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New Student Orientation

**Lisa Loeb, Head of the Upper School
Kata Baker, Dean of Students
Carolyn McKee, Director of Academic Planning**



Welcome to KO!

Mrs. Lisa Loeb

Kingswood Oxford inspires students to excel and lead lives of integrity and involvement by nourishing their talents in a community of teachers, friends and families.





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You're a Wyvern now!

Mrs. Kata Baker

OVERVIEW

- *Advising*
- *Student Support & Wellness*
- *Clubs & Leadership*



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Ms. Carolyn McKee OVERVIEW

- *Academic Planning*
- *Placement*
- *Course Registration*
- *Next steps ...
July and August*



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A Day in the Life of a Wyvern

Trish Watson, Form 3 Dean

Alexa Tzanova, Form 4 Dean

Matt Waldman, Form 5 Dean

Lindsay Perkins, US Administrative Coordinator

Josh Balabuch, Director of Athletics

Kyle Reynolds, Director of Theater and Dance



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Our Core Values

Demonstrate honesty, integrity and respect

Learn with passion and perseverance

Embrace intellectual curiosity

Care beyond self

Take personal responsibility

Work hard, take risks, become involved





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Advising at KO

Your primary/first contact with school

Oversee academic and affective life of your child & partners with you in support of your child

Communication

November & April Midsemester Conferences (led by student)

By email, phone as needed

At drop off line, on the sidelines of games

Thoughtful & Intentional Placement

Form deans will speak more about this later this morning





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Student Support & Wellness

The Wellness Team

Director of Wellness & Form 4-6 Learning Specialist, Form 3 Learning Specialist, Upper School Mental Health Counselor & School Nurse

Available to all students and families

Teach Form 3 Wyvern Wellness Course (more on this later)



The Diversity, Equity, Inclusion & Belonging (DEIB) Team

5 Faculty/Staff members who have worked together past 2 years and will work with new Director of DEIB beginning next year

Available to all students and families.

Hold office hours for students, lead affinity groups, develop programming, support admin & faculty





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The Daily Schedule

Campus Hours & Attendance

*8 Rotating Periods
(Typical "Load" is 6
classes, 2 "Free" or
Study Hall Periods)*

*Short
Wednesdays/Late Start
Thursdays*

*Breaks (Advising,
Community Time, 15
min PM breaks)*

MONDAY Regular Day	TUESDAY Regular Day	WEDNESDAY Short Day	THURSDAY Late Open Day	FRIDAY Regular Day
1st Class 8:00 - 9:15	1st Class 8:00 - 9:15	1st Class 8:00 - 8:50	1st Class 9:00 - 10:00	1st Class 8:00 - 9:15
Advising 9:15 - 9:35	Advising 9:15 - 9:35	Advising 8:50 - 9:10	Advising 10:00 - 10:10	Advising 9:15 - 9:35
2nd Class 9:35 - 10:50	2nd Class 9:35 - 10:50	2nd Class 9:10 - 10:00	Community 10:10 - 10:45	2nd Class 9:35 - 10:50
Community 10:50 - 11:30	Community 10:50 - 11:30	5th Class 10:00 - 10:50	2nd Class 10:45 - 11:45	Community 10:50 - 11:30
3rd Class 11:30 - 12:30	3rd Class 11:30 - 12:30	Break 10:50 - 11:00	3rd Class 11:45 - 12:45	3rd Class 11:30 - 12:30
Lunch 12:30 - 1:00	Lunch 12:30 - 1:00	3rd Class 11:00 - 11:50	Lunch 12:45 - 1:15	Lunch 12:30 - 1:00
3rd Class 12:00 - 1:00	3rd Class 12:00 - 1:00	4th Class 11:50 - 12:40	3rd Class 12:15 - 1:15	3rd Class 12:00 - 1:00
4th Class 1:00 - 2:00	4th Class 1:00 - 2:00	Lunch 12:40 - 1:10	4th Class 1:15 - 2:15	4th Class 1:00 - 2:00
Break 2:00 - 2:15	Break 2:00 - 2:15	Co-Curricular Activities or Competitions	5th Class 2:15 - 3:15	Break 2:00 - 2:15
5th Class 2:15 - 3:15	5th Class 2:15 - 3:15		Break 3:15 - 3:30	5th Class 2:15 - 3:15
Break 3:15 - 3:30	Break 3:15 - 3:30		Co-Curricular Activities	Break 3:15 - 3:30
Co-Curricular Activities	Co-Curricular Activities		Co-Curricular Activities	Co-Curricular Activities
3:30 - 5:30	3:30 - 5:30		3:30 - 5:30	3:30 - 5:30



