



news from

King's Lynn Academy

KING'S LYNN ACADEMY

Friday 28th November 2025

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 3rd December – Year 8 parents evening ON SITE

Thursday 11th December – Year 9 REMOTE parents evening

Thursday 11th December –Christmas jumper day

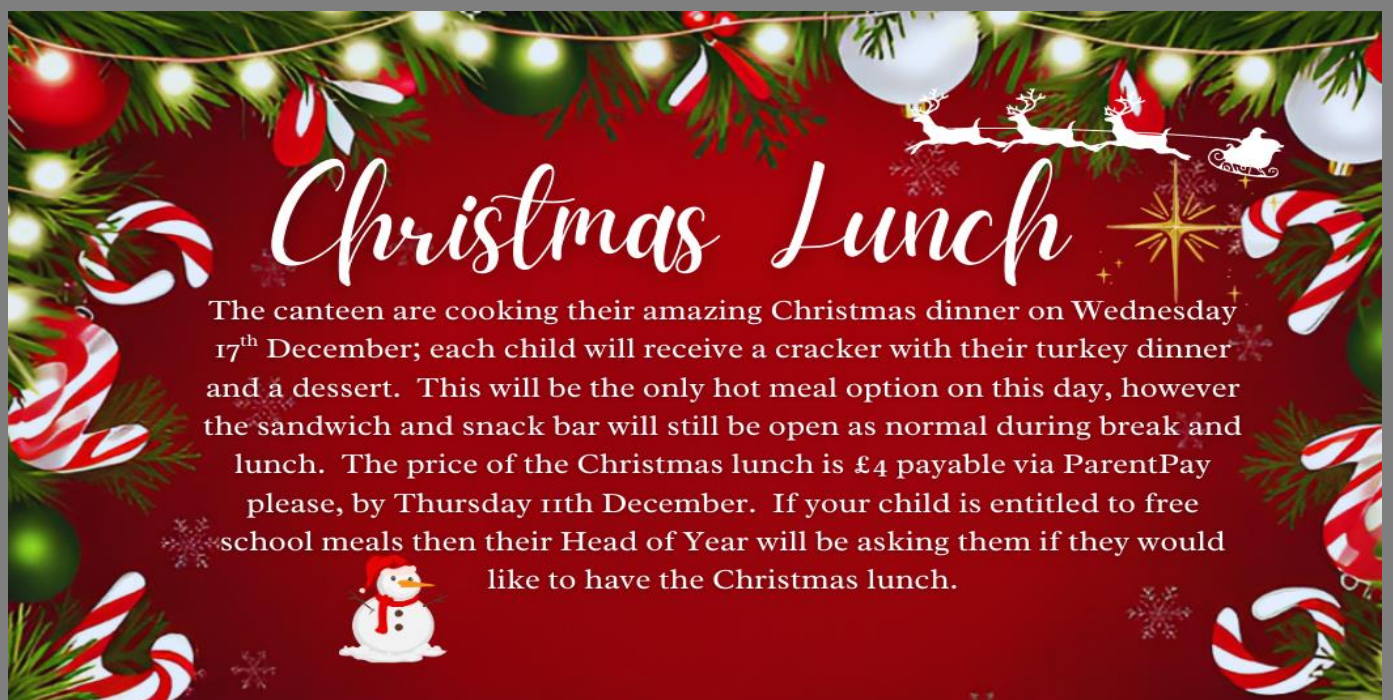
Wednesday & Thursday 17th & 18th December – Performing Arts Christmas show

Wednesday 17th December – School Christmas lunch

Tuesday 6th January – School reopens after Christmas holiday

Christmas Jumper Day **Thursday 11th December:**

We are having a Christmas jumper day Thursday 11th December, full school uniform is to be worn except a Christmas jumper can be worn instead of a blazer/ school jumper. A minimum donation of £1 to support Save the Children please.



Christmas Lunch

The canteen are cooking their amazing Christmas dinner on Wednesday 17th December; each child will receive a cracker with their turkey dinner and a dessert. This will be the only hot meal option on this day, however the sandwich and snack bar will still be open as normal during break and lunch. The price of the Christmas lunch is £4 payable via ParentPay please, by Thursday 11th December. If your child is entitled to free school meals then their Head of Year will be asking them if they would like to have the Christmas lunch.



Student absences & medical appointments:

If your child has to have some time off school unwell or for any other reason, please ensure that you contact the absence team if possible **before 8.30am** via our absence email on:

studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk or call the new absence line **01553 602874** and leave a message.

Please include your child's name, year group and why they are absent. If we have no contact from you we will send you a text message if your child is absent.

