



Friday 7th November 2025

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 12th November – Year 10 work experience information evening 6.30pm – 7.30pm

Friday 14th November – Children in Need non-uniform day

Wednesday 26th November – DofE awards evening

Thursday 27th November – Year 10 REMOTE parents evening

Wednesday 3rd December – Year 8 parents evening ON SITE

Thursday 11th December – Year 9 REMOTE parents evening

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

Friday 19th December – Last day of term

Tuesday 6th January – School reopens after Christmas holiday

Remembrance Day Tuesday 11th November

We will be marking Remembrance Day on Tuesday 11th November. Any student who participates in Cadets, Guides, Scouts or for any uniformed services, are invited to wear their uniforms as a mark of respect on Tuesday.

Poppy Appeal:

As well as poppies for lapels, the Royal British Legion have this year sent us some other commemorative items including fabric bracelets and key rings/clip ons. If you or your child would like to purchase any of these items for this excellent cause, we are suggesting a minimum donation of £1 each. All proceeds to the 2025 RBL Poppy Appeal. These can be obtained from our reception; please try to ensure you have the correct change.



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 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 \(eastern-mat.co.uk\)](#)

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



🎄 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!

Back Stage Team

We are now looking for our backstage team for both the Winter Show and this year's musical - Grease!
If you are interested, please come and sign up with either Miss Worledge or Miss Mace.

Roles include:

Props, Lighting, Sound, Selling Food and Raffle Tickets,
Costume Changes, Hair and Makeup, Moving set etc.

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.

10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

GUIDING YOUNG VOICES TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Bullying impacts the lives of many young people. In the UK, one in five pupils aged 10 to 15 report being bullied. The effects can be long lasting, affecting mental health, school attendance and self-esteem, and can impact long-term development into adult life. Adults play a key role in building young people's confidence to speak out, support one another, and stand up to unkind behaviour. This guide offers ways to help youngsters make a positive difference.

1 CELEBRATE DIFFERENCES

Help young people value diversity by showing that what makes us different is also what makes us strong. Encourage them to learn about different cultures, identities, and abilities through books, films, and conversations. By appreciating uniqueness in themselves and others, children can grow into open-minded individuals who build inclusive and welcoming environments.

2 MODEL RESPECT

Children watch and learn from how adults behave. Use respectful language, show patience in disagreements, and treat others with fairness – especially in front of children. By modelling inclusive behaviour and challenging unkindness, adults set a lasting example that respect should be part of every interaction, whether online, at school, or at home. Be the change you want to make.

3 SPOT THE SIGNS

Adults and young people should learn how to recognise signs that someone may be experiencing bullying. This might include withdrawal from friends, hobbies or interests, changes in mood, reluctance to go to school, or unusual injuries. Helping young people recognise these clues ensures that support can be offered sooner and problems do not go unnoticed.

4 VALIDATE FEELINGS

When a child shares something that worries them, it's important to listen carefully and validate how they feel. Respond with empathy – not judgement – and let them know it's okay to feel upset or confused. Offering reassurance and understanding helps young people feel safe about opening up, and builds the trust needed to talk again in future.

5 TEACH ALLYSHIP

Show children how to stand up for others in safe, respectful ways. Allyship might look like sitting next to someone who's been excluded, reporting hurtful behaviour, or speaking up when they witness bullying. By practising these responses together, you're helping children develop the courage to be kind and to take action when it really counts.

6 PROMOTE REPORTING

Ensure young people know how to report bullying and feel confident that they'll be taken seriously. Talk to them about who they can speak to and what to expect when they do, such as reporting school incidents to teachers, and out-of-school bullying to parents or teachers. Reassure them that reporting is a brave and helpful choice – not tattling – and that it plays a vital role in keeping everyone safe.

7 ENCOURAGE KINDNESS

Everyday acts of kindness can make a big difference in creating safer, happier spaces. Encourage children to look out for one another by being helpful, saying kind words, or including someone who feels left out. These small actions set a strong example that kindness matters, and that it can be a powerful response to bullying.

