



King Edward VII Academy

Parent Bulletin
Friday, 21st July 2017



Dates for your Diary:

**WISHING ALL PARENTS, CARERS AND STUDENTS A
WONDERFUL AND RESTFUL SUMMER BREAK!**

Term dates for 2017/18 & 2018/19 can be found on our website click [here](#) to view

Wednesday 6th September – Start of Autumn Term – 8.35am

Prom Photos

Photos from this summer's leavers Prom can be found on our facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/kesacademy/>

Library



Top books borrowed 2016-17

Top 12 Readers 2016-17

		Books Borrowed
Cozens	Harry	48
Tham	Melissa	44
Mahoney	Stephen	44
Drummond	Alex	41
Wheeler	Ben	40
Lee	Archie	39
Bussey	John-Riley	35
Dack	Benjamin	35
Endriukaiyte	Vilma	34
Carter	Tinishia	33
Dukats	John	30
Yakubauskas	Kristupas	30

Pony In the Porch	Daniels, Lucy
Knife Edge - Bk 2	Blackman, Malorie
Percy Jackson and the Last Olympian (5)	Riordan, Rick
Diary of A Wimpy Kid - Dog Days - 4	Kinney, Jeff
Diary of A Wimpy Kid - Rodrick Rules - 2	Kinney, Jeff
Simpsons: Hit the Road	
Dork Diaries - Party Time - 2	Russell, Rachel Renee
Dork Diaries	Russell, Rachel Renee
Simpsons Comics: Dollars to Donuts	Groening, Matt
Dork Diaries - Dear Dork	Russell, Rachel Renee

Have a wonderful reading summer.

End of term letter

The new term begins for students on Wednesday 6th September. Students should arrive by 8.35 am with the correct equipment ready for work on that day. They should have at least two black pens, a pencil, a ruler, a rubber, a pencil sharpener and a compass as a minimum in a pencil case. Students also of course have the option to bring in other items of their own stationery such as coloured pencils and highlighters.

I would take this opportunity to thank all parents and carers for your support in 2016-17. We have seen another year with our students working hard to make progress in their studies and to get involved with extra-curricular activities. There have been many fantastic successes on those fronts and I am always delighted to see how many of our students participate in new activities they have never tried before. That is such an important part of KES. It has been a delight to welcome Year 7 to the school and they have settled in extremely well. Our Ethos continues to be more firmly embedded and there is a very positive outlook for next year as we look to progress further. It has been splendid to see increasing numbers of you coming to parents' evenings to support your children and I welcome new ideas from parents on other things we might do to involve you more in the school. Thank you to all those who contributed to the discussion about further improvements to behaviour. I will be updating you further on this work at the beginning of the new term.

Can I please remind everyone of the importance of correct uniform for students. If there is anything you are unclear about from my previous letter on uniform, please contact your child's head of year. We say farewell to the following members of staff this summer and thank them for their hard work at KES:

Paul Byatt -Business Studies
Pete Davis - Technology
Laura Grant - English
Hannah Pettitt - Geography
Sarah Rowan - English
Brandon Semsch - Geography
Donna Waterman - Maths
Michelle Gill – Support team
Sangeeta De – Support team.

We wish them well in their new roles.
There are a number of new staff joining us too in September:

Nina Elvin - Teacher of English
Kay Finch - Teacher of Languages
Clare Gill - Teacher of Science
Sanjukta Mitra - Teacher of Maths
Jeanna Morley - Teacher of English
Megan Sumner - Teacher of Geography
Caroline Whiting - Teacher of English
Mark Southern - Site Officer.

We would also like to send good wishes to all of our students waiting for their exam results in August. We hope they will achieve the grades they deserve from their hard work.

It remains for me, on behalf of all the staff, to wish you and your families a very pleasant and safe summer.

Kind regards,

Yours sincerely

Lloyd Brown
Head of School

Year 8 – Mrs Lees

We have reached the end of a fantastic year! It has been a pleasure to work with so many inspiring, motivated and talented young adults, they have certainly kept me going at times and I know you will be as proud of them as I am.

