

Kidz Corner

competitions



WIN a giant Easter Egg and a visit to Cineworld for 4 people!

We know our younger readers love chocolate and with Easter just around the corner, we thought it would be fun for you to design your own Easter egg in the space below, to be in with the chance of winning a nice, big Easter Egg along with a trip to Cineworld in Kingswood Parks, where you can treat yourself to even more chocolate!

Don't delay, get your colouring crayons out straight away and show us your artistic side. We know there are plenty of children living in Kingswood Parks who are very talented judging by entries we have received in the past.

Post your entry to the address at the bottom of this page before April 21st to be in with a chance of winning.

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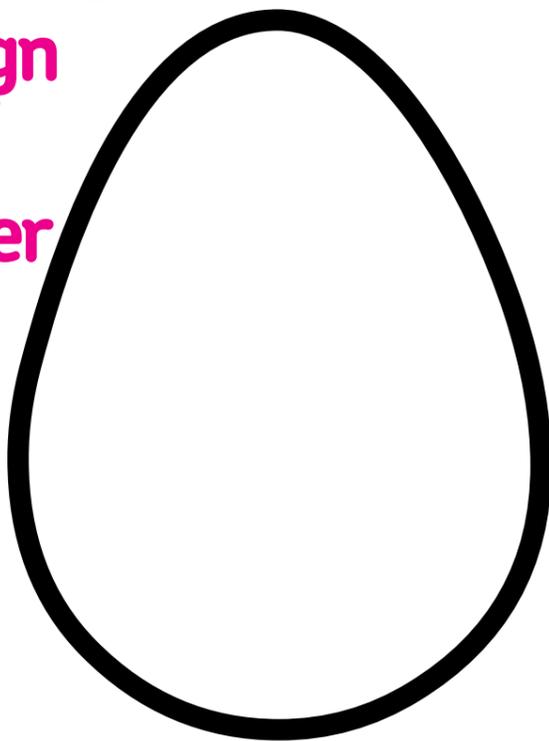
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Parent's email:

What are your plans for celebrating Easter in Kingswood Parks?

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Calling all green fingered kids - Tallest Sunflower Competition

Why not enter the kids' category in the Kingswood Parks In Bloom 2011 competition? We are challenging every youngster under the age of 16 to grow the tallest Sunflower in Kingswood Parks in their front garden this year, so if you're interested please fill out the entry form on page 3 and start planting those seeds! Good luck!

Collect your **FREE sunflower seeds*** at the Persimmon Homes sales office, which is in Runnymede Avenue, but you must show them this copy of the magazine, and have an adult with you, or pester your folks to help you buy some seeds you think may turn out to be taller.



Return all competition entries to: Mercury, Mercury House, Marfleet Lane, Hull, HU9 5RN - www.mercury-marketing.co.uk

All competition winners are drawn from all correctly completed entries and the Editor's decision is final. There is no cash alternative for the prizes. Please see www.kingswoodparks.co.uk for the full Terms and Conditions
*Seeds will be given out on a first come, first served basis and Kingswood Parks Development Company is not responsible for the safety and welfare of anyone who collects the seeds

Health centre proves to be huge hit in first 18 months

Neil Hewson, the practice manager, gives us a closer look behind the scenes...

FREE sunflower seeds

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Housebuilders launch new sites
Beal Homes, David Wilson and Persimmon unveil new properties

New school design gets thumbs up
Kingswood College of Arts gets planning permission

Kingswood Parks In Bloom
Winner's £2,000 garden makeover is complete

Double delight for brothers
Meet the brothers who couldn't wait to buy here!

Welcome to the Voice...

..which is brought to you by the Kingswood Parks Development Company (KPDC). We hope you enjoy reading the latest edition of this magazine, which is packed full of information about our popular development in north Hull.

£2,000 garden makeover now complete

Our winner of the Kingswood Parks In Bloom competition for 2010, Dave Frankish and his family, are over the moon with their prize. Work on their garden has now been completed and you can read all about it on page 3. Why not enter the 2011 competition using the coupon opposite?

Health centre is going strong

In this issue, we catch up with Neil Hewson, practice manager at the Kingswood Health Centre, which opened 18 months ago. The surgery is proving really popular and we're pleased to see that local residents in Kingswood Parks are benefiting from this fantastic facility on their doorstep.

