

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 1st July 2016

KING'S LYNN ACADEMY

Parentview:

We would like to advise you that you are able to give your views on the Academy to Ofsted via their parentview questionnaire, at any time – not just during inspections. We would encourage you to do this at:

www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

Dates for your Diary:

Monday 4th July – Friday 8th July – KLA Olympics

Tuesday 5th July – Thursday 7th July - Sutton Scholars residential, University of Cambridge

Tuesday 5th July – Year 12 Taster Day at KES

Wednesday 6th July – Year 6 Arts Day

Monday 11th July – Tuesday 12th July – Alton Towers Trip

Tuesday 12th July – Diploma Day

Thursday 14th July – Friday 15th July – Harry Potter Trip

Friday 15th July – Monday 18th July - PGL, Liddington

Friday 15th July - Skills Sector Career Show Trip, Peterborough

Wednesday 20th July – End of Summer Term

Monday 5th September – Start of Autumn Term

Attendance:

Whole school attendance is 94.03%. The national target is 95%. We are now heading in the right direction. Thank you to all of you for your continued support in helping us raise our attendance.

House Attendance since September is;

Nelson	91.7%
Vancouver	94.5%
Cresswell	93.9%
Macarthur	93.7%

Please continue to talk to your children on the importance of having good attendance. If they are not at school we cannot teach them.

Have a lovely weekend.

UEA's Literary festival:

Last Friday the following students attended the UEA's literary festival.

Team 1:

Charlie Gray
Nathan Clarke
Lewis Dixon
William Barnes

Team 2:

Sarah Wren
Dayna Edward
Kymberley Gill
Lily Davison

Team 3:

Imogen Pocket
Georgia Fairchild
Katie Cullen
Niki Cooper



These students participated in a literary workshop with Lisa Williamson, the Waterstones youth writer of the year 2015 and also competed in the UES's Poetry Slam Competition, with two of the three teams winning accolade for their innovation in poetry and poem containing a message. These students were impeccably well behaved and represented the school beautifully.

M1 Mascot - Milo Visits KLA:

Departing Head Girl Emily Holland brought in Milo, an African Pygmy Hedgehog last Wednesday. M1 adopted Milo as their Mascot after Emily featured Milo in her Head Girl Campaign.

Much excitement was generated by his visit!

We would like to say many thanks to Emily for bringing Milo in to visit the academy, and to wish Emily and the rest of Year 11 best wishes for the future.



New York Trip - 23rd-27th March 2017:

A visit has been organised for the Drama/Performing Arts students and ALL interested KLA students to take part in a visit to New York next year. There are limited spaces and they are being filled fast! To secure a place £100:00 deposit will need to be with Mr Hodkinson before the end of term with consent forms signed.

The price has been kept as reasonable as possible, namely £739:00 including coach, flight, hotel, drama workshop and Theatre tickets. Students will need a passport and visa (ESTA) \$14/£10:00. Spending money is also needed, of course and also money for meals whilst away.

The balance can be paid in one amount or smaller amounts as you choose, provided the final payment is made by February 2017 at the absolute latest.

Here is a sample of the itinerary but more details will be forth coming when a confirmed booking is made.

Day one

- Travel from School to London
- Flights from London to New York
- Meet coach and transfer to accommodation
- Evening meal at a local restaurant
- Evening in Times Square with street performers and artists

Day two

- Tour of Manhattan Island and the Statue of Liberty. (extra payment needed) £10:50
- Walk to the Financial District and Wall Street then onto
- 911 Memorial, gardens and fountains.
- Visit Century 21 department store for gifts and souvenirs.
- Watch a Broadway Show (to be confirmed)
- Evening meal at a local restaurant

Day three

- Visit Central Park and watch Street Theatre, walk along 5th Avenue, visit Grand Central Station
- Participate in a Broadway Workshop
- Evening meal at a local restaurant

Day four

- Morning Top of the Rock. 360 degree look at Manhattan (extra payment needed) £13:10
- Shopping, possibly visit the famous Macy's and get those last minute pictures.
- Transfer from accommodation to airport
- Flights back to London
- Arrive back in London on day five

Yours sincerely,

Tom Hodkinson
Drama teacher

Harry Potter Year 7 Trip Thursday 14th & Friday 15th July:

The following itinerary has been sent out this week with details about our forthcoming trip to London.

Dear Parent / Carer,

Re: Itinerary for the Harry Potter visit on Thursday 14th July and Friday 15th July 2016.

The students will meet in KLA car park at 8:30am on the Thursday morning ready to leave promptly at 9:00am. Students do not need to be in uniform, but will wear a lanyard identifying them as a KLA student. This will have Mrs McLeish's mobile number on the reverse as a point of contact in case of emergency.

This number is available to parents also, but please do not phone unless it is also an emergency: 07557 357887

KLA will not be held responsible for the loss or damage to any electronic equipment. Any loss or damage will be considered your child's responsibility.

The coach will endeavour to return at 6.00pm on the Friday. Please help the staff by ensuring you are prompt in collecting your child.

