

Parent Bulletin

Friday, 7th December 2018

Dates for your diary:

Wednesday 12th December – Christmas lunch

Thursday 13th December – Year 11 parents evening

Friday 14th December – Christmas jumper day

Tuesday 18th December – Last day of term

Thursday 3rd January – Spring term begins

Attendance:

Whole school attendance since September is 95%

Year 7	97%
Year 8	95%
Year 9	94%
Year 10	95%
Year 11	94%

Well done Year 7's. Consistently at the top.

We are still being hit by the dreaded sickness bug, together with sore throats and head colds.

If your child's attendance falls below 93% they may be put on an attendance report card by their form tutor or Head of Year. Please contact them in the first instance if you have any queries about these reports. You can also find all the information on the KLA website under policies.

Again, thank you for your continued support with our drive to reach our attendance target.

Have a lovely weekend.

Admissions Policy:

Every year we review our Admissions Policy. We are currently consulting on our Published Admission Number for 2020-21, and this is available for anyone who is interested to see on our website, along with information on how to contribute to the consultation should you wish to do so. The consultation document can be found at

<http://kingslynnacademy.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2018/11/Admissions-Policy-2020-2021-Kings-Lynn-Academy.pdf>

Year 11 English revision is back:

When?	Wednesday 12 th & Thursday 13 th December, 3-4 p.m.
Where?	CF10 (Miss Poll's room)
Who?	Mrs Tennant
What will we cover?	WEDNESDAYS will be a focus on LANGUAGE (paper 1 and 2 WRITING skills) THURSDAYS will be a focus on LITERATURE (unseen poetry and poetry anthology)

Panto Time:

Tonight is KLA's first visit to the Corn Exchange to see Sleeping Beauty.

Please can I gently remind all Year 7 and Year 8 parents that the students need be at the back of the Corn Exchange car park for 4.45pm, to be ready for the show to start at 5.30pm, it will run for two and half hours. Could all students be in full uniform please. At the end of the show the students will be walked back to the car park to be picked up.

Let's hope it stops raining.

Many thanks,

Mrs Thomas

New York Trip 2019:

Parents / carers please be reminded the remainder of your son / daughter's trip money is looming fast. Also, those of you that haven't already submitted ESTA and passport photocopies could we have them ASAP please. Any problems with these please feel free to let me know.

Many thanks,

Tom Hodkinson - Visit Leader

Christmas Community Day:

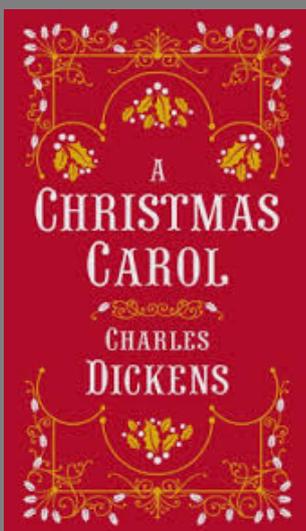
Staff have volunteered to put on a Christmas lunch for elderly people in our community. We hope to send them home with a little Christmas hamper. If you are able to donate any items towards this, such as chocolates, biscuits, packets, tins and toiletries we would be very grateful. No fresh items though please. Any contributions to Reception by 3pm Monday 10th December. Thank you very much.

The deadline for students to nominate people in their community to attend the Christmas lunch on Wednesday 19th December is Monday 10th December. The box for nominations is on Reception. Thank you.

Library:

The library is promoting a Christmas creative writing competition for all students. So, if your child finds they have nothing to do over the holidays, get them writing! Students pick a picture and say why this image represents Christmas for them. For example this image of a Christingle may remind students of Christmas time at their junior school or church. Using this image they can write a Christmas story about it. All entries must be given in to the library by Friday 11th January 2019. Prizes for the best three will be awarded!

The 'Genre of the Fortnight' in the days leading up to the Christmas holidays will be Classics. This is to encourage ourselves to read good literature when drinking hot chocolate on a cold winter's evening!



