

# Parent Bulletin

## Friday, 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017

### 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](http://www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk)

### Dates for your Diary:

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May - Year 11 exams start

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May – SC application window opens

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Parent Voice

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – SC application window closes

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> May – Last day of term

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> May until Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> June – Half term

### Year 11 Intervention – Tomorrow:

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May Mr Frammingham and Ms Westbury will be running an English Intervention from 9am until 11am. This is to help improve your son/daughter's GCSE grade. The topic tomorrow is Paper one – writing. Please encourage your son/daughter to attend.

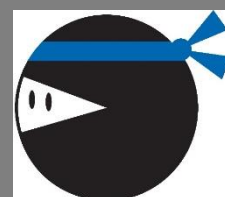
### Numeracy Ninjas Leader Board:

House Scores to date: 12<sup>th</sup> May 2017

Cresswell	12136
Nelson	11812
Vancouver	11718
MacArthur	11168

Happy enumerating everyone!

Carolyn Fysh  
Numeracy Co-ordinator



## Ready to Learn:

In order to support students with their organisation and preparedness for learning we will be selling pens, pencils and rulers in the canteen after Easter at the following cost: Pens – 15p, pencils 10p, rulers 10p all three 30p.

Students will only be able to purchase these items of stationery before school, at break time and during their lunch breaks and they will be paid for through the normal cashless catering system.

We hope that by offering this service we will encourage students to take responsibility for their learning as well as supporting you all with a ready supply of equipment!

## Attendance:

In the interest of safe guarding the students and due to many unauthorised absences at KLA, we will be launching a text messaging programme in the coming weeks. This will inform parents if their child/children have not arrived at school. The message will ask you to contact KLA to let us know why they are absent. To avoid any unnecessary text messages can you please ensure that you contact the school as early as possible if they are ill or have a medical appointment.

We still have a number of students who are arriving late to school. Can you remind your child that school starts at 8.35 with the first bell, where they should be in school and ready to start the lesson. At 8.45 on the second bell, they should all be in the classroom, not just arriving to school. If they arrive after the register as been taken this can also trigger a text message.

This system will use the mobile numbers we already have stored on our system. With this in mind can you make sure that KLA is informed of any new contact numbers or details.

Whole school attendance is 93%.

Year attendance is as follows:

Year 7	94%
Year 8	94%
Year 9	94%
Year 10	92%
Year 11	92%

Well done to Year 7, 8 and 9 for remaining at the top.

We had over 340 students with good attendance in the past 4 weeks. 306 if those had 100% attendance. Great news, keep it coming.

KLA are monitoring students with 90% attendance and below. I shall be meeting with students whose attendance is causing us concern and with parents if attendance does not improve. Students are at risk of missing out if they do not have regular attendance. Parents are at risk of a fine if there are no genuine reasons given for their child's absence. Even if there is a genuine reason for your child being off sick, please be mindful of the amount of time they may be missing from school. 90% attendance means that they have had missed 20 school days a year. That's 4 weeks of education they have missed.

If you would like to know what your child/children's current attendance is, please do not hesitate to contact me on either **01553 774671 OPTION 1**, or [lorraine.roberts@kingslynnacademy.co.uk](mailto:lorraine.roberts@kingslynnacademy.co.uk)

Working together we can help to give your child the best start towards a positive mind set, where attendance does matter.

Thank your continued support.

Mrs Roberts

## Homework: Years 7 - 10

A reminder to parents that all students should have an Accelerated Reader reading book. Students should be reading at home for 15 minutes every day.

Thank you  
Diane Scoles  
Director of Whole School Literacy

## KLA Library:

We have a group of readers that are participating in 'shadowing' for the CILIP Carnegie Medal. This prestigious award is the 'Oscars' of young adult fiction.

