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KING'S LYNN ACADEMY

'A safe, stimulating and enjoyable place to be'
Ofsted, October 2018



Success in all we do

Prospectus 2021/22

Welcome to KLA

At KLA it is our firm belief that every young person should be given the opportunities and encouragement they need to succeed; we believe in 'Success in all we do'.

We are a warm and welcoming academy where every individual is well known. The basis of our work and the reason why many families are joining us, is our commitment to every young person doing their very best.

Every student comes with a different story and has found primary school rewarding and challenging to different degrees. Here at King's Lynn Academy we are interested in how far each student can go, whatever their starting point.

When choosing a school for your child it is vital to see it for yourself. We know many families who have been very impressed because they have come to see us in action, then going on to choose KLA.

If you would like an individual tour of the school, these can be booked by calling reception on 01553 774671.

Please come and get to know us: we look forward to welcoming you to King's Lynn Academy.



Alan Fletcher
Principal



Phil Bugg
Vice Principal



Elanor Westbury
Vice Principal

“Together... [the leadership team] have transformed the school's culture and ethos.”

“Pupils are polite and courteous. They wear their uniforms and badges of achievement with pride. They care for one another and are respectful toward staff.”

Ofsted inspection, October 2018.

Our Curriculum

The curriculum at King's Lynn Academy has at its core high-quality academic subjects, supported by vibrant additional courses such as fine art, catering and sport. Class groupings are flexible and reviewed during the year to ensure personal success for all students. Our newly reviewed and improved curriculum effectively prepares students for further study and the world of work.

We deliver a curriculum which ensures that progression levels into further education and training are extremely high, providing students with the best chances of employment and career success.

Year 7 students enjoy a wide range of academic and practical subjects. They also benefit from teaching dedicated to developing their broader learning skills, to help them succeed in all classes.

English, Maths and the library are at the heart of the academy as you enter; a sign of their importance. Science, Technology, Drama and Art enjoy state-of-the-art facilities.

In Years 7, 8 & 9 students will study towards the Trust Diploma, available at different levels. Giving a focus to achievement in these crucial years, the diploma recognises progress in a range of academic subjects together with participation in wider activities and learning.

In Years 10 and 11 a range of academic and vocational options allow students to pursue their interests at a level appropriate to their needs. Students will also take GCSEs in the humanities and languages.

We have a very strong special needs team who fully support the inclusive nature of the academy.

We have a specialised programme to support our most able students with the prime intention of inspiring and supporting those students to achieve the highest grades as well as encouraging them to aspire to great things beyond our academy.

You Will Be Known

We pride ourselves on developing an in-depth understanding of every individual student in our academy. Students belong to tutor groups led by a staff member with the expertise to support them academically and help them settle in.

Each year group is supported by a non-teaching head of year, who is available to help via email or telephone. Our heads of year make it their mission to know every student well, giving a personal approach and a great beginning to academy life.

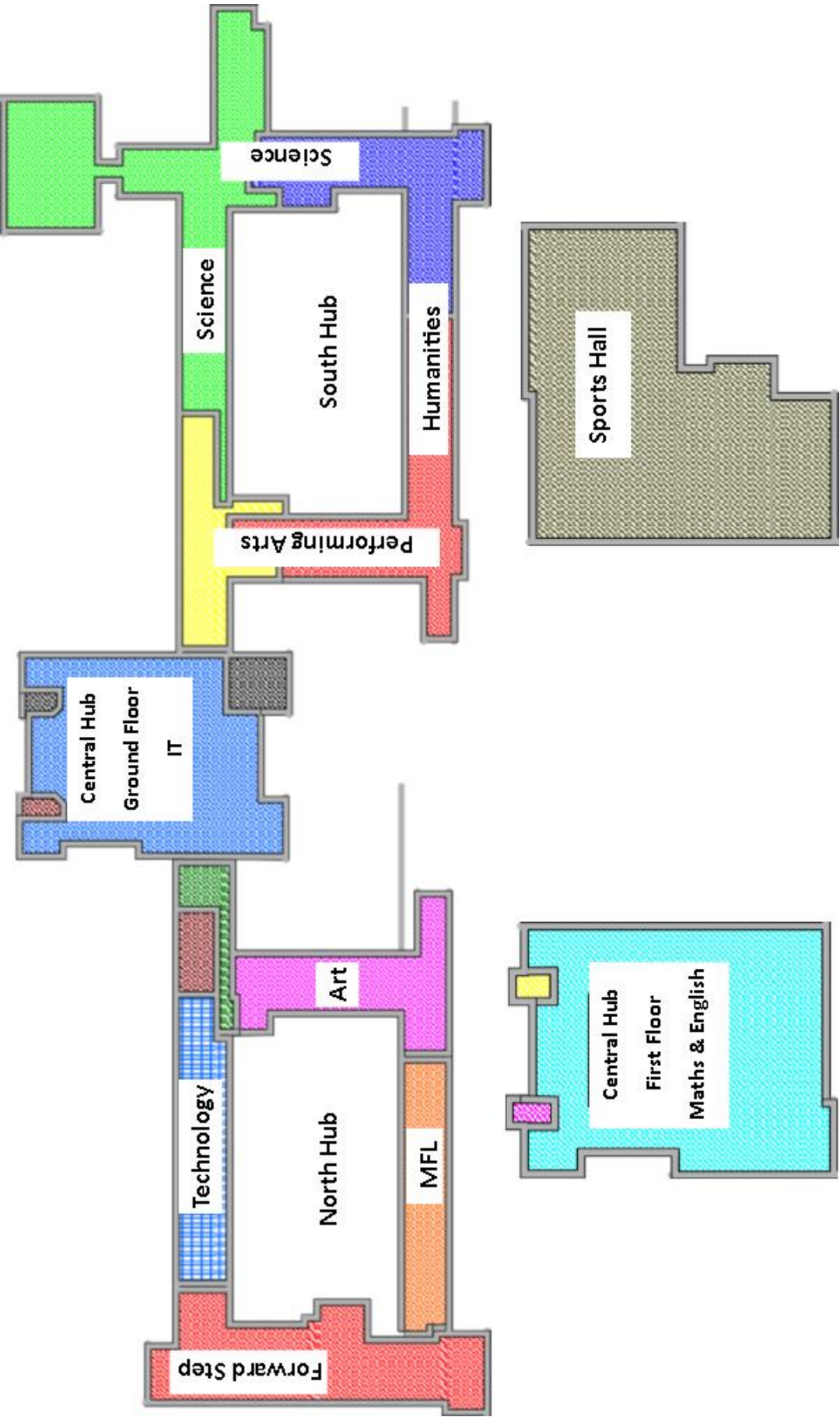
We recognise the importance of a good start to a secondary education for each student and work very closely with our cluster primary schools to ensure that the transition from Year 6 to Year 7 is as smooth as possible. In addition, every parent and child is given the opportunity to tour the academy and to have a personal interview with a senior member of staff before starting at the academy.

