Parent Bulletin Friday 29th September 2023

Dates for your diary:

Friday 20th October – Last day of term

Thursday 5th & Friday 6th October – Nasal Flu vaccines

Monday 9th October – Science trip to London Excel

Friday 13th October - Wembley football trip

Friday 5th July 2024 - Year 11 Prom

Attendance & Medical appointments:

If your child is absent from school, please notify us where possible by 8.30am. You can either call **01553 779635** or email **studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk**

Please leave a clear message stating the pupil's name, year and short reason for absence.

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.

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.

Drama department fabric & clothes:

Do you have any fabric materials spare or any old clothes that you are willing to donate to help with the technical theatre topic of costume for my Year 9's, as well as workshops for my Year 10's.

The clothing/materials will be used to make costumes so please do not donate anything that you would like returned.

Any contributions will be gratefully received.

Miss Mace





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.

Online Safety:

What Parents & Carers Need to Know about

Data collected for ASH (Action on Smoking and Health) shows an increase in 11 to 17-year-olds experimenting with vaping: from 7.7% in 2022 to 11.6% in 2023. It's concerning that these age-restricted products are getting into the hands of under 18s as most contain nicotine, which can be detrimental to brain development and cause long-term addiction. Some schools have reported students having their focus in lessons affected by nicotine cravings; vaping in school tailets; and even trying vapes found in their local park. Raising awareness of the risks among young people could help to prevent these problems from escalating and reduce the number of young vapers.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

NICOTINE ADDICTION

WHAT IS VAPING?

LACK OF AWARENESS

POTENTIAL TOXICITY

UNCLEAR LONG-TERM CONSEQUENCES

ATTRACTIVE PACKAGING

ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS

WIDER HEALTH CONCERNS

UNREGULATED VAPING PRODUCTS

SCARCE INFORMATION

VAGUE INGREDIENTS LISTS

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What's on this week in PE? Week Beginning 2nd October

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Kinball (SCA)	Netball (SCA/KLW)	Year 9 Boys Rugby Springwood HS	Yr8/9 Girls Football Festival Nicholas Hammond Academy	Fitness Suite (SLE)
KS3 Boys Football (DHE)	KS4 Boys Football (DHE)	(JOM) U14 Area Netball	(SLE) Yr7 5 a side Boys Football Festival Nicholas Hammond Academy	
Girls Football (SLE)	Badminton (LCT)	Springwood HS (SCA)	(JOM) Gymnastics Club (SCA) Dance Club (Kelly)	

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS3 Basketball	KS4 Basketball	Basketball All	Badminton	Badminton
(JOW)	(JOM)	(JOM)	(SLE)	(SLE)
(Trainers required)	(Trainers required)	(Trainers required)	(Trainers required)	(Trainers required)
Football KS3	Football KS3	Fitness Suite	Dodgeball	Dodgeball
(DHE)	(DHE)	(SCA)	(JOW)	(JOM)
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	Fitness South		Table Assess	
	Fitness Suite		Table tennis	
	(SCA)		(DHE)	
	(Active clothing and		(Trainers required)	
	trainers required)			

PE Lunchtime Clubs

PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued....

PE After School Clubs

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
KS3 Girls Football (SLE)	Netball (SCA/KLW)	Fitness (JOM)	Basketball KS3 JOM	Fitness suite (SLE)
Kinball (SCA)	Badminton (LCT/SLE)	Basketball (LCT)	Dance Starts 5 th October	
KS3 Boys Football (DHE)	KS4 Football (DHE)	Sport Studies Period 6 (SLE)	Gymnastics SCA	

Year 7 Multi - Sport Night

- Well done to all the Year 7 girls who attended a multi sport evening to introduce them to clubs at KLA!
- It was lovely to speak to lots of parents /carers at the Year 7 settling in evening too.



PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued.....



Smithdon football and netball fixtures

Year 8 and 10 netball - amazing teamwork and passion saw both teams win! Players of the match was Lexy Flores and Lola Frary.





Year 7 boys - first ever fixture together - such a big thing to do and they played very well but unfortunately lost. Player of the match was **Rudy Mayes**.



Year 9 football – a tough game, it was 0-0 until the last 5 minutes where Smithdon managed to score 2. A very good game and teamwork shown . Player of the match was **Thomas Jackson**.

Your Time Leadership Programme (See Miss Lee to register your interest)









Your Time: Why Become a Leader? - YouTube

Are you a Year 9 Girls who is interested in developing your leadership skills?

We have up to 10 places available!

What does it involve?

- If you are successful, you will complete 6 online modules which will work your lots of different skills
- You will then plan and deliver a series of sports sessions to younger KLA students!





WHY NOT JOIN KLA'S WINTER SHOWCASE!!!

LET MISS WORLEDGE AND MISS MACE KNOW BY MONDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DO IN THE SHOW.



