hard to miss some of the coverage and media associated with this symbolic ceremony, however we hope you are all able to use this opportunity to relax and enjoy being able to make the most of this additional time.



## Dates for the Diary

### Bank Holidays

There will be the second of three bank holidays during May 2023 as of next Monday.

- **Monday 8th May** for the coronation of King Charles III (that actually takes place on Saturday 6th May).
- **Monday 29th May** for the Spring bank holiday.

### Year 7 Parents Evening

- **Wednesday 10th May (4-7pm)**. Please don't forget to make your appointments via the 'My Child at school' Bromcom log-in, or using the following link: <https://www.mychildatschool.com/MCAS/MCSParentLogin>.



Given the scope of the internet's use by us all, Ofcom's annual 'Children and Parents: Media Use and Attitudes' report provides a comprehensive picture of how young people used and interacted with the internet over the previous year. It's a fascinating snapshot of what games and apps young people are currently favouring, how long they spend online and how tastes change at certain ages for you to peruse to consider how this compare with your own experience for that of your child. **Please go to Page 2 for more information.**

# What Parents & Carers Need to Know about OFCOM'S 'CHILDREN AND PARENTS: MEDIA USE AND ATTITUDES' REPORT 2023

Each year, Ofcom – Britain's regulatory body for communications – produces an overview of children and parents' media experiences across the previous year. The latest version has just been released, and we've pulled out some of the report's most thought-provoking findings which relate to online safety ...

