

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 9th December 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:

Wednesday 14th December – Christmas Lunch

Wednesday 14th December – Talent Show

Friday 16th December – Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 16th December – Last day of term

Friday 16th December until Tuesday 3rd January – Christmas Holiday

Wednesday 4th January – Staff Training Day

Thursday 5th January – Spring term begins

Thursday 5th January – Y7-10 mid year exams start

Friday 6th January – Y11 Mock results day

Tuesday 10th January – Y11 Parents evening

Tuesday 24th January – Y8 Parents evening

Thursday 26th January – School of Rock theatre trip

Friday 27th January - Y7-10 mid year exams end

Wednesday 1st February – Y8 Options evening

Thursday 2nd February – Blood Brothers Sheffield trip

Thursday 2nd February – Parent Voice

Monday 13th February to Friday 17th February – Half term

KS3 (Years 7-9) Science Experiment Club:

Ever wanted to know how Science is used outside of School? Come along and experience Science practicals that are used in different places of work. There will be a different focus each week.

This will be in S13, from 3pm until 3:45 with Miss Carnell.

Chinese Club:

We run a Chinese club every Wednesday at 3pm in N4 for an hour. It is an amazing opportunity for students especially KS3 and Y9 as they will all have some Mandarin language lessons during their French/Spanish classes.

School Nurse:

The school nurse offers weekly drop-in sessions every Wednesday lunchtime for any student who wishes to speak to her. She can be found in the Intervention Room opposite Student Services. No appointment is necessary!

After half term she will be offering a monthly C-Card clinic for students Aged 13 – 16. For more information about Norfolk's C-Card scheme please follow this link: <http://c-card.areyougettingit.com/your-c-card.aspx>

'Save the Children's' Christmas Jumper Campaign:

On Friday 16th December we are supporting 'Save the Children's' Christmas jumper campaign. Students in Years 7-10 are invited to swap their KLA jumper for a Christmas jumper and/or glitter, tinsel and anything festive! Please bring a £1 donation.

Attendance:

Whole school attendance is 94%. Again, we have been hit very hard with lots of absences due to the flu/sickness bug doing the rounds.

We have 3 joint leaders this week:

Year 7	95%
Year 8	95%
Year 9	95%
Year 10	92%
Year 11	93%

Well done to Year 7, 8 and 9 with 95%. We had 418 students with above 95% attendance. Out of those 149 have had 100% Attendance since September. Well done!

Please continue to contact KLA Absence line on 01553 774671 OPTION 1 if your child is going to be absent.

Have a lovely weekend.

Rewards Update:

House totals since the start of this half term.

1st MacArthur 3,738

2nd Cresswell 3,685

3rd Vancouver 3,536

4th Nelson 3,442

Over 14,421 reward points have been gained by the student's since the start of this term, MacArthur is still just in the lead. Over 150 praised postcards have been sent home, well done to all our students.

Mrs Thomas

MFL Stars of the Week:

Please find below this week's MFL Stars of the Week.

Year 7 - Kieren Cummins-Bailey 7HDR

Year 8 - Joe McNulty 8AGI

Year 9 - Laura Hornsby 9HCO

Year 10 - Saba Zaheer 10EWB

Year 11 - Robbie Ward 11LBE

New York Trip March 2017:

Please be reminded that any outstanding consent/medical forms need to be in with us by the end of term next week for our paperwork signed and dated. Also, a copy of your child's ESTA need to be with us in the new year as we have been asked to enter details for our flight to JFK. If anyone needs assistance with completing these online please feel free to contact either one of us and we will be happy to help.

Have a fantastic Christmas break.

Many thanks in advance,

Mrs H Lockey & Mr T Hodkinson

Talent Show:



Year 7 and 8 Weekly Maths Challenge:

Each Friday Year 7 and 8 will be set a Maths Challenge. This is a non-compulsory challenge for our Year 7 and Year 8 Mathematicians to show they have a mastery level of understanding of applying different topics to problem solving.

The Challenge will be on ShowMyHomework and can also be found outside CF2. The answers can be emailed to lucy.amos@kingslynnacadmey.co.uk or hand given to Mrs Amos by Wednesday 3pm.

A winner from each year group will be chosen at random to win Maths Star of the Week. They will be awarded with a certificate, a postcard home and a small prize. All Students with the correct answer will also receive a certificate.

WEEK 8 ANSWERS:

On the way up Dean runs at **8km/h** for **1 hour**.