8 USE YOUR VOICE

Encourage young people to speak up for themselves and others. Whether through storytelling, school campaigns, or peer-led projects, children can learn that their voice has power. Support them to express themselves confidently and safely, helping them understand that sharing experiences can challenge injustice and inspire real change in their communities.

9 BUILD COMMUNITY AND BELONGING

Children thrive when they feel supported. Help them build strong friendships, join clubs or teams, and connect with trusted adults who care. These networks offer comfort, encouragement, and protection – particularly during challenging times. Remind children that they don't have to face difficulties alone and that support is always within reach.

10 SUSTAIN THE CONVERSATION

Bullying awareness shouldn't be limited to one week each year. Create regular opportunities to talk about kindness, respect, and inclusion. Use books, news stories, and personal experiences as conversation starters. Embed anti-bullying initiatives into the school, and make tackling bullying a shared, ongoing commitment.

Meet Our Expert

Robert Allsop is an experienced pastoral and safeguarding practitioner, specialising in tutorials, behaviour interventions, and attendance management. A recipient of the Diana Award for Anti-Bullying, he has helped raise standards and improve Ofsted outcomes in some of the country's most challenging schools and colleges.



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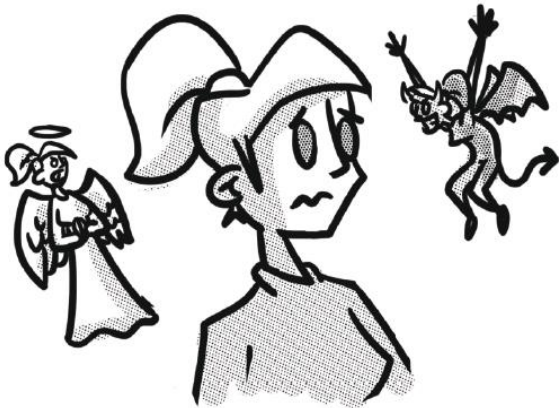
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Did you know?



Exam stress can be really challenging, not only for children but for those that live with them. Research shows that having someone to talk to about their work can help. Support from a parent, teacher or friend can help young people share their worries and keep things in perspective.

Survey research has identified that exams are a significant source of stress and worry for pupils in secondary school. In particular, failing important examinations, and the consequences of failing these examinations, are rated as more important than a range of other personal and social worries. (Optimus education)

The NHS highlight that Children and young people who experience stress may:

- worry a lot
- feel tense
- get lots of headaches and stomach pains
- not sleep well
- be irritable
- lose interest in food, or eat more than normal
- not enjoy activities they previously enjoyed
- seem negative and low in their mood
- seem hopeless about the future



What can you do?

Watch out for signs of stress and encourage your child to talk to a member of school staff or someone who they feel is supportive. If you feel your child isn't coping, it may also be helpful for you to talk to their teachers at school.

Encourage and support your child to build and maintain healthy habits before and during the exam period, such as eating a healthy balanced diet, staying hydrated, getting enough sleep, doing exercise, having time to relax and to socialise with friends.

Remind your child that feeling nervous and anxious is

normal. Support them to be organised, have a routine and build a revision timetable. Try not to add to their pressure by being flexible with them. Talk to them about how they feel, remind them of their goals in life and motivate them to stay focused. Staying calm will help them remain calm - and exams don't last forever.



Year 11 Battlefields Tour 2025

From the 24th to the 26th October we took 49 of our GCSE History students to a number of battlefields, cemeteries and memorials across France and Belgium to deepen our understanding of the First World War. The students demonstrated themselves as assets to the school and were spoken of very highly and fondly by our two incredible tour guides, Beth and Dickie. The trip proved to be an invaluable experience for our students and one the attending teachers thoroughly enjoyed also. Please read on for a summary of what we got up to!