If you need to take your child to a medical appointment during school time please can we ask that you either send in an appointment card or letter with your child or please email them to **studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk** so we are aware in advance when you collect your child.

Requesting time off in term time:

In the exceptional circumstance you need to request time off in term time, please complete an application for pupil leave of absence from school during term time, as soon as possible and return it to the attendance department or email it to **studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk** The form can be downloaded from the link below, found on our school website or collected from the school reception. Requests can only be actioned if submitted on this form, you will be notified via email of the decision. Please note requests will only be authorised in exceptional circumstances. [download.asp](#)

We are recruiting:

We have some fantastic opportunities to become a member of our esteemed team here at KLA. Please follow the link below to see our latest vacancies.

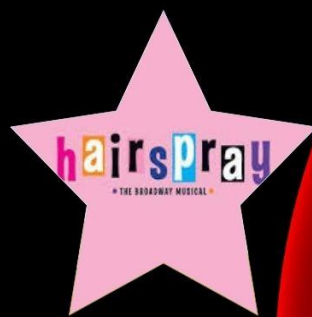
[Eastern Academy Trust - Vacancies and Careers \(eastern-mat.co.uk\)](#)



LAST DAY OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS

Lessons will run until 1.00 when students will be able to leave the academy for the Christmas holiday, break time will be extended to allow students to purchase food from a limited range. Those traveling by taxi, Eagles and Harrods buses will be collected at 1.10, the Lynx buses will not arrive on site until the usual time of 3.00. Any students who wish to remain in the academy to wait for the Lynx buses are welcome to do so

A Night at the Musicals



Wednesday 17th &
Thursday 18th December
Show begins at 6:30pm, doors open at
6pm.

Tickets available via ParentPay



Free
Family
Event!

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Hope - Hospitality - Heritage



Christmas Tree Festival at King's Lynn Minster

Friday 5th December
to Sunday 7th December 2025
(10am-6pm Friday & Saturday)
(10am - 4pm Sunday)

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FREE
Family
Event

Come & Sing Christmas Carols

Sunday 14th December 2025

3pm in The Minster

Come along and join in with all the family favourites!

Free Family Events



Christmas Films at the Minster

Father Christmas
Wednesday 17th December
4pm & 6pm
Christmas Raffle & free children's draw.



It's a Wonderful Life
Thursday 18th December, 7pm
Bar & Christmas Raffle

Tickets are FREE, follow the link to book:
bit.ly/ticketsKLMinster

FREE Family Event

Family Christingle Services in the Minster

Christmas Eve 2pm & 4pm

The Christingle services are FREE to attend, and you don't have to book but it does help us to make sure we have enough Christingles!

Bookings can be made via Ticket Tailor using the QR Code or link:
bit.ly/ticketsKLMinster





🎄 KLA Festive Photography Challenge! 🎄

Can you capture the magic of the festive season — at home or out and about?

Maybe dress up a sibling as an elf, or capture your pet sparkling among the decorations! Get creative with festive fonts and filters, and most importantly, have fun spreading some seasonal cheer!

📧 Please send your festive photo to Mrs McGrane at tina.mcgrane@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk by Wednesday 10th December

All KLA students and staff are warmly invited to take part — we can't wait to see your festive creations!



Protect your festive season with a flu vaccine

The NHS is making it easier than ever to get vaccinated

Clinics available across Norfolk

Call **0300 555 5055** or email

hct.csaisnorfolk@nhs.net to book your child's flu vaccination at a clinic near you today.

Online Safety:

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit nationalcollege.com.

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about

TIKTOK

AGE RESTRICTION
13+

(Certain features are restricted to over-18s only)

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

Online videos are often associated with apps such as YouTube, but among teens, TikTok is king. The app provides a potentially addictive, never-ending stream of short clips tailored to users' interests based on their viewing habits. Around half of British children use TikTok, and while most content is benign, Ofcom considers it the app where young people are "most likely to encounter a potential harm".

AGE-INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

TikTok's Following Feed shows videos from known creators, while the default For You Feed serves endless clips based on viewing history. Most are harmless, but unsuitable content can still appear, and watching for long enough signals interest to the algorithm. Although TikTok bans illegal or inappropriate uploads, the volume of posts means some slip through, increasing the chance that children encounter age-inappropriate material before it is detected or removed.

BODY IMAGE AND DANGEROUS CHALLENGES

Ofcom reports that most online harms for girls involve body image, while boys more often see dangerous stunts. Both types appear frequently on TikTok and spread quickly through its engagement-driven algorithm. Harmful challenges have included the "blackout" trend, where users held their breath until passing out. Families filed lawsuits after children died linked to the trend, showing how extreme or risky content can rapidly reach young people and negatively influence them.