The nominations are -

The CILIP Carnegie Medal 2017



- Sputnik's Guide to Life on Earth by Frank Cottrell Boyce (Pan Macmillan)
- The Bone Sparrow by Zana Fraillon (Orion Children's Books)
- The Smell of Other People's Houses by Bonnie-Sue Hitchcock (Faber & Faber)
- The Stars at Oktober Bend by Glenda Millard (Old Barn Books)
- Railhead by Philip Reeve (Oxford University Press)
- Salt to the Sea by Ruta Sepetys (Puffin)
- Wolf Hollow by Lauren Wolk (Corgi)

Shadowing means our group of readers are part of a national reading community, sharing ideas, writing reviews and blogging on the above books. This has started to create real excitement in our library with readers talking to their friends and encouraging them to read these books. To keep up the momentum of this snow ball effect we will be showing the reviews in our notices in the central hub so everyone will be able to see what we are up to!

## KLA Library:



Following on from the buzz created by our Carnegie shadowing group, our KLA library assistants have decided to start a reading group with a difference!

We are going to share read a book. Each reader will take a turn to read, then explain to the rest of the group what has happened. When the book is finished we will write a review to add to our display. The book we are currently sharing is 'boy 2 girl' by Terence Blacker. It is a story about a boy pretending to be a girl! Matthew has an American cousin over to visit him, his cousin agrees to be a girl to infiltrate a girl gang at Matthew's school. The book is promoted as being a funny and realistic portrayal of family and school dynamics, and the divisiveness of gender stereotyping.

We meet in the library every Tuesday and Friday break-time. All are welcome to come and join in the conversation!



# Creative Writing Club

*Wednesday lunchtime, in the Library, for Year  
7 and 8*



*Fuel your creativity!*

*See Miss Poll for more details.*

## Key Stage 3 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

8 AAN led our assembly this week and they were celebrating doughnut week!!



As well as the assembly some of the students from the form sold doughnuts on Thursday to raise money for the Children's Trust. I am pleased to say they raised £20. Thank you to all of the students that donated the doughnuts to be sold!

I am growing concerned about student's time keeping, some students are arriving late in the mornings and/or taking far too long to arrive to the lessons during the day. Please ensure students are in the school building by 8:35am ready to start learning, if you are having any issues with your child getting to school on time please contact me via email or phone so that we can all support each other with this matter.

Year 7 Student of the Week nominations:

- 7SGO - Evie Blyth - Evie has had some super comments from a range of her teachers about her behaviour and attitude in class and around school. She is working hard and trying to have a good behaviour for learning.
- 7ABL - Erin Curl, purely down to the effort she is putting into classes and how she still hasn't got any negative points and she is happy all the time
- 7HDR - Brodie Barlow for doing well working with fractions in maths this week.
- 7CMC- Ellie May Collinson, she is eager to learn and participates with enthusiasm in all activities
- 7EBL - Renat Chodas for becoming a Student Commissioner. Renat tried really hard in his effort to be SC and is a great all round example to his peers. I know he will thrive on the experience and responsibilities of this role.

Well done Erin, you are an amazing young lady with a great attitude towards all aspects of KLA life!

Year 8 Student of the Week nominations:

- 8AGI - Harry O'Neil for his fantastic Party Speech, clever and funny.
- 8DSC- Elise Bell for trying really hard to do literacy tasks, being helpful handing out literacy booklets and showing a big improvement in her attitude recently.
- 8ATA - Silas Hozier for being the first student in the form to reach, and exceed, 300 achievement points. Amazing!
- 8AAN - Lewis Case for preparing a little speech for the assembly.
- 8GLA - Jack Dixon for SOW for having perfect behaviour and always being friendly and welcoming.
- 8SHA - Sophie Brown for positive attitude towards everything, always comes in with a smile and tries her best in lessons.

Well done Harry O'Neil, keep up the good work!

I would also like to give a special mention to Alvis Icahs Y8. Alvis found a phone in school and without hesitation he handed it in straight away so that we could reunite it with its very upset owner. Well done Alvis!

Have a great weekend!

