## Parent Bulletin Friday 22nd September 2023

#### Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> September – Year 7 Settling in meeting

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September – Non uniform day for MacMillan

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Last day of term

Friday 5<sup>th</sup> 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.

#### 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.

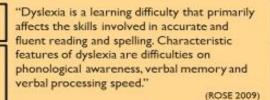
If students just bring them to the Technology department, we will have a big box to put them in.



#### 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 Friendly Homework Tips

- Find a quiet time and place for homework;
- Set a routine with a visual planner/timetable;
  Chunk homework to allow
- 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:**

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### What Parents & Carers Need to Know about . ... MSG ME .... GERESTRIC With more than two billion active users exchanging texts, photos, videos and documents, as well as making voice and video calls, WhatsApp is the world's most popular messaging service. Its end-to-end encryption only allows messages to be viewed by the sender and any recipients: not even WhatsApp itself can read them. This privacy issue has been in the spotlight recently, as the UK's Online Safey Bill proposes to end such encryption on private messaging; WhatsApp is unwilling to do so and has reportedly considered withdrawing WHAT ARE

ce in the UK should this legislation go ahead.

#### EVOLVING SCAMS

THE RISKS?

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FAKE NEWS

### CONTACT FROM STRANGERS

#### FAKE NEWS

#### VIEW ONCE CONTENT

CHAT LOCK

#### **VISIBLE LOCATION**

#### ...TYPING... Advice for Parents & Carers

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THINKING BEFORE SHARING

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CHAT ABOUT PRIVACY

lelp your child to understand why it's important to stop and think before losting or forwarding something on WhatsApp. It's easy – and all too ommon – for content to then be shared more widely (even publicly on

#### **EMPHASISE CAUTION**

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arage your child to treat unexpected messages with caution: tem to consider, for example, whether the message sounds like thing a friend or relative would really send them. Make sure the never to share personal details over WhatsApp, and to be wary sking on any links in messages. Setting up two-step verification a further layer of protection to their WhatsApp account.

#### ADJUST THE SETTINGS



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#### Meet Our Expert

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What on this week in PE?

| Monday         | Tuesday      | Wednesday    | Thursday       | Friday  |
|----------------|--------------|--------------|----------------|---------|
| Girls Football | Year 7 Girls | Year 7       | Fi×tures ∨s    | Fitness |
|                | Multi sports | Settling Inn | Smithdon HS    |         |
| KS3 Boys       | evening!     | E∨ening      | (Away)         |         |
| Football       | Come and try |              | Year 7         |         |
|                | out some     |              | Football       |         |
| Kinball        | different    |              | Year 9         |         |
|                | sports       |              | Football       |         |
|                | NO SIGN UP   |              | Year 8 Netball |         |
|                | REQUIRED!    |              | Year 10        |         |
|                |              |              | Netball        |         |
|                |              |              |                |         |

#### PE Lunchtime Clubs

| Monday                          | Tuesday                                       | Wednesday                               | Thursday            | Friday              |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| KS3 Basketball                  | KS4 Basketball                                | Basketball All                          | Badminton           | Badminton           |
| (JOM)                           | (JOM)                                         | (JOM)                                   | (SLE)               | (SLE)               |
| (Trainers required)             | (Trainers<br>required)                        | (Trainers required)                     | (Trainers required) | (Trainers required) |
| Football KS3                    | Football KS3                                  | Fitness Suite                           | Dodgeball           | Dodgeball           |
| (DHE)                           | (DHE)                                         | (SCA)                                   | (JOM)               | (MOL)               |
| (Sports kit and boots required) | (Sports kit and boots required)               | (Active clothing and trainers required) | (Trainers required) | (Trainers required) |
|                                 | Fitness Suite                                 |                                         | Table tennis        |                     |
|                                 | (SCA)                                         |                                         | (DHE)               |                     |
|                                 | (Active clothing<br>and trainers<br>required) |                                         | (Trainers required) |                     |
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### PE Weekly Sports Bulletin continued.....

#### PE After School Clubs

| Monday                      | Tuesday                | Wednesday                          | Thursday              | Friday                 |
|-----------------------------|------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| KS3 Girls Football<br>(SLE) | Netball<br>(SCA/KLW)   | Fitness<br>(JOM)                   | Basketball KS3<br>JOM | Fitness suite<br>(SLE) |
| Kinball<br>(SCA)            | Badminton<br>(LCT/SLE) | KS4 Basketball<br>(LCT)            | Dance<br>Coming soon  |                        |
| KS3 Boys Football<br>(DHE)  | KS4 Football<br>(DHE)  | Sport Studies Period<br>6<br>(SLE) | Gymnastics<br>SCA     |                        |
|                             |                        |                                    |                       |                        |

### Year 7 Girls Multi-Sports Evening

### Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 - 3:00-4:30pm

We would like to invite all year 7 girls to attend a fun multi-sports evening where they can have a go at a variety of different sports and activities- FOR FREE!