IN-APP SPENDING

TikTok is free, but children can still spend money. TikTok coins, costing £9.99 to £224.99, let users buy gifts for creators. TikTok Shop adds risk by allowing purchases from influencers or companies, sometimes leading to poor-quality items driven by persuasive marketing. A Canadian investigation found TikTok collected personal data from many children for targeting and advertising despite age limits, meaning young users may lose control over their personal information.

CONTACT WITH STRANGERS

Between 1.6 and 1.9 billion people use TikTok, meaning there's a high risk of unwanted attention from strangers. Accounts created by over-16s (or young people using a fake date of birth) are set to public view by default. This means that not only is someone's profile visible to everyone else on the app, it also suggests their videos to others and allows anyone to download or comment on them.

MISINFORMATION AND RADICALISATION

TikTok's short videos may appear lighthearted, but they can expose young people to harmful ideas. Misinformation is common, and Ofcom reports that nearly one third of 12-15-year-olds use TikTok as a news source, increasing the chance of seeing racist, misogynistic, extremist or conspiracy material. Even brief clips can influence impressionable users and shape their worldview, making discussions about critical thinking, propaganda and online influence especially important for parents and educators.

ADDICTIVE DESIGN

TikTok's fast-paced stream of eye-catching videos can be potentially addictive for young users. In 2024, UK children spent an average of 127 minutes per day on the platform, double the time recorded in 2020. Excessive use can disrupt sleep, increase irritability, and distract from healthier activities. Constantly skipping between short clips may also affect attention span, making it harder to focus on longer tasks such as homework or reading.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ENABLE FAMILY PAIRING

Family Pairing allows parents to link their TikTok account to their child's in order to manage settings remotely. Parents can then turn on Restricted Mode (reducing the chances of a child seeing inappropriate content), set screen time limits, make accounts private and manage whether their child can send messages – and if they can, to whom. Children cannot alter these settings without parental approval.

DISCUSS THE DANGERS

If a child wants to use TikTok and you're happy for them to do so, it's good practice to discuss the potential risks. Ensure they don't share any identifying personal information or respond to dangerous trends, and that they know to talk to a trusted adult if they're worried by interactions on the app. With more teens using TikTok for news, it's important to talk about misinformation and propaganda.

BLOCK IN-APP SPENDING

Parents can restrict in-app purchases on iPhone and Android devices to prevent accidental or impulsive TikTok spending. Young people can easily spend large amounts on TikTok coins or low-quality products promoted through TikTok Shop. If a disappointing purchase occurs, turn it into a discussion about influencer marketing and how online promotions can be misleading.

READ THE SIGNS

If you're concerned that a child is spending too much time on TikTok, or that they've been emotionally affected by something they've seen, it's important to know how to spot the signs. Increased irritability and a lack of concentration are potential red flags, as is failing to complete homework or skipping meals. Remember, the parental controls are there for a reason, and it's never too late to introduce limits.

Meet Our Expert

Alan Martin is an experienced technology journalist who has written for the likes of Wired, TechRadar, Tom's Guide, The Evening Standard and The New Statesman.



See full reference list on our website

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Did you know?



A hobby can make a teenager feel happier in a variety of ways. Hobbies allow them to learn new skills, meet new people and discover new passions. It can enrich your child's life and increase physical and social interactions. Hobbies can also prevent teenagers from feeling bored or keep them entertained.

Research indicates that most children try five hobbies before they find what they like. Studies also show that children who engage with hobbies are more sociable, don't get bored as easily and it supports them to have good mental health.

Teenagers need free time to explore their own interests, unwind, build relationships and have fun. Research shows that young people thrive on connections they develop, which demonstrates how valuable hobbies are.

What can you do?

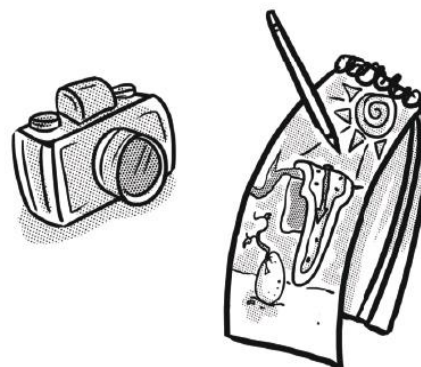


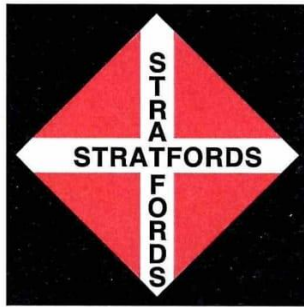
There are many different hobbies for your child to choose from, including sports, music, arts, building, computers, reading, photography, pet care and more. Encourage your child to take part in individual or group hobbies to enrich their lives and explore their interests.

