

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 15th March 2019

Dates for your Diary:

Thursday 28th March until Tuesday 2nd April - New York trip

Wednesday 3rd April - Saturday 6th April - D of E Silver assessment expedition

Thursday 4th April – Year 11 parents evening

Friday 5th April – College closed due to training day

Friday 5th April – Last day of term

Monday 8th April until Monday 22nd April – Easter holiday

Monday 8th April and Tuesday 9th April – GCSE Maths revision boot camp

Tuesday 23rd April – Start of summer term

Monday 6th May – Bank Holiday Monday

Friday 24th May – Last day

Monday 27th May until Friday 31st May – Half term

Friday 5th July - Prom

Wednesday 24th July – Last day of the academic year

Upcoming DofE Sessions (Bronze):

Tuesday 26th March (3-4pm)

- Camp-craft: putting up tents and using a stove

Tuesday 23rd April (3-4pm)

- Pre-expedition brief

Year 11 College Students:

On Friday 5th April the College of West Anglia will be closed due to staff training. Students will need to attend KLA where work will be set for them.

KLA Parents – Your Views Matter:

KLA would like to invite parents from all year groups to contribute your views and capture your feedback, support and commitment to enhance the strategic development of the school.

To kick this off we are organising an informal parent's meeting on Thursday 21st March at 6pm led by Louise Benstead and Jon Benstead, who currently sit on the Interim Executive Board (the academy's current governing body) as stakeholder advisors. At this initial meeting we hope to start the process of recruiting at least five parent representatives, one from each year group, to form a Parental Advisory Council; with the possibility of adding more parents with specific educational experience in the future.

This Parental Advisory Council will then go on to meet regularly to discuss ways to improve the education along with opportunities for all students attending KLA, and act as an informal feedback point for the parents of the year group they are representing.

If you are interested in becoming a more active member of the KLA community and want to help build an outstanding future for our school, please come along to the meeting next week.

If you would like more information please contact the school office on 01553 774671 with your details, and Louise or Jon will get in touch.

Attendance:

Whole school attendance since September continues to remain stable at 95%.

Year 7	96%
Year 8	95%
Year 9	94%
Year 10	94%
Year 11	94%

Again, well done to Year 7. Keep it up!

485 students have good attendance which is 95% and above. Out of those, 112 students have had 100% attendance since September. Keep up the great work.

As spring and summer approaches, I have started to receive letters and emails requesting holidays during term time. Please be aware that these requests will not be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances. Therefore, these days will be unauthorised and your child's attendance will be affected. Please see our attendance policy on the website for more information.

Thank you to parents/carers/grandparents and other people who have been working with us to improve our overall attendance. Please remember to contact me on 01553 779635 or you can email me at lorraine.roberts@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk.

Have a great weekend.

Library:

The genre of the fortnight, continues to be books that were voted for by teenagers, as their favourite stories to share. These books include:

- Salt to the Sea - Sepetys, Ruta Book Level 4.5
- The Catcher in the Rye - Salinger, J.D. Book Level 4.7
- The Book Thief - Zusak, Markus Book Level 5.1
- To Kill a Mockingbird - Lee, Harper Book Level 5.6
- The Lie Tree - Hardinge, Frances Book Level 6.4
- I Am Malala - Yousafzai, Malala Book Level 7.1



University of East Anglia Trip:

On Wednesday 7th March, 15 Year 7 boys went to the University of East Anglia to take part in a 'Sport for Boys' event. The event aims to introduce boys to university through sports events and mini lectures.

The boys got to take part in climbing and fencing which were the highlights of the day. The boys were then given a couple of mini lectures about going to university. The day culminated in a question and answer session regarding university life.

The boys represented KLA very well and gained a good insight into what university is like. The boys may get the possibility to return to the UEA next year to gain further insights into attending university.



Parentview:

We would like to advise you that you are able to give your views on the Academy to Ofsted via their parentview questionnaire, at any time – not just during inspections. We value your opinion and would encourage you to do this at:

www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

Year 11 Hoodies:

Year 11 hoodies are now on sale!

Go to www.schoolleaverscompany.co.uk and click on 'Login' at the top of the home page.

or <https://www.schoolleaverscompany.co.uk/leavers-hoodies-login>

Login details are as follows:

USERNAME: SL44751

PASSWORD: 44751king

These login details can be used by each person to order and pay for their hoodies online. They can choose their own style, colour, size and nickname.

The online shop will close on Tuesday 23rd April 2019. All orders MUST be placed by then.

Students will be allowed to wear their hoodies to school when we return after May half-term, but must wear their blazers for exams and lessons.

