

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 8th July 2016

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 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 since September is 93%. We have dropped slightly due to a high volume of student being off ill with stomach bugs, headaches and sore throats. Hopefully this will pick up again next week.

House Attendance is since September is;

Vancouver	93.7%
Cresswell	93.3%
Macathur	93.1%
Nelson	91%

Due to the changes taking place in September, where students will be in their own year for tutor groups here is the attendance in these year groups.

Year 7	94.7%
Year 8	94.4%
Year 9	92.9%
Year 10	90.2%
Year 11	91.1%

As you can see we still have a way to go before we reach our target of 95%. We can only achieve this if we work together in ensuring pupils attend every day and Holidays are not taken during term time.

Thank you to all those parents and carers who have supported us throughout the year to reach our goal. Have a great weekend.

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

Message for parents/students invited to attend the CWA Academy Trust Diploma Awards:

We look forward to welcoming you on Tuesday, 12th July to the Corn Exchange in King's Lynn for the CWA Academy Trust Diploma Awards ceremony.

As invited guests who have responded to our RSVP, we have your registration for attending this event already therefore it is not necessary to download a ticket to attend.

Doors open at 6.30pm, the event commences at 7pm.

Students will be briefed about arrangements prior to the event, they should attend in full (smart) school uniform.

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

Please Return Library Books:

It would be appreciated if all students could return their KLA library books by Thursday 14th July.

This is to enable the library to do a stock-take before we break up on Wednesday 20th July.

Thanking you for your support

Mrs Bowles
KLA Learning Resource Centre

Alton Towers Trip - Information for Parents:



To all students in Year 9 and 10 on the Alton Towers Trip on Monday 11th July - Tuesday 12th July

I am sure everyone going on the Alton Towers trip is really excited for Monday to come. Let's hope we have some really nice weather.

Monday 11th July

Please arrive at school at 6.30am to be registered etc.

Assemble in the Central Hub – please enter via the side gate and come in through the dining hall.

6.45 am - coach to leave KLA.

Tuesday 12th July

4.30pm - Depart Alton Towers for journey home.

8.30pm approx. - arrive back at KLA.

There will always be a member of staff available on mobile no. 07557 357887 if you need to contact us. This number is available for parents also, but please do not phone unless it is an emergency.

Please note:

- We advise you not to bring anything valuable with you on this trip, as KLA will not be held responsible for any loss or damage of your personal items. All personal items are brought at your own risk.
- Please wear sensible shoes. There is a lot of walking to do – plus you do not want to lose your shoes on any of the rides.

Students will need to bring:

- A packed lunch and drinks for Monday, or these can be purchased at the park – evening meal is included at the Flambo's restaurant.
- Breakfast provided at the hotel on the Tuesday morning.
- Money to buy lunch and drinks on the Tuesday at Alton Towers.
- Money for any souvenirs.
- Change of clothing.
- Nightwear.
- Wash bag with toiletries and toothpaste.
- **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 etc. Students must take any travel sickness medication needed before travelling.**

We hope that everyone enjoys this trip, and it creates many lasting memories.

Carolyn Fysh
Alton Towers trip organiser

Nelson and Vancouver House update – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

We have had Year 6 students join us this week for an Art day, all of the students had lots of fun and got a little messy!

We are all feeling a little tired as we get closer to the end of term, we are nearly there! Please remember to ensure all students are attending every day and wearing the correct uniform. Some girls are having the nail extensions already, these are not permitted, please wait until the start of the school holidays before having them done. Thank you.

The KLA Olympics have been on this week, all students have done very well and represented their houses with excellence. The PE department organised the KLA Olympics for this week, it was a fantastic 3 day event, thank you to all staff for your time and effort, the students loved it! Well done to the overall winners, Cresswell and Vancouver for runners up!

Mrs Starling organised form challenges based around the Euro's 2016, congratulations to:
George Pooley and Samanta Grinevic for winning prizes in the spot the ball completion.
Zac Gathercole for excellent reading, winning a shopping voucher
Caitlyn Hewson for getting 100% in reading tests

Also, well done to V1 for coming 2nd in the form project challenge!

Nelson

Nelson students will be student receptionists next week.

Well done to Madison Senter having the most achievement points in a day, keep up the good work.

Student of the week nominations:-

- N1- Nicholas Bloom
- N2- Kyle Berry
- N3- Kira Sharp
- N4- Jess Key
- N5- Kymberley Gill
- N6- Callum eke

Well done Nicholas Bloom you were nominated for working hard to improve all aspects of KLA life!