Day 1

A 4:45am early departure did not dampen the mood of our students (even though some students told us they hadn't even slept!), our journey I'm pretty sure was fuelled by crisps and sweets. The journey continued with our ferry crossing where the amount of crisps and sweets consumed backfired for some – the waves were not kind to us! After a safe arrival we went to our first destination, Lijssenthoek CWGC cemetery. This was the students' first exposure to a cemetery of the Great War, their faces said it all. Beth and Dickie told us stories relating to a couple of the soldiers buried there but the realisation that we were surrounded by **10,785** graves was what really hit home for a lot of our students. Next, we travelled to our base for the trip, the beautiful city of Ypres where we had a visit to the chocolate shops and a much needed meal! Our first day ended with the Last Post Ceremony at Menin Gate. The Last Post has taken place here



daily since 1928 and was only stopped during the Second World War – every other day, including during COVID, the Last Post has taken place. This was a truly moving experience for us all and our students conducted themselves beautifully, three students were selected to lay a wreath on behalf of the school.

Day 2

On the second day we crossed the border into France where we learnt about the Battle of the Somme. We visited the Sunken Lane where students faced the reality that they were standing on the fields where so many tragically died on the single bloodiest day in British military history, 1st July 1916, the first day of





the Battle of the Somme. From this point we visited Newfoundland Memorial Park where we saw the remains of trenches and learnt about the Newfoundland Regiment's role at the Somme. From here we visited Lochnagar Crater, of which I cannot possibly show you a photo that reveals the true scale! To give you a rough idea, the British dug tunnels roughly 314m long and 16-29m below ground, here they planted 54,000lbs of explosives which once detonated left a crater 100m wide and 21m deep! Our final stop of the day was Thiepval Memorial to the missing. Here the reality of the Somme hit us all. On the memorial there are the names of **72,000** British and South African soldiers that were never found following the battle.

Day 3

We left bright and early, bags packed, ready to gradually make our way to Calais with more stops on route. Our first stop was to Langemarck German Cemetery where students were shocked by the contrast in style of the cemetery. From here we stopped at Vancouver Corner, a truly stunning memorial to Canadian troops involved in the war. During our stop, four of our students demonstrated the evolution of gas masks during the First World War – I didn't manage to get any photos of utter disgust when students learnt that in the early stages they used urine soaked rags and sanitary towels! From here we visited Bayernwald trench system before visiting our final location, Poperinghe. During our stop at Poperinghe we learnt about punishment and executions within the army during the war, including visiting the cells where soldiers spent their final night before execution. Our trip ended at Poperinghe Cemetery where we wrapped up everything we had learnt over the three days before departing with the poignant reminder that we were about to return home, unlike so many that never did following the First World War.



PE Weekly Sports Bulletin:



PE Update for this term

Students will be taking part in the following sports: Tag Rugby, Rugby, Netball, Hockey, and Basketball.

For the outdoor sports, football boots are a requirement. As the weather worsens, it's important that students have appropriate footwear to ensure both safety and effective participation. Please note that PE lessons will continue whatever the weather, so being properly equipped is essential.

To help students stay warm during the colder months, rugby tops are available to purchase from Stratfords. These are a great option to wear as part of the PE kit.

Thank you for your continued support in helping students stay prepared, comfortable, and ready to enjoy PE in all conditions.

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
Monday 10 th November	Football Club	Mrs Mason
Tuesday 11 th November	Basketball Trial night (Girls)	Mrs Cully-Tea/Mrs Mason
Wednesday 12 th November	Basketball Trial night (Boys)	Mr May
Wednesday 12 th November	Rugby Club	Mr Herring
Thursday 13 th November	All Years Badminton Trial night	Mr May
Monday 17 th November	All years football	Mr Herring
Tuesday 18 th November	All year girls' basketball	Mrs Culley-Tea/ Mrs Mason
Wednesday 19 th November	All year's boys' basketball	Mr May
Wednesday 19 th November	Rugby Club	Mr Herring



Date	Club	Staff
Wednesday 26 th November	All year's boys' basketball	Mr May
Wednesday 26 th November	Rugby Club	Mr Herring
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



PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued...

New PE Department X (Twitter) Page!

We're excited to announce our new PE X page!

