

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 17th March 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

Dates for your Diary:

Wednesday 22nd March - Year 11 Mock exams finish

Thursday 23rd March – Parent Voice

Friday 24th March – ILP and Red Nose Day – non-uniform day

Friday 24th March – Monday 27th March – New York Trip

Monday 27th March – Head Boy/Girl interviews

Thursday 30th March – DofE Silver assessed expedition departs

Friday 31st March – Last day of term

Year 11 English Intervention:

English Intervention will take place as follows:

English Language	Time	Place
Tuesday	3.05pm - 4pm	Glass room
Wednesday	8.15am – Period 1	Glass room

English Literature	Time	Place
Thursday	3.05pm - 4pm	Glass room
Friday	8.15am – Period 1	Glass room

All Year 11 students are invited to attend.

Please encourage your child to attend.

Thank you in advance for your co-operation and continued support.

The English Department

Year 11 GCSE Religious Studies Revision Guide:

For Year 11 students taking GCSE Religious Studies (WJEC, Specification B), Mrs Gelder would like to recommend 2 revision guides (one for each paper/exam). They are 'Religion and Life' and 'Religion and Human Experience' guides by Gavin Craigen and Joy White, Hodder Education, ISBN: 978-0-340-07563-3 and ISBN: 978-1-444-10760-9 which can be ordered online. Each student has also received a revision workbook from school.

GCSE Business Studies Revision Guide:

For Year 11 students taking GCSE Business Studies (Edexcel), I would like to recommend revision guide 'Revise Edexcel: GCSE Business Revision Guide' by Rob Jones and Andrew Redfern, Pearson Education Limited, ISBN: 978-14469-03735. These are available from Amazon for about £5 (a new one), abebooks.co.uk - £6. A used one is about £3 (good condition).

English Literature Revision App:

The above app is available currently to Year 11 on Android and IOS phones – a great way to enhance your revision!

PixLit App

Centre id: KL1866

Username: surname followed by first initial of Christian name e.g. scolesd

Password: surname followed by first initial of Christian name e.g. scolesd

Any issues please see Ms Scoles

Attendance:

Whole school attendance is 93.4%. We still have a way to go to reach our target of 95%.

Year attendance is as follows;

Year 7	95%
Year 8	94%
Year 9	93%
Year 10	92%
Year 11	92%

Well done to Year 7. Top of the leader board again. Keep up the great work.

Last week I said that I will be working with Year 7 students whose attendance is around 90%. These students are called The A Team. We will be meeting regularly to see how their attendance is improving and hopefully get postcards sent home.

Plans for the Attendance Awareness Coffee morning is underway. I will be sending out invites over the next few weeks. If you are invited, please do not think you are in trouble. This event will be quite informal, where we can have a cup of tea or coffee and a chat.

Many parents do not realise that the odd day absent here and there mount up over the weeks, causing their child to have an attendance of below 90%

Mrs Roberts

Rewards:

House totals since the start of January:

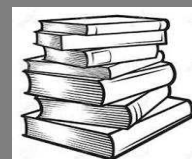
1st Cresswell - 8,534
2nd MacArthur - 8,238
3rd Vancouver - 7,580
4th Nelson - 7,325

Over 31,730 reward points have been gained by the students since the start of January, Cresswell have now inherece their lead. 434 Praised Postcards have been sent home since start of January. Well done.

Mrs Thomas

KLA Library:

The genre promotion at KLA library is 'science fiction'.



We have had an exciting new delivery of these books and we want to bring this to everybody's attention!

As these books are part of our 'Accelerated Reader' programme all students should find something enjoyable to read!

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 all will have some Mandarin language lessons during their French/Spanish classes.

