




Tudor Grange Academy
Kingshurst

 Sixth Form

Sixth Sense

Which Week?

This Week: 13th Sept Week 2

Next week: 20th Sept Week 1

Remembering 9/11

It seems incredible that it has been twenty years since the terrorist attacks that resulted in the 2977 people losing their lives, 67 of them British. Like many, I remember the day vividly and recall being at the Academy when the news came through. The significance of the event led to someone coming in to a PE lesson I was teaching in the gym and attempting to explain the magnitude of what had occurred. The nature of large, flat screen televisions was still some way away at this point, but I do recall many crowding around a small television that was based in the Information Centre (library) that was based where the Sixth Form Common Room currently is and watching the footage being played over and over again and news-outlets attempted desperately to make sense of what was happening. It was a sobering moment and one that will continue to stay with me regardless of the years we continue to move away from this point.

Twenty years down the line, much has changed. All of you have entered the world, progressed through your lives and education. The area and Academy have continued to evolve and we now find ourselves (hopefully) coming out of the other side of another incredible phase of our lives in navigating the pandemic. The timeless principle of demonstrating resilience and aspiration in order to enable you to continue to move forward, regardless of the challenge that stands in the way is something that we must all hold on to.

Welcome one and all

In addition to both welcoming our new Yr12 students to Sixth Form and welcoming back our Yr13 students to their final year, I would also like to welcome our three new members of the Sixth Form Team. Both Mr Curran and Miss Foster join us as Associate Heads of Year 13 and 12 respectively, and many of you have already been contacting directly with any questions that you have had, and in addition,

Mrs Bull join us as our new Learning Mentor this year. Please find each of their email addresses below should you have a need to contact them moving forwards for support:

Mr Curran: ccurran@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk

Miss Foster: jfoster@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk

Mrs Bull: jbull@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk

The best UK universities

For those Year 13 students considering going on to university next year, the recently released 'best UK universities' list provides an eloquent way of ranking them all subject-by-subject, as well as by student satisfaction, staff numbers, spending and career prospects and may be a useful tool when considering where it is that you would like to be.

The list has been compiled by the Guardian and can be accessed via the following link without a paywall of any kind.

<https://www.theguardian.com/education/ng-interactive/2021/sep/11/the-best-uk-universities-2022-rankings>

For our new Year 12 students with aspirations of studying at university, why not start your process of having a look?

signing out



It is essential that you are all aware of the imperative need for you all to sign out if you leave site prior to 3.05pm. In order to ensure your health and safety is managed, **we require ALL students to sign out with Safina and Jade in the Sixth Form Office in D Block** as and when you leave. **If it is prior to 1.20pm, we will not be able to sign you out.** If you do leave site after 1.20pm and plan on returning (for football training for example), we would then require you to sign back in, again at the Sixth Form office.

For any information or feedback, please email John Bowers at jbowers@kingshurst.tgacademy.org.uk