

# Nexus News

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Welcome back to School and happy new year. This week our featured class is Kingfisher.

I'm sure many parents will be pleased to know that the school hydrotherapy pool is now back open and in use. Although the pool is not back to being used within a full timetable it should be by the end of the month once staff have received up to date training.

The School gates will be in operation from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January and will be open from 8.30am in the morning and 14.45 in the afternoon. The gates will provide additional site security, safety and hopefully reduce the waiting times for students on transport.

We will be holding our annual Transition Planning Evening on Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> February. This event will be open to parents/carers and students in Yr8 and above. There are already a number of Colleges confirmed to attend this event and we will send out further information in due course.

The Post 16 enterprise café will be reopening this Friday from 14.15-15.15 pm. It will take place every Friday afternoon and will be selling bread rolls and biscuits.

I have been informed of an event on 18<sup>th</sup> January for SEN Children and Young Adults being held at Tonbridge Castle.

[www.bravoproductions.co.uk/castlecabaret](http://www.bravoproductions.co.uk/castlecabaret)

The group is called 'This is Us' and a parent made contact with them after watching a performance at the Dance Competition that Nexus take part in every year.

Planned gas works in Tonbridge;

- **On 20 January 2020 until 13 May 2020** (approximately 16 weeks), we will be carrying out work from outside of house 64 on Goldsmid Road to the junction of Pembury Road.
- We will need to **implement multi-way signals to manage the traffic flow** along the road. Traffic lights will be manually operated during peak times. This will be monitored and if it becomes necessary, these may be manually operated during the day.
- During this time, we will also need to carry out work on Royal Avenue, adjacent to house 27 to the junction with Goldsmid Road. When this is being completed, we will use three-way temporary traffic lights to control traffic coming into and out of Goldsmid Road.
- Motorists will still be able to access their properties and pedestrian access will be maintained during the work.

Kind Regards,

Scott Jarred – Headteacher

## Kingfisher Class

As the New Year has arrived it is a perfect time to reflect on all the fun, experiences and progress that the children have had and made so far in Kingfisher Class.

The children have enjoyed developing the outside learning area with the generous help of the parents and enjoying the new learning experiences that they are gaining from this.

Kingfisher class especially enjoyed making sandwiches, cakes and biscuits. They have been learning to independently choose their fillings, spread them and especially enjoy eating them and trying new foods. They have also been learning to choose their flavours and measure the ingredients following instructions and are well on their way to becoming MasterChef's!



The children have enjoyed our theme of 'Light and Dark' and have created some amazing artwork based on firework night and the 'Owl Babies' story. The children are becoming keen readers and have been visiting other classes for peer reading where they are gaining confidence and enjoyment in reading.



**A SENsational Family Workshop at Tonbridge Castle by**  
**This Is Us Dance**  
**Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2020**



**‘This Is Us’ gives everyone access to the arts and allows them to express themselves. In doing this, everyone is able to be seen, heard and belong.’**

This Is Us are an inclusive youth dance company based in Tunbridge Wells. We provide sessions for disabled and non-disabled dancers to explore, play and perform in a variety of ways. Our classes allow all those attending to grow in confidence and independence - coming to this session will brighten up any rainy January day!

Come and get creative with us in the Castle Chamber Room with our Family Fun workshop and celebrate what it is to be yourself. Our sensory based dance sessions are open to anyone who loves movement, music and having fun. Bring the whole family!

Family Fun for those with children aged 5-12years old (9.30-10.30am)

Family Fun for those with teens/adults (13+) (11:00am - 12:00pm)

To book your tickets [www.bravoproductions.co.uk/castlecabaret](http://www.bravoproductions.co.uk/castlecabaret)

Find out more about This Is Us on [www.thisisusdance.co.uk](http://www.thisisusdance.co.uk)



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