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Community Time Programs

Monday & Tuesday Club Programs (Opt in)

Lead by trained student leaders and their faculty advisors

Meet weekly of every other week

Thursday Wyvern Skills Courses (Mandatory)

Form 3 Wyvern Wellness

Form 4 Lead & Learn

(Form 5 College Counseling)

Form 6 Seminar Series

Friday Leadership Programs (Mix of Opt in/Mandatory)

Leadership Trainings (Club Leaders, Sports Captains, Prefect & Senior Advisor, Power of Woman "Buddies")

Leadership Council Programming

Student Government & Upper School Advisory Council Meetings

Service Learning Programs (60 Hour Graduation Requirement)





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Co-Curricular Program

*Integral extension to the academic day
Supports student health and wellness, sense of belonging and
school spirit!*

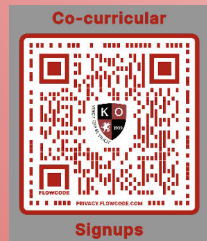
Graduation Requirements

Form 3: At least 2 teams, one must be fall season

Form 4: At least 2 teams

Form 5-6: At least 1 team

QR Code to sign up & form available later this morning



Team Options					
Fall Season	<i>select one</i>	Winter Season	<i>select one</i>	Spring Season	<i>select one</i>
Boys		Boys		Boys	
Football		Basketball		Baseball	
Soccer		Ice Hockey		Golf	
Girls		Squash		Lacrosse	
Field Hockey		Girls		Tennis	
Soccer		Basketball		Girls	
Volleyball		Squash		Golf	
Co-ed		Co-ed		Lacrosse	
Choreographer Showcase		Math Team		Softball	
Cross Country		Swimming & Diving		Tennis	
Esports		Winter Musical		Co-ed	
Fall Play				Engineering & Design Team	
				Track & Field	
Activity Options					
Independent Proposal		Independent Proposal		Independent Proposal	
Intramural Pickleball		Intramural Basketball		Intramural Ultimate Frisbee	
Recovery Season		Recovery Season		Recovery Season	
Strength & Performance		Strength & Performance		Strength & Performance	
Theater Tech		Studio Art Impact Lab		Wyverns Helping Wyverns	
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Time with your student's Form Dean!

Topics you might discuss:

*How students are placed with
advisors*

Transportation (Busing, Parking)

Dress Code

Summer communication plan

Form 3 Trip Details

Orientation Day Details



*Mrs. Tricia Watson
Form 3 Dean*



*Dr. Alexa Tzanova
Form 4 Dean*



*Mr. Matt Waldman
Form 5 Dean*



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Summer Communication

Already (Please check your email!)

- *Email with instructions for how to log in to Blackbaud's parent portal.*

Mid June

- *Email announcing "roll-over" of Blackbaud to new academic year. Please log in to see required summer forms.*
- *Form 3 Families can expect a letter from Mrs. Watson about our Form 3 overnight trip occurring on Sept 4-6th*

Early July

- *Large email containing: 2024-2025 Key Dates, Student Gmail access, Information about all required health, athletic and school forms, Transportation Information, "New Student Guide to Upper School", Preseason Calendar & Summer Reading & Math Packet Work*

