

November 2023

Dear Parent/Carer,

Music Update – Term 2

It has been a very busy start to the year with the success of our school production, Everybody's Talking About Jamie. Thank you to all of the cast, crew, supporters and those who came to watch the show.

There are now many more things to look forward to and get involved with, which you can see below.

The link below is for our Music Department Soundcloud account so that we can share some of the amazing work that our students have been working on.

<https://soundcloud.com/kingshill-school>

Here you can hear our Year 8 raps. Over the course of this last term, they have been creating their own lyrics and then recording them using our new recording studio. This has been an amazing experience for them all and I have been really proud of how they have taken to it. I look forward to showing them more of how the studio works so that they can incorporate it into their learning.

You can also hear our Year 9 LoFi pieces. These were all created using Bandlab, the Music Technology software they have been learning to use. There has been some outstanding music created here, so please enjoy their creations.

If you would like to take up an instrument in the new term, then simply fill out your details on the link below and one of our amazing instrumental teachers will be in touch.

<https://bit.ly/kingshillmusiclessons>

We have our Christmas Concert happening this coming term on the Monday 11th December 2023 at St John the Baptists in Cirencester. All students wanting to be involved, should send a 1-minute audition tape of them performing to Mr Ashby at aashby@cirencesterkingshill.gloucs.sch.uk

This should be done by the end of Monday the 20th of November. Successful auditions will then be announced via the school bulletin.

We are also launching "Feel Good Friday's" where we will be having students performing during lunch times. This will start on Friday 17th November 2023 and then continue every Friday thereafter. If your son/daughter would like to be involved with this, then they can get in touch with Mr Ashby or Olivia Power (11B). You can play 1 song, or if you have a whole set to play, that works as well. You can do this solo, or in groups. This would be particularly good for anyone wanting to perform in the Christmas Concert, or our GCSE students who are currently working towards their official performances.

Thank you very much for your continued support.

Mr A Ashby
Head of Music