Books on display will include:

White Fang by Jack London Book Level 4.5

The Magician's Nephew by C.S. Lewis Book Level 5.4

Just William by Richmal Crompton, Book Level 5.5

Christmas Carol by Charles Dickens Book Level 6.7

Treasure Island (Unabridged) by Robert Louis Stevenson Book Level 8.3

The Wind in the Willows by Kenneth Grahame Book Level 8.4

The War of the Worlds by H.G. Wells Book Level 9.1

Pride and Prejudice by Jane Austen Book Level 12.0

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 value your opinion and would encourage you to do this at:

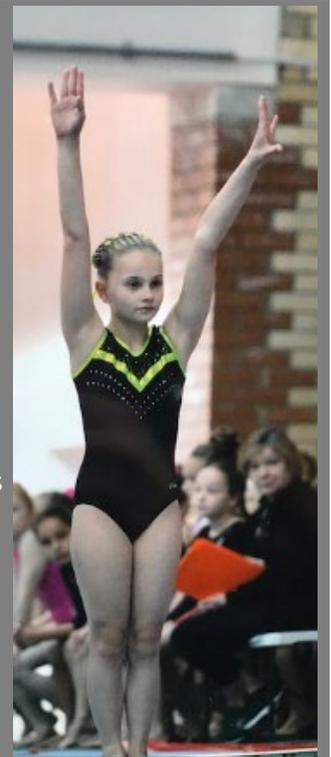
www.parentview.ofsted.gov.uk

Year 7 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Germaney:

A huge congratulations to Kayla Waller who competed in a gymnastics tumbling competition last weekend! Kayla and her family travelled for nearly 4 hours and this was her first competition, she was joined by 17 others representing King's Lynn. I love to share students 'successes outside of school, well done Kayla!

We announced in assembly this week that Mrs Lockey has arranged for the school to host 150 elderly members of our community for a Christmas lunch on 19th December. We are asking for students to nominate someone in their community that may be a little lonely this season, we only have 150 spaces so may need to pick the names out of a hat. Mrs Lockey will then arrange to invite them in for a great day here at KLA. We would like to be able to give our guests a gift to leave with, so Mrs Lockey is asking for non-perishable items to be donated. If you are able to help by sending in dry goods, tinned goods, toiletries and some festive treats please send them in on Monday 10th December. Heads of Year will collect the items at the main doors as the students arrive, please note this is the only day we are able to take the items.

Thank you all and a big thank you to Mrs Lockey for such a wonderful idea and all of your planning!



Year 7 Student of the Week nomination:

7CBA	Hallie Bunting	Hallie was amazing at the Youth Speaks event - very proud of you well done!!
7MST	Tyler Stocker	Tyler has joined our form with a positive attitude. He will have a go at all the form activities, even if he finds them challenging.
7SHA	Rose Benstead	She currently has a staggering 192 reward points and is always polite, hardworking and thoughtful.
7BGR	Charlie Butters	For his awesome work in Maths. He is mastering fractions and his determination is amazing.
7GCO	Igor Wojtowicz	For overcoming his fears and having the confidence to lead student voice this week.
7AWA	Shayne Graham	Shayne has tried very hard this week to turn things around. Well done Shayne and keep going.
7SGO	Holly Johnson	Consistently great behaviour, not a single negative point all year. Works hard in class and with other school activities. A positive representation of a KLA student consistently getting it right.
7BRH	Aistis Srutys	Aistis always comes to school prepared, has a genuinely pleasant attitude and just gets things done! He has been to school every day, and when here, he is always receiving achievement points. Teachers and students have nothing but pleasant things to say about him. Well done, you exemplify what it means to be a student at KLA!
7NJA	Sienna-Rose Hunt	For currently standing top of the leader board for the school year so far for conduct in my form. Also just because she is always pleasant and polite.

Well done to all students that were nominated, congratulations Holly it is great to see you setting such a great example to all students!

Have a great weekend everyone!

Year 8 Round Up – Compiled by Miss Crowe:

It's pantomime day!

This week the students have been increasingly excited about the pantomime trip, tonight. I am very much looking forward to attending, and I think we will have a fantastic evening!

Mrs Bell and her form took this week's assembly. The theme of their assembly was resilience: committing to growth. I was so impressed with 8LBE because all the students who spoke in the assembly were volunteers! Well done for being so brave and speaking so clearly in front of everyone.

For the Prince William Award this week, the students were learning about body language and communication skills. The students explored ways to avoid, or minimise, becoming distracted and learnt how to become more engaged and focused. These are fantastic skills, not only to use during school, but in everyday life, too.

Our students have been working so hard this term! Our top achievers in Year 8 have almost reached 300 achievement points! And as a group, in total, Year 8's have earned over 23,000 achievement points. Congratulations to you all!

Year 8 Student of the Week nominations.