Numeracy Ninjas Leader Board:

House scores to date - 17th March 2017

Cresswell	9502
Nelson	9193
Vancouver	9084
MacArthur	8744



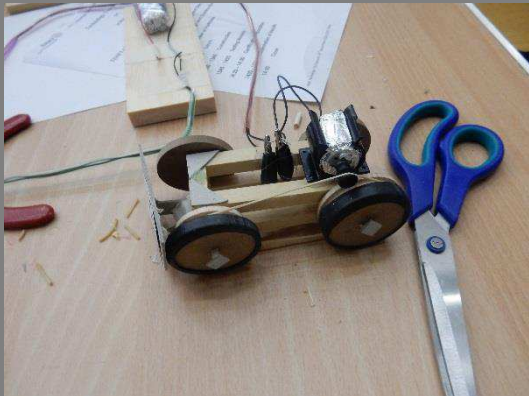
Carolyn Fysh
Numeracy Co-ordinator

Rotary Club Technology Challenge:

On Tuesday 14th March King's Lynn Academy hosted The Rotary Club Technology Challenge for the third consecutive year. The event is sponsored by Bepak and involved over 100 students from 5 different local schools, KLA, Springwood, KESA, Smithdon and the College of West Anglia.

The students were split into three age categories and given an engineering challenge. During the day students worked in groups of four to design and make a small electric vehicle to travel a set distance and clear the route of debris.

The groups were judged on a small portfolio of work, how they solved the problem, teamwork and of course how successfully their vehicle preformed.



This was a fantastic opportunity for all involved. The sixteen students representing the Academy were brilliant and several people commented on their efforts.

The day was a huge success with KLA winning the KS3 group giving them now a hat trick of wins. The KS4 team were also very successful and came second in their age category.

The winning KS3 team

Georgia Dix,
Kira McMahon,
Isabella Thurnell,
Weronika Woznialis



The KS4 team secured 2nd place

Zygimantas Masiulis,
Jack Watts,
Danny Hazell,
William Lake

Key Stage 3 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

Our assembly was led by Mr Harness with 8DSC this week. I would like to congratulate all of the students that read out loud to the whole of Y7 & 8 (155 students), as I explained to all the students this is a very nerve racking experience and yet they did it with style! They all looked great in their St Patrick's Day celebration hats, even Mr Harness! We have to give an extra special mention to Harvey Larkin for making a cake especially to celebrate, well done to you all!



The weather has been kind to us this week and it has been a joy to watch the students enjoy the outdoor spaces we have. Students are reminded to be safe and to be mindful of others during leisure time.

We have a lot of students forgetting they have break/lunchtime detentions which results in them having an after school detention for not attending. Obviously it would be ideal not to have any kind of detention, but if you have received letters at home about this please talk with your child/children. It is important for them to attend so that the teacher can discuss their concerns, if anyone would like to discuss this please feel free to contact me.

Year 7 Student of the Week nominations

- 7HDR - Amie Brown for always trying her best in food tech and being a pleasure to have in form.
- 7CMC - Tye O'Neil. He consistently tries his best within form and always behaves exceptionally well.
- 7ABL - Mark Goncharov for working really well in lessons when those around him don't always.
- 7RCA - Amelia-Rose Paget for a great attitude shown and for helping out during form time, leading a hand in completing tasks set in form.
- 7SGO - Oliver Cottam, Oliver is trying hard in form at the moment, keeping his behaviour appropriate for learning and attempting all the tasks set.

Congratulations Amelia-Rose I have seen your hard work in form time myself, keep up the good work!

Year 8 Student of the Week nominations

- 8SHA - Christopher Warren for taking pride in coming 7th in Maths within the year group and in the top 25% in the county. Too often pupils hide their lights under a bushel instead of celebrating success. Good for you Chris.
- 8GLA - Brooklyn Shead, for trying really hard to achieve his target grade and always taking the time to help others if they are struggling. For always bringing a positive attitude to lessons and having a wicked sense of humour.
- 8DSC- Harvey Larking for trying really hard to plan our assembly, he even baked a themed cake.
- 8AAN - Niamh Wells for being the only one to get 30/30 in Numeracy Ninja!
- 8AGI - Charlotte Marks for her thoughtful contributions to form discussions.
- 8ATA - Teegan Poile, her behaviour and attitude in seminar time has improved greatly and she has also been awarded the MFL Star of the Week for Year 8.

