

Parent Bulletin

Friday 8th September 2023

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 13th September – Year 11 information evening from 6pm

Friday 29th September – Non uniform day for MacMillan

Friday 20th October – Last day of term

Friday 5th July 2024 - Year 11 Prom

Internet Safety Webinar:

[Recorded Online Safety webinar for parents and carers - YouTube](#)

Norfolk police have put together this webinar for parents, it is split into chunks.

1. Introduction
2. PC Smith PC Funnell - safer schools
3. SCOLT (Safeguarding Children Online Team) - advice about how to check mobile phones (iPhones and Android)
4. Prevent
5. Cyber security
6. Youth Engagement

Parent Voice:

We would like to advise you that you are able to give your views on the Academy not just during inspections. We value your opinion and would encourage you to do this at:

[Parent Voice \(office.com\)](#)

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 Multi-Academy \(ciphr-irecruit.com\)](#)

DT department needs your help....

Please can we ask all students/parents to save us their plastic bottle tops. We are doing a project where we recycle them.

If students just bring them to the Technology department, we will have a big box to put them in.



Dyslexia Friendly School Lesson and H/W Strategies



Dyslexia Friendly Lesson Strategies

- Visual aids to support;
- Scaffolding questions;
- Electronic support i.e. laptop/ audio books/ apps;
- Paddle/white boards;
- Coloured background for PowerPoints etc.;
- Overlays;
- Mind maps and flow charts;
- Coloured paper / exercise books.

"Dyslexia is a learning difficulty that primarily affects the skills involved in accurate and fluent reading and spelling. Characteristic features of dyslexia are difficulties on phonological awareness, verbal memory and verbal processing speed."

(ROSE 2009)
King's Lynn Academy Ethos



Dyslexia Friendly Homework Tips

- Find a quiet time and place for homework;
- Set a routine with a visual planner/timetable;
- Chunk homework to allow for breaks;
- Use encouragement, praise and rewards for task completion;
- Encourage child to read at least 5 minutes a day;
- Use finger rule or ruler to follow text.

If lessons or homework become a concern, please contact the school for support/advice.

At National Online Safety, we believe in empowering parents, carers and trusted adults with the information to hold an informed conversation about online safety with their children, should they feel it is needed. This guide focuses on one of many issues which we believe trusted adults should be aware of. Please visit www.nationalonlinesafety.com for further guides, hints and tips for adults.

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about LIVE STREAMING

Live streaming involves broadcasting and watching videos online in real time, often on social media or via platforms like YouTube and Twitch. Viewers can interact through comments, chats and reactions during the broadcast: such instant engagement makes this an exciting way to share experiences, learn from others and build digital communities. Despite the many positives, live streaming also creates a potential platform for unsuitable content and poses some risks to children: it's essential to keep privacy and safety in mind and comply with each site or app's age restrictions.

AGE RESTRICTION
13+
16+ 18+
Age varies by platform

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

LACK OF AGE VERIFICATION

Despite their age restrictions, some platforms don't require proof of age at sign up – meaning that anyone can register for an account (and potentially pretend to be older or younger than they actually are). In many cases, this means that young live streamers can never be totally certain exactly who they are broadcasting to and who is engaging with their live stream.

DISCLOSING PERSONAL INFO

A characteristic of live streaming is the ability for videos to be instantly shared worldwide. Without the correct privacy settings enabled, a child could inadvertently reveal personal information or their location, making them vulnerable to online predators or identity theft. It's wise to regularly check the privacy settings (and what data is being shared) on any apps your child has signed up for.

ANYTHING COULD HAPPEN

As the video streams are live, children might encounter (or inadvertently share) inappropriate content. Most live-streaming apps have rules to prevent this and monitor their services, also providing report buttons where content can be flagged for review. It may not be dealt with instantly, however, meaning that your child could be further exposed to harmful content during a live stream.

UNAUTHORISED RECORDINGS

Each live streaming platform stores completed videos for different periods (Twitch saves broadcasts for 60 days, for example, while Facebook and YouTube remove them only at the creator's request). Deleting a video, though, doesn't always stop it from being shared: in some cases, streams have been illegally recorded (or screenshots taken) by certain viewers and redistributed on other sites.

ROGUE CONTENT CREATORS

Children can also watch other people's live streams, which could potentially contain anything at any time (such as nudity, drug use or profanity). Most apps claim to monitor live streams and will stop any that don't adhere to their guidelines – but with millions of streams per day, it's complicated to regulate them all, so children could be exposed to inappropriate content without parents knowing.

DANGER OF GROOMING

There are increasing reports of children being coerced into performing "suggestive acts" by strangers on some live-streaming apps. Due to the lack of verification required for certain apps, almost anyone can sign up to these services (including anonymously or under a fake identity). It's vital, therefore, to ensure the correct safety measures are in place before your child begins live streaming.