Housebuilders launch new developments

People who are looking to move to Kingswood Parks for the first time, or perhaps even upgrade their property in the area, will be delighted to hear that David Wilson Homes, Beal Homes and Persimmon Homes have all started work on new developments, with a really tempting range of properties on offer. Beal Homes opened its Westwood showhome in February, David Wilson opened its Revelations showhome in March and Persimmon's show complex opened in February.

Updates on our new village centre

The next issue of the Voice magazine is likely to be out within the next couple of months and we hope to be able to announce some major long term plans for the future of Kingswood Parks, including the announcement of work on the village centre housing. We are delighted to be welcoming two new housebuilders to the area as part of this, Charles Church and Stamford, which you can read more about next time.

Two new schools on the horizon

The future of education facilities in Kingswood Parks is certainly looking bright, after planning permission was granted for the new look Kingswood College of Arts. You can look at the artist's impression and read all about the plans on pages 10 and 11. The new Kingswood College of Arts building is set to open in the 2012-2013 academic year. Meanwhile, we have also provided an update on how Hull City Council is progressing with plans for a new primary school in the village centre of Kingswood Parks, which could be open by September 2013.

Get in touch with your story

We love to hear from people who live in Kingswood Parks, with feedback on the magazine and stories about why they moved to Kingswood Parks, so if you live here already or you are planning to move here, get in touch and tell us why! You can either write to the address on the back page of the magazine or submit a feedback form on our website:

www.kingswoodparks.co.uk

Best Wishes Kelly

Kidz Corner Winner scoops Hollywood Bowl party!

Miles Alford was the lucky winner of our latest Kingswood Parks Voice Kidz Corner competition!

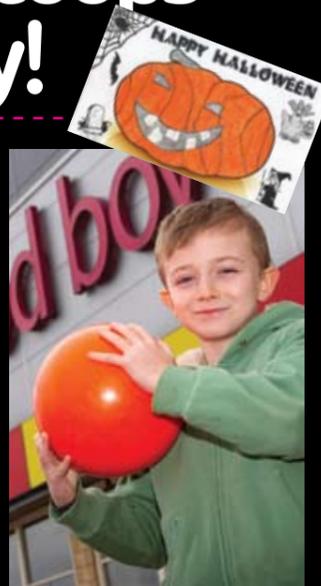
In the last edition of the magazine, we asked for some of our younger readers and budding artists to colour in a pumpkin in celebration of Halloween. The prize up for grabs was a bowling party for six children, including a meal, courtesy of our friends at Hollywood Bowl.

Eight-year-old Miles, who lives in Kingswood Parks, says he couldn't wait to enter and his Mum Abigail couldn't wait to tell him the news that he had won, after receiving the phone call from us!

We asked our entrants to tell us what their plans for Halloween and Bonfire Night were and Miles told us he was planning to go to a party down his street and play with his friends.

"I was really pleased to win the competition and I am hoping to take my friends to Hollywood Bowl for my birthday party in April. I can't wait," said Miles.

We would like to say a huge congratulations to him and thank all of our other entrants for their pictures, you all did a fantastic job!



Miles Alford - Our Kidz Corner winner

"We love our new pond and still can't believe we won a £2,000 prize"



Can you spot the sunflowers we have planted in Kingswood Parks? Why not enter our Tallest Sunflower competition?

"There's not much left for us to do ourselves now. The makeover has had a big impact on the garden and Joe has advised us which plants to include in our borders when we get round to doing them ourselves. We need to sort out the edges and there's a lot we're still learning but he said if there's anything we need we can get in touch."

When we launched Kingswood Parks' first ever In Bloom competition last Summer, we were pleasantly surprised by the entrants.

The winner of our Best Garden prize, claiming a £2,000 garden makeover with Landplan - the company which carries out much of the landscaping work in Kingswood Parks - was the Frankish family from Templewaters and the fruits of their labour are really starting to pay dividends after the makeover was completed recently.

The Frankish family say they are beginners in the garden and are just enjoying putting their own special touch on their outdoor space at home. They chose to spend their makeover money on adding a pond and water feature at the back of the garden, along with a few fish to keep their young daughter entertained.

We paid them a visit to see what a difference this had made to their garden...

Dave Frankish told us: "Joe from Landplan has been brilliant. He took us to the garden centres to look at various options for ponds and fish, as we had decided that's what we really wanted to do. He helped us choose the rocks and different things for the edges but I wanted to arrange them myself, I wanted to make my own mark on the garden."

