

## Upcoming Events



Tuesday, 16th April	Year 11 Geography Drop-Down Day
Wednesday, 17th April	Year 11 Start of MFL Speaking Exams
Thursday, 18th April	Year 11 Wilberforce College Interviews
Wednesday, 24th April	Year 8 Choices Evening
Thursday, 2nd May	Year 11 Start of Summer Exams
Monday, 6th May	Early May Bank Holiday - SCHOOL CLOSED
Friday, 24th May	Last day of HT5

## Useful Links



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| → <a href="#">Our school calendar</a>    | → <a href="#">Our curriculum Google Site</a> | → <a href="#">Our school uniform</a>    |
| → <a href="#">Our after-school clubs</a> | → <a href="#">Our parent website page</a>    | → <a href="#">Our wellbeing support</a> |

## Contacting the School



If you have a query or a specific concern, you can contact the school in a number of ways.

- Call the Main Reception on **01482 342229**
- Contact your child's Pastoral Year Team using their email - [year7pastoral@kelvinhall.net](mailto:year7pastoral@kelvinhall.net), [year8pastoral@kelvinhall.net](mailto:year8pastoral@kelvinhall.net), [year9pastoral@kelvinhall.net](mailto:year9pastoral@kelvinhall.net), [year10pastoral@kelvinhall.net](mailto:year10pastoral@kelvinhall.net), [year11pastoral@kelvinhall.net](mailto:year11pastoral@kelvinhall.net)
- Email a query to [info@kelvinhall.net](mailto:info@kelvinhall.net)

If you have contacted the school and have not been able to speak with the correct person or if you feel that the school has not dealt with your query or concerns properly, you can contact a member of the Senior Leadership Team by emailing [info@kelvinhall.net](mailto:info@kelvinhall.net). This email address is checked every day and any concerns will be passed to Mr Leng, the Head of School, or to the most appropriate member of the Senior Leadership Team.

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# School Notices



## Y11 Geography Drop-Down Day - Tuesday, 16th April

On Tuesday 16th April, Y11 Geography students will be taking part in a drop-down day between periods 1 and 5.

During this time, students will be given the pre-release exam material, which presents a topical UK-based geographical issue. Students will spend the day with the Geography staff reading, highlighting, annotating and understanding the geographical issue that has been presented in the material. The drop-down day is a great opportunity for the Y11 students to be able to question, understand and have discussions around the issue presented and discuss what questions may be asked during the exam.

The content of the pre-release material will then be examined in their Paper 3 exam in June. The questions relating to the pre-release material account for 15% of their overall grade.

It is incredibly important that all Year 11 Geography students attend this session.

## Interview Skills for Students (Years 10 and 11)

Please find below a link to free webinars aimed at students aged 15-17 and will focus on interview skills delivered by In2action.

Their latest webinar ([Be on a 10: Interview Skills](#)) is designed to help students boost that interview with confidence-boosting tips and tricks as well as a chance to practice interview style questions in a fun challenge.

This is available on a number of dates at 4pm, the delivery will be the same during all of them so students only need to attend one.

- 22nd April
- 7th May
- 13th May
- 20th May
- 28th May

If students are interested they will need to use the following link for [Free registration](#).

## Year 11 Leavers Hoodies

The Year 11 hoodies' order date has been extended to Sunday 21st April for delivery to school w/c 13th May! If you haven't already, order yours on the [APC Clothing website!](#)

## Uniform Donation

If you have any old uniform that you will no longer use, please consider donating to our "New to You" uniform rail, which offers free uniforms for families.

Any donations can be given to our Reception staff. Our "New to You" uniform is always available to browse in our Reception area, as well as during our weekly Gab & Grab community pantry every Friday afternoon, 2-3 pm.

## Kelvin Hall Values in the Community

From the students' first day at Kelvin, we drive the values of Hard Work, Respect, and Independence, celebrating this when students display these very important attributes.

It is important for the students and families, the school, and our local community that all students display these values when going to and from the school, and when they are out in the local community.

Students are our representatives in the local community and we have high expectations for them then they leave our school grounds proudly wearing our uniform. Please support us in reminding your child of the values and conduct that good members of the community show. Thank you for this support.

## Gab & Grab! Kelvin Hall's Community Pantry

Gab and Grab, our community pantry partnered with FareShare to prevent food wastage, is held 2 - 3 p.m. every Friday.

Come and have a chat with the Attendance, Pastoral and SEN teams and grab yourself a bag of shopping for the bargain price of £1! New-to-you school uniforms and period products are also available free of charge. Alternatively, just pop along for a bag of shopping.