This week has been all about the positives, and there are so many! Students enjoyed a Maths reward trip to Thorpe Park yesterday, and definite highlight was when Tayah and Hope persuaded me onto the Water Rapid. Another cohort of students are at Cadburys World today celebrating their successes in PE. Mr Robinson took a huge number of Gold and Silver award winners out onto the sports field yesterday for a fun filled activity session.

More formal rewards have included our Celebration Assembly on Monday where over 40 students received certificates and gift vouchers in recognition of their hard work and achievements. Form Diplomas were awarded in additional assembly today, and of course on Tuesday we had our academic awards evening in the main hall.

Year 8 students have been awarded a huge total of **192,532** positive points since September, and I am proud to say every student has contributed to this figure. Hard work pays dividends.

We end the year with an adequate attendance figure of 93.4% but both students, parents and myself need to work together to improve on this next year. 75 Students have exceeded our school target of 96%. To give this some perspective, the school year has comprised of 1,40 lessons and 190 seminar sessions!!

I would like to share below just a few of the comments written by students when I asked them to tell me their proudest achievements of the year. Their diversity and individuality shines through as always.

I wish you all a safe and happy holiday and I very much look forward to taking your children through their next academic year.

All best wishes,
Mrs Lees, Head of Year 8
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"Being chosen to go to Thorpe Park"

"When me and Hope became friends!"

"My proudest moment of year 8 is getting a good Technology score in the test"

"Going up in Art from ARE- to ARE"

"Being the best student in Maths even though I started the school after everyone in my year"

"Representing my school in cricket, fishing and football"

"My proudest moment is when I got ARE+ in music for singing"

"My proudest moment in year 8 was walking on stage at the Corn Exchange to receive my Gold Diploma Badge"

"Getting 100% attendance this term. Making new friends!"

"Being Star of the Year. Learning Japanese"

"When my poem 'Music to Me' was chosen to be published"

"I drew a black and white picture of the school in Art"

"Getting two awards in the end of year assembly"

"Getting House Captain for Edinburgh York"

Year 9 – Mrs Cole

At our assembly this week I was extremely happy to present Year Rewards to students that have consistently done well with attendance, behaviour etc.

Although I was unable to attend Presentation Evening due to ill health, the students there were rewarded by Departments for their work throughout the year.

I hope you have all had a chance to read the uniform letter sent from Mr Brown, there is also a comprehensive list on our website. I hope when we return in September that there will be no issues with uniform, as this is time consuming to sort and it is valuable time your child misses from their lessons.

I am looking forward to everyone returning in September and hope that they are prepared for the increasing workload as they get nearer to taking their GCSEs.

Wishing you all a very good and restful summer break.

Attendance:-

Well done to 9A with 97.2% attendance last week.

Achievement Certificates:-

P –Jamie Crouch – We think and act positively.

R –Jacob Benstead - We respect one another in everything we do.

I –Megan Kew – We strive to improve.

D –Lewis Reddy – We all create a great place to learn.

E –Jasmine Bentley – We work well together.

Top Achievers - 10.7.17 – 14.7.17



Good Work Board:-

Amy Cook

Ying Wong

Chloe White

James Sheldrick

Freddie Laws

Hally Grimshaw

Peter Rachkov

Year 10 – Mr Waring

After 10R taking back their form class attendance crown last week, they have now gone and done the double winning it for the second week in a row with very impressive figure of 96%, which is a great way to end the school year, so once again well done to them.

