

# PARENT BULLETIN

Friday 1st December 2017

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## CALENDAR

**Tuesday 5th December, 6—7pm**

Parents' Forum

**Thursday 14th December, 6pm**

Best of British Concert

**Friday 15th December**

Save the Children Christmas Jumper Day

**Wednesday 20th December**

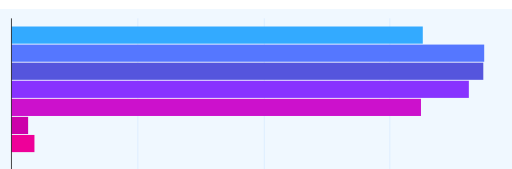
Last day of term

**Wednesday 3rd January 2018**

Training Day

**Thursday 4th January 2018**

School re-opens to students



■ Year 7 ■ Year 8 ■ Year 9 ■ Year 10 ■ Year 11 ■ Year 12

## EPrise

Congratulations to Year 8 and 9, who hold first position for EPrise points, followed closely by Year 10. These are awarded on the EPrise system for good attendance and behaviour.

## WELCOME!

Dear Parents/Carers

The past three weeks have gone very quickly and the contents of this bulletin will show why. The students and teachers have all been taking part in exciting activities, with good will and enthusiasm.

The multi-day for children in need was a great success and I thank you all for your generosity towards this worthwhile cause. A similar event is coming up in the form of Christmas Jumper day, which is in aid of Save the Children. Students and staff are invited to pay £1 to come to school in a Christmas jumper, raising money and getting in the festive spirit all at the same time. This will not be a multi-day, students are required to attend in full uniform but are able to wear their Christmas jumper in place of their blazer if they wish to take part.

Over the next few days, your child will be given a copy of the contact details sheet for you to update and return as soon as possible, I thank you in advance for your co-operation in this matter, it is vitally important that we have up-to-date contact details.

Best wishes,  
**Tony Segalini**  
Associate Principal

## Parents' Forum

The Parents' Forum is taking place on **Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> December, promptly starting at 6pm**. A formal agenda has been circulated via email and is on the letters page of the website. Please email [jtomkins@ketteringscienceacademy.org](mailto:jtomkins@ketteringscienceacademy.org) to advise if you plan to attend.

## Cycling to School

Please can we remind students who cycle to school to make sure they are visible on these dark mornings and nights.

## Winter Weather



With the weather turning colder, please be reminded that in the event of a large snowfall, it is best to check our website, Northants County Council website or listen to the local radio stations for updates on whether the school remains open. Texts will be sent to parents as soon after 7am as possible if a decision is made to close the Academy, although we do our very best to prevent this from happening.



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## Anti-Bullying Ambassador launch day.

Following on from the successful training day held at KSA in October – KSA's Anti-Bullying Ambassadors recently launched their new roles.

The 22 Anti-Bullying Ambassadors wore something blue and unique to them to symbolise difference and how we as a community should embrace and value it.

During the day, tutor time was taken up with an activity around the importance of "Being an Upstander" and the students compared this to the role of a "Bystander".

To read more click here: [Anti-Bullying Ambassador launch](#)



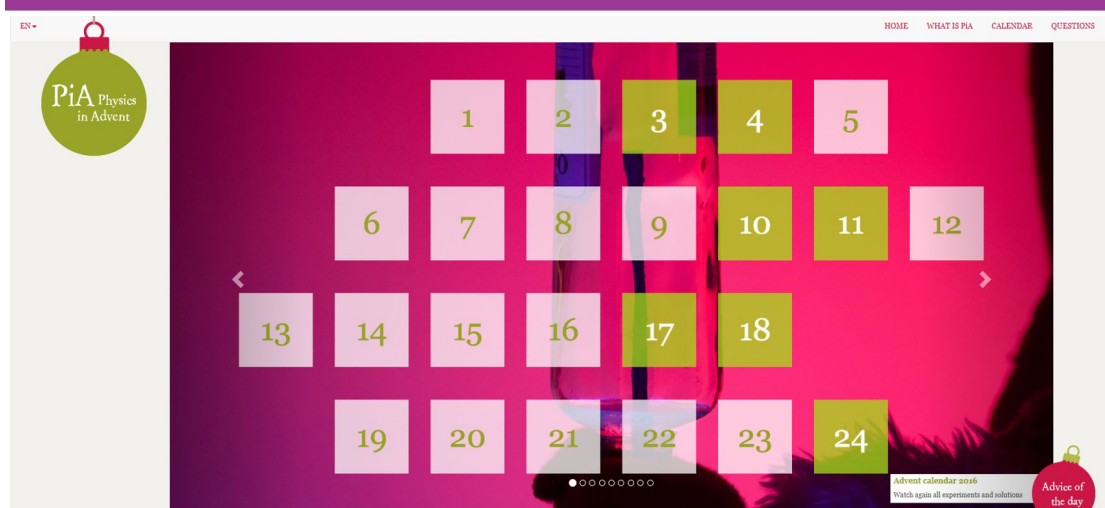


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Still 24 experiments until Christmas



## Physics in Advent

This year, our Academy is taking part in Physics in Advent, an interactive calendar produced by the German Physics Society.