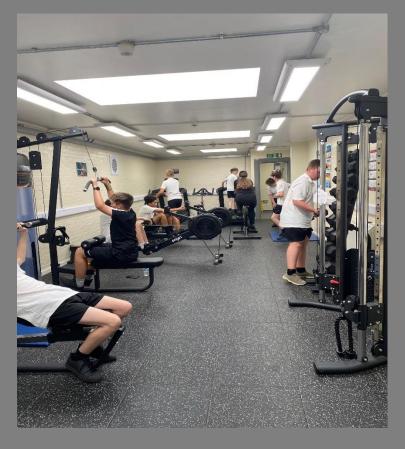
### PE Fixtures...

|            |           |                                                   | ·                |
|------------|-----------|---------------------------------------------------|------------------|
| Date       | Day       | Event                                             | Location         |
| 28/09/2023 | Thursday  | Year 8 Netball Match                              | Smithdon HS      |
| 28/09/2023 | Thursday  | Year 10 Netball Match                             | Smithdon HS      |
| 28/09/2023 | Thursday  | Year 7 Football Match                             | Smithdon HS      |
| 28/09/2023 | Thursday  | Year 9 Football Match                             | Smithdon HS      |
| 04/10/2023 | Wednesday | Year 9 Rugby                                      | Springwood       |
| 04/10/2023 | Wednesday | U14 Area Netball Tournament                       | Springwood       |
| 04/10/2023 | Wednesday | Confirmed: Year 10 Football vs Litcham HS         | KLA              |
| 04/10/2023 | Wednesday | TBC: Possible Year 8 Football vs Litcham          | KLA              |
| 04/10/2023 | Wednesday | TBC: Possible NETBALL vs Litcham                  | KLA              |
| 05/10/2023 | Thursday  | Yr8/9 Girls Football Festival                     | TNHA             |
| 05/10/2023 | Thursday  | Yr7 A Team 5 a side - BOYS                        |                  |
| 09/10/2023 | Monday    | Cross Country                                     | Springwood       |
| 10/10/2023 | Tuesday   | Year 8 Boys vs KES                                | KES              |
| 10/10/2023 | Tuesday   | Year 11 Girls Netball vs KES                      | KES              |
| 10/10/2023 | Tuesday   | Year 9 Boys Football                              | KES              |
| 12/10/2023 | Thursday  | Year 7 Boys County Cup Football                   | North<br>Walsham |
| 17/10/2023 | Tuesday   | U16 Area Netball                                  | Springwood       |
| 18/10/2023 | Wednesday | Year 10/11 GIRLS Football Comp 7 a side           | TNHA             |
| 18/10/2023 | Wednesday | Yr 7 BOYS B Team 5 a side                         | TNHA             |
| 19/10/2023 | Thursday  | Year 7 Netball vs Downham                         | KLA              |
| 19/10/2023 | Thursday  | Year 9 Netball vs Downham                         | KLA              |
| 19/10/2023 | Thursday  | Year 7 Football vs Downham (9 a side)             | KLA              |
| 19/10/2023 | Thursday  | Year 9 Football vs Downham (11 a side)            | KLA              |
| 31/10/2023 | Tuesday   | Yr 7 Girls Football Festival 5 a side             | TNHA             |
| 01/11/2023 | Wednesday | Year 7 Boys Rugby                                 | Springwood       |
| 23/11/2023 | Thursday  | Year 11 Boys Basketball                           | KLA              |
| 23/11/2023 | Thursday  | Year 11 Girls Basketball                          | KES              |
| 28/11/2023 | Tuesday   | Year 8 Boys Basketball Tournament (Cross court)   | KLA              |
| 28/11/2023 | Tuesday   | Year 10 Boys Basketball Tournament (Full<br>court | KES              |
| 30/11/2023 | Thursday  | KS4 Table tennis                                  | Marshland        |
| 04/12/2023 | Monday    | KS4 Badminton Tournament BOYS                     | KES              |
| 04/12/2023 | Monday    | KS4 Badminton Tournament GIRLS                    | KLA              |
| 07/12/2023 | Thursday  | Year 8 Girls Basketball Tournament (Cross court)  | KLA              |
| 07/12/2023 | Thursday  | Year 10 Girls Basketball Tournament (Full court   | KES              |
| 12/12/2023 | Tuesday   | Year 7 Boys Basketball Tournament (Cross court)   | KLA              |
| 12/12/2023 | Tuesday   | Year 9 Boys Basketball Tournament (Full<br>court  | KES              |

