

Bruton Town Forum, 12th May 2026

King's School, Bruton

- New Headmaster, Matt Radley, started in September 2025.
- A strong focus remains on emphasising to our pupils the importance of belonging to, and contributing to the wider community.
- The intention is for this to be through a steady flow of regular events, activities and initiatives, helping to build a sense of involvement with, and contribution to the town and the wider community.
- This list below is not exhaustive, but aims to give an overview of how King's has worked to be positive contributors the town over the course of this school year:
 - Community service on Friday afternoons, undertaken by large numbers of pupils, and including everything from litter-picking, to cutting back overgrown hedgerows, to visiting the elderly in their care homes.
 - King's pupils have enjoyed working with and supporting St Mary's, from decorating it with festive foliage for Christmas, to collecting food for the Brue Larder at Harvest festival.
 - King's CCF and marching band were proud to help lead the town parade on Remembrance Day.
 - King's pupils go and work each week with younger children at Community Kids and Bruton Primary, helping them with areas such as their reading skills.
 - Bruton Primary are using the King's theatre for their Year 6 play.
 - Hungarian Choir are coming to Bruton this summer: King's staff are actively involved in supporting this, with our Director of Music leading a choir which will include Bruton primary pupils joining the Hungarians.
 - Bruton choral society use the King's Music School every Wednesday evening to practice.
 - Residents of Sexey's Hospital have been invited to, and attended King's music concerts this year.
 - Kings and Sexey's school are working hard to develop strong links. Pupils are working together singing in our school choirs and there is also a joint King's/Sexey's rock band, being supported by our Musician-in-Residence.
 - In February King's held its annual community concert, in which over 100 members of the local community, including local care homes, were invited to an afternoon tea and a big band concert.
 - King's held its annual Arts Day for local primary schools, hosting pupils and carrying out a variety of creative activities.
 - The Packhorse Fair is using part of the King's site for parking and storage this summer.
 - King's worked with the Good Company with Bruton Boost this week: including a community dance yesterday, and the Chaplain leading an exam stress workshop.
 - Our choir sang May Madrigals from the top of St Mary's at 8am on 1st May, hopefully providing the town with a beautiful choral start to the month!
 - Two members of staff currently serve as Governors on the East Somerset Schools Federation.

We look forward to continuing to work with and in the community in the year ahead. We are always open to suggestions from members of the local community as to ways in which we can develop and enhance this relationship.