"The pond and water feature is now looking great and the fish will follow soon. We'll be picking them out in early March time, it's a job my daughter is looking forward to and no doubt under her leadership we'll end up with some lovely, bright coloured ones!"

It's not too early to start preparing for In Bloom 2011. This year, we are changing things slightly though and the main category will be "Best Front Garden", with the other categories being "Biggest Marrow" and a category for children called "Tallest Sunflower in the Front Garden". Anyone who is interested in entering should therefore start trimming those hedges, planting beautiful flowers and ensuring their front gardens are the best in Kingswood Parks, as we won't be looking at back gardens this year. The judges will ring you to make an appointment to visit your garden during the month of August.

Please fill in the coupon below and return it to the address on the back page to enter.

SUBMIT YOUR ENTRY FOR KINGSWOOD PARKS IN BLOOM 2011

Name

Address

Telephone.....

I am entering the following categories:

- Best Front Garden Biggest Marrow
 Tallest Sunflower in the Front Garden (for under-16s)

Alternatively, register your interest via our website feedback form at www.kingswoodparks.co.uk



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A healthy start for vital facility in Kingswood Parks

Residents in Kingswood Parks welcomed a purpose-built health centre with open arms when it opened almost 18 months ago at the heart of our emerging village centre development.

Now, the Haxby Group doctors' surgery which operates within the building boasts a patient list of over 1,800 people and is gearing itself up to provide its services to double the number of patients in the coming year due to popular demand.

The surgery is currently accepting new patient registrations with its four female GPs and three male GPs. Practice manager Neil Hewson is proud that each patient is allocated a generous appointment time to give the doctors time to listen to patients in a relaxed and non-pressured consultation.

In addition, the surgery's team also provides a full range of specialist services, such as diabetes care and asthma and Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD) clinics.

Its womens' health, family planning and sexual health clinics have all proved tremendously popular as well. Meanwhile, a GP trained in minor surgery provides dedicated clinics for treatments such as joint injections, cysts and wart removals, as well as 'minor' procedures.



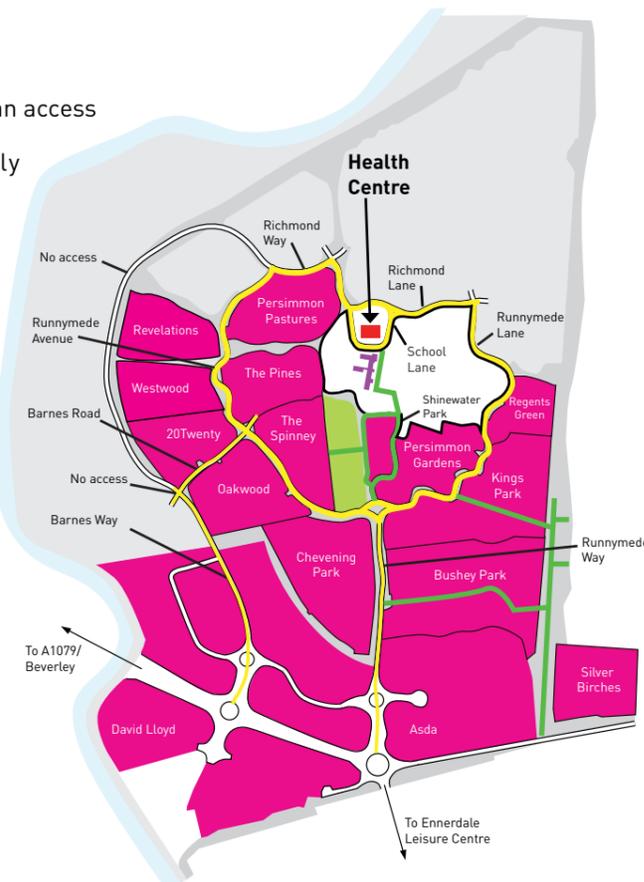
Neil said: "We are pleased that we are able to provide all of these services to our patients locally at Kingswood Health Centre, offering choice and convenience. The extended surgery opening times have proved very popular with local residents and we can also offer the option for patients to be seen at the other Haxby Group surgeries in either Orchard Park or Priory Road when they find that more convenient.

"Since opening, we have been able to continue to create local employment opportunities too, with some of our staff living locally here in Kingswood. We will be looking to continue to employ more staff locally as our patient numbers grow and we hope to play our full part in contributing to the growing affluence and to the health and well being of the area.

"The feedback we are receiving from our patients is that the surgery and healthcare centre was very much needed in the Kingswood area and that the services and quality of care that we have provided have been very well received."