When a student starts during an academic year they will be given a tour and personal interview before starting with us and a buddy to help them settle in.

At King's Lynn Academy we take the safety of our students seriously. We strive to ensure that all our students feel safe and are able to talk about their worries and fears. If parents or students have any concerns relating to the safety or wellbeing of any student they should report it to one of our safeguarding team.

Our Behaviour for Learning programme seeks to recognise and reward achievement, positive attitudes and enterprising behaviour. When standards of behaviour fall below our expectations we use restorative practices and sanctions to resolve the matter.

Map of KLA



Rewards

King's Lynn Academy has developed a framework to recognise and reward students in their day-to-day academy life. During their time here, students will be given opportunities to display the following skills and attributes, both during and outside of lessons. They will be rewarded in a number of ways, including receiving reward stickers, praise postcards and blazer badges, all of which have a points value.



A blazer badge is the top award for students who regularly display key skills and attributes, or who have been involved in an event or project and have displayed a skill in a particularly good way. Staff nominate students for blazer badges, which will be presented in reward assemblies at the end of each term.

Each term, a students' total points are calculated and the top 20 students in each group receive High Street vouchers.

Our Endeavour Award is presented every term to the student who, despite other challenges, comes to school with a positive attitude and ready to learn.

Charlie Turner Memorial Award is presented to a student who has joined King's Lynn Academy from West Winch and has made the greatest contribution to King's Lynn Academy in Year 7.

Building for the Future

With state-of-the-art classrooms and lead learning areas, science laboratories, workshops, enterprise suite, dance, drama, music and art studios, and a dedicated hub for the teaching of English and Mathematics, we have sought to create a learning environment that will challenge all of our students and ensure that they have the opportunities to achieve to the highest possible levels.

King's Lynn Academy is a great place to learn. There is an emphasis on natural light, spaciousness, visible learning and excellent social areas for students.

We offer an extensive range of free, onsite activities after the academy day has finished including drama, cooking, sports and additional languages.

Student Voice

At King's Lynn Academy, there is a strong belief that students have a valuable contribution to make to all aspects of academy life and that their views are respected, listened to and valued. The academy has created a student commission which gives students a say in academy life, builds on their strengths and develops their leadership skills.

The Student Commission focusses on student engagement and teaching and learning at King's Lynn Academy. Commissioners hold an important role within their academy, providing feedback on teaching and learning. Their work supports the development of classroom practice and strategies for continuous improvement and outstanding learning for all.

This exciting opportunity gives students a real say, working with staff at all levels to create positive change, by giving students ownership of their learning and the chance to make changes that are beneficial to all.

Each year a whole-academy election takes place to decide who should represent the Academy as Head Boy and Head Girl. This is an ambition for many students throughout their time at King's Lynn Academy.

The quotes below are genuine pupil comments, taken from last year's pupil survey. They provide a flavour of the happy, friendly school we strive to create, and the caring ethos that lies at the heart of our ambition for your children.

"Our teachers are always here for us"

"I love this school"

"Everyone is approachable whenever you need someone"

"I'm always learning"

"There's more to KLA than just lessons"

We are really proud of our school, of our pupils and of the huge improvements we have made together over the past few years. We believe wholeheartedly in the potential our pupils have to be even better, and we are well into the next phase of our journey. We ask pupils joining the school to make one commitment – to help us make our school even better by becoming a valuable member of our school community. We hope that your family enjoys their experience when visiting KLA, and look forward to welcoming you to our happy community.

OUR VALUES



**WHAT SUPPORTS THE VISION, SHAPES THE
CULTURE, AND REFLECTS WHAT OUR
SCHOOL AND WE VALUE**