

PARENT BULLETIN

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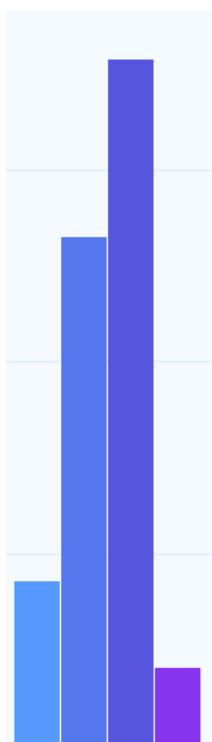
CALENDAR

Wednesday 20th July

Last Day of Term

Monday 5th September

School opens to Students



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

EPrise

Congratulations to Year 9 who finish the Academic Year in first position for EPrise points. These are awarded on the EPrise system for good attendance and behaviour.

WELCOME!

Dear Parents

The highlight of the past two weeks, possibly the year, has to be the challenge days. Seeing students in their element using their skills to tackle the various challenges set and fully engaging across year groups was rewarding to say the least. The teachers and students have all worked so hard for the school to be good enough to enjoy these type of days. This has also been verified by some external advisers who were with us for 2 days last week confirming that our own evaluation of KSA being a good school was the right one.

We are expecting record exam results across KS3 and KS4 this summer. Everyone has worked incredibly hard so deserve nothing less. Thank you for your continued support and my best wishes for your summer holidays.

Paul Davies
Principal



NEWS

First Day Back at School - Monday 5th September

Letters will be sent home detailing tutors for each year group, however please be advised that the first day back in September will be a staggered start:

Year 7 & students who catch the school bus: Normal start at 08.45am with tutor periods lesson one and two.

Years 8 -11: Late start at 10.00am starting with a tutor period.

We would also like to point out that our **uniform policy** has not changed and have noticed that towards the end of this term some students have arrived wearing their own Interpretation of our uniform. To make things clear for the new term I am taking this opportunity to again outline our uniform dress code:

Boys: White Shirt, Academy Tie, black business trousers, all black footwear and an Academy blazer.

Girls: White Blouse, Academy Tie, black tailored trousers (not leggings) or a black skirt which is of a suitable length and cut as near to the knee as possible, all black footwear and an Academy blazer.

Thank you for your co-operation.



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Physics Competition Winners

Four of our most gifted and talented science students were awarded the top prizes at a regional Super Physics competition on 1st July. To read more about the students' fantastic achievement, pictured here with Tutor Mrs Oliver, please click on the following link:

[Physics Competition](#)



Distinction for Ballerina

One of our Year 9 students, Lauren Reynolds, has been rewarded for her exceptional ballet performances and theory work. To find out more about Lauren's achievement please read on by clicking here: [Ballerina](#)



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Naples Trip

An insight into historical Roman culture was given to a group of our students last month as they were taken on a trip to Italy.

In June a group of 39 of our students from Years 8, 9 and 10 visited the Bay of Naples for a humanities experience. To read more, click here: [Naples](#)



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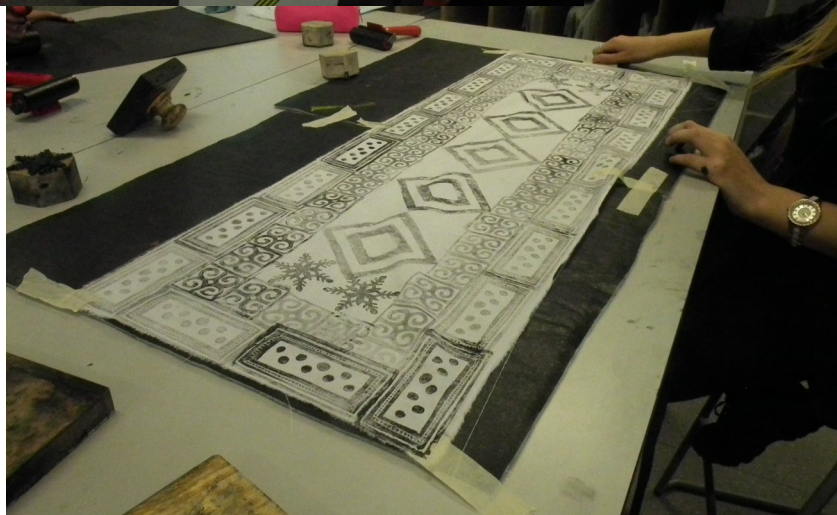
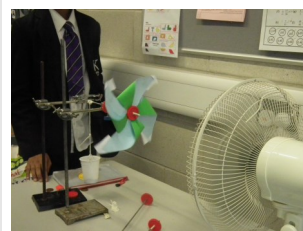
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Successful Challenge Days