Key to Health Centre Access map

- Kingswood Parks development
- Health centre
- Proposed village centre area
- Proposed School
- Vehicle and pedestrian access
- Pedestrian access only
- Future development
- Ings woodland



"I am made to feel so welcome at the health centre"

Kelly Lomas, a Kingswood Parks resident, has been a frequent visitor to Kingswood Health Centre since her daughter Effie was born last year.

"Effie is my first child and I have been made to feel so welcome at the health centre, even though I have frequently been backwards and forwards with Effie's minor ailments. The staff have never made me feel silly for asking lots of questions," said Kelly. "I've seen a lot of the midwives and doctors there and they have always reassured me."

Kelly moved from Beverley to Kingswood Parks two years ago to join her now husband Michael who had already bought a house there. "He liked the area. The neighbours are friendly and everything's to hand," Kelly continued.

"The health centre is really close to where I live. Even when I was pregnant I saw the midwife there and now walk there with the pram. It's so good to be made to feel welcome at the surgery."



Kelly and Michael Lomas visit Kingswood Health Centre with their daughter, Effie



Teresa Smith visits the surgery with granddaughter Ruby

It's a FACT!

Kingswood Health Centre in numbers...

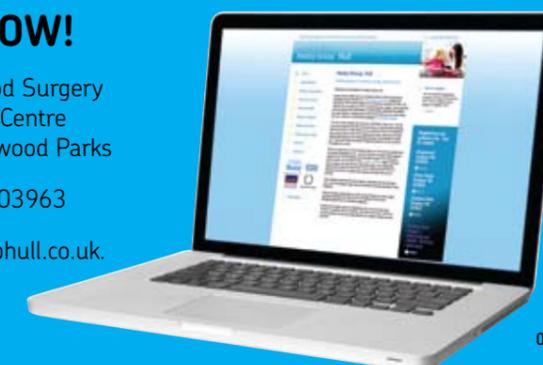
- 6,300 doctors' appointments so far
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Double delight for brothers buying in Kingswood Parks

The dream of owning a new home each has become a reality for two brothers from Hull.

Christopher Pinder was delighted when he found out that he could move into his one bedroom home at The Spinney development, in Kingswood Parks, for just 70 per cent of the price, thanks to a David Wilson Homes shared equity scheme. Christopher visited The Spinney and met with sales adviser Francesca Burke for advice, he says his experience was stress free and affordable.

Now, his brother Matthew has bought a two bedroom home just around the corner at Barratt's Kings Park development, after Christopher recommended looking at the shared equity scheme.

How does the shared equity scheme work?

Matthew has taken advantage of a shared equity scheme called Headstart, which aims to make the buying process more affordable by allowing purchasers to move in for just 85 per cent of the price. The remaining 15 per cent is funded through a deferred Barratt loan which is payable in ten years' time or when the property sells, whichever comes sooner. It is specifically designed for homebuyers who want to get on to the property ladder but don't necessarily have the large deposit required by some lenders.

Matthew says he had always wanted to live at Barratt's Kings Park development but didn't think that he could afford one of the properties there. However, after a visit to the sales office he found out that he met the criteria for the Headstart scheme.



Christopher, pictured with Francesca Burke, outside his new home

He chose the Rubellite style home for its individual design and spacious kitchen, which is ideal for entertaining his friends and family. This two bedroom, mid terrace is perfect for style conscious house hunters with each of its rooms set at modern angles giving a feel of edgy artistry.

Matthew said: "When I saw my brother's new home for the first time I couldn't believe that he could afford a property of that quality. He told me that his experience had been fantastic and that I should pay Francesca a visit.

"From the first initial meeting through to completion, the whole process was an absolute breeze - everything was arranged for me from financial advice to meetings with solicitors, making the whole buying process completely stress free and very enjoyable.

"I now own a fantastic home in a brilliant location with everything that I need on my doorstep. I will definitely be recommending Barratt to anyone looking for a new home."

How can I find out more?

Buyers can visit the show homes at Kings Park daily between 10am and 5pm to find out how they could move into a stylish new home, complete with a five year guarantee on fixtures and fittings, for just £67,995 thanks to the Headstart scheme.

Meanwhile, house hunters wanting to look at properties in The Spinney can visit The Pines sales office, which is open from Thursday through to Monday, between 10am and 5pm.