All updates, fixture results, trip information, and return timings will now be shared here to help keep parents up to date.

Please scan the QR code below and follow our page to stay connected and informed. Thank you for your support!



– The PE Department



Football Fixtures Update

Our year 11 boys faced a very tough County Cup match against a strong Langley side, coached by a former Premier League player. Despite a determined first half and several good chances, KLA went into the break 3–0 down and were unable to turn it around in the second half. Although they are now out of the County Cup, the team showed great effort and resilience throughout the match.

Player of the Match: **Logan Daisley**



Our year 7 girls also played their County Cup fixture this week against City of Norwich. After some excellent play and a strong second-half performance, they came away with a fantastic 4–3 victory, securing their place in the next round! The girls have been showing brilliant commitment at Monday training sessions, and we're confident they'll continue their strong form.

Players of the Match: **Rosie Oliver** – outstanding in goal, and **Summer Hodgkinson** for her all-round performance.

A huge thank you to **Charlie Eke, Blake Perry, and Albie Miller** for their help with the year 7 girls' team – your support is greatly appreciated!

PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued...



Year 7 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:

Welcome back everyone! I hope you all had a wonderful half term. It was lovely to see so many happy faces back and I loved hearing all about their half term antics, Halloween horrors and Trick or Treating terrors!



This week, the students have been working extremely hard and have achieved over 2682 achievement points, which is absolutely fantastic. That really is a strong start back to this next half term. The highest achiever this week is **Skyla Reed** with 31 achievement points. Amazing Skyla, keep up the hard work.

The top 5 highest achievers are as follows:

Reed Skyla	31
Langbridge Jacob	29
Barnes Logan	24
Raynor Zeke	23
Burton Jude	22

A huge well done to them all, straight back to school with the same hard work and determination. Very proud of you all.

On Wednesday, the girls football team played a County Cup match against City of Norwich school and won 4-3. The girls played well and were a strong team. The win has put them through to the next round so a HUGE well done to them all. We won with two goals from **Annabel Twaite-Smith**, followed by one each from **Thandi Plaajies** and **Summer Hodgkinson**.



The after-school clubs have been a success again this week. Please can I remind everyone to write names in all uniform and PE kits please and more importantly, to ensure your child brings their kits on the days they have PE. Far too many kits were lent to students last half term and sadly it's not been a great start this week either. 12 kits were borrowed in just 2 lessons. This takes up so much time of the PE staff that is interrupting their lessons. This is not fair on all those students that do bring their kits each lesson and are ready and waiting. I do hope this can improve and that you all understand the importance of making sure your child is fully prepared for each school day, whether that's standard pencil case and stationery, or PE kits. Whilst I do have some pencil cases that students can borrow, my expectation for year 7's is for them all to be fully equipped every day. With your help, we can achieve this together.

It was lovely to see so many parents join us for the first year 7 parents evening on Thursday. I hope you all enjoyed meeting our amazing teachers and hearing how well your child has settled into life at KLA. They have all made a fantastic start and by the smiles on your faces Thursday evening, you were hearing that too.

Year 7 Round Up continued....

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.

With the mobile phone policy that we have in place, please consider this when contacting me as I may not be able to answer your call/text as quickly as I previously have. I will return your call/text as soon as I can during my working hours so, please bear with me. Please remember that we do have a 48-hour return of contact policy, but I will continue to try my best to return calls and reply to emails. If, on the odd chance you don't hear from me and still want to discuss something, please try again, send a text or WhatsApp to give me a little reminder nudge!

Have a wonderful weekend and please stay safe if attending any firework displays.

Mrs Mann.

Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Lockey:



Happy Friday!

Welcome back to everyone following a much needed half term break.

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 need them to be wearing 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.

In our year 8 Quad/play/muster area we now have a mobile library the students can access to sit and quietly read if they wish too. Many thanks to all students that have donated books. This is a really lovely sight to see and so many reading in between their lessons. We also have benches for quiet reading. We also have the makings for a new England Football Team with regular practice. 😊

Please encourage your children where you can to attend after school homework/sporting activities. The PE team are working really hard putting extra activities on as well. Homework Club runs Mondays to Wednesday's 3-4pm in CG6 and laptops are available.

