Parent Bulletin Friday 1st March 2024

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 6th March – Year 7 Remote Parents Evening (not face-to-face in school)

Wednesday 13th March – Blood Brothers trip

Friday 15th March – Comic Relief Non uniform day

Tuesday 26th March – Sizewell B Trip

Tuesday 26th March – Year 11 Parents Evening

Wednesday 27th March – Last day of term

Monday 15th April – School reopens after half term

Friday 5th July 2024 - Year 11 Prom

Year 7 Remote Parents Evening:

This parents evening will be a REMOTE (not face-to-face in school) parents evening. Parents have the opportunity to have an online discussion with teachers from 4.00pm to 7.00pm on the evening. Appointments will be bookable every 5 minutes, with the first 4 minutes 30 seconds as talk time, followed by a gap of 30 seconds before the start of the next appointment. If there are no appointments available, please add yourself to the waiting list so we can arrange a convenient time to speak with you in the near future. You will receive an email confirming your appointments.

Student Absences & Medical appointments:

If your child has to have some time off school, please ensure that you contact the absence team if possible before 8.30am preferably via our absence email on

studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk

or call the absence line **01553 779635.** Please include your child's name, year group and why they are absent. 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.

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.

Student Reports:

Your child's most recent report is now available to view in the Arbor parent app. You can find this by logging on to Arbor and selecting Report Cards 16th Feb 2024 mid year exam report.

These grades are the results from the recent mid year exam.

If you have any questions or queries, please email your child's subject teacher.





If you order school uniform online as of the 1st December parents will need a password to enter our website to order uniform. The password is KLA001.

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)

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

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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 Trust - Vacancies and Careers (eastern-mat.co.uk)

Temporary Bus Passes:

We have had several enquiries lately at reception regarding the issue of temporary bus passes. These often come at the end of the school day when hundreds of students are leaving.

When students join the school, if they are eligible for a bus pass this is issued by Norfolk County Council, free of charge. It is valid for all their time at KLA. Students are expected to look after it & keep it with them to show the bus driver when they travel to & from school.

If the original bus pass is lost, stolen or damaged in some way, then a replacement should be purchased at £13.00 from Norfolk County Council, Travel & Transport Services, tel. 0344 800 8020.

We are able to issue a maximum of 2 temporary bus passes if a replacement has been ordered but not received - these last for 2 weeks.

Please be reminded that authorised bus pass holders only should be travelling on the buses, no guests.

Thankyou.

KLA office.





Dyslexia Friendly School Lesson and H/W Strategies

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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:

At the National Callege, our Waketp/Wednesday guides empower and equip powerts, corers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about praine safety, mental health and resilizing, and climate change, informety delineated by National Online Safety, These guides now address whiter topics and themes.

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TOP TIPS OF SUPPORTING BULLYING EXPERIENCING BULLYING

in a Off: survey, 20% of parents said that their child had been builted in the past year, while 20% of secondary school headbeachers reported builtying among students. Public Health England states that young people who maintain positive communication with their family were less likely to experience builtying – so it's important that parents, carers and educators know how to talk to children about builtying.

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5. CALL A TIME OUT

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6. STAY

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7. PREP YOUR CHILD FOR THE RESPONSE

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8. SUMMARISE YOUR CHILD'S EXPERIENCE

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10. CHECK IN FREQUENTLY

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Meet Our Expert

Bob Soziely is the Director of Anti-Sullying Quality Mark-UK, which challenges and supports schools to deswine substitueible whole-school approaches to prevent builtying, including working with parents and cores, More than 80 schools in lingland and Wales currently hold the quality may.



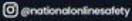


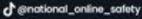
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PE Weekly Sports Bulletin:





PE Week Beginning 4th March

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Girls Football (SLE)	Football and Netball Fixtures against Marshland High School @KLA. Year 7 and 9 Netball Year 8 and 10 Football	Year 8/9 Girls Football @TNHA (JOM)	Year 9 County Plate match (TBC)	Fitness Suite (SLE)
KS3 Football (DHE)		Year 7 Parents Evening		





Exam Stress And Sleep

King's Lynn Mental Health Support Team are holding a themed drop in for students. Our March drop-in session theme is around Exam Stress and Sleep.

Come and get involved, take part in discussions and activities around managing worries around exams and how to promote healthy sleep.

