KING EDWARD VI SCHOOL

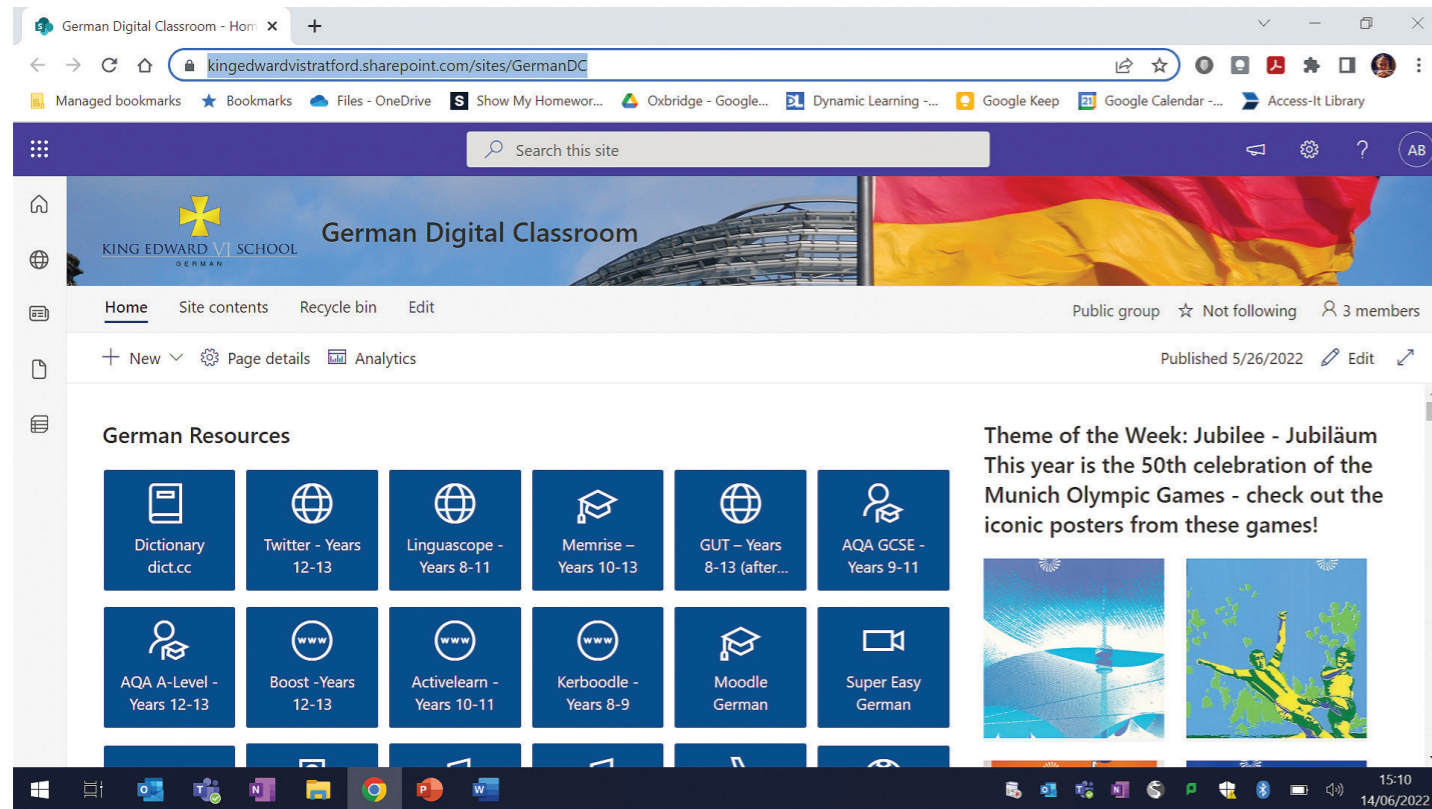SHAKESPEARE'S SCHOOL

DIGITAL STRATEGY

THE SIXTH FORM DIGITAL CLASSROOM

The Digital Classroom

Our students will increasingly operate in a world where fluency in technology is vital, and our role is to prepare them for that future. It is not only our duty, therefore, to ensure they are digitally literate, but also that they also have access to the latest technology to enrich and enhance their academic studies.

The Sixth Form Digital Classroom is where this vision takes shape. This curated, bespoke collection of digital resources created by K.E.S. staff will transform how students engage with their A Level subjects. To access this extensive resource bank, students will use touchscreen laptops which will also be their 'digital exercise book' where class notes can be created and maintained.

An example of a subject's Digital Classroom page

The Student Laptop Scheme

To enable students to take full advantage of the Sixth Form Digital Classroom they will require their own touchscreen laptop which meets a minimum specification (see overleaf). This can be purchased independently, but we are also pleased to be able to offer you the opportunity to purchase a laptop which meets the required specification at a specially discounted price through our partnership with L.E.A.D. IT. Prices are very competitive and include a three-year warranty and accidental damage cover.

The touchscreen laptop offered has been chosen for its ability to meet the demands of a K.E.S. Sixth Former: it incorporates a powerful Intel processor, an 'all day' battery, and is designed to be drop-resistant. It also includes a digital pen and Pencil Touch technology, so students can flip the screen and use it like a notepad, turn it upside down and use it like an easel, or equally just use the keyboard and touchpad like a conventional laptop.

If you wish to take advantage of this offer from L.E.A.D IT, the laptop will be available for you to purchase from the L.E.AD./ K.E.S. online shop in advance of starting Sixth Form. Please note that the School gains no financial benefit from the Student Laptop Scheme or through the relationship with L.E.A.D. IT.

Enhanced Teaching and Learning

- Managed digital resources are available at the touch of a button

- Students' class notes can be easily saved and stored digitally

- Teachers' whiteboard notes are automatically available on the student's laptop

- Enables digital feedback from teachers

- Enhances collaboration with other students

- Facilitates communication between teachers and students

Laptop Minimum Specification

Screen	A touchscreen device is required. The screen should be at least 10" in size
Processor	Minimum 2 core processor
RAM	Minimum 4GB RAM
Local storage	Minimum 60GB
Keyboard and pen	The device must have a physical keyboard- either fixed or detachable. A pen or stylus is also essential.
Camera	A front camera (essential), back camera (recommended).
Battery life	The battery must last the length of the School day on a single charge
Anti-virus	Anti-virus software must be installed and kept up to date
Wireless connectivity	Dual band 820.11a/b/g/ac/n
Operating system	Windows (10 or 11) is recommended as K.E.S. is a Microsoft School, so teachers and students will be using Microsoft software in lesson. If other operating systems such as iOS, Chrome OS or Android are used, they should be the most recent version and be compatible with the Office package.
Office software	All students have a subscription to Office 365 through their kes.net email address. This will allow them to download the desktop pps on their device for free.
Accessories	In ear headphones for use in class and a power bank for emergency charging are recommended. A range of accessories can be purchased in the online store.