Vancouver

Student of the week nominations:-

- V1- - Dominic Newman
- V2- Chloe Robinson
- V3- Nathan Howard
- V4- Tia Mitchell
- V5- Tatianna Burns
- V6- Teegan Poile

Well done Tia Mitchell your efforts for the form Euro's challenge were amazing!

Have a lovely weekend!

Cresswell and MacArthur House update – Compiled by Mrs Defty:

Prom was amazing! They all looked fantastic and an enjoyable evening was had by all. Many thanks to all who helped or supported in any way.

Assembly this week was kindly delivered by Mr Endersby. He spoke about goal setting, the importance of having and setting goals and the challenges to be faced on route to achieving these goals. Using the goal his own mother had set herself, he made students aware that they must not fear failure, to believe in themselves, don't give up and have a good team of people around you. Depending on the goal this could be family, friends or teachers.

Pc Bolderstone and PCSO Cockerill gave me two vouchers for a free game of bowls for six people at Strikes. A number was chosen randomly from each house and the lucky winners were Lewis Cottam, Cresswell and Joshua Barrett from MacArthur.

Miss McNeill reminded the students about the Careers Progression Event available to all students in Years 8, 9 and 10. This is at the East of England Showground on the 15th of July and completely free. Transport is provided and students would return in time to catch school buses home if needed. Please encourage your son or daughter to sign up for this event with Miss McNeill.

Once again Miss Culley organised the Art Exhibition, displaying work from the class of 2016. As someone who has little to no artistic skills I am always impressed by the standard of work.

The majority of Year 10 students enjoyed a taster day at the College of West Anglia on Thursday giving them the chance to try many of the courses on offer.

Monday saw the start of the KLA Olympics. We were lucky with the weather and it culminated in the presentation to the winning house at the end of the day on Thursday. It was a very close contest with one point between first and second place. Triumphant for the second year running were Cresswell. Well done to them and to all who took part.

The judging of the Euro project also took place on Thursday. Students displayed their project work in the Sports Hall and the whole school came together for the presentation. In third place were C5 but with an extremely clever project the winning form was M1. However, all forms are to be congratulated as they really worked hard and brought together some very good ideas. We had facts about the countries, the football team and my favourite of all the food tasting. Thank you to Mrs Starling for thinking of and organising this great idea.

Several other presentations were made as we were all together. Well done to Jonathan Senter and Keeley Cawston, Cresswell House, and Spencer Cole Mendoca and Agata Kulesa, MacArthur, who were awarded vouchers or prizes.

Well done to Isabelle Oxby, Alisha Fincham, Pdraig Denmark, MacArthur and Harry Appleton, Cresswell. They made some great cakes for the Olympic themed cake competition.

Student receptionists from MacArthur House this week:

KeeleyTurner, Alana Merrishaw, Leona Smith, Arabella Gingell, Nicole Barraclough, Oliver Lindsay, Connor Leverett, Finlay Mayes, Louie Younge and Josh Stone. As always they were polite and helpful.

Nominations for Student of the Week with Form Tutor comments:

Cresswell

- C1 Shannon Cook, Holly Rowe and Leah Summers: Their tutor wanted to nominate all three as they have worked so well together for the form project.
- C2 Kaitlyn Salmons: Contribution to form presentation.
- C3 Elise Cornwell: Putting in the extra effort in the form Euro project.
- C4 Ryan Smith: Working hard towards the tutor project.
- C5 Daniella Ralph: Committed to the Euro project working on it in school and at home.
- C6 Harry Appleton: Very helpful and he has 437 achievement points.

Winning this week is Harry Appleton. Well done Harry.

Cresswell and MacArthur House update – Continued:

Nominations for Student of the Week with Form Tutor comments:

MacArthur

- M1 Millie Lines: Continued hard work and enthusiasm throughout the school. A joy to have in class and in form.
- M2 Charlie Hammond: For the quality of his work on the 2016 project.
- M3 Laura Hornsby: Really helpful with the presentations.
- M4 Joshua Barrett: Committed to all form activities, encouraging others and promoting the tasks.
- M5 Finlay Mayes: Finlay always actively participates in all seminar activities and his ideas and contributions are insightful. Finlay is simply a very pleasant student to have as part of the form.
- M6 Lauryn Hammond: Working so hard on the Euros display.

For MacArthur Finlay Mayes. Well done.

Highest achievement points:

Cresswell

Misella Matisone and Ceejay Brockwell

MacArthur

Harry Whiley and Isabelle Oxby

Have a good weekend.