The following students received Student of the Week nominations from their Form Tutors:

8RES	Keighley Graver	Consistently positive, helpful and keen to get involved. Very high achievement points last week (23!) and 0 behaviour points. Well done Keighley, what a great week!
8HAN	Reannan-Jay Chasney	Earning so many achievement points.
8LBE	Denny Dressler	For having the most achievement points last week and volunteering to take part in assembly.
8THO	Emily Ballantyne	Who, without asking, sorted the chairs in form and has generally been very polite and helpful this week.
8EBL	Theo Hancock	For having 100% attendance!
8JMA	Ophelia Woolsey	For being a polite, well-mannered student who always gets involved in form activities. Well done Ophelia.
8CBR	Keziah Bailey	For being polite, well behaved and considerate and getting a large number of achievement points.

Well done to all of the students who have been nominated for Student of the Week. Congratulations Keziah! You are our Student of the Week!

Have a lovely weekend.

Year 9 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Mann:

The festive vibes have arrived and I love it!

In our assembly this week the students were told of the Christmas community day that Mrs Lockey has organised. The day itself is taking place on Wednesday 19th December here at KLA. We will be providing a Christmas lunch for elderly people within the community that may be alone at Christmas. The afternoon's experience will be full of festive cheer and definitely one to put a smile upon a few faces! Those that attend will also be given a hamper full of goods to enjoy over the festive period. We have asked for any donations of chocolates, tinned foods, dry items of food, toiletries etc. to help with this. If you are wishing to donate anything we are asking for any items to be sent in on Monday 10th December please. I know Mrs Lockey would be thrilled with as much support as possible. Students have been told that they can nominate anyone elderly, within their community to come along. This could be a neighbour, someone elderly down the street or even someone elderly from around the corner from you. All the students need to do is to fill out a nominations slip from Reception and put it in the allocated box for Mrs Lockey.

The Celebration of Success evening took place on Tuesday 4th December and was a lovely evening. I would just like to congratulate all those students who received awards on the night. Very proud of you all.

So, Student of the Week nominations are in. Congratulations to all those that were nominated.

9ABL	Bailey Naish	For the several good comments about his work in lessons.
9CMC	Mickey Brown	Who is co-operative, well-mannered and can always be relied upon to do what is asked of him.
9SHA	Harry Goodbourn	For a positive attitude to everything.
9DBE	Daniel Silva Luso	For his constant good behaviour, good manners, and help in the classroom at form time.
9EWB	Tye O'Neill	Consistently 'getting it right' all term with 122 achievement points and NO behaviour points.
9CKW	Madison Walker	For always being polite and cheerful every day.
9HDR	Ruby Russell	For achieving a fabulous 215 achievement points so far this term.

Congratulations to Daniel Silva Luso! Well done Daniel, fantastic student.

Have a lovely weekend full of festive fun.

Year 10 Round Up – Compiled by Miss McGivern:

To be submitted next week. Thankyou.

Year 11 Round Up – Compiled by Mrs Roberts:

This week I have been going around the academy looking at our Year 11's getting it right. By this I mean uniform, attitude, behaviour and working really hard in their lessons. They have been switched on, ready to learn and making the most of what their teachers are offering.

They now have a classroom at lunchtime where they can go to chill out and relax. It is so lovely to see groups of young people just sitting around chatting or playing card games.

This week in assembly we joined with the Year 10 students to listen to a talk by the police highlighting some of the horror stories and dangers around social media. This was certainly an eye opener.

Mrs Lockey and colleagues will be cooking a Christmas lunch on 19th December for the elderly people in our community. They have been nominated by students at KLA. If you know of anyone who is lonely and may be in need of some company and a hot meal, please get your child to nominate them at Reception.

Our nominations for Student of the Week are as follows:

11KGR Daniela Massisa	She has taken charge of her studies this past week, organising for herself to have extra English support to improve her grade and using me to help improve her Drama. She is a very driven and positive young lady.
11DSC Monika Jurgaityte	For having 100% attendance and zero behaviour points.
11RGI Holli Ellis	For being extremely helpful in form (doing the green dots) and teaching another student how to add fractions.
11JPE Callan Johnston	For politeness and thoughtfulness at all times.
11HCO Lewis Palmer	Perfect attendance, large number of reward points, positive attitude to all tasks and participation during form time.
11MFL Brigita Rutkauskaite	For already thinking about the possibility of going to university.
11AGI Teegan Dale	For taking positive action in sorting out what she wants to do when she finishes Year 11.

Student of this week is: 11HCO Lewis Palmer. Perfect attendance, large number of reward points, positive attitude to all tasks and participation during form time.