## Key Stage 4 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Defty:

This week's assembly was around the subject of Fake News, very topical at the moment and expertly delivered by Mr Cooper with the help of Harry Brockwell from his form. He gave examples of the misconceptions we have about events in history to modern day and that if something is repeated often enough, particularly on social media sites people will start to believe they are true. For example – You can see the Great Wall of China from space, Napoleon was very short, Beyonce died on the 23/02/2015, all untrue. Thank you Mr Cooper for an interesting assembly.

Well done to all Year 11 students who have completed their Art exam this week and to Ms Culley for preparing them for this. As one who has no artistic talent I am always impressed by the standard of work.

### Year 11 parents please note:

Next Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May the professional photographer, who will take pictures at the Year 11 Prom will be in school at lunchtime. She will be selling vouchers for Prom photographs. The vouchers are £5, photographs can be paid for on the night. However they will cost £7.

College of West Anglia Awards.

FIRST NAME	SURNAME	COURSE	DATE: 11/05/17
Callum	Bentley	Level 2 Engineering	Great answering in theory lesson
Michael	Haslam	Level 2 Engineering	Great answering in theory lesson
Charlie	Turner	Level 2 Engineering	Great answering in theory lesson
Reuben	Webster	Level 2 Engineering	Great answering in theory lesson

Nominations for Student of the Week

### Year 9

9JMY - Alfie Holman for his work with the school council.

9ACU - Bethany Ross. Somebody that always gets on quietly and is making good improvement.

9 SRW - Frank Wilmerson helpful and polite.

9 HCO - Harry Brockwell for his help with assembly.

9 LAM - Aidan Pearce. A determined, polite and helpful young man.

Winning for Year 9 is Alfie Holman

### Year 10

10 RGI - Jordan Boughen. Consistently helpful and nice to everyone.

10 CAB - Nathan Clarke, Joshua Roberts, Diana Barkane, Maisie Hancock, Lauryn Hammond and Lewis Dixon. They have all put themselves forward for the role of Head Boy/Girl.

10 EBW - Saba Zaheer. Consistently tries her best.

10 CBA - Josh Richardson - Josh has tried really hard in his understanding of poetry this week - well done Josh!!

10DEN - Megan Thorburn. Megan is working very hard in science at the moment and is making good levels of progress. Keep it up.

10 KJM - Alisha Chappell as recognition for consistently doing the right thing.

Year 10's winner is Jordan Boughen.

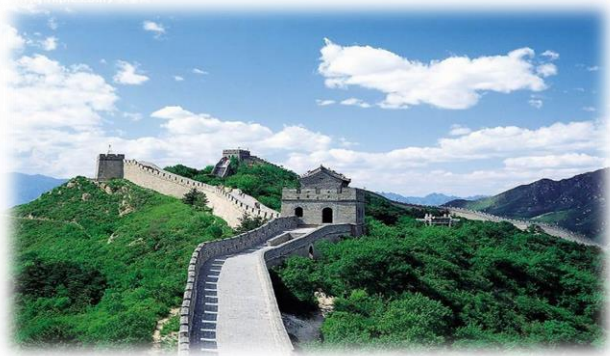
### Year 11

11RES - Tayla Mattinson. Tayla is demonstrating an exceptional attitude at the moment, is being very inquisitive during lessons and tutor time, and is never happy until she full understands her work. Tayla is a role model for all Year 11 students, and is working very hard!

11LBE - Ecaterina Svitic. Always working and arriving on time to seminar time.

For Year 11 Tayla Mattinson.

Highest achievement points this week. Jessica Fowl and Hannah Eke.



If travelling between countries, what do you like to use as your favourite transportation ?

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五月, 旅行月

May - Let's go travel!



D. qì chē  
汽车



E. zì xíng chē  
自行车



KING'S LYNN ACADEMY

Wednesday ( 17 th May, 2017 )  
3:00-4:00 pm Meet in N5