Warhammer Alliance club at KLA:



After a summer break the Warhammer Alliance Club returns to KLA with a few changes.

In a partnership with Games Workshop in Norfolk Street, KLA runs an Age of Sigmar/Warhammer Club after school every Thursday 3pm till 4:30pm in room S4 which is open to every pupil at KLA.

If you've ever walked past the Games Workshop in town and seen the huge range of intricately painted miniatures and wanted to know what it all means; or if your parents/carers played Warhammer when they were younger and they have mentioned it; or indeed you have an interest in stories, games, roleplay and battles between forces of good and evil and those in-between, then the Warhammer Alliance Club is for you.

Each week you will be shown how to play the games, build the miniatures, paint the miniatures, create your own armies and earn rewards through the Battle Honours system (and earn free gifts from the store in town).

We already have a group of Year 8 students that can help and guide new members, and recently two of our members won awards in the local painting competition against very experienced artists.

Everything will be provided from the Stormcast Eternals and Space Marines miniatures, the paints, the brushes, the playing areas etc.

The idea is to meet every week and have fun fighting it out and crushing your opponent.

Please feel free to drop by and have a look in or speak to me about it around the school if you have any questions.

Mr Blows

Year 7 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs West:

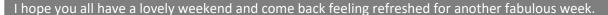
If your child has to have some time off school, please ensure that you call the absence line on **01553 779635** or call the main reception and select option 1 to explain why. Alternatively, there is an absence email you are able to contact us on **studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk** If we send you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

Another week has flown by! It was fantastic finally putting some faces to names at parents evening and I hope you all enjoyed seeing the children's work and checking in with their teachers. It was lovely to see the students that attended showing you around KLA with pride and I think it really shows how well they have all settled and how their confidence has grown.

I know there are still some students having trouble logging in to Arbor. Please tell them to make themselves known to me if this is the case. The students must use the webpage https://login.arbor.sc/ Log in to your School Arbor to log in and not the app. The app is for parent/carer accounts only and the student log in details will not work on this. There also seems to be an issue locating a submit button when homework is finished, this should be resolved soon.

As a year group on our 5-year journey I think it is important to celebrate achievements both within school and outside. Molly Oakes has done amazingly well in her dance by being rewarded as the most improved dancer and has been honoured with a DC19 Scholarship and is now part of their competitive dance team. Congratulations Molly - we are all really proud of you!!!

Hope Mann is our top point scorer for the year group with 103 achievement points. Well done Hope! 🙎



Mrs West

Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Fountain:

Hi, I hope you're well.

I am proud to inform you that Year 8, this week from 20th to 27th September, earned between them a whopping

2901 ACHIEVEMENT POINTS!!

Wow! Please make sure you tell your young person, how fantastic they are as your continued support in celebrating how amazing they are, shows together how we will set the same boundaries and expectations and we work as a team in supporting them to be the best version of themselves.

A huge well done to our Year 8 girls for winning the netball match they played on Wednesday 28th September!!

Also, if there any out of school activities our students do and you would like me to add it to our bulletin, please let me know, as I absolutely love celebrating my year 8's achievement, not just from in school, but out too.

I would like to thank you all so much, for the continued effort you have all put in to get our students 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 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 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 wonderful weekend and I shall speak with you soon.

Miss Fountain

Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Laws:

Good afternoon from KLA.

It was non-uniform day here at KLA in aid of the Macmillan cancer charity. We are halfway through this half term which doesn't seem possible.

Attendance in year 9 was 91.7% this week which is down on last week. Missing school can have a huge impact on students' education and their final GCSE grades. As we are now in year 9 attendance is even more important so students can fulfil their potential.



If your child has a bit of a cold or just feeling under the weather, please send them into school and we will call you if they get any worse and need collecting.

Well done to those of you who were here all week, and to those of you who have 100% attendance this academic year, that is an amazing achievement! 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.

Ultimately, we want to work with parents and get children into school, so please if there are any issues, get in touch so we can solve them together before it becomes a bigger problem.

As a group we have achieved 1450 reward points which is amazing! Our highest achiever was Sephira Griggs-Williamson congratulations to her



Student of the Week is **Elijah Gedge**, he is consistently in the top 3 achievers each week, let's have a big push Elijah to get you to first place!

Our assembly this week was about the work of the Macmillan nurses and presented by Miss Bowen.

Mrs Laws

Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:

And in the blink of an eye, it's Friday again.

Another cracking week for Year 10. Not only has it been a pleasure to watch them all working hard and achieving great things during the week, but last weekend also, I had the pleasure in watching 3 of my girls, Isabelle Fysh, Megan Thurley and Molly Williamson perform in the Studio 19 dance show at The Corn Exchange. It was fantastic, and I am in awe of the hard work and dedication these girls put into their dancing. I am so very proud of you all. There were many KLA students past and present in the show which made it more of a pleasure to watch. So much young talent on one stage!