Year 7 Girls - FDC in Bowthorpe:

On Monday Mrs Jackman and I took 14 Year 7 girls to the FDC in Bowthorpe for the Norfolk FA small sided tournament. Their attitude and effort was exemplary and they were a credit, not just to the school, but themselves too. Both teams made it through to the next stage which will be held in May.

The following girls were involved; Phoebe Daniels, Sofia Kendle, Cadee Cavanagh, Isla Filmer, Lukenya Rodrigues, Grace Thompson, Melia Dunn, Kayla Rix, Poppy Frammingham, Lily Kendle, Sophie Burt, Ella Frary, Evie Whitmore and Kaitlin Baxter.

Mr Walpole.

Year 9 Food Students:

This term the Year 9 food students have been learning about the various functions of egg. Yesterday they all worked incredibly hard to make their own burgers and chips, using an egg to bind the mixture. They seemed very popular so we only hope some made it home for tea!

Mrs May and Mrs Lockey



Year 7 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

We are celebrating Red Nose Day at KLA this week, the students are enjoying non-uniform day today. As always it is great to support this charity, thank you all for donating your £1.

Mr Walpole led our Red Nose Day assembly this week. He spoke about how much money the charity has raised since it begun and various ways the money is used to support local and national organisations.

I had a lovely email from Mr Walpole this week, he took some of the Year 7 girls to Norwich for a football tournament. He told me how fantastic they all were and how proud he was of them. Receiving emails like this makes my job even more worthwhile. I know how great the students are, but love to see this recognition! Well done girls and a huge thank you to Mr Walpole and Mrs Jackman for taking them over to Norwich.

Please remember that energy drinks are not permitted at the academy. We have lots of Year 7 students buying them on the way to school and bringing them in. We have the cashless system where you can upload money via Parentpay so that students can purchase food and drink, no need to shop stop on the way to school. Thank you.

Year 7 Student of the Week nominations are:

7CBA	Conor Jones	Brilliant effort with positive points this week - well done!
7MST	Mozelle Varnadore	Just comes in everyday with her lovely smile and always tries her best and has nearly 300 achievement points!
7SHA	Agne Bubelyte	She is helpful, well-mannered and well behaved without fail. She works hard in lessons and to a high standard.
7BGR	Ted Coldman	Since Ted has started 2 weeks ago he has had 3 praise post cards. He is extremely polite and speaks very intelligently. Ted has been fantastic in form and even though he is a new student, he has been outgoing and contributed well to all discussions. Keep up the good work Ted!!
7GCO	Eleanor Sludds	For making a positive impression since her arrival in 7GCO. She is always happy to be involved in form discussions and activities.
7AWA	Reece Plumb	Reece is an integral part of the form with his witty humour and random comments. A sure guarantee to make you laugh.
7BRH	Lily Kendle	Lily has represented KLA fantastically in girls football! She is doing an amazing job at not only representing the school in football, but also exemplifying what it means to be a student here. She works hard, is always prepared and generally has a pleasant smile on her face. Well done.
7NJA	Cadee Cavanagh	For being part of the awesome team of young ladies who played football on Monday - well done Cadee excellent teamwork.
7SGO	Alexandro Apostol	Alex has been trying very hard this week to focus on receiving only positive comments from all staff. He is working hard and deserves credit for changing his behaviour. Keep up the hard work.

Well done Ted, it is wonderful to see that you have settled in so well.

Have a lovely weekend!

Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Crowe:

The theme of the week is Red Nose Day. Mr Hodgkinson and his form took the assembly this week. It was a very amusing assembly filled with jokes and funny dancing! The form really emphasised the “do something funny for money” message! I would just like to say how impressed I was with Tommy Mullane for taking a risk and dancing in front of the year group during the assembly. Well done to all of 8THO for delivering this week’s assembly!

As well as this week’s assembly, we had a non-uniform day today to raise money for Red Nose Day. We even had some Year 8’s baking with Mrs May on Friday, to fundraise a Red Nose Day cake sale, during break time! Thank you so much to Grace Jarvis, Saffron Krill, Bailey Garrod, Emma Beech, Rosie Clark, Annabella Robinson and Tillie-Louise Howard for all of your help. It is so lovely to see all of the Year 8 efforts to support the cause.

The Year 8 boys are also playing in a rugby fixture against West Norfolk Rugby Club today. Our students have a combined team with KES and Springwood, I wish them all the best for the match! Good luck!

Year 8 Student of the Week Nominations.

The following students received Student of the Week nominations from their form tutors.