Talk to your child about what they are interested in and what hobbies they would like to try. Carry out some research in your local area and community to see what they could get involved in. You could also take part in a new hobby together or they could get some friends involved too.

Explain to your child the importance of hobbies to help them be proactive and to take action. Reinforce the

importance of hobbies, such as to build confidence, learn new skills, help to choose a career, meet new people, disconnect from technology and discover new interests.





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NOVEMBER 2025

Dear Parent,

As your school's chosen uniform supplier, along with a new CEO and other contributing factors, we have made the decision to move the purchasing of school uniform to ONLINE ONLY. Since COVID purchasing online has been the way forward for many companies, and we accept that we also must make changes to provide a better service. We experimented with several different ideas this year, some worked, some failed but overall, the online service proved to be the best way forward. This does mean uniform will not be available to 'try on' and the 'School Shop' will not be available during the summer holiday as in previous years. All uniform collections will still be from our 'service window' at Stratfords, uniform deliveries can still be made free of charge to your designated school (term time only). Our refund and exchange policy has been updated to reflect the changes.

Kind regards,

The Schools Team

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PE Weekly Sports Bulletin:



Clubs Timetable

We're pleased to share our clubs timetable for this term. Although our offer is slightly reduced due to fixtures and parents' evenings, we're still running a range of exciting opportunities for students to stay active and enjoy sport. Full details of the clubs and activities available can be found on the noticeboard in the PE department and on our new PE Twitter page, where we'll also post any updates or changes throughout the term.

Thank you for your continued support in helping our students stay involved in school sport!

Date	Club	Staff
Thursday 4 th December	All year's badminton	Mr May
Monday 8 th December	All years football	Mr Herring
Wednesday 10 th December	Rugby Club	Mr Herring
Monday 15 th December	All years football	Mr Herring
Wednesday 17 th December	All year's boys' basketball	Mr May
Wednesday 17 th December	Rugby Club	Mr Herring
Thursday 18 th December	All year's badminton	Mr May



Fixture timetable updated

<u>1st December</u>	<u>KS3 Badminton Girls</u>	<u>KLA</u>
<u>1st December</u>	<u>KS3 Boys Badminton</u>	<u>KES</u>
<u>2nd December</u>	<u>Year 8 Girls Basketball</u>	<u>KLA</u>
<u>2nd December</u>	<u>Year 10 Girls Basketball</u>	<u>KES</u>
<u>16th December</u>	<u>Year 7 Boys Basketball</u>	<u>KLA</u>
<u>16th December</u>	<u>Year 9 Boys Basketball</u>	<u>KES</u>

PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued...

PE Stars of the Week

Year 7



Willow Copeman – Working hard and listening in lessons, and improving lesson on lesson.



Lincoln Moore – Fantastic effort in PE lessons and representing the school in football keep it up!!

Year 8



Vilte Bagdonaite – Fantastic effort during the rugby lesson keep it up!!



Aarav Saju – Excellent commitment to extra curricular activities and effort in lessons!

Year 9



Clara Zalums and Natalija Lypko – Throwing yourselves into the rugby; fantastic effort during the lesson keep it up!!



Daniel Foskett – Well done on passing your Dodgeball qualification; super proud PE department!!

PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued...

PE Stars of the Week

Year 10



Charlie Eke – great work ethic this term in Sports Studies keep it up!!

Year 11



Fin Murray – Good attitude and effort in lessons and fantastic humour!!

Leicester Tigers vs Northampton Saints trip

On Friday evening, we took 40 students to watch Leicester Tigers vs Northampton Saints in the Gallagher prem rugby cup.

The behaviour was fantastic from first entering the coach to getting dropped back off at school. They represented the school brilliantly and we could not be prouder. The game was absolutely fantastic and had everything from big tackles to explosive tries and unbelievable conversions.

We even managed to get a signed ball and some photos with the Tigers players afterwards! Well worth waiting for.

This is just the beginning for us, and we absolutely love providing this experience for them. Hopefully this has motivated some of them to show more of an interest in rugby/join a club or our afterschool clubs.

Leicester came out 34-22 winners in a high scoring, exciting game!

Massive thankyou to Mrs Mason, Mr Aldous and Mr Buckle for coming and supporting me organising the trip!



PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued...



Basketball tournament

This week, the year 8 and 10 boys represented the school in a highly competitive basketball tournament, facing teams from Smithdon, KES, Springwood, Hamonds, Litcham and Marshland. Despite a challenging set of fixtures, the team showed outstanding enthusiasm, determination and sportsmanship from start to finish.

The boys started the evening nervously, but as the matches went on their communication, movement, and teamwork improved massively. They grew in confidence with every game and began to link play together much more effectively. Their defensive organisation strengthened, and they worked hard to support one another on and off the court. Although the team did not come away with winning the tournament, they showed real development in understanding positioning and reading the game. Most importantly, they represented the school exceptionally well, demonstrating maturity, respect and a positive attitude throughout.

A great learning experience for the boys with plenty of progress made—well done.



West Norfolk Badminton Tournament



On Monday, our school took part in the West Norfolk Badminton Tournament, entering a team of four boys and four girls to compete against all schools across the district. It was a fantastic evening of competition, teamwork and sporting spirit.

The boys had an outstanding tournament, showing excellent skill, focus, and determination throughout their matches. They displayed strong technical ability and worked well in both singles and doubles games. Their consistency paid off as they won the majority of their matches, securing an impressive 2nd place overall.

This is a fantastic achievement for the team, who represented the school with real confidence and maturity.

The girls' team faced tough opposition in every round, but they showed brilliant effort, resilience, and enthusiasm. Although they did not achieve as many wins as they had hoped, they improved with each match and gained valuable experience along the way. Most importantly, they thoroughly enjoyed the evening, showing great teamwork and a positive attitude throughout.

PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued...

Both teams conducted themselves superbly and demonstrated the values we are proud of—respect, teamwork, and determination. The players should all be extremely proud of their performances and the progress they made. Well done to all pupils involved!

Winter months



As we move further into the winter months, the weather has become much colder and frosty. We would like to remind all students that it is their responsibility to come prepared for outdoor PE lessons.

From 8th December, all PE lessons will take place outside due to examinations in the Sports Hall. Students already know the activities they are taking part in, so please make sure you are dressed appropriately.

What students are allowed to wear -

- Hats and gloves
- Base layers/underlayers (e.g., under-armour tops)
- Leggings or sports tights worn under PE shorts
- School rugby tops and PE jumpers
- Additional layers worn under the school PE kit

We strongly encourage students to layer up to stay warm, comfortable, and ready to take part safely. Thank you for your support in helping everyone stay prepared during the cold weather.

Girls' rugby sessions

We are delighted to share the fantastic success of our recent partnership with West Norfolk Rugby Club, who have been delivering girls' rugby sessions during curriculum time. The coaches have been brilliant at introducing the sport in a fun, supportive and inclusive way, and the girls have responded with enthusiasm and confidence.

It has been wonderful to see so many students getting stuck in, developing new skills, and showing real determination on the pitch. Their hard work and positive attitude are already making a big impact.

Thanks to the success of these sessions, we have also seen an increase in girls attending our after-school rugby club on Wednesdays. This is a brilliant opportunity for students to build on what they've learned, stay active, and be part of something exciting.

We would love to see even more girls getting involved, as we are aiming to form a school girls' rugby team. No experience is needed—just enthusiasm and a willingness to give it a go!

Come along, get involved, and help us build something special!



Year 7 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:

Just like that it's Friday again!

It has been another busy week with year 7's working incredibly hard. On Wednesday we held our assembly and gave out certificates to our 'star students', this week voted for by the subject teachers. We celebrated the fantastic learning of the following -



- Maths – **Alice Head**
- History – **Logan Barnes**
- MFL – **Ayden Smith**
- DT – **Dominika Andruskevic**
- Art – **Annie Taylor**
- Food – **Eleanor Reeve**
- Geography – **Finlay Low**
- Drama – **Harry Ely**

In our assembly, Mr Reeve-Hayes delivered a talk about anti-bullying week and diabetes awareness month. It was jam packed with information, help and support, all of which we can share with each other. The students listened and engaged well.

Attendance has been lower this week. Unfortunately, we have been hit with winter bugs already. We have dropped to 92.4%. Please can we try super hard to push this up next week. If your child is unwell, has any upcoming appointments, which it has been unavoidable to book out of school time please remember to contact us before 8.30am, preferably via our absence email - studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk or call the absence line **01553 602874**. Heads of year are calling each day to check in with parents and students; at the third day of absence we will be required to carry out a home visit/or video call. Please can I ask that if you do text my work phone or email me directly with absences, please contact the attendance officer too as I cannot guarantee that I will always see the messages.