This is the first time the Academy has registered to take part in Physics in Advent. Each day from 1st – 24th December a different science experiment is posted. There are also loads of prizes for students to win.

To read more click here: [Physics in Advent](#)



## This year the Academy has raised a total of £1492.53 for Children in Need.

The Academy held a mufti-day and a variety of events took place in the library including a cake sale, tombola and a lucky dip. Students even had the chance to donate money to wax a teacher's leg.

Sixth Form students helped to organise the event with Librarian Jenny Brackwell and sold merchandise at a variety of functions in the run up to the day to try and get some extra donations for the charity.

Jenny said 'Thank you to everyone who supported the event in any way, especially those who made an effort to bake or provide cake; we sold out.'

'We also could not have organised the day without the help of some great Year 13 students who helped to organise, run and set up the different activities.'



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## BTEC students organise 'Best of British' concert

On Thursday 14th December, at 6pm, BTEC students have organised a 'Best of British' concert to showcase Britain's up and coming dance, drama and music talent.

To read more click here: [concert](#)

## Skills Show helps students find their career paths

A group of Year 10 and 11 students visited the nations largest skills and careers event 'The Skills Show' at the NEC.

The students learnt about a wide variety of careers, apprenticeships and traineeships as well as work experience and voluntary opportunities.

To read more click here: [Skills show](#)

## Year 7 students take part in RAF STEM launch day

A group of students from Year 7 visited the RAF Museum at Cosford to take part in a Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths Launch Day. This was the first event of a yearlong combined STEM and History project called RAF-100 that will commemorate the centenary of the formation of the Royal Air Force and inspire interest in engineering opportunities.

To read more click here: [RAF 100](#)

Time: 6pm  
Venue: KSA  
Main  
Theatre

For more information  
please see Mr Dolby,  
Mr Reeder or  
Miss Mallard.

14.12.17  
Best of British  
Concert

Tickets cost:  
£1.50 for students  
£2.00 for parents  
On sale at student  
reception and  
wise pay.

Showcasing  
Britain's up and  
coming dance,  
drama and music  
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## Brooke Weston Trust launches Leadership Academy

Nearly 50 delegates from across our Trust schools, including from Kettering Science Academy, went to the inaugural meeting of the Leadership Academy, an initiative designed to nurture talent and succession planning. Trust CEO, Dr Andrew Campbell welcomed delegates to the session facilitated by educationalist Dame Kathy August and Mike Phillips from Pentir Talent Solutions. The aim of the first session was to see how the Trust can support and train colleagues to become leaders of the future.

To read more click here: [Leadership Academy](#)

## Cyclist Bob Geodbloed visits KSA on World Diabetes day

To celebrate World Diabetes day, we have been lucky enough to have special guests Michael Pierides, a doctor from Kettering General Hospital and Bob Geodbloed, a professional cyclist with type 1 diabetes, come into school.

To read more click here: [Diabetes day](#)



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## Parent Governor Ballot

We received a positive response for our request for applications to become a parent governor. As we received three applications for two vacancies, a ballot is being held and you should by now have received your ballot paper. Only one vote is permitted per household, please return your ballot paper to reception by Friday 15th December. The results of the ballot will be announced on Tuesday 19th December.



## Afterschool clubs and Fixtures

Please [click here](#) to view the latest afterschool clubs.

You will also find details for Year 11 Intervention.

## Letters

Parents' Forum—[Agenda](#)



## Car Parking

Can we please remind all parents/carers to consider others when parking your cars at dropping off and collecting times at Kettering Science Academy. We have received complaints from residents in the area who have been inconvenienced by parents' parked cars left in the way of driveways and limiting the access to their homes.

We also ask for you to drive with care within the school car park, speed restriction signs have been added as a reminder.

Thank you for your co-operation with regard to these matters.

## Collecting Students for Appointments within the school Day

Please be reminded that if your child has an appointment within the school day, they must be collected from reception by a person who is listed as a nominated contact on your child's records.

Please notify [reception@ketteringscienceacademy.org](mailto:reception@ketteringscienceacademy.org) of the appointment time and who will be collecting your child as soon as you are able to.

Thank you.



## Contact Details

Please remember to let us know if your contact details change so that we can keep our system up-to-date. You can email reception with any changes: [reception@ketteringscienceacademy.org](mailto:reception@ketteringscienceacademy.org)

Thank you.