8RES	Snow White	Snow is always positive and friendly during tutor times, and last week achieved 24 achievement points (and 0 behaviour points). Snow is a deserving student of the week for my form, keep up the hard work!
8THO	Tommy Mullane	For taking part in after school clubs, and being really supportive and keen for the form assembly.
8EBL	William Van Dyke	For consistently good behaviour, being helpful to fellow students and for tidying the class after form without being asked.
8CBR	Imogen Peters	For being responsible and completing last week's careers task to a high standard.
8JMA	Grace Jarvis	For not having any negative behaviour points and achieving 436 positive points. Well done Grace!
8LBE	Francesca Doig	For earning the most achievement points last week and consistently getting it right around the school.

Well done to all of the students who have been nominated for Student of the Week. Congratulations William! You are our Student of the Week!

Have a lovely weekend.

Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:

It's Fri-Yay again!

It's been a busy week again and lots of achievement points have been awarded! Well done to you all. I have 8 students who all have over 500 points which is fantastic.

I would like to say a massive WELL DONE to 16 students who have 100% attendance. They are as follows – Zoe Aston, Courtney Burch-Bailey, Dylan Dent, Noah Funston, William Histon, Keenan Howe, Charlie Johnson, Wiktorija Kozikowska, Matthew Loft, Bailey Naish, Callum Palmer, Ruby Russell, Leo Scoles, Benjamin Seaman, Stanley Wardale and Tom White. Excellent!

We ended the week with non-uniform day to support Red Nose Day. It was great to see so many supporting the charity by wearing red. Great effort everyone.

Student of the Week nominations are here – well done to you all.

9HDR	Joshua Raines	For always putting 100% into his food lessons and taking pride in his work.
9CMC	Valentinas Zigmantas	For his improved attendance.
9SHA	Auste Grudikyte	For explaining to another student why we need to behave as we do.
9EWE	Jasmine Madder	For always being kind and considerate to other members of the form.
9ABL	Joshua Futter	His behaviour has massively turned around; he is gaining plus points; and progressing really well in all lessons.
9DBE	Ameliarose Paget	For having a great working attitude and effort throughout classes.

Congratulations to Joshua Raines – he is a real whizz in the kitchen, creating some wonderful dishes that look divine. Well done.

Have a lovely weekend.

Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Miss McGivern:

Our whole school theme this week is Red Nose Day.

To support Red Nose Day we have had a non-school uniform day, and some of the lower school have been baking cakes with Mrs May. It was a lovely way to end the week, and a great cause!

Top achievement points this week goes to Hermione Scandrett 10SBW 563

Year 10 Student of the Week nominations – from form tutors are:

10LAM	Daisy Patnell	For consistently working hard and giving 100% in everything she does.
10ATA	Connor Ballantyne	For achieving the most positive points in form this week.
10CFY	Lewis Gant	Lewis has accrued the most achievement points in the form in the month of March so far. Well done Lewis.
10KPO	Kristiana Zibala	An amazing 26 achievement points last week!
10NBO	Jack Taylor-Fisher	For being an all-rounder - great attendance, lots of achievement points and he participates in form activities.
10SBW	George Pooley	George is the highest achieving boy in 10SBW this week, and always contributes in form discussions and in the weekly quiz.
10JCR	Vadim Ganeev	Increase in achievement points.
10DEN	Shannon Cook	Shannon has 100% attendance, 200+ achievement points and 0 behaviour points. Shannon is simply "getting it right" consistently.

Well done to all students that were nominated and congratulations to George Pooley, you are our Year 10 student of the week! Well done!

Year 11 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Roberts:

Finally the Year 11's are coming to the end of their mock exams. I am so proud of them. They have worked tirelessly throughout the past two weeks. It's has been a mixed bag of emotions, some have found them easy and some have found them hard – we know that revision is key. Most students I have spoken to say the exams they revised for the most were the ones they found the easiest.

Mrs Gibson's form delivered assembly on Thursday. Well done to Keven Almeida for standing up in front of his whole year group, speaking about Red Nose Day. He explained where some of the donated money goes and how it has helped thousands of people around the world.

Mrs Gibson also spoke about the meaning of International Woman's Day held on Friday 8th March. This year's theme, being a time to reflect on the progress made and celebrating the courage and determination of ordinary women.

Student of the week will be a little different. I nominate ALL the students in Year 11 for the hard work and determination they have shown over the exam period. Well done! In addition, a big thank you to parents / carers who have supported them throughout this very stressful time in their education.

It's now time for a well-earned rest over the weekend.