

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 19th January 2018

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

New York Trip March 2019:

Following interest in your sons/daughters joining us for the trip of a lifetime to New York we are holding a meeting for parents and students on Wednesday 24th January at 5:30pm. This will be held in the Drama studio.

We are now looking to pay the first instalment to the travel company and we will need £150.00 by the beginning of February.

The meeting will be informative and we will be able to answer any questions or queries that you may have.

There is also a space available if anybody is interested.

Many thanks,
Mr T Hodkinson

December Rewards Update:

The last week of term was a very exciting and busy one for rewards. We had so many things to celebrate, our blazer badge winners for the whole term and the students who received highly commended certificates for their efforts throughout the term. The High Street vouchers were awarded to the students in the top 100 and then to finish the week off, the presentation of the Endeavour cup, Behaviour and Attendance trophy and then our new prize of a laptop notebook with case.

We started off the week with our first Y11's rewards assembly. Mr Rimmer and Mrs Westbury helped me with the presentations. Mr Rimmer announced the Y11's in the top 100, Lily Davidson, Lewis Cottam, Saba Zaheer, Dayna Edwards, Natasha Chappell, Tamazin Bacon and Nikita Papucevics.

Then onto Highly Commended, Mrs Westbury announced the following students, Vilte Jalunskyte, Megija Pesika, Josh Benefer, Reece Maddern, Georgia Fairchild, George Miller, Jordan Dexter, Karis Blewitt, Connor Stevenson and Alex Palmer-Silcock.

December Rewards Update continued...

The Y11's blazer badges were last to be presented, for:

Creativity - Niki Cooper, Lily Davidson, Nikita Papucevics and Rhys Younge.

Passion - Dayna Edwards, Jordan Boughen.

Problem solving - Sophie Couzins.

Risk taking - Louise Taylor.

Determination- Nikita Papucevics, Megan Thorburn, Jasmine Abraham, Emily Box, Kayley Emmerson, Charlie Gray, Alisha Chappell, Lily Davidson, Natasha Chappell, Lewis Cottam, Dayna Edwards, Sophie Couzins, Arminas Sambaris, Henry Beck, James Senter, Maisie Hancock and Lewis Dixon.

We then went on to a new reward, which is for the student who had no behaviour points and over 95% attendance, the name out of the hat was Charlie Gray, he won a bag of Christmas goodies. It was so nice to see the Y11s receive their rewards, Mrs Defty wished them all a Merry Christmas and we will be looking forward to their mock exams results in the New Year.

On Tuesday 12th December we held the KS4 reward assembly. For all the assemblies our head boy Lewis Dixon and head girl Maisie Hancock supported me. Lewis started the proceedings off with reading the names of the students who received High Street vouchers for being in the top 100. Listed below are the names of our KS4 winners:

For Y10's Hannah Eke, Sophie Page, Natasha Taylor, Paige Wake, Nikola Matisone.

For Y9's Naglis Juska Ellie Gaskins, Keeley Cawston, Danas Skupeika, Ryan Gipp, Erin Byfield-Stubbs, Uphaz Riaz, Daniel Grange, Rachel Poll, Alicia Brook, Aimee Eracleous, Megan Golding, Jessica Smith, Summer Rose, Joe McNulty, Tayla Wilkinson, Elisha Fitness, George Pooley, Charlotte Marks, Jack Dixon, Chloe Gregory, Lewis Kershaw, Kaitlyn Salmons, Charlie Webb, Sophie Brown and Caitlin Gaze.

Congratulations to all the students in the top 100.

Mrs Westbury then kindly announced the winners of the Highly Commended Certificates,

For Y9 - Agata Kulesa, Vadim Ganeev, William Girdlestone, Abigail Mason-Brown, Keeley Turner, Krissie-Leigh Taylor, Katie Rattenbury, Daniel Russell, Abbie Perry, Connor Leverett, Alfie Harvey, Katie Scoles, Jason Fitzgerald, Lewis Case, Katie Hargest, Nicole Barraclough, Harry O'Neill and Pdraig Denmark.

