



Kantor King Solomon High School

2019 - 2020

Admissions Booklet

Kantor King Solomon High School

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Thank you for taking the time to read this important booklet, please note all key information, particularly term dates, the school day and our uniform. We hope it will give you all the information that you need ahead of your child starting at Kantor King Solomon High School in September 2019.

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Ethos & Vision

Upon three things the world stands:

On Torah – A love of learning.

On Avodah – Spiritual and ethical development.

On Gemilut Chassadim – Acts of lovingkindness.

Pirkei Avot 1:2

We are a Jewish community school who warmly welcome those of other faiths and cultures.

We strive to:

Create the 'Educated Mensch' (Yiddish for a thoroughly good person).

Inspire our students to understand and appreciate faith and the empowering role it has in society.

Nurture young people who want to make a better world.

Motivate young people to take the next step in their faith journey.

Key Members of Staff

Hannele Reece	Headteacher (Prevent and Child Protection)
Martin Redfern	Acting Deputy Headteacher
Chris Martin	Assistant Headteacher
Maloy Mukherjee	Senior Teacher (Head of 6 th Form)
Mel Shutz	Senior Teacher (Jewish Ethos & Head of Jewish Studies))
Honorio Villa	Senior Teacher (Quality Assurance)
Ana Rodriguez	Senior Teacher (CPL)
Naomi Carmel-Brown	Senior Teacher (Child Protection & Transition)
Mike Jepson	Head of Art
Craig Cunningham	Head of Business Technology
Peter Lawler	Head of English
Monica Martin-Paz	Head of Maths
Saema Adam	Head of Modern Languages
Alexis Williams	Head of Performing Arts
Clare Baker	Head of Science
Richard Fernandes	Head of Humanities

School Timetable

8:30 – 8:45 am	AM Registration
8:45 – 9:50 am	Period 1
9:50 – 10:55 am	Period 2
10:55 – 11:10 am	Break
11:10 – 12:15 pm	Period 3
12:15 – 13:20 pm	Period 4
13:20 – 14:00 pm	Lunch
14:00 – 15:05 pm	Period 5
15:05 – 15:15 pm	PM Registration

Winter Fridays

**School ends at 13:20 on Fridays
from 12th October 2018 - 15th March 2019**

8:30 – 8:40 am	AM Registration
8:40 – 9:30 am	Period 1
9:30 – 10:20 am	Period 2
10:20 – 11:10 am	Period 3
11:10 – 11:30 pm	Break
11:30 – 12:20 pm	Period 4
12:20 – 13:10 pm	Period 5
13:10 – 13:20 pm	PM Registration

Term Dates 2019 - 2020

AUTUMN TERM 2019

Tuesday 3rd September – Friday 20th December

School ends at 13:20 on Fridays from 6th October 2018 – 20th March 2019

Staff INSET Day: Tuesday 3rd September

First day of term: Wednesday 4th September Year 7 & Year 12 only

Thursday 5th September: Whole school begins

Closed for Rosh Hashanah: Monday 30th September & Tuesday 1st October

Closed for Yom Kippur: Wednesday 9th October

Closed for Succot: Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th October

Closed for Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah: Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd October

Half Term: Monday 21st October to Friday 25th October (including Shemini Atzeret & Simchat Torah)

Staff INSET Day: Monday 25th November

Last day of term: Friday 20th December

SPRING TERM 2020

Monday 6th January – Friday 3rd April

First day of term: Monday 6th January

Half Term: Monday 17th February – Friday 21st February

Last day of term: Friday 3rd April

SUMMER TERM 2020

Monday 20th April - Wednesday 22nd July

First day of term: Monday 20th April

Half Term: Monday 25th May – Friday 29th May (including Shavuot)

Last day of term: Wednesday 22nd July

School Information

All students should be in school by 8.15am in the morning ready for a prompt start at 8.30am.

Kippah – The kippah (plural kippot) is the Hebrew word for the skull cap, which is a key item of school uniform, for our male students. Wearing a kippah is a constant reminder that there is always someone above us, seeing, watching and guiding our path through life and our daily activities. It is a symbol of respect and faith and an integral part of our identity as a Jewish school.

Pastoral System – The school is organised in Year Groups and each Year Group is divided into Tutor Groups. The Tutor is the key person in the system. If you have any problems or difficulties, please speak to the Tutor or, if he/she is not available, to the Head of Year.