The distance is therefore: **Distance = Speed \times Time = 8km/h \times 1h = 8km.**

On the way down, he runs at **12km/h**.

The time is therefore: **Time = $\frac{\text{Distance}}{\text{Speed}} = \frac{8\text{km}}{12\text{km/h}} = \frac{2}{3} h$**

Therefore it takes Dean **40** minutes to run down the mountain.

Congratulations to Connor Ballantyne (Year 8) and Zoe Aston (Year 7) for winning Maths Star of the Week.

Well done to all who have taken part.

Mrs Amos

KLA Library:

Christmas Competition for Students and an opportunity to win High Street Vouchers!

How to enter?

Read a book!

Then -

Write a review on the book and hand into the library. Receive one draw ticket for every book review. Enter the draw to win High Street Vouchers!

Terms and conditions

Competition will run from 1st December 2016 to Monday 9th January 2017

Books being reviewed must be in the 'Accelerated Reader' programme.

KLA library books are in the 'Accelerated Reader' programme

Students own books can be checked at – <http://www.arbookfind.co.uk/>

Many popular authors' books are included in the 'AR' programme, such as David Walliams and Jacqueline Wilson. Also, book series such as 'Diary of a Wimpy Kid' and 'Geek Girl'. There is such a variety of choice, all students should enter this competition!



KLA Inter-House Maths Mastermind:

This week saw our annual KLA Inter-House Maths Mastermind.

It was a very exciting week with our 2016 "Inter-House" Maths Mastermind Challenge taking place every day.

Each day, a different year group competed to win an individual Year trophy, with all the points accruing towards the overall House trophy at the end of the week.

I would like to say that I was extremely proud of all our competitors, as it can be very daunting and scary under the pressure of the spotlight. Well done to you all.

Our winners were:-

Elise Clayton	Year 7 Nelson with 21 points
Jonathan Senter	Year 8 Cresswell with 20 points
Weronika Woznialis	Year 9 Vancouver with 21 points
Corey Edmunds	Year 10 Nelson with 15 points
Max Fayers	Year 11 Vancouver with 15 points

When all the scores were compiled the overall House scores were as follows:-

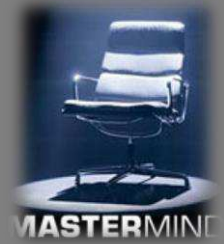
Winners - VANCOUVER with 73 points. 2nd place were Nelson with 67 points, 3rd were Cresswell with 64 points, and 4th were MacArthur with 50 points. So for the fifth year in a row the trophy will be awarded to

VANCOUVER HOUSE

All our Year winners will now go on to represent KLA in the "Inter-School" Mastermind Challenge, which this year is being hosted by us here at KLA on Friday 13th January 2017. I am sure that everyone here at KLA will join with me to wish "good luck" to all our KLA representatives.

On a personal note I would like to say an enormous 'thank you' to Mr Harness for all his IT help and Mr Hodgkinson for giving up his teaching room for the event. Mr Gibson for being my excellent questionmaster all week, and to my lovely Y11 assistants who helped behind the scenes, Katie Pipe, Sharnia Soden and Scarlet-Lilli Cooke. Thank you also to James, Steve and Sharon and the site team for all their help.

Carolyn Fysh
Numeracy Co-ordinator



Key Stage 3 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

This week's student receptionists were:

Isabel Wright, Erin Curl, Egle Simkute, Mollie Sculz, Max Andrews, Mark Gonocharov, Bailey Naish, Jack Timberlake, Chelsea-Mae Morton and Laurie Meads. Thank you all for your help and support, you did a great job!

There was no assembly this week as we had the Maths Mastermind challenge during seminar time, well done to Elise Clayton (Y7) and Jonathon Senter (Y8) for winning your heat. You will go on to represent KLA in the inter-school's Mastermind in January.

On Tuesday, we enjoyed our Celebration of Success evening, it was lovely to see most of the Year 11's return for their exam certificates and of course all of the students winning their awards. Well done to all of those involved, you are an inspiration to all KLA students and we couldn't be more proud of you.

Year 7 Student of the Week nominations:

7 CMC - Catherine Castro she is a quiet student who is always willing to do her best.

7RCL - Carlos Adao Cruz, for continued focus and determination to succeed despite the difficulties he has faced.

7EBL - Nayan Johnston for his great enthusiasm and support with our Christmas fayre.

7HDR - Samanta Paliukaite for always being so helpful in form and enthusiastic to all tasks we do.

7ABL - Chelsea Mae Morton, always positive and works well.