Please contact Mrs McLeish or Mrs Lockey for any further questions prior to departure. 01553 774673

Students will need to bring:

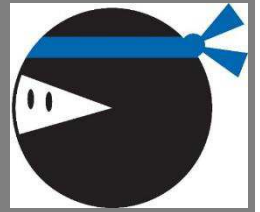
- A packed lunch for Thursday/tea is included at Planet Hollywood.
- Breakfast provided at the hotel on the Friday.
- Money for any souvenirs/Theatre/Eye souvenirs/Harry Potter.
- Money to buy lunch on the Friday at Harry Potter/Services.
- Change of clothing.
- Nightwear.
- Wash bag with toiletries and toothpaste.
- Appropriate footwear for walking/rain jacket.

Any students on regular medication will be responsible for carrying them. PLEASE remember to bring them e.g. Daily meds, Epi-pens and Asthma inhalers, insulin and take any travel sickness medication needed before travelling.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs McLeish and Mrs Lockey
Visit Leaders

Numeracy Ninjas:



The scores as they stand - at 1st July 2016 with one week left in this year's competition are:-

In the lead at the moment we have MacArthur with 3961 points. With just one point separating, in second place we have Cresswell with 3960. Third place goes to Nelson with 3865. Bringing up the rear is Vancouver with 3815 points. I cannot believe how close the scores are as we go into the last week. It's all to play for!!

The top ten individual forms are:-

M1	770
C2	743
V5	740
C5	706
M2	688
C1	675
N5	672
M5	670
V6	667
V2	667

Happy enumerating everybody!

Carolyn Fysh
Numeracy Co-ordinator

Cresswell and MacArthur House update – Compiled by Mrs Defty:

It has been a very enjoyable and busy week. Students joining us next year had an amazing three days experiencing most aspects of academy life. One young boy I spoke to said that he just did not want it to end, it was the best ever.

I would like to thank teachers and support staff for all their hard work and enthusiasm.

Twelve of our current Year 7 students from all houses helped and supported each day with two of our Year 11 students, Melissa Walpole and Beth Clark giving up their time to help. They were all amazing, thank you.

Amongst the students with the highest achievement points this week:

Cresswell

Lydia Allen, Deividas Svilpa,

MacArthur

Grace Byfield Stubbs

Cresswell

Student of the Week nominations:

- C1 Ellie Mae Hall – Revising hard for her upcoming exams
- C2 Kyle Locke - For the efficient way he took over the organisation of a sports team for Y8 boys.
- C3 Connor Wells – Doing so much work for the Euro project.
- C4 Jonathan Senter - Generally, he never lets the form down. Any task given to him, he takes willingly. No complaints! He is an asset to a form group! I admire his manner of addressing everyone in the form group.
- C5 Mia Whitmore – Coming up with fabulous ideas for the Euro project and working on it during her break time.
- C6 Sophie Page – Enthusiasm for Euro project on Croatia.

The winner is Jonathan Senter

MacArthur

- M1 Megan Barnes – Always being prepared to go that bit further for the form.
- M2 Natasha Chappell - for her positive and helpful nature.
- M3 Immy Pocket – Immy has been really helpful in form this week.
- M4 Katie Harrod - For always trying her hardest and being a very pleasant young lady.
- M5 Annabel Bennington – Good attendance and achievement points, quietly gets on with everything.
- M6 Hugh Gingell – Working extremely well in food technology, meeting deadlines and his cheesecake was delicious.

This week's winner Hugh Gingell.

Doing a wonderful job as student receptionist this week from Cresswell:

Leah Molly Summers, Shannon Cook, Ryan Smith, Kieran Shepherd, Kaitlyn Salmons, Holly Rowe, Charlie Webb, Matthew Houlder, Jonathan Senter and Christopher Warren.

Mrs Thomas will be taking several students to Cambridge as part of the Sutton Scholars programme.

Next week sees the start of the KLA Olympics students have been busy choosing teams, let's hope the weather improves.

Have a great weekend.

Nelson and Vancouver House update – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

Our assembly was led by V5 and V6 this week. Mrs McLeish, Mrs Taylor and their helpers did various challenges involving food. A big thank you to Katie Cullen for announcing the challenges it can be very daunting in front of over 300 faces. The challenges were- how quick you can eat 5 dry crackers, fit the most marshmallows in your mouth at once, eating a do-nut without licking your lips, the first person to eat a plate of super sour sweets and guess the flavour of the baby food! Well done to all of the staff and students that took part, especially the staff as they had no idea they were doing it until the day. The winners over all were the form tutors and Mr Rimmer, who enjoyed tasting the baby food a bit too much if you ask me! Whilst the students were clearly not enjoying it he was using it as a mid-morning snack.

This week we have had Year 6 students with us for 3 days, it all went very well and they had a great time. Thank you to all of our KLA Year 7 students that helped out with lessons and break times we couldn't have done it without you.

The Year 11 Prom is tonight, I am very excited and cannot wait to see all of the students looking their best and of course having a little boogie!

Nelson

Student of the week nominations:-

- N1- Paris Dolling
- N2- Daisy Patnell
- N3- Shania James
- N4- Henry Pooley
- N5- Daniel Russell
- N6- Kevin Almedia

Well done Shania James nominated for being really helpful in tutor time and offering her support.

Vancouver

Student of the week nominations:-

- V1- Harvey Larkin
- V2- Lily King
- V3- Niki Cooper
- V4- Sam Hildon
- V5- Ross Chilvers
- V6- Katie Cullen

Well done Katie Cullen you were nominated for your excellent involvement in our assembly.

Have a lovely weekend!