We look forward to meeting you.

Date: Tuesday 19th March 2023

Time: 13:15-13:55

Location: CF13



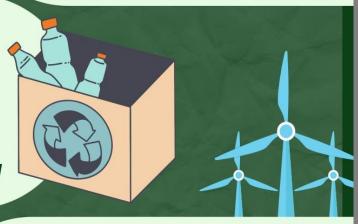


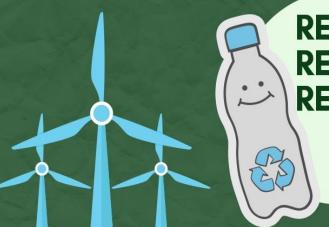
IT'S COMPETITION TIME

THE CHALLENGE

YOU ARE ASKED TO MAKE SOMETHING AT HOME THAT IS BASED AROUND THE 6 R'S.

THE PROJECT IS FOCUSSED ON SUSTAINABLE DESIGN AND HOW WE CAN USE THE EVERYDAY THINGS AROUND US TO MAKE NEW **PRODUCTS**





REUSE REDUCE RECYCLE RETHINK

REFUSE REPAIR

Deadline: W/C 18th March 2024 Hand in to your **Technology Teacher**

Year 7 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs West:

Welcome back to school and I hope you all had a nice break. It has been a busy week back to school with the year 11 Mock exams continuing. The student's are coping really well with any changes this has made to their timetables and are showing great respect towards Year 11 in the mornings letting them use the central hub as a quiet place.

A congratulations to Ralphie Russell for his lead at the top of the Achievement points leader board. Over 400 points already is an incredible amount to have.

Student	Life
Russell, Ralphie	442
Mann, Hope	439
Caponka, Emilis	434
Sudnickis, Damian	434
Dennis, Ozzy	418
Hailstone, Roman	418

★ Student of the week this week is Ashton Swinger. Ashton has been achieving an amazing amount of achievement points. I am really pleased with how you have approached year 7 Ashton, making the right choices to make sure you are giving yourself the best chance of success. Well Done! ★ ★

It has been bought to my attention that WhatsApp is set up with initially very low security settings. I have made it my mission this week to understand it more and was shocked at what I found. The automatic setting for WhatsApp is that anyone who has your number can add you to a group with no permission needed. This means that content from the group will start showing even if it is from a completely inappropriate or unknown source. Below is a guide on how these setting can be changed (I have changed mine!). Please take the time to go through this with you child(ren) as I was shocked that the default setting was to allow all contact from any number.

How to change group privacy settings | WhatsApp Help Center

Assembly this week was delivered by UEA. It was a fantastic opportunity for the children to ask questions and find out a bit more about university life. My favourite question asked by a student was "Can we take our pets with us?", Unfortunately, the answer was no but it was great to see the students imagining how their life could fit into life at a university.

We have Parent's Evening next week on Wednesday 6th March. A reminder to all that this is an **Online** event and that appointments will be via the internet. School will not be open for appointments.

I hope you enjoy the weekend and that the weather I can currently see out of the window moves along!

Mrs West

Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Fountain:



Welcome back after half term! I hope you all had an enjoyable, restful break. It has been lovely to see you all back and working so hard.

This week my thanks goes to the College of West Anglia for our amazing assembly about post-16 ideas and careers, linked into subjects at school and GCSE's, to give the students an idea of what they could choose for their options in year 9, to tie in with a career.

We're off to a fantastic start to the term with a total of 1001 **achievement points,** from Wednesday to Wednesday, so please remember to give them lots of positive praise at home.

The students with the most achievement points this week were:

Student	Points
Aaron Green	15
Christopher Burnham	12
Bella Fakenbridge,	12
Charlie Horner	12
Albert Obisesan	12
Nataly Petrenko	12
Maisie Downing	11
Martha-Louise Smith	11

WELL DONE TO YOU ALL!!

Attendance in Year 8 was 87.1% this week. I was really hoping that the bugs before half term had subsided but it doesn't seem to be the case however 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!

There still seems to be a few uniform issues especially with the girls and wearing leggings to school. Please remember that leggings are NOT part of the KLA uniform code it should be tailored trousers. The compulsory uniform basics: Black Trousers/KLA skirt, White shirt, KLA blazer, KLA tie, KLA V-neck jumper is additional uniform but NOT COMPULSORY therefore not a replacement for a blazer repeat offenders will be issued with an after-school detention for refusal to follow school rules.