Well done Teegan Poile, we have all seen an improvement over the last few weeks, it is great to see you being recognised for the right reasons!

Have a great weekend.

Key Stage 4 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Defty:

Assembly – Thank you to Ms Amos for delivering this week's assembly. Tuesday was National Pi Day, not the ones you eat! So the assembly was based around this. March 14 is recognised across the math world as Pi Day, thanks to the resemblance of the date "3/14" the first three digits of mathematics' most famous constant. While only a handful of digits are needed for typical calculations, Pi's infinite nature makes it a fun challenge to memorize, and to computationally calculate more and more digits. The most decimal places of Pi memorised is 70,000, and was achieved by Rajveer Meena (India) at the VIT University, Vellore, India, on 21st March 2015. Rajveer wore a blindfold throughout the entire recall, which took nearly 10 hours. To see this, probably not all 10 hours, and others recalling the numbers look on YouTube "The Worlds Smartest Kids"

The school play was a thoroughly enjoyable event. The setting helpers and cast were fabulous it was a delight to watch. Well done to everyone.

Student of the Week

Year 9

9 JMY - Daniel Wright for always trying his best.

9 HCO - Dilara Oter for overall good progress and participation in academy activities.

9 ACU - Faith Richmond, a student who is always keen to offer help and shows a positive mind-set at all times: making others around her happy.

9 LAM - Aidan Pearce positive attitude and great score on numeracy Ninja's.

9 SRW - Keven Almedia for his contributions to form discussions.

Winning for Year 9 is Dilara Oter.

Year 10

10 EBW - George Miller for good work and homework from form time.

10 RGI - Megan De-Gol for excellent effort and determination to succeed.

10 DEN - Luke Hurley for his consistently impressive performance during maths ninja's. Not only is Luke scoring close to maximum marks each week but he is also supporting other students to improve their maths skills too.

10 CBA - Josh Richardson, Josh's positive points increased significantly last week – keep trying!!

10 KJM - Denise Diacenco-Apostol for always helpful and work hard.

10 CAB - Diana Barkane for completing the form literacy task.

For Year 10 Luke Hurley, well done.

Year 11

11 KPO - Matteo Tornieri. He is always cheery and enthusiastic, and takes time every day to tell me about the books he has been reading, and to ask for more book recommendations. Brilliant!

11 LBE - Ecaterina Svitic – Attendance during seminar time.

For Year 11 I would like to nominate Hannah Evans as Ms Carnell, her Science teacher, has made me aware of the extra work and effort she has put in order to achieve.

Winning for Year 11 is Hannah Evans.

Well done to all Year 11 students. They have just finished their second mock exams and have been committed and focused.

Please follow the link below and remind your son or daughter in Year 11 to order their leavers hoodie as soon as possible. They will not accept late orders.

<https://www.schoolleaverscompany.co.uk/shops/SL35509>

Key Stage 4 Round Up – Continued...

Highest achievement points, only one this week.

Lewis Cottam

This week's College Awards.

Ross	Chilvers	Level 2 Engineering	Excellent week at College
Theo	Clarke-Twell	Level 2 Engineering	Excellent week at College
Charlie	Moore	Level 2 Engineering	Excellent week at College
Richard	Newell	Level 2 Engineering	Excellent week at College
Frank	Wilmerson	Level 2 Engineering	Excellent week at College
Courtney	Middleton	Level 2 Child Development	Excellent behaviour at nursery
Jenny	Ortet	Level 2 Hair and Beauty	Fantastic creation in face painting

Year 11 will be selling raffle tickets next week, 50p each, to win one of four boxes of chocolates for Mother's Day. All profits to their Prom fund.

Finally next Friday is non-uniform day.

Have a good weekend.