For Y10 - Bailey Farrell, Georgina Harris-Samarathunga, Aiden Pearce, Abigail Poll, Laura Hornsby, Charlie Benstead, George Rippengill, Danielle Grimes and Sophie Fenton.

Then we went on to Mr Rimmer who announced the winners of the blazer badges,

In Y9 Determination - Airida Bankauskaite, Charlie Webb, Alicia Brook, Madison Featherby, Samanta Grinevic, Brooke Williams, Megan Wake, Jessica Smith, Danas Skupeika, Ellie Gaskins, Christopher Warren, Sophie Brown, Dareks Knospe, Keeley Cawston, Rachel Poll, Jack Dixon, Joe McNulty, Charlotte Marks and Erin Byfield-Stubbs.

Creativity - Alisha Macey, Alicia Brook, George Pooley, Zack Gathercole.

Teamwork - Kaitlyn salmons, Ellie Gaskins, Josh Andrews, Naglis Juska.

Risk-taking - Justina Svaplyte and Rachel Poll.

Passion - Uphaz Riaz, Tayla Wilkinson, Aimee Eracleous, Alisha Macey, Megan Golding, George Pooley and Christopher Warren.

December Rewards Update continued...

In Y 10 Problem Solving - Lewis Palmer, Jessica Fowl, Harry Brockwell and Weronika Woznialis.

Passion - Reuben Webster, Kieron Bush, Toby Howard and Sophie Page.

Determination - Hannah Eke, Sophie Page, Kieron Bush, Natasha Taylor, Charlie Hammond, Georgia Dix, James Bailey, Richard Newell, Joshua Barrett, Karis Cassidy and Georgia Goldsmith.

In Y9 Tegan Crouch received a voucher for earning the most reward points in her year, 253 altogether, well done Tegan.

In Y10 Jessica Fowl received a voucher for earning the most reward points in her year, 170 altogether, well done Jessica.

The winner of the Christmas goodie bag in KS4 for having no behaviour points and over 95% attendance went to Aimee Eracleous Y9.

On Thursday 14th December we had our KS3 rewards assembly, Maisie read out the names of the top 100 who all received High Street vouchers.

For Y8 - Daniel Silva-Luso, Ella Mason, Sophie-Eloise Mallett, Curtis Chilvers, Ruby Russell, Leo Scoles, Isabel Wright, Catherine Castro, Courtney Burch- Bailey, Connor West, Nayan Johnston, Renat Chodos, Jack Senter, Fern Mortimer, Bradley Gregory, Katie Page, Joshua Rippon, Joshua Dear, Mickey Brown, Corey Shaw, Olivia Pulsford-Harris. Ebony Walpole, Gediminas Jurgaitis, Andrei Buldumea and Egle Simkute.

For Y7's Annabella Robinson, Courtney Russell, Freddie Burt, Amber Bramham, Bertie Gathercole, Selena Coote, Georgia Stone, Alisha Brown, Summa Bygrave, Adam Wren, Jed King, Max Purser, Emma Beech, Eve McDowell, Thomas Brewer, Alfred Luxton, Megan Gaze, Bailey Garrod, Jason Bennett, Tamzin Toromba, Imogen Peters, Matthew Hill, Lewis Goldsmith, Oliver Legge, Chloe Burt, Megan Carter-Hall, Adam Towler, Lily Kershaw, Kai Kendal, Emilija Eismantaite and Meida Grigalaityte.

Congratulations to all the students in the top 100.

Mrs Westbury then kindly announced the winners of the Highly Commended Certificates,

In Y8 Kieran Morton, Noah Partridge, Demi Eagle, Ethan Kenyon, Macy Howard, Luke Watson, Kaiden Lane, Carlos Cruz, Tye O'Neill, Reece Cunningham, Kasey Tatnell, Jasmine Madder, Ronnie Howard, Devon Hoste-Davies, Renat Chodos.

