




Tudor Grange Academy  
Kingshurst

 **Sixth Form**

# Sixth Sense

## Which Week?

**This Week: Monday 4th March (Week 2)**

*Week After: Monday 11th March (Week 1)*

## INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY

International Women's Day (IWD) is celebrated on 8 March every year.

IWD was celebrated for the first time in 1911 in Austria, Denmark, Germany, and Switzerland. Over a million people marked the day with rallies for women's working rights, calling for an end to gender discrimination.

However, the day wasn't celebrated by the United Nations until 1975; and it wasn't until 1996 that they began to mark an annual theme. IWD began to be about much more than just voting and working rights, with themes like 'Women and Human Rights' and 'World Free of Violence Against Women' reflecting this.

We are now seeing women represented more widely than ever. In the media, we see more women's stories being told - with fewer topics off-limits - and women of all backgrounds challenging gender stereotypes and advocating for change. Kingshurst also marks this day through dedicating its weekly Life Long Learning session for all year groups towards this.

In the workplace, we see women being offered roles men have historically dominated - in law firms; in banks; as scientists and engineers and mathematicians. But there is still work to do.

We know that globally, women are still not paid as much as men. A report from the World Economic Forum in 2021 estimated that it would take over 135 years to close the gender pay gap - in other words, to bring women's pay in line with men's. IWD aims to tackle divides like this by promoting women's visibility - making sure women's efforts and knowledge in the workplace are being seen - but also pushing to make better-paid roles available to women.

## Podcast of the week: More or Less (A Level Mathematics)

More or Less presents a weekly, bitesize (10min) chunk of mathematics that anyone can engage with and covers a range of mathematical questions that are inquisitive and deserve to be answered, such as: Can chocolate be better than salad? What percentage of our brain do we actually use? And Does it take 10,000 litres of water to make a pair of jeans? A small dip into this podcast may prove strangely enlightening!

In this episode, the podcast looks at Basketball. In the NBA, the US professional basketball league, the average player is a shade over 6ft 6 inches tall. So just how much does being very tall increase a man's chances of becoming a professional player?

The link to this episode can be found at: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0hdqgcl>



Don't forget  
Parents'  
Evening!

## Upcoming Key Date

**Sixth Form (Year 12 and Year 13) Parent's Evening: Wednesday 6th March: 4-7pm**



## 'Tgakingshurst' Instagram is Live!

TGAK is delighted to to have made it to Instagram to share our latest news and updates. Please like and share to spread the message!

[www.instagram.com/tgakingshurst/](https://www.instagram.com/tgakingshurst/)



## The February 2025 New York Trip will launch shortly to students in Y8-10 and Year 12.

Priority will be given to those who applied last year and those with good attendance and behaviour. Letters will be released shortly and there will be a tight turn-around for deposits (£150).

Further details will follow over the coming weeks!



## Student Opportunity: West Midlands Police Cadets, Solihull

The West Midlands Police have asked for us to share the opportunity for students aged 13-17 to join the WMP Cadets in Solihull. Police Cadets provide support for the local community whilst engaging with other young people, and will also have the chance to work with West Midlands Police in various capacities. Initiatives might include assisting in weapon sweeps, foot patrols, and being introduced to different departments within the police. In the detailed letter on page 2, Molly Kellow, the Cadet Youth Engagement Officer for Solihull outlines this opportunity in greater detail in addition to contact details.

To provide feedback on the newsletter, please [click here](#).

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Dear parent/guardian,

I am writing to you to present the opportunity for your child to join the WMP Cadets in Solihull.

Our Police Cadets provide support for the local community whilst engaging with other young people, and will also have the chance to work with West Midlands Police in various capacities. Initiatives might include assisting in weapon sweeps, foot patrols, and being introduced to different departments within the police. For example, our cadets in Solihull have had demonstrations delivered to them by the WMP Dog unit, Drones Team, Forensic Department, and more. Annually, the cadets represent the Police in ceremonial events such as Remembrance Day, and other community events such as Pride and Race for Life. First Aid is included within the Cadet curriculum, providing essential life skills to the younger generation, with all aspects of the curriculum amounting to a great feature on the young person's CV.

Alongside a fantastic insight into the role of a police officer, WMP Cadets are given the opportunity to participate in sporting and outdoor activities, including trips to outdoor activity centres. The basis of teambuilding and leadership play a key role in the Cadet Scheme, enabling young people to develop their interpersonal skills at the same time as making new friendships with like-minded people.

The West Midlands Police Cadet Scheme is completely cost-free for all of our members.]

#### Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must be aged 13-17
- Must live within the West Midlands

Please contact [cadets@westmidlands.police.uk](mailto:cadets@westmidlands.police.uk) for more information on the joining process or if you have general queries related to the Cadets.

Yours sincerely,

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# Cadets