Matthew pictured with Francesca Burke, outside his new home

Exciting revelations in store at brand new site in Kingswood Parks



House hunters are being invited to reserve their plot on an exciting new David Wilson Homes development.

Revelations, for which plans can be viewed in the housebuilder's sales office at The Pines, is currently under construction and is set to offer a brand new range of properties in Kingswood Parks.

A brand new range of properties

Interest in this new site is already said to be incredibly high and the sales advisors are gearing up for lots of viewings. Those wanting a taste of what's in store can visit the new show homes, which are expected to be complete by Spring.

The launch of Revelations is hot on the heels of the success of David Wilson's other developments in Kingswood Parks where properties have continued to sell quickly.

Representatives from David Wilson Homes say that not only does the new Revelations development offer another chance for buyers to own a slice of luxury, but it puts pay to rumours

of a slow down in the property market, reflecting that the housing market is still very much alive and well in the Kingswood Parks area.

Housing market is alive and well

Nicki Daniel, Sales Manager for David Wilson Yorkshire East, said: "Revelations is set to be yet another fabulous development in which buyers will enjoy a community feel with a wealth of amenities just a stone's throw away.

"This site is bringing some exciting new house types to the area and buyers can expect to find a range of deals on offer to help them secure their spot at this must-see development.

"David Wilson's continued investment in this area highlights how strong and vibrant the area is and reflects the requirements of local buyers."

For more information, visit www.dwh.co.uk or call The Pines sales team on 08448115515. The sales office is open between Thursday and Monday, from 10am to 5pm.



An artist's impression of one of the homes that will be built

Exciting new Beal Homes development will offer 18 different property designs

Properties at Beal Homes' new Westwood development are being snapped up left, right and centre.

The local, family-owned housebuilder, which has 40 years' experience of building new homes in the East Riding, is to build a range of 18 different home designs at this new up market development on the north western edge of Kingswood Parks.

Set around secluded, block-paved cul-de-sacs reached via a horseshoe shaped road layout with no through traffic, homes at the Westwood will be substantial, detached, family properties in classic, traditional architectural styles with generously-proportioned contemporary interiors, says managing director Richard Beal.

"The larger detached properties at our Oakwood development in Kingswood Parks sold swiftly and we continued to be contacted by house hunters looking for detached Beal homes," says Richard. "Demand for top of the range homes is such that we have already sold ten of the Westwood properties off plan."

A large proportion of early buyers at Westwood bought a Beal-built property in earlier phases of development in Kingswood Parks and, now planning to move up the property ladder, are keen to continue living in the area. It is a fact of which Richard Beal is proud, both as a testimony to the appeal of Kingswood Parks and to Beal's quality of design and build.



The classy looking Runswick is typical of the style and quality of homes to be built by Beal at Westwood. A large double bay fronted, detached four bedroom property with a separate double garage, the Runswick's reception rooms will be arranged off an impressive central hall.

An arched window set halfway up the staircase will cast natural light into The Runswick's welcoming entrance space from where glazed double doors will lead into a lounge with a fireplace, large bay window and French doors into the garden. Another set of double doors will open into a separate bay windowed dining room. A study, also with bay window, a cloakroom and a spacious kitchen with adjoining utility room will complete The Runswick's ground floor.

Upstairs the master bedroom, with an attractive bay window seating area, will have an en-suite shower room and The Runswick will have three further double bedrooms served by a large house bathroom.

The Runswick is just one of Beal's extensive range of nine, four bedroom house designs for Westwood. Three bedroom homes come in seven different styles and all will have Beal's trademark specification along with a professional kitchen design service from Woodstock Designs. In addition, as part of the Beal service, in consultation with Beal's project team house hunters can shape their own interior layout to create a bespoke home.

Pre-construction prices for detached homes at Westwood start from £169,995 and range up to £274,995. Details and the Westwood brochure are available from Beal's marketing suite at Westwood or by calling 0800 6121216.

Westwood and Oakwood, Runnymede Avenue, Kingswood Parks, Hull

Open Thursday to Monday 10am - 5pm.

www.beal-homes.co.uk



The Runswick

"It's an up and coming area"

Philip Waudby and Carl Lawrence are amongst the first to reserve a plot at Beal Homes' new Westwood development. They bought a Beal property at Kingswood around ten years ago. "We've been very happy here," says Philip. "The Kingswood area is great for us, we use the gym and it's good for shopping and the cinema. It's very much an up and coming area."



Watch out for The Village by Beal Homes!