In Y7 Leah Filmer, Grace Jarvis, Fern Barnett, Lottie Hurt, Hannah Cope, Leena Futter, Saffron Krill, Lacey-Anne Barrett, Lily Chilvers, Ophelia Woolsey, Amber Bramham, Shannon Wyatt, Warren Self and Maria-Eleni Athanasiadou.

Mr Rimmer announced the winners of the blazer badges for KS3,

In Y7 Passion - Summer Bygrave, Jason Bennett, Bailey Garrod, Georgia Stone, Thomas Brewer, Hayden Hustler, Tillie-Louise Howard, Lily Kershaw, Freddie Burt, Ruby Jeffries, Jed King, Megan Gaze, Amber Bramham, Alfie Whitehead, Olivia Moore, Molly Pybus, Alisha Brown and Selene Coote.

Problem Solving - Chloe Burt, Georgia Stone and Bertie Gathercole,

Teamwork - Lily Kershaw, Imogen Peters, Daisy Fox and Meida Grigalaityte.

December Rewards Update continued...

Determination - Mason Desborough, Kai Kendal, Ruby Jeffries, Emily Ballantyne, Lily Kershaw, Bertie Gathercole, Amber Bramham, Frederic Lo, Annabella Robinson, Alfie Whitehead, Matthew Hill, Kacey Bell, Adam Wren, Georgia Stone, Selene Coote, Freddie Burt, Bailey Garrod, Alfred Luxton, Jessica Smith and Meida Grigalaityte.

Creativity - Matthew Hill and Leon Allen.

Risk Taking - Max Purser and Andrei Buldumea.

Y8 Determination - Thomas Chappell, Alisha Brown, Connor West, Erica Charters, Jessica Peel, Josh Dear, Ebony Walpole, Katie Page, Curtis Chilvers, Olivia Pulsford-Harris, Corey Shaw, Callum Poole, Millie Bareford, Courtney Burch-Bailey, Ruby Russell, Fern Mortimer, Katie Page, Bradley Gregory, Nathan Clark and Wiktorja Kozikowska.

Teamwork - Connor West, Harley Mott, Wyatt Scoles, Ebony Walpole, Gemma White, William Histon, Jessica Peel, Sophie-Eloise Mallett and Andrei Buldumea.

Passion - Courtney Burch-Bailey, Erin Curl and Erica Charters.

Creativity - Kiera Ashby, Josh Rippon and Josh Dear.

Problem solving - Catherine Castro, Joe McNulty and Courtney Burch-Bailey.

In Y7 Emily Ballantyne received a voucher for earning the most reward points in her year, 236 altogether, well done Emily.

In Y8 Devon Hoste-Davies received a voucher for earning the most reward points in his year, 304 altogether, well done Devon.

Congratulations to all the students rewarded in both assemblies.

On the last day of term we came together as a whole school to celebrate the end of term and to present our final rewards, a bit of a tight squeeze but we managed. It was a lovely atmosphere in the central hub.

We were very lucky this year to welcome a visitor to KLA, Simon Rowe KLFM DJ who is very well known as hosting the breakfast show on KLFM. Simon interrupted his schedule to join us to help present our final rewards. Mr Rimmer read out the names of the staff who were nominated by students for blazer badges, he read out the comments from the students which were lovely to hear. We then stopped for some entertainment, we had the winner of our talent show Freddie Burt Y7 who made us all laugh with his regional jokes (I feel he is a Michael McIntyre in the making), what a confident young man not at all worried about performing in front of the whole school, well done Freddie!!

Mrs Roberts gave us a report regarding attendance for the term and she announced the winner of the attendance trophy, this was presented to Y7 this time.

I read out the number of reward points from each year group over the last half term, 5th Y11 with 7,810, 4th was Y10 with 9,365, 3rd was Y9 with 16,236 2nd was Y8 with 16,678 and 1st was Y7 with 17,913, Mrs Germaney received the trophy from Simon.