Advice for Parents & Carers

PUT PRIVACY FIRST

Through the streaming app's settings, switch your child's account to 'private', so only their friends and followers can see their broadcasts. You could also turn off the live chat, shielding your child from any upsetting comments – although viewers' feedback is often seen as an integral part of the fun. Identify any nearby items (such as school uniforms or visible landmarks) that could give away your child's location.

MANAGE MULTISTREAMING

Some apps and sites let users stream their content through multiple social media platforms at once. A broadcast on SteamYard, for example, can be shared on YouTube, Twitch, X and Facebook if the accounts are linked. The privacy settings can differ on each of these, so we'd suggest only streaming via one platform at a time to maintain greater control over who's watching your child's videos.

GET INVOLVED YOURSELF

Research suggests a significant number of streams show a child on their own, often in a supposed safe space like their bedroom. If your child wants to live stream, ask if you could be present because you're interested in how it works. You could even set up your own account to gain a more detailed knowledge of what your child talks about in their live streams – and who they're broadcasting to.

TALK ABOUT LIVE STREAMING

Try to start with positives before discussing potential risks. You could ask which live streaming apps your child likes and how they use them. Do they just watch streams or create their own? Explain why it's unwise to reveal personal information while streaming (even to friends). If you feel your child's too young for live streams, explain your reasoning to them and perhaps agree to review this decision in the future.

CONSIDER THEIR ONLINE REPUTATION

As the broadcasts are live, it often causes the misconception among young people that whatever happens in their video simply 'vanishes' once the stream ends. However, videos can stay online indefinitely or be recorded by other users. It's important that your child understands what they do and say in a live stream could potentially damage their online reputation and, quite possibly, be seen by prospective future employers, colleges or universities.

Meet Our Expert

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PE Weekly Sports Bulletin:



PE lunch time clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS3 Basketball (JOM)	Football KS3 (DHE)	Basketball All (JOM)	Table tennis (DHE)	Dodgeball (JOM)
Football KS3 (DHE)	KS4 Basketball (JOM)	Fitness Suite (SCA)	Badminton (SLE)	Badminton (SCA)
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				(JOM)

PE after school clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS3 Girls Football (SLE)	Netball (SCA/KLW)	Fitness (JOM)	Basketball KS3 JOM <i>Starts 18th Sep</i>	Fitness suite (SLE)
Kinball (SCA) <i>Starts 18th Sep</i>	Badminton (LCT/SLE)	KS3 Football (DHE)	Dance <i>Start date TBC</i>	
	KS4 Football (DHE)	KS4 Basketball (LCT)	Gymnastics SCA	
		Period 6 (SLE)		

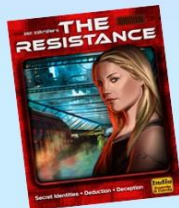
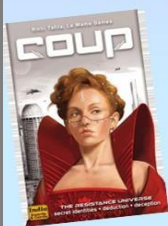
A club for games that involve dice, luck and cardboard!

Open to all years



Board Game **GEEK** Club

You can bring your own games to play!



Friday lunchtimes, in CF2, with Mr Essex

"Games are the most elevated form of investigation" – Albert Einstein

CHESSE CLUB

*Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday lunchtimes in CF2*

with Mr Essex

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Year 7 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs West:

My name is Mrs West and I am just writing to introduce myself to you all as I am Head of Year 7. I have spent the last year working with the Heads of Year in a supporting role and I am now really excited to start working with the new intake of children as they navigate their way through high school life. I spent time with the children on the transition days so hopefully I will be a familiar face for them. It has been a great couple of days so far and hopefully all the children are getting settled in. We are all going to have a fantastic year! Lockers will be available in the coming weeks and on Friday the children should bring home letters for you to access putting money on their dinner accounts.

Just a reminder of our academy's expectations regarding uniform - black trousers, no jeans or leggings, KLA skirts only with white shirts, tie and blazer. If you do have any issues with your child's uniform or if you need any help purchasing items, please do not hesitate to contact me as we have some uniform in the swap shop which may help. I'd also like to remind you that fluffy coloured socks are not permitted as uniform. We have also noticed acrylic nails these also are not allowed for school. They are dangerous when taking part in practical subjects. Please can we ask that they are not worn for school.

If your child has to have time off school, please ensure that you call the absence line on [01553 779635](tel:01553779635) or call the main reception and select option 1 to explain why, or email the absence team studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk If we send you a text message and you are unable to respond, please send a note in with your child when they return to school explaining why they have been away.

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.

Have a lovely weekend and get lots of rest ready for our first full week!

Mrs West.

Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Fountain:

A big welcome back to you all, as your young people begin their year 8 journey!

I'm sure those 6 weeks FLEW by!