Watch out for more news of Beal's plans for The Village, an exciting new development of first time buyer homes at Kingswood Parks.

Beal has submitted a planning application for a new village of rural-style starter homes located around a village green and,

subject to planning, the local builder hopes to have the first of the new properties built by the end of the year.

Exciting future for Kingswood College of Arts after planning permission is granted for new building

Students, staff and parents at Kingswood College of Arts are celebrating after planning permission was recently granted to develop a new state-of-the-art building there, as part of Hull's Building Schools for the Future programme.

Members of the Planning Committee at Hull City Council praised the high quality design of the building, which is set to open in the 2012-2013 academic year, and voted unanimously in favour of the application.

New school to be ready in 2012/2013

Parent Birgitta Williams-Nyman supported the application by telling the committee what the new building would mean to parents and the wider community. She said: "We believe that the new building will provide us with even more opportunities to be involved in school life, as well as providing a better learning environment for our children.

"The building has been designed so that we as parents may well be learning alongside our children and other family members, which can only be a good thing for students, families and the local community. The new school has been designed for families like mine and I am really excited about the future. It's what my community has been waiting for."

An artist's impression of the new Kingswood College of Arts

The college's leadership team has been very careful not to repeat the mistakes of the past and has engaged the whole school community in the design process. Staff have also worked closely with primary school pupils who are set to move up to the school, to establish what they need from their secondary school, and the design has responded to their comments. For example, they said that they wanted a simple building that was easy to navigate, they wanted to be able to see from the outside what was going on inside and they wanted to feel safe and valued, all of which are achieved by the design of the new building.

Learning is at the heart of new design

The proposed design is characterised by a number of open, flexible spaces that will facilitate academic and social collaboration between students, staff and members of the wider learning community. Learning has been at the very heart of the design process and the school's learning vision has driven decision-making throughout. Staff say the developing curriculum is based on trust, choice and personalisation, and the building's design enhances opportunities for students to learn effectively in ways that suit their needs and preferences, and using innovative cross-curricular approaches.



The design of the new school has been inspired by real-world environments, not other Building Schools for the Future templates. It also reflects design elements that have already been tried and tested in the school's existing building, including the current learning centre, student toilets and community dining. Dining facilities have also been designed to respond to the school's vision for learning. Students and staff will be offered a variety of dining options throughout the day and dining areas will also be learning and social spaces.

School will be a beacon of excellence

Tony Hammond, Director of Resources, told us: "The design of our new building has inspired excitement and pride within the school and wider community. Everyone involved believes passionately that it will enhance learning opportunities, improve student outcomes and be a beacon of excellence for its local community. We are thrilled that the Planning Committee approved the application."

Other news from Kingswood College of Arts

It's More Than a Game, It's Your Life!

Kingswood College of Arts is developing a reputation as a leader in relation to e-safety and the school actively supported Safer Internet Day in early February, using assemblies, posters and Facebook to get across messages about using technology safely.

The particular focus of the day was the concept of our "virtual lives", which encompassed on-line gaming and social networking - the two most popular activities with young people across Europe.

Safer Internet Day is just one part of the school's "Do You Know" e-safety strategy, which is designed to raise awareness amongst students, staff, parents and the wider community.



An update from Hull City Council on the proposed Kingswood Parks Primary School...

Kingswood Parks Development Company was delighted to announce in the last edition of the magazine that we soon hope to be handing over a five acre site in the middle of the emerging Kingswood Parks village centre to Hull City Council for the provision of a primary school.

Hull City Council began its consultation process in the latest Kingswood Parks Voice magazine in order to sound out public opinion and suggestions. The council announced plans to develop a primary school which will cater for 280 pupils and will have a 26 place nursery, with a proposed opening date of **September 2013**.

The council has completed its consultation on the school, with every house in Kingswood Parks being sent a consultation document and the opportunity to voice their opinions.

Nine people attended the consultation event which was held at Kingswood College of Arts and 21 response forms have been received. A summary of the responses is given below:

- 21 out of 21 responses said there is a need for a new primary school on the Kingswood Parks Development.
- 19 out of 21 responses agreed that the school should accommodate 280 boys and girls aged between 5 and 11.
- 21 out of 21 responses agreed that there should be a 26 place-nursery.
- In terms of what type of school should be provided 8 respondents wanted a community school; 2 respondents a voluntary aided school; 5 respondents a foundation school and 6 respondents had no preference.

The council has published a statutory notice inviting interested parties to bid to run the school.