Have a great weekend,

Miss Fountain

Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Laws:

Welcome back from year 9. I hope you had a restful week's holiday.

It's a short term this year as Easter is early, so just over 4 weeks away until we have another break and then the GCSEs will begin in earnest for the year 11s (in 2 years' time this will be us!!!).

Final reminder that today was the last day for options choices to be submitted. We will start going through the submissions from next week so please, please make sure they are in. The whole process takes a couple of months to piece together the timetables etc so please be patient with us, as soon as we have any information, we will notify you either on here or students will be informed individually.

There still seems to be a few uniform issues especially with the girls and wearing leggings to school. Please remember that leggings are NOT part of the KLA uniform code it should be tailored trousers and repeat offenders will be issued with an after-school detention for refusal to follow school rules.

If there are any issues, please get in touch or if you need any help purchasing trousers, we do have some brand-new ones in stock at school which we may be able to help you with.

Attendance in Year 9 was 89.2% this week which is down on the last week of term. Hopefully as the weather improves some of the bugs will go away and we can get this figure back up. Remember attendance matters, it can make a huge difference to their GCSE grades.

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!

As a group we have achieved over 1200 reward points which is amazing! Our highest achiever was Thomas Jackson congratulations to him



Student of the Week is Alexis Mowry, I have been given some fantastic feedback from her teachers on her attitude to learning.

Our assembly this week was about beating eating disorders. Mr Reeve-Hayes gave an interesting and informative talk on how people can seek help and how just altering the way we talk to people can have such an impact if they are struggling.

Have a great weekend.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH SPRING TERM UPDATE



Last half term we had an amazing awards evening to recognise all the hard work our Year 10's carried out in order for them to achieve their DofE awards. They were presented their awards by special guest from DofE Jenny Simpson.

We also recognised students that really went above and beyond during their expedition, these being: Ivie, Thomas, Patrick & Georgia

COMING UP

As Spring is on its way the DofE camping season begins, please see the below dates for Year 9 students involved in DofE:

Tuesday Afterschool Training at KLA (3:15pm-4:15pm): - 5th, 12th and 19th March 2024

Weekend Overnight Training - Saturday 27th April –Sunday 28th April – All kit required

Expedition: Friday 14th June – Saturday 15th June. 2024

It is also vitally important that students are still uploading evidence of them completing their different sections onto EdofE as well

If you have any questions or queries please do not hesitate to contact Miss Bowen or email:

kla-dofe@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk





Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:



Welcome back after half term!

As always, it has been lovely to see you all back and working well this week. So proud of what I have seen in some lessons as I walk around the Academy

This week, we have achieved 618 reward points. I think we are very much still in holiday mode! Let's up our game next week Year 10's please! Well done to you all as you have all worked so hard, great start. A HUGE well done to our highest achievers this week. They are **Sonny Jefferies, Sophie Dunne** and **Harry Fish**. These students have all received between 10-15 reward points this week which is FAB!

Our student of the week is Poppy Leigh Cook. Poppy is a lovely young lady who works hard in lesson and at college. It has been a pleasure to watch how she has grown in confidence over these past few months. This goes from her working in lessons, studying at college and also within herself. Please don't stop Poppy. Just believe in yourself, because we believe in you!

Attendance in Year 10 was 88% this week. I was really hoping to have a healthy bunch back after half term, however that's not the case. 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!

Often after most holidays, we see a decline in the uniform standards. So, once again, I would just like to remind you all our academy's expectations. All students are to wear black trousers, **NO** jeans, **NO** leggings, **NO** tracksuit bottoms and **NO** joggers. KLA skirts only with white shirts, tie and blazer. Outdoor coats and hoodies are **not** allowed to be worn once in school.

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. Likewise, if your child has forgotten to bring and item of unform or PE kits they can borrow from the swap shop. If your child has borrowed any uniform from us over the last few weeks, PLEASE can we have it back ASAP. I'd also like to remind you that fluffy socks, of any colour, are **not** acceptable as uniform. We have also noticed lots of acrylic nails which also are not allowed for school. They are dangerous when taking part in practical tasks in certain subjects, such as PE, Science, Tech and Hospitality and Catering. Please can we ask that they are not worn for school. These rules also apply for piercings and jewellery and all are stated within out uniform policy. As always, I as a Head of Year and all the staff here appreciate your support with our policies.