Items available this week included **potatoes, soap, Aldi plain folded flatbreads, Quaker rolled oats, Quaker oat sachets, non-dairy milk, Pot Noodle, tinned tuna, mushrooms, and a limited amount of meat lasagne.**

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### Kelvin Experiences - Taken to New Heights

Last term, Golden Tickets were given to students so they could enjoy a Birds of Prey session and sample goods from the crepe van. When they returned this half term we had an extra treat for them. Close to 200 students were given the opportunity to scale a 30ft Climbing Wall that had joined us on site for the day.

The students absolutely loved the experience and did not let the Spring showers put them off.

### Y11 - MFL Speaking Tests

GCSE Speaking tests are fast approaching for our Year 11 French and Spanish students. They **start on Wednesday 17th April**. Here are some top tips for them to help with their revision:

- For the chosen presentation topic:
  - chunk your learning and focus on learning one sentence at a time
  - If your teacher has made an audio recording for you, listen to this to perfect your pronunciation
  - Practice saying it aloud to anyone who will listen, or even to yourself!
  - If there's a tricky bit that refuses to stick, take it out! As long as the sentence still makes sense this is fine.
- For the Key Questions:
  - Read over the answers you have prepared and try to remember key verbs and structures to use in each one
  - extend your answers and add further detail with and, but, also, because
  - Make sure your knowledge of tenses is strong. Use your revision flashcards for this.

Remember that **little and often works best** when learning a foreign language. If your child has not started revising for this exam yet, please encourage them to start as there is too much for them to learn if they try to cram it all into the night before.

### Lizzie's Corner

Lizzie is now back from her rest break and working in school on Tuesdays and Thursdays.



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# Extracurricular Celebration



Congratulations to a group of Year 9 students (team name Ultimate Pi-Tential) who have been selected as finalists for the PA Raspberry Pi competition, taking place on Wednesday 1st May 2024 at Google London!

The judges have confirmed our team is the winner of the Inspiration Award for their age category! This special award is for the team that has shown outstanding endeavour, team-working and enthusiasm on their project.

On the day students will:

- exhibit their invention and present their ideas to the senior judging panel
- participate in the inclusion and diversity challenge
- take part in the speed networking session with business leaders from across the UK and
- join the awards ceremony and receive their finalist trophy

**Well done and good luck to:**

**Mae Dunphy R, Bea F, Kira I, Sam S, Oliwier S, Jaykub S and Mr Mowle!**

# Staying Safeguarding Savvy



This week, we would like to share the attached resource on what parents can do to manage exam-related stress.

This cheat sheet collates a variety of tips, such as:

- Clearing the clutter
- Positive mindset
- Using visual aids and mnemonics

You can access this resource in full [here](#).

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# CONGRATULATIONS

## V&A Innovate Challenge Awards Day 19 March 2024, Victoria & Albert Museum, South Kensington

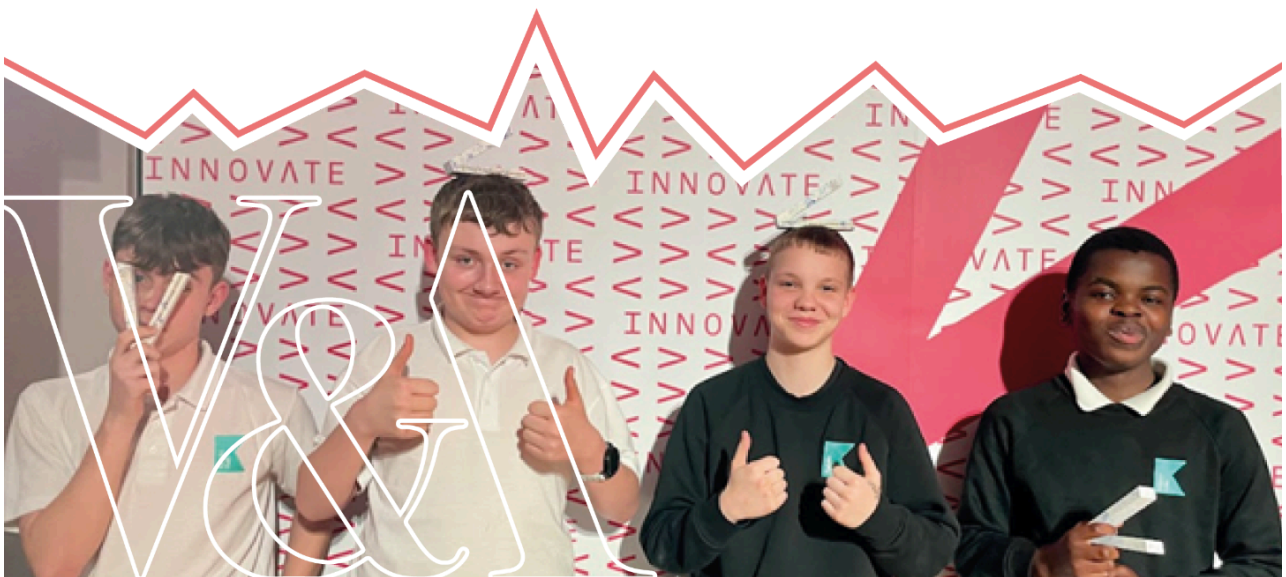
On Tuesday 19th March The V&A in London hosted their 2023-24 Innovate National Schools Challenge Pitching and Awards Day. Kelvin Hall's year 9 team (Jack G, Charlie S, Chloe S and Vutechi O) was shortlisted out of 226 UK teams that entered the competition, we were one of only two Northern teams to be shortlisted!