Attendance and Punctuality – Parents and teachers will work together to make sure all students have good attendance at school to enable them to learn well. Parents will be contacted if their child is absent without explanation. Medical and dental appointments should be made after 3.30 p.m. or during school holidays wherever possible. Students should:-

1. Attend school every day
2. Be on time
3. Bring in a note to explain absence.

Lunch Time – Students may have a School lunch or bring a packed lunch. The school operates a cashless catering system, removing the need for students to bring money to school to purchase their lunch. Parents are asked to ensure their child's account is sufficiently topped up at all times. If your child opts for a packed lunch it will need to be prepared in accordance with the Jewish dietary laws, Kashrut. These are a fundamental principle of the Jewish faith and at the heart of our Ethos as a Jewish school, details can be found on our website.

Lockers – We have lockers on site for the use of the students. The lockers are owned by Independent Locker Solutions (ILS) and can be rented at a cost of £38 per year (September – July). All bookings terminate at the end of the school year in July. Lockers are subject to availability, bookings will be open from 1st June. To book a locker please go to the ILS website www.ilsschools.co.uk.

Personal Property – The school will not accept responsibility if any article of personal property is lost or stolen. Do not bring large sums of money or jewellery to school. Everything brought to school should be named. This will enable you to claim lost property. If anything is lost go immediately to Student Reception.

Sickness – Should your child feel ill in school, they need to ask the teacher to give them a note and report to Student Reception. If they need to leave the school site during the day because they are ill or have to go to the dentist or hospital, they must go to Student Reception in order to sign out. They will not be allowed to leave school unless they bring in a note signed by the parent/carer.

Detentions – Detentions are held after 3:15pm for a number of reasons, such as for students who fail to work in class or arrive late to school for registration.

Mobile Phones – If a student's mobile phone is confiscated three times, then the phone will need to be collected by parents.

Parent/Guardians' Responsibilities – *Informing the school of your child's absence.*

Please can we ask all parents/carers to telephone the school absence line on the first day of your child's absence from school. You will need to provide your child's name, tutor group (e.g. 7.A) and the reason for the absence. If the absence continues for more than one day, you should call the school each morning for the duration of your child's absence until they return to school.

Attendance Policy/Best Practice: Please try not make doctor or dentist appointments in school time. Only take holidays outside term time if possible. Should you have to take your child out of school please send a letter or email to the school at least one month before the planned absence. In your communication, please state the reason and duration of the absence. Any absences without the approval from the school will be recorded as an unauthorised absence in line with the borough's attendance policy.

Parents' Evenings – During the academic year parents are invited to talk to their child's tutor regarding general progress. There is a parents' evening for each year and details are in the school calendar.

Change of address/contact details: Please inform the school by letter or telephone of any changes to your contact telephone numbers (home, work or mobile) or your address. This enables us to contact you easily should your child fall ill or in case of any emergency.

Items not permitted – Fizzy drinks and sweets are not allowed.

Basic Equipment – Students will be expected to have correct equipment in all lessons. A pencil case should contain the following items:

Pencils, Sharpener, Pens, Coloured Pencils, Glue Sticks, Scissors, Ruler, Rubber, Mathematics Set, Scientific Calculator, Small English Dictionary and an Exercise Book/Jotter.

Extra-Curricular Activities

During the time your child is at Kantor King Solomon High School they will be given the opportunity to take part in many outside school activities. We offer clubs at lunchtime and after school, sporting fixtures and day educational visits. The Physical Education Department offer their facilities at lunchtime for a variety of activities and team practices are frequently held in the lunch hour.

A large number of students take part in our programme of music and drama activities and we organise a series of concerts, productions and arts events throughout the year. Visits to plays, concerts and art galleries are arranged.

As the students' progress through the school, some departments will organise field study trips to areas of particular interest. All these activities and others are supervised by members of staff and they are part of the comprehensive philosophy of the school. Many require a voluntary financial contribution, but our aim is that no child will be prevented from taking part in a school trip in term time due to financial constraints.

Heads of Departments

Very often parents need to contact the school with a concern about their child's progress in a particular subject or lesson. These concerns are best addressed directly to the subject teacher or to that teacher's Head of Department. The list at the front of this booklet should help parents to make quick and direct contact with the relevant member of staff.

School Uniform

We are proud of our school uniform because it identifies each student as a member of our school community. Therefore, we must show our community at its best at all times.

The wearing of the correct and complete uniform is a most important part of school discipline. All students must be in full uniform before entering the school premises.