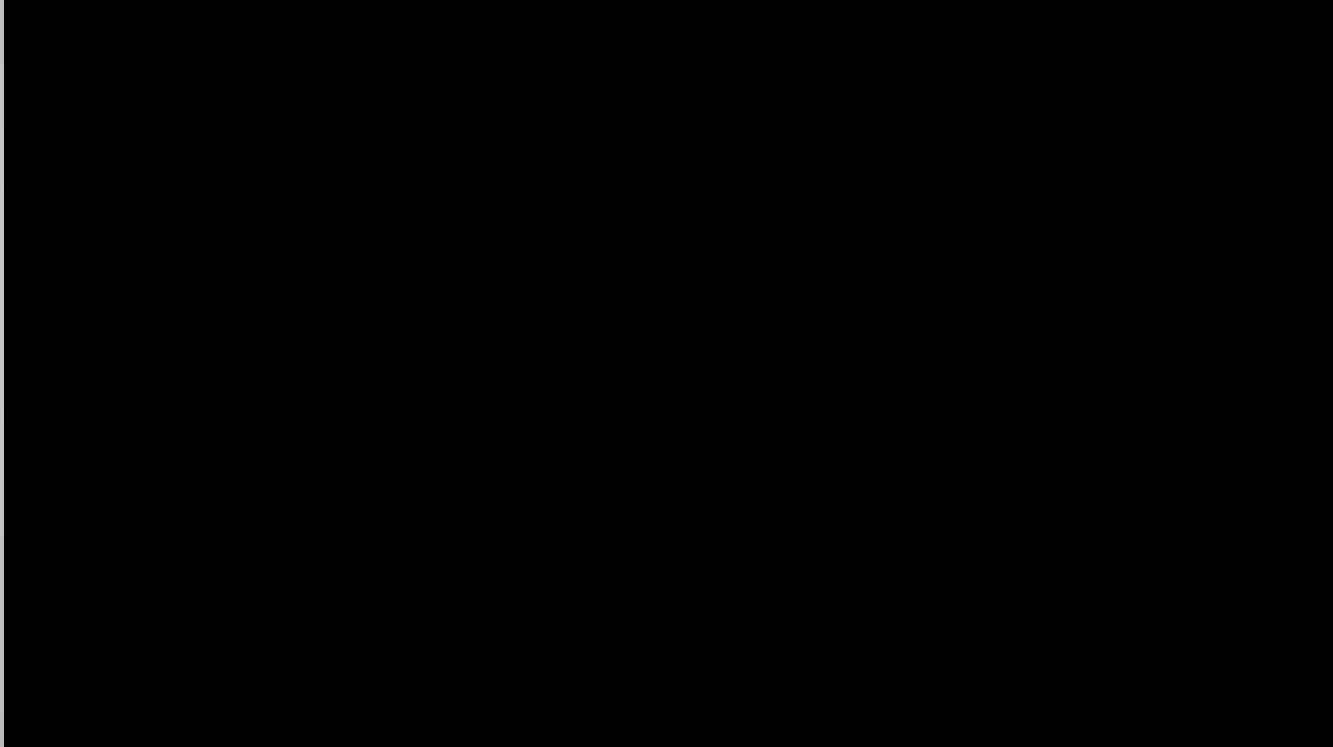
Early August

- *Large email containing: Welcome Letter from Mrs. Loeb & Ms. Baker & Orientation Letters from Form Deans, Directions on how students can access their schedules on Blackbaud*
- *Form 3 Trip Permission slips/deposits due*



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Form 3 Trip: Sept 4-6, 2024





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Please reach out!



The form deans would love to receive an email from each family telling us about their student to help us make thoughtful advising placements.

Please also contact Jackie Rubin, Director of Wellness if you have question about academic or mental health support.

Send emails to:

- Form 3 – Trish Watson (watson.t@kingswoodoxford.org)*
- Form 4 – Alexa Tzanova (tzanova.a@kingswoodoxford.org)*
- Form 5 – Matt Waldman (waldman.m@kingswoodoxford.org)*
- Director of Wellness – Jackie Rubin (rubin.j@kingswoodoxford.org)*



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KO & Company (school store) is open from
11-2 today!



We can't wait for you to join us in Wyvern Nation!