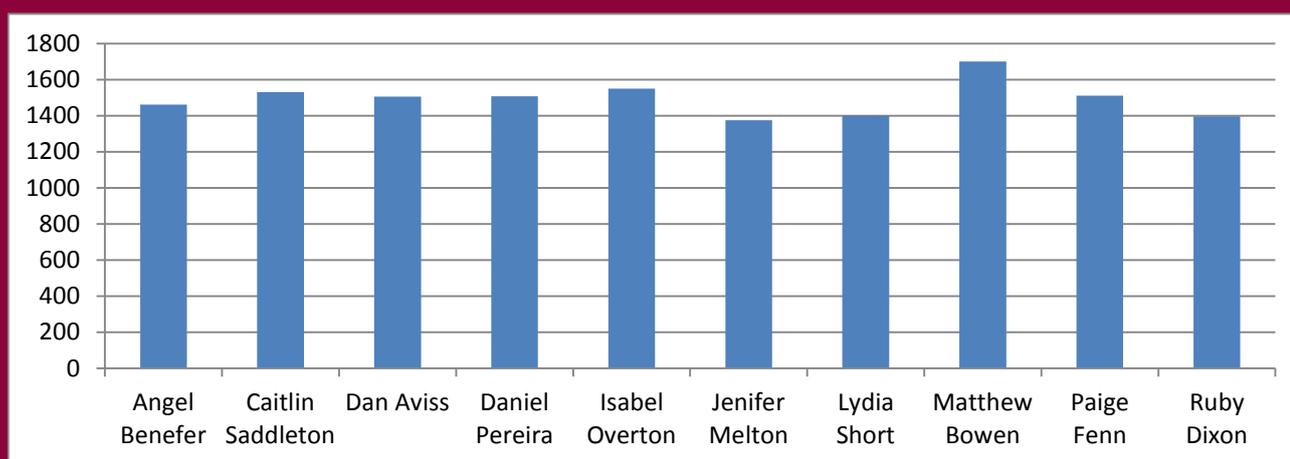
Mr Ibbitson has handed no fewer than 65 certificates for students in year 10 who have not taken a single day off school this term, which is the kind of statistics future employees want to hear. Congratulations to all of you.

An even more impressive statistic is that 15 of our students have not taken a day off school at all this school year and they will not only all receive a certificate and a £10 shopping voucher, but will also be entered into a draw to see who will win a Kindle Fire HD tablet. Not having a single day off school not only looks good on the school report, but will also stand a student in good stead when they start going for job interviews. Not having a single day off is very impressive and both parents and students should be very proud of this achievement.

Year 10 as a whole team have finished in 2nd place to year 7 for attendance this year - something we will need to improve on next year. However, I know that individually, many of our students improved on their year 9 attendance figures, so a good effort has been put in by most in the year group. Next year we are setting our overall attendance objective at 97%, a big challenge, but something we must achieve.

Earlier this year, Mr Robinson setup an awards scheme based around both attendance and behaviour. The targets set were challenging but achievable. Those who did achieve received a gold, silver or bronze award depending on what set of escalating targets they met. Students who achieved a silver or gold award will be getting a 2 hour off timetable reward. I am really proud to announce that of all the year groups, year 10 managed to win the most gold and silver awards with a total of 127; recognising all the hard work that they have put in this year.

Throughout the school year, Mr Brown has been setting challenges for students to achieve a certain number of positive achievement points each and every term. As a result, I can now share that between 5th Sept and 20th July, the following students have finished as our top achievers, and all will receive a certificate, a shopping voucher and the chance to win a Kindle Fire HD tablet.



We have had some amazing positives in year 10 and we celebrated with a presentation evening which seen 46 year 10 students receive an academic award and a further 94 receiving “highly commended” academic certificates. I am so proud of them all. Thank you for all your help this year and look forward to making next year an even better one for our year group. Have a great summer break and will look forward to seeing our students back at school at 0835 on 6th September.

Sports Results & Fixtures

Results

Age group	Sport	Opposition	Result
U15	Cricket	West Norfolk Schools	1st in West Norfolk
U15	Cricket	Smithdon	Win
U14	Cricket	West Norfolk Schools	2nd in West Norfolk



Year 8 Cricket Team
West Norfolk League Champions 2017
Well done – Great Team effort!

Well done to the Y9 & Y10 Cricket squads. Fantastic achievement & Performance at Wisbech Cricket Club.



Have a great summer!

Thanks again, for all your passion and commitment this year towards KESA PE Department.

Lessons, clubs, teams and house events have all been excellent and we appreciate all your efforts!

Have a healthy, active, fun and safe summer!

The PE Department