Year 7's have been working hard and the achievement points are flying out across all subjects. Our highest achiever this week is **Harry Ely** with 32 points. Well done Harry, very proud of you. Hot on their heels are more students keen for that top spot. Here is our highest achievers list along with a huge congratulations to you all.

Ely Harry	32
Low Finlay	31
Head Alice	28
Rollings Katy	24
Keegan Harmony	23

As per last week's plea, please ensure your child has a suitable coat for the weather. So many students have arrived this week with no coat and our muster area is outside. They really do need to bring something suitable that will keep them warm and dry. The second thing is that our outside muster area is mainly grass. As you can imagine this week it has been extremely muddy and slippery. Whilst I try my best to remind them not to, they are purposely running, skidding and pushing each other to fall, therefore getting caked in mud. I can imagine the sheer the horror on some parents faces as they arrive home. The weather is not going to improve this time of year, at times getting much worse so please speak to your child about the safety of your child and others around them and whilst it is their social/play time, please do not be silly about the mud.

As you know, should you need to contact me for a pastoral issue that you would like to discuss as Head of Year 7, then please email me, emma.mann@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk. Alternatively, you can call me on **07511 225248**. My work mobile is on between 8am and 4pm Monday to Friday, however, please remember that my phone will remain in my office and that I can only answer if at my desk.

Have a lovely weekend, stay warm and stay safe.

Mrs Mann.

Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Lockey:



Happy Friday!

Just a gentle reminder from me about uniform, thanks to you all have been fantastic supporting us with this as it is really important. Please remember leggings are not permitted; some girls are creeping in with them but we need them to be in trousers or KLA skirts. If there are any issues, please feel free to let me know if we can help in anyway. We always endeavour to support all the children.

Attendance this past week has been **89.9%**, can we please attend each and every day wherever possible. I totally appreciate there are some illnesses that cannot be prevented. This is the lowest it's been this year. If your child is unwell, has any upcoming appointments, which it has been unavoidable to book out of school time please remember to contact us before 8.30am, preferably via our absence email - studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk or call the absence line **01553 602874**. Heads of year are calling each day to check in with parents and students; at the third day of absence we will be required to carry out a home visit/or video call.

To support the students and to set the right example, I will not be using my mobile phone when I'm out and about around the school. Please take this into consideration when contacting me, I may not be able to answer your call or text as quickly as I would like. I will endeavour to return your call/text as soon as I can during my working hours. If you have a pastoral issue you would like to discuss with me as Head of Year, then please email me on Hayley.Lockey@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk

Thank you all so much for your support with arriving on time this week.

If your child is late without a valid reason time will be made up and they will work in the late room on arrival. Detentions are then set followed by after school detentions, without good reason for lateness.

As a year group we have achieved **3,568** points this past week up to Wednesday! Well done year 8, that is fantastic, keep up the great work and efforts in your lessons! That is amazing!

Our **highest achiever** this week in the year group was **Isabella White**, a massive well done to her. Keep up the hard work and effort in your lessons.

Student of the week this week goes to **Erica ward**, she has made an amazing start back to school. Well done Erica, keep up the amazing work, you have been fabulous.



If your child does any activities outside of school, please let me know so happy to share please email me always love to know what the students are doing in their own time. Hayley.Lockey@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk



Dates for diary

Year 8 Parents evening Wednesday 3rd December (@KLA) appointments now live. See you there.

Last day of term Friday 19th December 2025

Have a wonderful weekend take care and stay safe 😊

Mrs Lockey.

Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs West:

The final parent bulletin of November! How is that even possible!

It has been another fantastic week of learning. I have been particularly impressed with students' time keeping both in getting to school and with them attending the muster line ups promptly.

Our assembly this week was all about words and acceptance. This is something that we can all continuously learn new information on. The students all engaged well and I really felt it was a beneficial assembly. Thank you to Mr Reeve-Hayes for taking the time to put it together.

Below is the standing for achievement points for the month of November. Congratulations to all. It is so lovely to have students committing to their schoolwork and working hard each day.

Student	November
Richardson, India	141
Ellis, Summer	133
Juskyte, Gabriele	132
Murray, Martha	127
Lambert, William	125
Rosca, Gabriel	120
Oughton, Olivia	119
Simper, Esmae	116
Clarke, Evelyn	115
Ellis, Sophia	113
Wolstenholme, Mia	113

Attendance has been lowered this week by lots of illness. I appreciate there are many germs going around at the moment. Please contact the school if your child is not going to attend for the day so that the illness can be logged.