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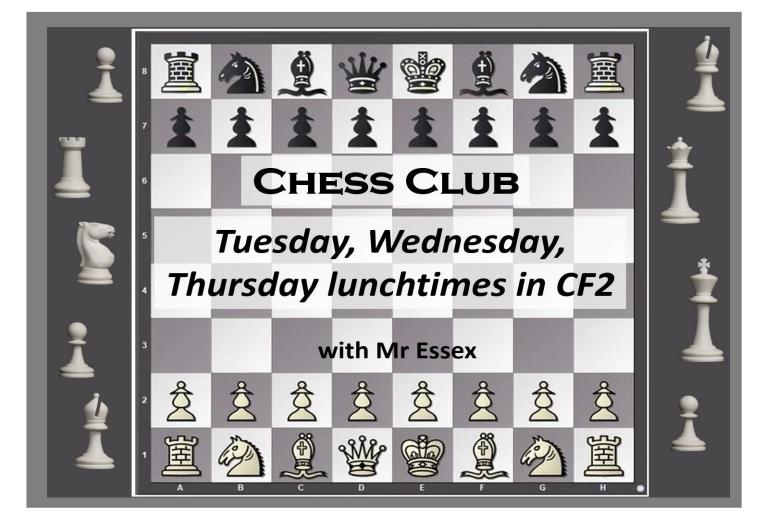
#### KLA Fitness Suite – Open to Year 10 and 11 students

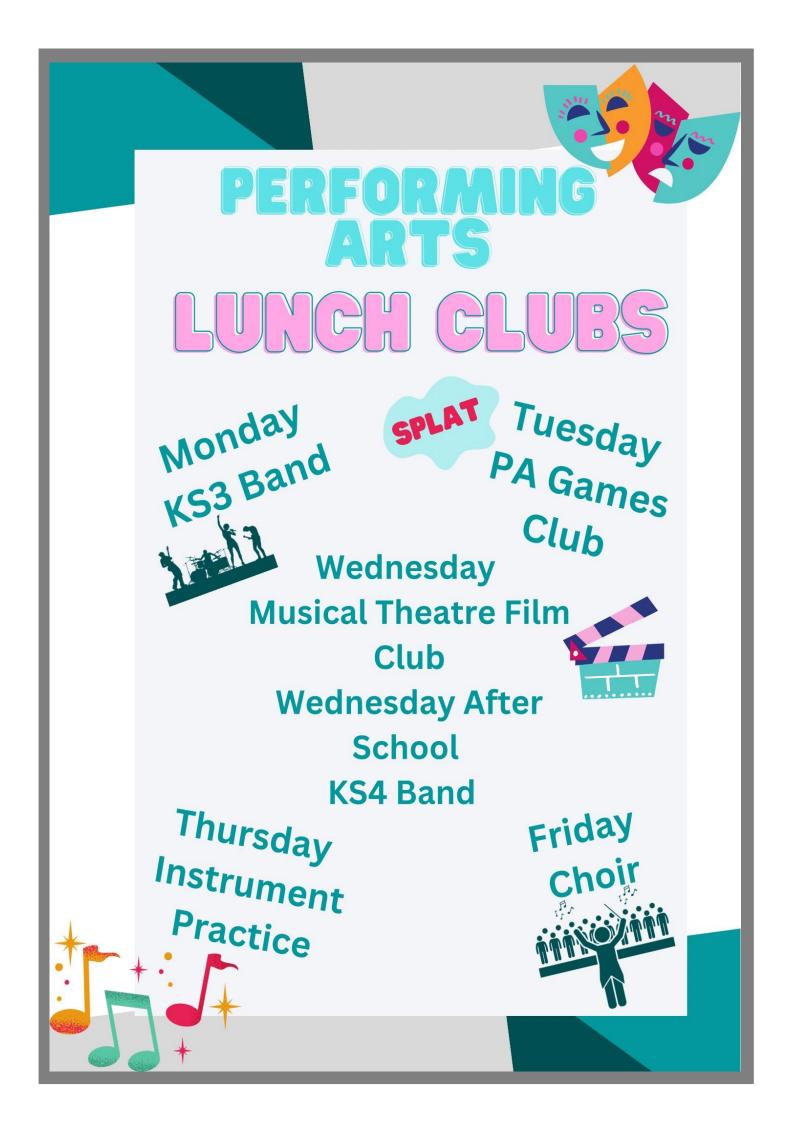
- Friday fitness in full swing last week!
- Come and join!
- Complete a short induction before you start your first session
- Bring sports kit and trainers to train in
- Wednesday and Fridays after school
- Tuesday and Wednesday lunch times





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





ARE YOU INTERESTED IN PERFORMING? DO YOU HAVE A HIDDEN TALENT? WHY NOT JOIN KLA'S WINTER SHOWCASEIJI

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 saw 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.

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.