Our students were both enthusiastic and fully engaged in the KSA's Challenge Days held at the Academy last week. Here are just a few photos to help capture the essence of the two days. To find out more please click here:

[Challenge Days](#)



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Great BWT Bake Off

Our talented bakers from KSA took part in the Brooke Weston Trust third annual Great BWT Bake Off competition on Wednesday. They went for an American theme and represented us very well. To read and see more, please click on the link below:

[Bake Off](#)



Inspiration Provided By Footwear Project

Our Year 7 and 8 students have been inspired to look at the science and history behind shoes as part of a cross-curricular STEM project. To read more please click on the link:

[Footwear Project](#)



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Cricket Season Success

A successful first season is recorded for our Under 15s cricketers. Well done to Mr Baines and the students—to read more please click on the link below:

[Cricket](#)



Bottle Rockets on STEM Trip


A group of 30 Race to the Top students from Years 9 & 10 visited Lockheed Martin on Tuesday 13th July and were challenged to create and launch their own rockets.

The students participated in the rocket challenge during the visit and pulled on their knowledge of physics to build and successfully launch their rockets and they were marked on the furthest distance travelled. To read more: [STEM](#)



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Students Showcase Their Talents

A group of dedicated students showcased their talents in dance and gymnastics at an event on Monday and at the same time raised money for two cancer charities. It was a fabulous evening enjoyed by students and parents. To read more about it please click on the following link: [Showcase](#)



Sports Day

All our students gave their all on this year's sports day and participated to earn points for their team and form groups. Sports day was held on Friday 15th July and, unlike last year, the majority of the planned sports races and activities were run ahead of a heavy downpour at the end of the Academy day. To read more please click here: [Sports Day](#)



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Pride For SENSational Winners

A great celebration event was held at KSA as it hosted its first ever SENSational Awards event in recognition of the efforts, work and achievements of our students helped by staff in the Academy's Special Educational Needs department. For more info, click below:

[SENSational](#)

Cadets Excel at Summer Camp

A group of our cadets excelled at a recent Trust's CCF Summer Camp. Three of our cadets attended the camp event that saw more than 30 of the trust's cadets spend time at Beckingham Training Camp in Lincoln as well a day event at Rutland Water.

[Summer Camp](#)



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DofE Successful Expedition

Our dedicated Duke of Edinburgh students took further steps towards being awarded their bronze certificates last week as they all successfully completed an expedition. To read more, click on the link:

[D of E](#)



Whipsnade Trip

A group of 58 KSA students from Years 7 to 9 were taken to Whipsnade Zoo allowing them to find out more about the science behind the conservation of wild animals and their habitats. Please click on the link to read more:

[Whipsnade Trip](#)



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New Restaurant Charges

With effect from 5th September, meal charges are being amended as follows:

Breakfast:

Standard—£1.25

Standard Plus—£1.75

Full English—£2.25

Lunch:

Buffet—£2.15

Standard £2.70

Recommended allowance per day £3.95 (this allows a large breakfast/small lunch or vice versa)

Full description of charges and details on how to top up your child's Wisepay account can be found on the last two pages of this bulletin.