7SGO - Luana Garcia for settling into KLA life quickly and working hard.

Well done Luana Garcia, you have made a great start to KLA and you are an asset to have in Year 7!

Year 8 Student of the Week nominations:

8GLA - Jack Dixon, for always trying his very best, for being polite to all in form and being helpful during tasks.

8ATA - Madison Senter, a pleasant young lady always prepared and ready to work in seminar time. A good role model for other students.

8AAN - Naglis Juska, for settling well in form and being very helpful to me.

8SHA - Vadim Ganeev was the first to embrace this charity work, he provided a top notch prize and helped with the setting up of the forms stall.

8AGI - Has to be a joint one, both Harvey Gray and George Pooley brought in a big bag each of gifts for the homeless that they had generated through family connections.

8DSC - Marlea Farrell for making a great improvement in all areas of KLA life!

Well done Madison Senter, keep up the good work!



We would all like to Congratulate Jason Fitzgerald on becoming the Middleweight World and British champion in Tae Kwando. Jason entered the competition on the day as a Lightweight but due to height regulations was placed in the Middleweight group, he went on to win all battles making him the British Champion. Well done Jason!

Have a great weekend!

Key Stage 4 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Defty:

Please encourage your son or daughter to take part in the Christmas Reading Competition. We are having a 'Christmas Reading Competition' to encourage our students to read in school and over the holidays. This competition involves writing a book review. They need to speak with Mrs Bowles, our Librarian for further details.

After a slow start it is great to see MacArthur are the house with the highest achievement points so far. Let's hope we can hold on until the end of term. Well done to everyone.

An amazing evening was held on Tuesday. Our annual celebration evening was a huge success. It is always a pleasure to watch students rewarded for their hard work and effort. Many of our last year's Year 11 students returned to be presented awards and certificates. I had the honour of speaking about Cameron Goodrum who was nominated and won the Community Award. All of us from the academy wish him every success for the future.

Students from Year's 9, 10 and 11 took part in the annual Mastermind Inter House competition this week. Under the spotlight were:

Year 9 - Dilar Oter, Cresswell House. Weronika Woznialis Vancouver House, Richard Newell, Nelson House and Lennon Wardale, MacArthur House.

Year 10 – Lewis Dixon, MacArthur House, Dafydd Roney- Morgan Vancouver House, Charlie Gray Cresswell House and Cory Edmunds Nelson House.

Finally for Year 11 – Brodie Bainbridge, Cresswell House, Millie Lines MacArthur House Max Fayers, Vancouver House and Kaitlyn Senter Nelson House.

Well done to everyone. I'm sure it is a nerve racking experience. A special mention to Kaitlyn who stood in at the very last moment.

The winners were Weronika, Corey and Max. They will represent the academy in the Inter School Competition next year.

Highest achievement points this week:

Abigail Mason- Brown

Student of the Week:

Year 9

9 LAM - Aidan Pearce. Hardworking student who tries his best in all activities.

9 ACU - Bethany Ross for always getting on with the task and trying her best.

9JMY - Billie Hoste-Davies for her excellent behaviour and attitude to learning.

The winner is Bethany Ross.

Year 10

10 CAB - Will Lake for making an improvement last week.

10 CBA - Josh Benefer.

10 KJM - Kymberley Gill for determination.

10 DEN - Louise Taylor and Sara Albuquerque. For their extra efforts in running our forms Christmas fayre stall during and after school.

10 RGI - Mollie Davies, Mollie has continued to improve her recall of numeracy facts during 'torture time' each week.

For Year 10 Kymberly Gill

Key Stage 4 Round Up – Continued...

Year 11

11 LBE - Tom Hargest, tries hard in Science and always works well.

11 RES – Harvey Luker. Harvey has a very positive outlook, and is great source of energy and enthusiasm during form times. Harvey takes responsibility for his studies, and is determined to succeed.

11 JHA - Greta Keteriute for working really hard, taking an Excel test and passing.

Finally for Year 11 Greta Keteriute.

Wednesday is Christmas Lunch so there will be no hot food served at lunchtime. We round the day off with our annual Talent Show, it would be great if you could join us.

Have a great weekend.

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We wish you a merry Christmas

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祝你新年快乐! And Happy New Year!

把祝福给你和你的家人, Good tidings we bring,

祝福圣诞快乐, To you and your kin. We wish you

新年快乐! a merry Christmas And Happy New Year!



Wednesday (14th December)

3:00-4:00 pm Meet in N4

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