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CALENDAR

Monday 7th May

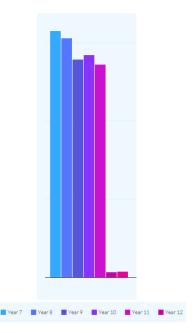
Academy Closed May Day

Friday 25th May

Last day of term 5

Monday 4th June

First day of term 6



EPraise

Congratulations to Year 7, who continue to hold first position for EPraise points, followed closely by Year 8. These are awarded on the EPraise system for good attendance and behaviour.

WELCOME!

Dear Parents/Carers

I trust you all had a restful Easter Break, it was great to see that so many students attended the intervention sessions that were held during this time, only a week to go now before the exams start. I wish our Year 11 and Year 13 students the very best of luck in these exams and that their efforts reward them.

This has been an event filled week with GCSE and A Level Drama Performances on Tuesday evening and Battle of the Bands arranged by the Year 10 music students on Thursday evening involving other schools from the Brooke Weston Trust. Both events were fantastic and showcased the students and teachers involved in the best possible way.

If you collect your child by car, please may I ask for your assistance; if entering the school site we have a 10mph restriction, please ensure that you adhere to this for the safety of all students, parents and teachers on site. Some parents are parking in Southgate Drive, please remember this is a residential area and park considerately, not blocking any driveways. Your co-operation would be much appreciated.

Wednesday afternoons are quickly becoming my favourite time of the week since the Great Brooke Weston Trust Bake Off commenced, the students have so far produced delicious cookies and scones which of course have to be judged. It's rewarding to see how well they are doing and I am grateful to the staff who are making it possible to be part of this competition.

With best wishes to you for the bank holiday weekend,

Best wishes, **Tony Segalini** Associate Principal













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Battle of the Bands

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To end our month as torchbearer of the Brooke Weston Trust Ambition For All campaign, our BTEC Music students held a Brooke Weston Trust Battle of the Bands.

The event was part of their coursework, which required them to hold a concert organising everything from the auditions to the marketing themselves.

The evening showcased the talents of students from both primary and secondary schools across the Trust and was well attended by friend and family. Performances included choirs, duets and bands, which were judged by Miss Thompson, Mr Stock and Miss Watkinson and hosted by Mrs Doherty from KSA.

To read more and find out the winners click here: Battle of the Bands











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Drama Productions Our drama students held three short productions this week to showcase their GCSE and A level work. Themes included Women's Uprising, What is Society? and Swear It.

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The Great Brooke Weston Bake Off has launched

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The Brooke Weston Trust have organised a bake off competition. The Key Stage 3 students are taking part in weekly baking challenges after school where they are tasked with making biscuits, cupcakes, tray bakes and savoury pasties. Each week we will see a number of students eliminated and one will be crowned star baker.

Currently the students are on week two of the competition and have so far made biscuits and scones. Next week the students will be tasked with making cupcakes.

At the end of the six weeks, the top three bakers from the Academy will go forward to take part in the finale in June, where they will compete against the best bakers for the other Trust Schools.

To find out more read our launch article here: Bake Off















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KSA CCF Cadets take part in Field Weekend

Students from Kettering Science Academy were part of the Brooke Weston Trust Combined Cadet Force that enjoyed an action-packed weekend, developing their military fieldcraft tactics and camping under make-shift shelters before taking part in a large scale three-phase platoon assault.

The event, at Yardley Chase Training Area near Northampton, tested their camaraderie and resilience. Cadets ate from ration packs, constructed their own bashas (shelters made from waterproof material and rope) and worked together on concealment exercises, patrols and night ambushes.

To read more click here: <u>CCF Cadets</u>











Students shadow Carnegie judges

A group of KSA students are once again, taking part in the Carnegie Shadowing scheme this year as part of their book club. The scheme allows the students to 'shadow' the judging process of the CILIP Book Awards as part of the reading for pleasure initiative.

Since the scheme launched at Easter, the students ranging from Year 7 -10 have been encouraged to start reading the books on the shortlist before the overall winner will be announced in June. During their weekly meeting, run by Mrs Hazelwood, the students take part in group discussions and activities.

To read more click here: Carnegie Shadowing





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Intermediate Maths Olympiad success for Bernard

Congratulations to year 11 student Bernard who made it through to the Intermediate Maths Olympiad. To qualify Bernard was one of the top 500 highest scorers in the Intermediate Challenge back in March.

In this latest competition, Bernard came in the top 50 of students in his year group across the country, receiving a book prize and gold medal from the UK Mathematics Trust. His book prize, '17 equations that changed the world' explores how mathematical concepts such as Pythagoras' theorem and

logarithms are used in the modern day.

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Bernard's maths teacher Mrs Smith said 'This is a truly outstanding result and it is a credit to all of Bernard's hard work and enthusiasm for Maths. Whilst working towards his Maths GCSE Bernard has also been working through the new A level syllabus. '

Congratulations Bernard!



Students Grab-a-Grade

In preparation for Year 11 GCSE exams, the Academy launched Grab-a-Grade, which focused on helping students develop exam skills and knowledge to maximise their chances of gaining the highest grades possible. Students worked on improving exam style questions from their mock exams and focused on improving this through Walking Talking Mocks.













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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 of the appointment time and who will be collecting your child as soon as you are able to. Thank you.

Safeguarding information

Please be assured that if you or your child have a safeguarding concern this can be taken to any member of staff who will be able to record and report it securely so that it can be handled by our safeguarding team, who are: Mr Tony Segalini – Designated Safeguarding Person Mrs Kirsty Farrar, Dr Andy Kirk, Mrs Jane Watson – Designated Safeguarding Managers Mrs Deborah Thomas – Designated Safeguarding Lead





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 Thank you.