Attendance in year 10 was 88% this week. This is slightly lower than last week so I would really like this to improve. Every day is so important and even more so across year 10 and 11.

Well done to those of you who were here all week, and to those of you who have 100% attendance this academic year, that is an amazing achievement! 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.

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My student of the week is Jack Bratton. Jack has had a brilliant week and has worked hard in all lessons. He has settled well at college and impressing the tutors. It's great to see his confidence grow and keep making me chuckle Jack. Well done Jack, I am proud of you, please keep it up.

The head of year team monitor the number of students arriving late at school so I would like to remind you that all students need to be in school and ready to learn before 8:35am please. There are sanctions that are in place for lateness, and these can be followed by after school detentions for 30 minutes the same day. We really do appreciate your support with the after-school detentions.

Year 10 Round Up continued ...

A weekly reminder of our academy's expectations regarding uniform - black trousers, no jeans or leggings, KLA skirts only with white shirts, a KLA tie and KLA blazer. If you do have any issues with your child's uniform this or if you need any help purchasing items, please do not hesitate to contact me as we have some good quality uniform in the swap shop which may help. If any students have borrowed any ties from us over the last few weeks, 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. Jewellery is listed in our policies and just a reminder of one stud per ear please, not hoops.

when taking part in practical subjects. Please can we ask that they are not worn for school. Jewellery is listed in our policies and just a reminder of one stud per ear please, not hoops. Please let me know if you have any news to share about what your children are doing outside of school as I'd love to hear about it; whether that's a sporting event, dance shows and competitions, cadet events, martial arts and local clubs. It may also be that your child has cooked a full-on roast and you want to tell me about it! It's so important we celebrate achievements no matter what they are. Have a lovely weekend and as always, stay safe and take care. Mrs Emma Mann

Year 11 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Lockey:

Happy Friday!

Many thanks to all students in Year 11 for their work in lessons this week, I have seen some great work in progress. Year 11 behaviour has been phenomenal, a big well done to you all. After school lessons period 6 has also been put in place for Year 11. These run after school Monday-Thursday. Many thanks for all those students that have attended this week. I will be contacting some of you next with regards to your child attending these sessions.

Our assembly this week was about Springwood sixth form which was extremely useful and informative.

KLA swap shop has been open again this week to students. This is proving to be successful especially when ties and blazers are forgotten. There is a small amount of lost property please send your child over to it if they have lost any uniform this week.

Attendance in Year 11 has been lowered this week due to being hit by many bugs and colds; 85.6% this week, but we are still falling short of where we should be which is 95%.

Well done to those of you who were here all week, and to those of you that have 100% attendance this academic year so far. 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 message.

The number of Year 11 students arriving late at school has decreased significantly this week I really appreciate your support with this. All students need to be in school and ready to learn before 8:35am please this so important as learning time is lost. Thank you all so much for your support with this.

There are sanctions that are in place for lateness, and these are followed by after school detentions and parents contacted.

All heads of year are checking uniform EVERY day and are contacting home, if necessary, no jeans or leggings please and blazers and ties are a must. If your child has been loaned a tie, could they please bring them back, we have a shortage of them at the moment. Bags need to be part of our day too and these should contain your child's knowledge organiser.

Please let us know if we can support in any way as we have a swap shop here at KLA whereby students can bring any unwanted uniform and exchange for larger sizes if needed. Please be reminded no fluffy coloured socks are permitted as uniform. We have also noticed acrylic nails popping up again these also are not allowed these are dangerous especially when taking part in practical subjects.

As a year group we have achieved 881 points this past week which is good! Our highest achiever this week in the year group was Braydon Griggs, a massive well done to him.

Student of the week this week goes to Sophie Morey a well done goes to her for really working hard and making a great start back to Year 11. It has been noticed well done Sophie keep up the great work.

Stephen Davey a massive well done goes to you for you for doing your first fight with full contact. Stephen is already a champion in his field of kickboxing. Well done Stephen for working so hard to achieve this.

Parents if you have anything to share about any achievements outside of school, please let me know.

Year 11 continued...

Our first rewards trip took place last week to London and to visit the Harry Potter Tour at the Warner Bros Studio. The students that we took were totally exceptional and well behaved; the bus driver said they were the best group of students he has had in a long time. Many thanks go to the staff that helped to make the trip a success including Mr McLean, Mr Bugg, Mrs Roberts and admin staff Mrs Mellor and Miss Pannell. A big thank you also goes to the students who kindly brought me flowers and chocolates to say thank you for organising it, this was really sweet of you all and much appreciated.



We had our non-uniform on Friday- money raised to follow in next week's bulletin for a worthwhile cause the Macmillan cancer charity.

Have a wonderful weekend take care and stay safe.

Mrs H Lockey

Year 11 Sixth form information:

Please click here for KES open evening information





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