Our assembly was kindly led by Miss Hammond talking and sharing experiences around her recent trip to Belgium & France. Students were very respectful during this assembly especially with the poignancy of Remembrance Day this week. Well done year 8.



Attendance this week has been **94.86%** - can we please attend each and every day wherever possible. I totally appreciate there are some illnesses that cannot be prevented. 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 call 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.

As a year group we have achieved **2,226** points this past week up to Wednesday! Well done year 8 that is fantastic, keep up the great work and efforts in your lessons!

Our **highest achiever** this week in the year group was **Freddie Lewis** a massive well done goes to them. Keep up the hard work and effort in your lessons.

Student of the week this week goes to **Ella Fiander-Asker** she has made an amazing start back to school. Well done Ella, 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

Have a wonderful weekend, take care and stay safe.

Mrs Lockey.

Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs West:

Welcome back! The early dark nights are with us!

It has been a great first week back at school. The students have all come back refreshed and ready to learn. We have a 7 week half term to get through (now 6) and although I am sure it feels long now it will soon be the last week.

The students have come back looking smart in their uniform. I thank you for your support with this.

Our attendance this week averaged out to 89.4%. We need to increase this; we are still chasing all other year groups. It is amazing how resilient children can be once they are mixing with their friends and busy at school. Please attempt to get them in to school if possible. Students are welcome at any time throughout the day, if they do wake up feeling unwell but improve please send them in. Every lesson is so important now leading up to when we choose are options.

Congratulation to the students below who have come back and had an amazing start to the term.

Student	Points
Asoba, Sam	33
Juskyte, Gabriele	33
Dix, Dexter	24
Jorley, Freddy	24
Dean-Davis, Vinnie	23
Osborne, Thea	23
Anderson, Polly	22
Murray, Martha	22
Reeve, Troy	22
Rosca, Gabriel	22

★ ★ ★ Student of the week this week is **Lidian Apostol**. Lidian, you have made a fantastic start to the half term. It is great to see you enjoying school life and working hard. ★ ★ ★

We have the Children in Need non uniform day to look forward to next Friday 14th November. The students always enjoy these days. A donation would be fantastic towards the charity please which can be brought in on the day.

Have a fantastic weekend.

Mrs West.

Year 9 Round Up continued...



KLA turtle conservation project

Kefalonia in Greece!

Students will spend 9 fantastic days gaining hands-on experience in turtle conservation, learning about turtle anatomy and the important role they play in an ecosystem, as well as how to protect them and the human impacts affecting their distribution and behaviours.

Ask for a letter (Miss Pullen).
Parent meeting (online) Monday 10 November.

The trip is in the **SUMMER HOLIDAYS**, and will depart on **22nd July 2026**, returning on **31st July 2026**

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Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Fountain:

Hi all, I hope you have had a great week and the week off went well. I can't believe we are now in the Christmas term!! My favourite time of the year.

At the end of last term, I participated in a training session for Unifrog. I am sure you have all seen your email regarding this amazing website so I won't harp on, however, I would like to say my lovely year 10's have done great with logging in and completing forms etc. ready for them starting work experience in the beginning of 2026, where they will have the opportunity to be part of the big wide world of work. Such an exciting time. If you do have any queries or concerns, please feel free to email me and I will do what I can to help.

This links into how uniform is such an important part of school. Please remember uniform is not an option, uniform is part of being a KLA student and a really important part of their future too, teaching them when there is a dress code to follow, it has to be followed. I always explain in the workplace they will be expected to dress according to the workplace policy, the same as the contract they signed when they started KLA, meaning there is no wiggle-room, it is not optional.

Ties are not optional, neither are blazers. Jumpers are optional, however they do not take the place of blazers.

Hoodies are not permitted inside of the school, neither are any other type of jumper/sportswear.