Since September 68,002 points in total have been awarded to our students, 445 praise postcards sent out in the post and over the last two assemblies 168 blazer badges awarded and 103 highly commended certificates. Well done to everyone!

December Rewards Update continued...

The Endeavour trophy was next, there were two students nominated for this award. Here are the reasons why:-

Sophie Couzins Year 11

Sophie has really impressed everyone with her application to her mock exams. She was in school well before 8am everyday using every available minute to swot up before the exam. With such dedication she will get the results she deserves.

Mrs Defty

Y7 James Lanham Y7

James has some medical issues that would stop others in their tracks. But not James he still comes into school with his lovely smile and his "can do" attitude! He never makes a fuss and is always happy to help others often putting them before himself. Since joining KLA James has earned a great deal of achievement points and really shown a fighting spirit.

Mrs Germaney

The winner is Sophie Couzins, Mr Rimmer presented her with her trophy.

Finally, with the help of our student commissioners and Simon Rowe, we were ready for the last reward. This year we have changed the prize to a laptop notebook with case. So the top 100 students names were placed inside balloons, as the student commissioners released the balloons from the balcony, the music began to play and all the students names flashed up on the board. Simon then picked a single balloon once they had all landed and announced the name inside the balloon which was Summer Rose Y9 - a very deserving winner.

Our special guest Simon Rowe presented Summer with her prize. I hope you all had a lovely Christmas and I wish everyone a Happy New Year!

Key Stage 3 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

Welcome back and Happy 2018!

As some of you may be aware we are having some ICT issues, which means we have extremely limited access in school. This of course has meant we are not responding as quickly as we normally would, please bear with us, we are working very hard to get us back up and running.

The Year 7 & 8 students have been doing their exams over the last couple of weeks and over all have coped well. There have been some students that have found it harder than others to settle and follow the rules, but most of them are used to the structure and have done well.

Mr Blows lead our assembly this week with the theme it only takes a little gesture to help someone else. He told us all a lovely story about his sons first day at school and how one little boy made him feel happy just by one act of kindness. The aim was to encourage people to look around them and see if they can help just one person a day!

On Tuesday 23rd we have the Y8 parent's evening. Parents have been sent details this week via ParentMail. If you cannot access a printer we have some spare appointment grids on reception for your child/children to make their appointments for you.

Thank you to all of the Y7 students that have been our receptionists over the last couple of weeks. They have been kept very busy with the ICT system down, but all have done a sterling job!

One final reminder that make-up and nail art are not permitted in school. Jeans and hoodies are also not permitted.

Have a good weekend.

Key Stage 4 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Defty:

A belated Happy New Year to you all and welcome back.

Apologies if you have been unable to contact me but as many of you are aware we have had gremlins in our system. If you still cannot contact me please feel free to come in and I will do my best to see you.

Thank you to the parents/carers that attended Year 11 parents evening on Thursday.

Year 11 had an assembly this week where they were given, as well as praise for their mock exams, information about the after school revision lessons. They are:

- **English. Tuesdays and Thursdays 3 to 3:30pm**
- **Maths. Tuesdays and Wednesdays 3 to 4pm**
- **Science. From 3 to 4 pm on the following evenings.**

Tuesday Mr Endersby, Wednesday Mr Cooper covering exam techniques, Thursday Mrs Jordan, Chemistry and Physics and Mrs Bell exam techniques.

Please encourage your son/daughter to attend.

All students were given revision guides and on Show My Homework from 24th January there will be revision materials up until the exams.

I have received notification of the following:

From September 2018 the College of West Anglia is launching an Air and Defence Career College. It will work in partnership with The Royal Air Force and aerospace firms to provide employer led, career focussed education and technical training for 16 – 19 year olds. To find out more and book a place for the open evening on 6th February log on to cwa.ac.uk/careercollege

Finally for Year 11, if your son or daughter has not logged on to the Help You Choose website or needs any help with applications please ask them to see me as soon as possible. As well as college and 6th form opportunities they are now listing apprenticeships.

Have a great weekend.