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.

Thank you.

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Restaurant Price list

Breakfast	
Standard Breakfast	£1.25
Includes any Two Item of the following with a Drink:- Grilled Bacon, Grilled Sausage, Vegetarian Sausage, Sauté Mushrooms, Egg of the day, 2 x Toast, Baked Beans, Grilled Tomatoes, Bread Roll/Breakfast Muffin Or any single item below with a Drink:- Porridge Bar- unsweetened, unsalted porridge with a choice of two toppings, Choice of Cereal, Croissant, Toasted Teacake, Toast & Preserve, Homemade Bread Product, Homemade Cheese Scone, or Fruit Pot & Yoghurt	
Standard Plus Breakfast	£1.75
Includes any Four Item of the following with a Drink:- Grilled Bacon, Grilled Sausage, Vegetarian Sausage, Sauté Mushrooms, Egg of the day, 2 x Toast, Baked Beans, Grilled Tomatoes, Bread Roll	
Full English Breakfast	£2.25
Any 6 Items from the following:- Choice Includes a Drink Grilled Bacon, Grilled Sausage, Vegetarian Sausage, Sauté Mushrooms, Egg of the day, 2 x Toast, Baked Beans, Grilled Tomatoes	
Lunch	
Snack Buffet Lunch	£2.15
Any of the following with dessert or piece of fruit and a drink:- Filled roll, Sandwich, Baguette, Pita Bread, Wraps (choice of fillings available), Jacket Potato with one filling and Side Salad, Pasta Bowl, Salad Pot, Soup of the Day and a Roll.	
Standard Lunch	£2.70
Any of the following with dessert or piece of fruit and a drink:- Plated Salad & Roll, Jacket Potato with 2 or more toppings and side salad or Hot Meal of the Day (3 choices).	
Desserts	
The Following Items constitute a Dessert:- Cold Plated Dessert, Cake, Pie, Hot Dessert & Custard, Fruit Pot or Piece of Fruit, Yoghurt, Jelly or Mousse	
Individual Fruit	£0.50
Individual Drink	£0.50
Fruit as a single item purchase to encourage a balanced diet	



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WisePay - A Useful Guide

Further to comments received at the recent Parents' Forum we are including a reminder on how to use the WisePay account. We have also enclosed menus and price lists in the hope that this information is helpful to you.

WisePay enables you to be able to top up your child's ID card for use in the restaurant at breakfast and lunchtimes. It also enables you to pay for other services such as trips, revision guides, etc. You will need your login details - username and password, if you need reminding of these please contact the school via enquiries@ketteringscienceacademy.org

To access WisePay open up the Kettering Science Academy website. Click on the parents tab and WisePay, then click on the WisePay symbol at the bottom of the page. You will then be taken to the login page.

Login in using your username and password, this will open up the main screen.

View Balance

If you want to see the balance of your son/daughter's account, from the home screen click on My WisePay Account. This screen will also allow you to see a brief summary of what they have bought.

Merging students accounts

From the home screen click on My WisePay Account, then Merge an account. The student that you are currently logged into will become the master account. We suggest that you have the younger student as the master account so it is still active when the older sibling leaves.

When prompted enter the username and password for the second account you want to merge and click Find a Student.

Topping Up Card

To top up cards click on the food and drinks payment icon. Click on view details within the pay for food and drink box. You then have the option of topping up by £5, £10, £15, £20, £30, £50 or select your own amount to pay. Click on purchase. At this stage if you have another student at the Academy and have merged their accounts, you can click on 'my merged accounts' and go through the same procedure again.

At the top of the page is your shopping basket where you can check the right amount has been selected. If all is ok, click proceed to checkout, you will then be taken to the checkout screen. Please remember to complete section 4, Terms and Conditions.

Paying for a Trip

Click on the Trips and visits icon. A list of trips available for your student will be displayed.