This leads me on to leggings! Leggings are becoming an issue for a few girls who think they are a choice. **Leggings are not allowed at all.** Please can I ask you to support me in enforcing this rule. As stated at the end of last term, incorrect uniform will result in a 15 min lunch detention. This seems to be the only way to get uniform correct again as incorrect items and "forgetting ties and blazers" seems too easy to use as an excuse.

Bags and equipment are essential parts of the students uniform also. Please can you ensure your young person has theirs every day.

PE kits - Still too many kits are being loaned out (which is then washed and sorted again by our wonderful Miss White which takes up so much time!) Please can I ask you make sure your young person brings their kit in on PE days.

Finally, just a reminder, students are to **arrive before 08:30am** with lessons beginning at 08:35am.

Celebrating Year 10:

I am proud to inform you that Year 10, this week from 22nd October until 5th November, earned an amazing

3080 ACHIEVEMENT POINTS!!

What a fantastic and positive week for so many of my lovely year 10's!!

Individually, the top achievers were:

Well done to you all for being so amazing.

Student	Points
Rutter, Freya	49
Watts, Samuel	48
Tann, Nancy	47

Well done to you all for being so amazing.

In continuing with celebrating, if there any extracurricular activities our students do, please let me know, as I absolutely love celebrating my year 10's achievements, not just from in school, but out too.

Year 10 Round Up continued...

Everything else:

We really need to get attendance levels back up, but a big thank you to those of you who try to get your young people into school, it makes such a difference to their learning and ultimately, their GCSE results.

The UK Government state that “Year 11 pupils with near-perfect attendance are almost twice as likely to achieve grade 5 in English and Maths GCSE, compared to similar pupils attending 90-95% of the time. In other words, missing just 10 extra days a year reduces the likelihood of achieving these grades by around 50%.” It is definitely food for thought and really is a reason to get them into school every day.



Please remember, a cough or cold can be helped with honey and lemon or a paracetamol or one of many other products available. Unless your young person has a tummy bug, they can come into school with just a tummy ache. Also, injuries such as a sprain or even breaks, we can accommodate!

Just let us know what the problem is and we will try our hardest to ensure your young person is helped, but most importantly getting the education they need and are entitled to.

In any of this situations please do not hesitate to drop me an email at lucy.fountain@kla.easternmat.co.uk or text on **07511 224223**, where I will try to help.

If your young person has any upcoming appointments, which it has been unavoidable to book out of school time, or if your child is unwell, please remember to contact us before 8.30am preferably via our absence email on: studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk or **01553 774671**. Please include your child's name, year group and why they are absent. Please also send in any proof of appointments and/or medication so the absence can be authorised.

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.

Please remember we do have the school swap shop which is accessible to all students.

Have a wonderful week whatever you may be doing, I shall speak with you soon.

Miss Fountain.

Year 11 Round Up compiled by Mrs Laws:

Welcome back!!! I hope you all had a restful week and have recharged those batteries ready for the run up to Christmas.

Assessments for the year 11's are up and running in most lessons now so we can gauge how the students are doing and if there are any information gaps they need help with.

The Battlefields trip went brilliantly; the students were a credit to the school and behaved impeccably.

A reminder to parents and students that they are expected to bring their PE kit to get changed into, even if they are not taking part in PE that day for whatever reason as per our policies please.

Wednesday 26th November sees the Duke of Edinburgh Silver & Bronze award evening taking place here at KLA from 5pm.

Coming up soon we will also have the Hospitality and Catering Practical exams taking place, students will be aware of when these are.

There has also been a list of mock dates sent out to parents and attached to this bulletin.

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 92.38% 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 all those attending session 5, keep it up.

Well done to those of you who were 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 take 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**. As you know, holidays during school term time are not authorised unless taken under exceptional circumstances. 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.

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 2000 reward points this week which is amazing! Our highest achiever was **Lillie King**, so congratulations to her!

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Laws.

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**

Year 11 PPE timetable 2025 - 2026

Thursday 20 th November	Performing Arts recording of unit 1
27 th November – 5 th 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)

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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 Sprt 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