I hope you all have a lovely weekend. Christmas decorations for me this weekend! 🎄 🎄 🎄

Mrs West.

Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Fountain:

Happy Friday parents, carers and all! The last bulletin before December, how has it happened so quickly! Everyone knows by now that I am a Christmas-a-holic! I LOVE CHRISTMAS; however, I totally understand that not everyone feels the same. For whatever reason, if you are struggling this December/winter/Christmas please do not hesitate to contact me and I will do everything I can to ensure you get the support you need. My number is **07511 224223**, or email lucy.fountain@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk



Illness has really hit the year 10's this week with attendance taking a really knock! **Attendance for Year 10 was an abysmal 88%!!**

I am really grateful for you contacting the school before 8am by phone or email. I am also really grateful for you trying to get your young people into school once they start to feel better. Obviously attendance is hugely important, so if you can get them dosed up with pain relief, please send them in. Also, just for your information, following our attendance policy, on day 3 of absence we make contact by home visit to ensure the welfare of our students but also to see if there is anything we can do to help support their return.

When reporting an absence please use either: studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk or **01553 602874**.

Celebrating Year 10:

Celebrating our wonderful students, with great achievements this week:

Student	Total
Rutter, Freya	46
Dey, Millie	38
Ebbens, Rosie	37

Well done to them all!! Especially **Freya Rutter** with a huge 46!!

As a year group, we achieved **2461!** Well done year 10! I am a very proud Head of Year 😊

If there is anything you would like to add to this that your young person achieves outside of school please let me know as its great to celebrate each other.

Dates to remember:

Last day of College - Friday 12th December

End of term - Friday 19th December

First day of term - Tuesday 6th January 2026

That's all from me, have a great week and I will catch up with you all next week.

Stay safe,

Miss Fountain.

Introduction of work experience at KLA:

Dear parents and carers,

I am excited to announce that King's Lynn Academy is launching its very first work experience for year 10 (14-15yrs) students. Students will be on placements 13th - 24th April 2026.

As many of you are aware, work experience is a very valuable tool to help students learn about themselves, their future career paths, and experience what the world of work is like.

As this is our first year, I am looking to build a database of potential placements to help support students. If you or someone you know could host one or more of our students, please contact me: katie.leeming-watts@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk

Taking on a work experience student shouldn't usually require additional paperwork or insurance. Please see the HSE advice: [Young people at work: Work experience - HSE](#)

I look forward to hearing from you.

Mrs Leeming-Watts

PE Teacher and Careers Leader

Year 11 Round Up compiled by Mrs Laws:

Good afternoon from year 11.

There has been lots happening within lessons this week in the lead up to the mocks starting on 8th December and of course the Hospitality and Catering practical exams which started this week.

Wednesday evening saw the Duke of Edinburgh Bronze and Silver award ceremony in school which I had the pleasure of attending, it was lovely to see students and their parents celebrating their success. Many congratulations to **Jac Fox, Adrian Eikens, Olivia Lanham, Freddie Eastwood, Daniel Watts & Adrija Kuzaitė** on receiving their silver awards. Well done to the year 10's who completed their bronze awards. A fantastic achievement by all. A big thank you to Miss Bowen, Mr Goodman and all the helpers for giving up their time and making this wonderful experience possible for our students.



Many students have applied for their post 16 choices which is fantastic. If your child hasn't, please encourage them to do so asap.

If you need to contact me for a pastoral issue as Head of Year 11, then please email me on jacqueline.laws@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk. Alternatively, you can call me on **07591 388678**. My work mobile is on between 8am & 4pm. I would just like to remind you all that I am not on school site from 12.30pm on a Thursday as I will be over at the college with my students. On Thursdays, my work phone will be on until 4.30pm. As we are setting a positive example for the students, I do not have my mobile with me around the academy anymore, only in my office so please be mindful of this when you call, and I will return your call asap.



Year 11 attendance was 88% this week. Attendance in year 11 is CRUCIAL. Literally every day matters. It's a proven fact that the better your school attendance, the better GCSE grades you achieve, the better job you get so the more money you earn. I will be constantly reminding you of this throughout the year.

Well done to those of you who were all here every day, and to those of you who still have 100% attendance this academic year, that is amazing! If your child is unwell, has any upcoming appointments, which it has been unavoidable to book out of school time please remember to contact us before 8.30am, preferably via our absence email - studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk or call the absence line **01553 602874**.

Please make sure when booking appointments during school time you remember to provide us with the medical evidence so we can authorise these absences and it then won't make a difference to your child's attendance percentage.