So, onto the important bits: -

A huge thank you for the effort you have all put in to get your young person into school, on time, looking smart in the correct uniform and with the correct equipment.

If, for any reason, you cannot get them here on time, please let us know as soon as possible so we are aware. Students are to arrive before 08:30am with lessons beginning at 08:35am.

Also, if your young person doesn't have the uniform required, i.e. blazer, shirt, tie, black trousers or skirt (jumper is optional) and black shoes and socks, or is without the equipment required, PE kits, stationery, bag etc. **please do not hesitate to contact me so I am aware, as I may be able to help.**

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

If your child has to have time off school, please ensure that you call the absence line on [01553 779635](tel:01553779635) or call the main reception and select option 1 to explain why, or email the absence team studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk If we send you a text message and you are unable to respond, please send a note in with your child when they return to school explaining why they have been away.

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.

Other than that, have a lovely weekend, in the much needed and awaited sunshine, while it lasts, stay safe and I will see you soon.

Lucy Fountain.

Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Laws:



Welcome to Year 9!!!!

I hope you all had a great summer holiday. The last 3 days have been a bit of a whirlwind here with new timetables, knowledge organisers, lessons etc. but the year 9's seem to have coped with it well in their stride. As usual many students have come back inches taller than when they left here in July. It's been great chatting to them all this week about their adventures during the holidays.

Just some general housekeeping in this week's bulletin -

We've had a great start with the uniform, so thank you but a reminder that students are expected to be in school blazer, shirt (not a polo), tie and tailored trousers (or KLA skirt for the girls) every day. Leggings, jeggings, jeans etc. are not permitted. Gel/acrylic nails are not allowed in school due to health and safety reasons with PE and DT. Black plain shoes please.

Students are expected to have a bag with them every day in school containing their knowledge organiser, timetable and equipment.

Congratulations to those of you who were here this week.

If your child has to have time off school, please ensure that you call the absence line on [01553 779635](tel:01553779635) or call the main reception and select option 1 to explain why, or email the absence team studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk If we send you a text message and you are unable to respond, please send a note in with your child when they return to school explaining why they have been away.

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.

I look forward to another fantastic year with the students in year 9.

Mrs Laws.

Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:

Welcome back Year 10.

It was so lovely to see you all back and it's certainly been a cracking 3 days for you all.

Just a reminder of our academy's expectations regarding uniform. Black trousers, no jeans or leggings, KLA skirts only with white shirts, tie and blazer. If you do have any issues with your child's uniform or if you need any help purchasing items, please do not hesitate to contact me as we have some uniform in the swap shop which may help. If any students have borrowed any ties from us, PLEASE can we have them back ASAP. I'd also like to remind you that fluffy coloured socks are not permitted as uniform. We have also noticed acrylic nails popping up again - these also are not allowed for school. They are dangerous when taking part in practical subjects. Please can we ask that they are not worn for school.

Attendance in Year 10 was 94% this week. Not bad for the first week back but I would love this to be better. Well done to those of you who were here all week.

If your child has to have time off school, please ensure that you call the absence line on [01553 779635](tel:01553779635) or call the main reception and select option 1 to explain why, or email the absence team studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk if we send you a text message and you are unable to respond, please send a note in with your child when they return to school explaining why they have been away.

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.

The head of year team monitor the number of students arriving late to school so I would like to remind you that all students need to be in school and ready to learn before 8:30am please. There are sanctions that are in place for lateness and these can be followed by an after school detention the same day with a member of the head of year team.

Have a lovely weekend, take care and stay safe.

Mrs Emma Mann.

Year 11 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Lockety:

Welcome back Year 11!!

What an exciting year this year and we have loads to do and achieve over the coming months. I have been impressed with the hard work and effort I have seen in the first week back.

Please be aware if your child is late into school, they will receive an after-school detention and as head of year I will contact you and let you know. Uniform this week has been really good for Year 11 please be reminded that hoodies are not permitted as part of our uniform.

Our uniform shop opens every day next week, run by Year 10/11 students so many thanks to them in advance for doing this for us.

Well done to those of you who were here this week. If your child has to have some time off school, please ensure that you call the absence line on **01553 779635** or call the main reception and select option 1 to explain why. Alternatively, there is an absence email you are able to contact us on **studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk** If we send you a text message and you are unable to respond, please send a note in with your child explaining why they have been away.

Please do not text my work phone with absences as I cannot guarantee that I will see the messages.

Next Wednesday 13th September we will be holding an event for parents and students here at KLA to help with supporting and providing guidance over the coming months. This will be 6pm onwards and I look forward to seeing as many of you as we can there.

Date for your diary our prom will be Friday 5th July here at KLA. We will be looking at ways to raise some funds in the coming months and to put a prom committee together.

Have a lovely weekend take care and stay safe.

Mrs H Lockety.