The HOY 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 will be an after-school detentions for 30 minutes the same day. We really do appreciate your support with any after-school detentions. If you child is continuously late, if there is not improvement after me contacting you then I will be inviting you in for a meeting to discuss the issue. So many vital minutes of learning are lost through repeat lateness.

Year 10 Round Up continued......

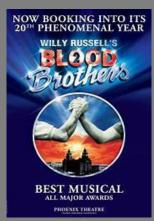
Just a reminder that if you need to contact me for a pastoral issue that you would like to discuss with me as Head of Year, then please email me Emma.Mann@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk. Alternatively, you can call me on 07511 225248. Please remember that we have a 48-hour return of contact policy, but I always 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 to give me a little reminder nudge!

I would just like to take the opportunity to remind you all of the following dates.

Wednesday 13th March – Blood Brothers Trip for Year 10 and 11

Thursday 11th July – Year 10 Parents Evening at KLA







Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Mann

Year 10 Gonville & Caius College - Cambridge University Visit

This week students in Year 10 had the amazing opportunity to attend an amazing event put on by Gonville & Caius College that is part of Cambridge University.

This visit allowed students to attend a lecture on understanding what university life is like, different types and styles of university as well as understanding the difference between applying for Oxbridge compared to other universities.

As part of this visit students got to meet and ask questions to undergraduate students and a tour of Gonville & Caius College where they got to see where Sir Stephen Hawkin lived and taught, as well as all the key elements such as Halls of residence, dining hall, health centre, library and the significant gates of the College that you pass through at certain points of studying.

We had a lovely lunch provided before having the opportunity to visit the Whipple Museum where we looked at the History and Philosophy of Science. This involved look at a range of different texts and how science textbooks and diagrams have developed over time. Following this we then had the opportunity to look at different inventions that were developed to help with ailments, some of which were completely made up to some still being used today.

Overall, it was a brilliant day, and it gave our Yr10 students lots to think about regarding future opportunities. We may just have future some Cambridge students among them!



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.

Mock exams are now well underway we need everyone here to achieve their full potential good luck Year 11 you have all been amazing! Thanks to all parents who have endeavoured to get them all here this week it has been so much appreciated. Year 11 have been fabulous let's keep this up.

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 these extra lessons are really important for embedding their knowledge.

KLA swap shop has been open again 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. Many thanks to the student commissioners in Year 10 and 11 that help this to open every day. We also have a few coats that were unclaimed last term if your child has misplaced, please send them our way as we have a rail full that have not been claimed!

Attendance in Year 11 has been lowered this week due to being hit by bugs and colds we really need that last big push it was **91.26%** 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.

If your child has to have some time off school, please ensure that you email the absence team on studentabsence@kla.eastern-mat.co.uk or call the absence line 01553 779635. If your child attends College on Thursday's and they are absent or have an appointment, you will also have to let them know of their absence. Their number is 01553 761144 many thanks in advance.

As a year group we have achieved **532** points this past week which is lower than normal as we have been in exams! Our highest achiever this week in the year group was **Braydon Griggs** a massive well done goes to them.

Student of the week this week goes to **Elingas Derencius** a well done goes to him for really working hard and making a great start back to this year. It has been noticed well done **Elingas** keep up the great work keep going you can do this!

Dates for your diary:

Easter Raffle on sale next week proceed go towards Year 11 Prom. Thanks to you all in advance £1:00 per ticket lots of goodies and treats to be won. Tickets will go on sale at lunchtimes.

Year 11 Mock exams Monday 5th February until Friday 8th March 2024. We are nearly there keep going!

Blood Brothers Trip for 10/11's **Wednesday 13th March** we are really looking forward to this taking place. Many thanks goes to Mrs Mann for organising for us all.

Year 11 Parents Evening Tuesday 26th March 2024.

Year 11 Prom Friday July 5th tickets £23 each go on sale before Easter half term tbc nearer time.

Information about **leavers hoodies** to follow a link will be sent to you all to order hopefully this week. They will go on sale **ASAP** a link will be sent to you all and final orders will be placed on **Saturday 7**th **April 2024.**

Stay safe and keep safe have a lovely weekend

Mrs H Lockey