As a group we have achieved over 2200 reward points this week which is amazing! Our highest achiever was **Sephira Griggs-Williamson**, congratulations to her!

Have a wonderful weekend and get some revision in ready for the mocks if you can.

Mrs Laws.

Year 11 PPE timetable 2025 - 2026

Thursday 20 th November	Performing Arts recording of unit 1
27 th November – 5th December	Hospitality and Catering Practical Assessments

	08:45	13:15
Monday 8 th December	Maths Paper 1 8300/1F Foundation Students only (1hr 30)	Combined Science Trilogy Biology 8464/B/1F & 8464/B/1H (1hr 15) Biology Paper 1 8461/1H (1hr 45) Early Lunch
Tuesday 9 th December	Maths Paper 2 8300/2F Foundation Students only (1hr 30)	History Paper 2 8145/2A/A & 2B/C (2hr) Geography Paper 3 8035/3 (45min) Early Lunch 1pm start
Wednesday 10 th December	Combined Science Trilogy Chemistry 8464/C/1F & 8464/C/1H (1hr 15) Chemistry Paper 1 8462/1H (1hr 45)	English Language Paper 1 8700/1 (1hr 45) Early Lunch
Thursday 11 th December	Maths Paper 3 8300/3F Foundation Students only (1hr 30)	Computer Science Paper 1 J277/01 (1hr 30) Early Lunch
Friday 12 th December	Combined Science Trilogy Physics 8464/P/1F & 8464/P/1H (1hr 15) Physics Paper 1 8463F/H (1hr 45)	
Tuesday 16 th December	English Language Paper 2 8700/2 (1hr 45)	

	08:45	13:15
Thursday 5 th February	Hospitality & Catering Unit 1 5409UB0-1 (1hr 20) French Listening and Understanding 1FR1/2F/H (50min/1hr 05)	Hair and Beauty Synoptic 12:45 start
Friday 6 th February	Religious Studies A P1-3 Christ Religious Studies A P1-5 Islam 8062/13 & 8062/15 (1hr 45) Business Paper 1 8132/1 (1hr 45)	German Listening and Understanding 1GN1/2F/H (50min/1hr 05)

	08:45	13:15
Monday 9 th February	English Literature Paper 1 8702/1 (1hr 45)	French Reading and Understanding 1FR1/3F/H (45min/1hr) German Reading and Understanding 1GN1/3F/H (45min/1hr)
Tuesday 10 th February	Mathematics Paper 1 8300/1F & 8300/1H (1hr 30)	Sprt Stdies: Cntmpry Issues Sprr Wrtn R184/01 (1hr 15)
Wednesday 11 th February	English Language Paper 1 8700/1 (1hr 45)	Business paper 2 8132/2 (1hr 45) Early Lunch
Thursday 12 th February	Maths Paper 2 8300/2F & 8300/2H (1hr 30)	Computer Science Paper 2 J277/01 (1hr 30) Citizenship Paper 1 8100/1 (1hr 45) Early Lunch Hair and Beauty Synoptic 1pm Start
Friday 13 th February	Geography Paper 1 8035/1 (1hr 30)	French Writing 1FR1/4F/H (45 min/1hr) German Writing 1GN1/4F/H (45 min/1hr)

	08:45	13:15
Monday 23 rd February	Combined Science Trilogy Biology 8464/B/2F & 8464/B/2H (1hr 15) Biology Paper 2 8461/H/F (1hr 45)	Religious Studies A P2A Excl Text 8062/2A (1hr 45) Early Lunch
Tuesday 24 th February	Mathematics Paper 3 8300/3F & 8300/3H (1hr 30)	Geography Paper 2 8035/2 (1hr 30) Early Lunch
Wednesday 25 th February	English Literature Paper 2 8702/2 (2hr 15)	Combined Science Trilogy Chemistry 8464/C/2F & 8464/C/2H (1hr 15) Chemistry Paper 2 8462/2H/F (1hr 45) Early Lunch
Thursday 26 th February	History Paper 1 8145/1A/B & 1B/A (2hr)	Hair and Beauty Synoptic 12:15 start Citizenship Paper 2 8100/2 (1hr 45) Early Lunch
Friday 27 th February	English Language Paper 2 8700/2 (1hr 45)	Combined Sci Trilogy Physics 8464/P/2F & 8464/P/2H (1hr 15) Physics Paper 2 8463/2H/F (1hr 45) Early Lunch

Year 11 period 5 for Art & Photography:

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All year 11 photographers and artists are invited to period
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Monday - Thursday in N1

And also **Wednesday in CG5**