We have had another great week in school. The children are becoming more familiar with their surroundings, and it is lovely to see their confidence growing. I am aware there are still issues with the children being able to log into some of the sites that we use. Please encourage your child to see their subject teacher if this is the case so that they can help them get logged in or direct them to someone else who can help.

The best way to contact me during the school day is via my email - **sam.west@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk** please don't hesitate to get in contact with any concerns and if meetings are needed they can then be arranged.

I will be at the settling in evening next week and look forward to meeting you all. It will enable you to see how well the children have settled into the subjects and the pride that they are taking in their work.

Congratulations to **Roman Hailstone** who has an amazing 63 achievement points this year so far and is currently the highest point scorer. Keep it up!!!

Mrs West

### Year 7 Round PGL trip;

What an amazing time our Year 7 students had on the PGL residential trip













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### Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Fountain:

Well, what a great beginning of term Year 8 have had!

I am so proud to inform you that Year 8, this week from 12<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> September, earned a MASSIVE 2697 ACHIEVEMENT POINTS!!

What a fantastic, positive and productive start to the school year, and long may it continue!

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.

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Have a wonderful weekend and I shall speak with you soon.

**Miss Fountain** 

### Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Laws:

Good evening, it's been another cracking week here at KLA. Students are getting on brilliantly in lessons.

Academy tours have been taking place this week for current year 6's from various primary schools and their parents. Some of the year 9 student commissioners have been joining them and answering questions etc.

There is a slight change with the PDP's (Personal development plans) this year, in that they will all be conducted by me, and there will be 3 each academic year for each student. Once I have completed the PDP's I will email them to parents so you can see what we have discussed. There is a space on the form for parent comments, should you wish to add anything and then email it back to me. I am aiming to do roughly 15 a week to get through all 181 by Christmas!! (if your child is a MAC/CUB or Forward Step student they will have theirs done by them).

Attendance in Year 9 was 92.5% this week which is down slightly on last week. Let's try and get this back up for next week please as it's only the start of the term and already it is falling. 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.

As a group we have achieved 1300 reward points which is amazing! Our highest achiever was Thomas Jackson congratulations to him!

Student of the Week is **Evan Freestone** who narrowly missed out on the highest achiever this week by 1 point. So well done, keep it up.



Our assembly this week was about mutual respect, presented by Mrs Germaney. Students were reminded that we need to respect everyone views and wishes even if they are not the same as the ones we hold.

Friday 29<sup>th</sup> September is non- uniform with a £1 donation please going to Macmillian Cancer Support .

Have a great weekend.

### Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:

#### Happy Friyay!

It's been another busy week for Year 10 and its so lovely to see how they have settled in their lessons. Especially their chosen GCSE options. College has also been a big success and the students have made me very proud at how well they conduct themselves around the college site and the maturity they have shown. I have had so really positive feedback again from the tutors at how impressed they are with their learners. I have every faith that this will continue, and I look forward to joining them every week.

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.

Attendance in Year 10 was 91.3% this week. 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 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.

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As a group we have achieved over 2000 achievement points this week! A-MAZE-ING! Our highest achiever was once again, Lilly Bocock with a whopping 26 achievement points this week. This brings Lilly to a grand total of 75 points this term. An amazing start to Year 10 Lilly. A huge congratulations to Lilly and well done to everyone else for their fantastic efforts this week.

My student of the week is **Eismena Kavaliauskaite**. Eismena has had a smashing week and has worked hard in all lessons. Her hard work has paid ff as she has achieved over 20 points this week and has really upped her game! Well done Eismena, I am super proud of you so please keep this up.

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. Weather 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.

#### Year 11 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Lockey:

Happy Friday!

We are now in our third week back!

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 P6 have also been put in place for Year 11 these run after school Monday-Thursday's. 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.

Tours for prospective parents have taken place this week it has been so lovely meeting so many new students and parents around the Academy.

Our assembly this week was about KES sixth form which was extremely useful and informative, and we were also lucky enough to see some of our ex-students who came in to talk about their courses.

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 **90.84%** this week which is good, 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. All HOY 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 **2,546** points this past week which is really amazing! Our highest achiever this week in the year group was **Christopher Barnett** a massive well done goes to them.

Student of the week this week goes to **Callum Barber** a well done goes to him for really working hard and performing at the weekend in London. It has been noticed well done **Callum** keep up the great work.

Kye Harrington has also been swimming his best this week keep up the great work Kye!

Parents if you have anything nice for me to share about what your children are doing outside of school, I would love to hear about it.

We will have lots of opportunities of trips and visits in Year 11 so watch this space!

Our first rewards trip took place this week to London I will send a report on our return next week.

Have a wonderful weekend take care and stay safe.

Mrs Lockey

#### Year 11 Sixth form information;



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