On the day, we took part in creative workshops with artists and designers and saw the students' work on display. Our team prepared and stood up in front of a full auditorium to showcase their design ideas to a panel of well-known industry judges. The judges consisted of Jay Blades - BBC presenter of The Repair Shop, Victoria Jenkins - Fashion Designer of Unhidden Clothing and Camille Walala - Mural Artist.

The students spoke with confidence and explained a thought-provoking idea outlining an accessible sports hub that incorporates digital tech tools to make playtime more accessible for all students. When we asked if the judges had any questions, Jay Blades himself responded with "Not a question just a statement from me on this; you should be in power, you're doing stuff that that the people in charge should be doing for us, so hats off to you, thank you."

Upon much deliberation, the judges decided that Kelvin Hall was the winner of our category! This was a momentous accomplishment and all received a trophy, photographs with the judges, and a well-earned Five Guys meal before the long journey back home to Hull. ●

We were the last pitch of the day and had some really tough competition. →



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# Upcoming Year 11 Revision



There are **2 weeks** until the start of exam season

15/04/24	Students can attend these revision sessions				
	Subject	Topic Focus	Staff	Time	Location
<b>Tuesday</b>	English Literature	An Inspector Calls film screening to boost knowledge	Ms. Moore	Lunch - 12:15	1-17
	Biology (Higher/Foundation)	Biology Paper 2	Mr Bristow	15:15	G-27
	Biology (Separate)	Paper 1 - Health and Disease	Miss Sansam	15:15	1-44
	Physics (Separate)	Paper 1 Topics identified by you	Ms Dawes	15:15	1-39
	Physics (Foundaton)	Paper 1 - radioactivity	Mr McIntosh	15:15	1-50
	Chemistry (Foundation)	Paper 1	Mr Ounsworth	15:15	G-25
	French (Foundation)	Speaking test preparation	Mrs Russell	15:15	2-30
	Spanish (Foundation)	Speaking test preparation	Mr Horta	15:15	2-26
	French (Higher)	Speaking test preparation	Mr Longwa	15:15	2-31
	Spanish (Higher)	Speaking test preparation	Miss Marshall	15:15	2-29
<b>Wednesday</b>	English Literature	An Inspector Calls film screening to boost knowledge	Ms. Moore	Lunch - 12:15	1-19
	Geography	Urban Issues	Mr Griffiths	15:15	G-10
	History	Elizabeth I	Miss Newton	15:15	G-20
	English Literature	A Christmas Carol	Ms Moore	15:15	2-08 then 1-19
	English Literature	Macbeth	Miss Baxter	15:15	2-08 then 1-24
	English Literature	An Inspector Calls	Miss Wood	15:15	2-08 then 2-08
	English Literature	Power & Conflict Poetry	Miss Abedin	15:15	2-08 then 1-17
	English Literature	Unseen Poetry	Mrs Vickerman	15:15	2-08 then 2-28
	English Language	Paper 2 Writing	Ms Mills	15:15	2-08 then 2-17
<b>Thursday</b>	English Literature	An Inspector Calls film screening to boost knowledge	Ms Moore	Lunch - 12:15	1-19
	Maths (Higher)	Practice Paper (Calculator)	Mr Hawksley Mrs Andrews	15:15	1-23
	Maths (Foundation)	Practice Paper (Calculator)	Mr Ferguson Mr Acey	15:15	1-18
	Creative iMedia	Coursework completion	Mr Comins Mr Mowle	15:15	2-24 2-25
	Enterprise & Marketing	Exam Revision	Mrs Bowden	15:15	2.01
	Computer Science	Exam Revision	Ms Dearing	15:15	G-03a
	Digital Information Technology	Exam Revision	Ms Dearing	15:15	G-03a
	Sport Science	Exam Revision	Mr Blaza Mr Grant	15:15	AC
<b>Friday</b>	Chemistry (Separate)	Qualitative chemistry	Dr Ita	15:15	G-29

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