

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 24th March 2017

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:

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

Tuesday 18th April – Summer term begins

Tuesday 18th April – Head boy/girl campaigning begins

Tuesday 25th April – Year 7 Parents evening

Monday 1st May – Bank Holiday

Thursday 11th May – Head boy/girl election

Monday 15th May - Year 11 exams start

Monday 15th May – SC application window opens

Thursday 18th May – Parent Voice

Friday 26th May – SC application window closes

Friday 26th May – Last day of term

Monday 29th May until Friday 2nd June – Half term

Please click the link below to see term dates for 2017/18 and 2018/19.

<http://kingslynnacademy.co.uk/calendar/>

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.

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 stationary 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!

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

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 93.42%. We are slowly heading in the right direction to meet our target. 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	94%
Year 10	92%
Year 11	92%

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

My A Team who I have been working with over the last week have been attending 100%. Well done to you all. Keep it up.

The last bits and pieces for the Attendance Coffee morning are finally being sorted and I will be putting invites in the post next week. Many parents do not realise that the odd day absent here and there can mount up over the weeks, causing their child's attendance to drop below 90%. This can lead to students missing out on a GCSE in the future.

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.

Mrs Roberts

Rewards:

House totals since the start of January.

1 st Cresswell	9,635
2 nd MacArthur	9,543
3 rd Vancouver	8,430
4 th Nelson	8,366

Over 35,984 reward points have been gained by the student's since the start of January, Cresswell are only just in the lead. 476 Praised Post cards have been sent home since start of January.

Really looking forward to rewards week next, KS4 assembly on Tuesday and KS3 on Thursday with a whole school assembly on Friday.

Mrs Thomas

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

Key Stage 3 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

It was a great day today celebrating Red Nose day here at the academy. Thank you to all that have donated their £1 for the non-uniform day and bought some of the delicious biscuits at break time. I will update you soon with how much money we raised!

Our assembly was just for the Y7 students. It was led by Nigel from The Gideons, we would all like to thank him very much for coming in and offering the students a Bible for them to take home.

I have had the delight of seeing some of the student's talents this week as I will be needing some talent to show off during an evening we have coming up here at the academy. So far I have some singers and a guitar player, it would be great if we could show off one more talent. If your child/children are interested please ask them to come and see me ASAP. Thank you.

Student of the Week nominations:

7SGO - Callum Palmer, Callum is trying hard in English and form, he's not always understanding the task straight away, but he perseveres. He will ask for help if needed, but always tries first. Callum without prompting will hand out the books and collect at the end of the lesson. He has really improved his behaviour for learning.

7HDR - Daniel Silva Luso for having the highest achievement points in the form and always trying his best with all form activities.

7CML - Ellie-Mai Collinson- she works hard to complete all form tasks and is a pleasure to have in form.

7EBL - Madison Walker, following another hip operation Madison has attended school on crutches all week, she is inspirational to others and to me with her ever cheery personality and constant smiling even when in pain. She is also a really lovely member of the form who always gives her best. Well done Maddison.

7ABL - Erin Curl for racking up the positive points in large numbers for Determination and Passion.

7RCL - Damon Egmore, for a really positive focus and enthusiasm, following a very positive week last week. As well as being our starting reader in our assembly.

Well done Callum. You have a determination to succeed and you're clearly putting in the effort to do your best, keep it up!

Year 8 Student of the Week nominations:

8AGI - Pdraig Denmark for getting 30 out of 30 in the numeracy ninjas 15 weeks on the trot.

8SHA - Louie Young has 0 behaviour points, 227 achievement points, 99% attendance. He tries hard at everything and is a joy to have in the form, what more can you ask?

8AAN - Ollie Archer for being very helpful every Friday in form time.

8DSC - Robert Robertson for playing a fundamental role in organising the form assembly.

8GLA - Fausta Derenciute has gained ARE+ in Art, Computer Science and P.E. I am very proud of her achievements and her sheer determination.

8ATA - Rosie Williams, always helpful in seminar time.

Congratulations Robert Robertson, you did very well in the assembly. The whole form is thankful for your support!

I hope you all have a lovely weekend, only one more week for us all until the Easter break!

Key Stage 4 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Defty:

We enjoyed a guest speaker at this week's assembly.

Daphne Sampson from Klimate Concern asked them to join in Earth Hour this Saturday. It is the 10th anniversary of this event. We are asked to turn off our lights from 8:30 to 9:30 pm. This is done all over the world to unite people in protecting our planet.

She also spoke of International Earth Day and invited students and their families to a celebration on 22nd April.

Well done to all Year 11 students for their effort and commitment to their mock exams which finished this week.

Students with highest achievement points this week:

Erin Byfield Stubbs, Pdraig Denmark, Jasmine Abraham, Paige Hawes, Tamazin Bacon and Sarah Wren.

Nominations for Student of the Week.

Year 9

9HCO - Georgia Dix for quiet commitment to all activities.

9 JMY - Katie Hembling for her positive attitude towards school.

9 LAM - Mae Dobie a hard working pupil who always tries her best. Currently has 169 achievement points.

9 SRW - Sasha McCurdy for leading thoughtful discussions.

Well done to this week's winner Mia Howell.

Year 10

10 RGI - Joseph Golding for consistently high levels of effort

10 KJM - Lauren Malt this week, very helpful in form.

10 DEN - Rebecca Ward. A quiet member of the form who gets it right every time.

10 EBW - Alex Tickner for achieving 100% in the spelling test.

10 CBA - David Wells. Really trying hard to gain positive points.

10 CAB - Rhys Younge. Consistently completing his homework to a high standard.

Winning for Year 10 is Rhys Younge.

Only one nomination and winning for Year 11 is:

Chloe Hembling 11 KPO – For her hard work in form and great effort to complete work set, even taking work to complete in her own time.

Students left for New York on Thursday. I am sure they are having a wonderful time. A huge thank you to Mr Hodkinson and Mrs Lockey for organising this.

Finally with the money from non-uniform, cake sale and form quiz we should have raised nearly £550 for Red Nose Day. Thank you to Mr May for organising this and to Mrs May who almost certainly made the cakes.

Have a good weekend.