Please note that:

It is compulsory that students wear full school uniform:

- During specified school outings
- When representing the school
- During school and state examinations
- The onus is on parents and students alike to ensure that the **correct and complete uniform is worn at all times.**

School Uniform Providers

Lucilla Limited

177-191 Cranbrook Road
Ilford
Essex
IG1 4TA

Tel: 0208 554 5133

Carolina's

708 Chigwell Road
Woodford Bridge
Essex
IG8 8AL

Tel: 020 8504 6420

Unistat

153 High Street
Barkingside
Essex
IG6 2AJ

Tel: 020 8550 2119

1. Make-up including false eyelashes, nail varnish and fake nails are **not** permitted.
2. Religious headwear should be plain in black or blue.
3. Hair bands must be plain black.
4. Extreme hair styles or hair colour or those associated with any kind of anti-social activities or groups are not permitted. These change from time to time. The patterned shaving of hair or eyebrows is forbidden.
5. It is not permitted for any student to wear any form of cap or hat in the school building apart from a kippah. A plain black woollen hat can be worn to and from school and at break / lunchtimes when the weather is cold.
6. Hooded sports tops or 'hoodies' are not permitted.
7. Trainers, canvas shoes, plimsolls or patterned shoes must not be worn.
8. Jeans or tight fit trousers are not permitted.
9. Coats and jackets must be plain, dark in colour and must not be worn in the school building.

Students must wear school uniform at all times. The school embroidered blazer, tie and pullover can only be purchased from the school outfitters. All other items of uniform may be purchased elsewhere.

Boys Uniform

- Navy blue blazer with badge
- Shirt – tucked in.
- School tie
- Grey trousers
- Standard black leather school shoes (not trainers)
- Lanyard
- School sweatshirts are only available from our school outfitters - no other sweatshirt/pullover is allowed
- Kippah - blue suede kippot are available from school at a cost of £3.00.
- No earrings or piercings allowed
- No other jewellery rings or bracelets
- No extreme haircuts
- No Smart Watches

Boys Sports Equipment

- Navy Blue PE shirt
- Navy Blue shorts
- Trainers
- Football boots/jogging suits; when required by PE Dept.
- School rugby shirt (to be worn in winter)

Girls Uniform

- Navy blue blazer with badge
- White blouse – tucked in
- Grey kilt (**Knee Length only**)
- Black\Natural Tights or short white socks (no knee length socks)
- Standard black leather school shoes (not trainers). No high heels or boots
- Lanyard
- School sweatshirts/cardigans are only available from our school outfitters - no other sweatshirt or pullover is allowed.
- Piercings- only one stud earring in ear lobes is allowed. No other piercings allowed.
- Makeup – only natural foundation is allowed. No blusher, eyeliner, mascara, lipstick/gloss
- Nails- only clear nail varnish is allowed no colour acrylic/shellac nails, no extremely long pointed nails.
- Hair- No extreme coloured hair eg pink/green/blue, etc. allowed, no bows or bandana's allowed.
- Headscarf - black or blue
- No Smart Watches

Girls Sports Equipment

- Navy Blue PE shirt
- Navy Blue Shorts
- Navy Jogging bottom
- Trainers

Homework

The completion of homework is an essential part of students' learning at Kantor King Solomon High School. Homework provides the possibility for further study of the work completed in class and is a means of exploring the different aspects of the curriculum in the student's own time at his or her own pace and at a level appropriate to their ability.

Teachers agree to:

Set, assess and record homework tasks regularly;
Ensure that they record details of homework on Show my Homework;
Set tasks that match the ability of our students which we are confident they can complete on their own;
Assess homework in line with Assessment for Learning criteria;
Contact families where difficulties arise in the regular completion of homework.

We ask each student to:

Complete their homework to the best of their ability and hand it in on time;
Seek help if they encounter problems and are unable to complete the homework set.

We ask each family to:

Contact the school if their child is having difficulty completing homework;
We hope that all parents will show an interest in homework and encourage children to complete it.

Equal Opportunities

Kantor King Solomon High School is proud of its diversity and is committed to a policy of equal opportunities for everyone in all areas of school life including the social, academic and extra-curricular. We will not tolerate behaviour and practices that discriminate on the grounds of race, ethnic origin, gender, class, religion, age, sexual orientation, ability or disability and language.

Finally

If there is anything you are unsure about please do not hesitate to contact the school and ask. We know that moving to secondary school is a new and exciting experience but it can sometimes be a little daunting. We will always do our best to make sure students and parents are well informed and supported throughout the move from primary to secondary school and beyond.