



# KIBWORTH MEAD ACADEMY

Ref: Year 8 enrichment update

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Dear Year 8 Parent/Carer,

I hope your child has settled in well into Year 8 at Kibworth Mead Academy. We are really impressed with the record breaking 10,782 rewards points that Year 8 have collectively achieved since the beginning of term. This tells us they are working hard, being kind and being proud in their lessons and around school. We know they will continue to make us proud as they continue to progress through their journey at KMA.

I wanted to take this opportunity to give you an overview of key dates and information for the year including enrichment opportunities.

## **Enrichment Opportunities**

There are a host of lunch time and after school activities available for Year 8, designed to develop their talents and interests. These include orchestra, choir, drama, basketball, badminton, art and netball. Year 8 also have dedicated homework and board games clubs run by their tutors. As part of our mission to develop the 'whole child' and create young people who work hard, are kind and proud, we would ask you to encourage your child to take the opportunity to participate in some of these opportunities which are an important aspect of secondary school life.

We will shortly be advertising a Year 8 French study visit trip to Northern France, scheduled for July 2023. In addition, you will soon receive information about a trip to Krakow/Auschwitz scheduled for October 2023, aimed at the current Year 8/9/10. Closer to home, we are currently planning a Science trip to Birmingham Think Tank in the Spring Term.

We thought it would be helpful to give you notice of other opportunities currently available for older year groups, which we currently intend will also run when your child is in that year group. These are listed below.

- Year 9 Geography trip to Snowdonia- October 2022
- Year 10 French trip to Nice- March 2023
- Year 10/11 Geography trip to Naples- April 2023.

Please note that our enrichment programme is developing all the time, and we anticipate that over your child's time at Kibworth Mead Academy there will be many additional opportunities on offer that have not yet been scheduled. We will endeavour to give you as much notice of these as possible. Additionally, if your child is in receipt of the Pupil Premium allowance please contact [ekowalski@kibworth-tmet.uk](mailto:ekowalski@kibworth-tmet.uk) to discuss support available for enrichment opportunities.



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### **Opportunities to update you on your child's progress**

A full parents' evening is scheduled for Thursday 16 February 2023. In this evening you will get the opportunity to make an appointment with your child's subject teachers and find out how your child is progressing in each subject. Your child is welcome to attend this alongside yourself. In addition, you will get a report on your child's progress emailed to you three times a year. These are scheduled to be sent out week commencing 21 November, 6 March 2023 and 3 July 2023.

### **How you can support your child**

At Kibworth Mead we are most effective when we work in partnership to support your child. We appreciate that the vast majority of parents and carers have logged onto Satchel:One and regularly check their child's homework.

In addition, there are knowledge organisers available for the vast majority of our subjects. These can be found on our website. The password is KmaKO. <https://www.kibworth-tmet.uk/curriculum/knowledge-organisers/>. Research shows that regular quizzing or testing of key information, known as retrieval practice, aids memory retention. You can support your child by regularly quizzing them on key knowledge from these knowledge organisers or from their exercise books.

We will continue to update you on news and events through our weekly newsletter so please do look out for this each Friday.

We thank you for working in partnership with us so far on your child's journey at KMA and wish you a wonderful half term when it comes.

Best wishes

**Dr P Thompson**  
**Vice Principal**