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9th October 2026

Dear KEVI Families,

It has been another busy and positive week at KEVI, with students representing the academy through sport, creative projects and House activities. I hope you enjoy reading about some of their achievements and the opportunities coming up over the next few weeks.

Star of the Week

Each week our house leaders nominate their Star of the Week to recognise those students who are living our values.

Our Stars of the Week for this week are:

Y8: Teddy B – Value: Resilience and Courage. Teddy has embraced the KEVI way from day one, showing maturity, compassion and ambition. His generous support of Arete's Harvest Festival reflects the kindness and community spirit we are proud to see in our students.

Y10: Finley W – Value: Courage and Aspiration. Has courageously stepped up to be the Form Captain for 10MC, showing aspirations of leadership.

Y11: Ruby K – Value: Courage and Ambition. Through her hard work, determination and courage in kickboxing, Ruby has been selected to represent England in Spain this November, a fantastic achievement that reflects our academy values.

KEVI Facebook Page

Follow our Facebook page to keep up to date with academy announcements, events, activities and opportunities. It is a quick and convenient way for families to stay informed about life at KEVI.

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Attendance

Teen Support

Road Safety in Autumn and Winter

As the darker, colder months set in, keeping our children safe on the roads is more important than ever. With shorter daylight hours and often wet or icy conditions, visibility can be poor and roads slippery. Please remind your children to wear bright or reflective coats and to use pedestrian crossings carefully.

Encourage children to stay on pavements and avoid distractions like phones near roads.

We also ask drivers to remain vigilant, reduce their speed near the academy and look out for young pedestrians, particularly at drop-off and collection times.

Together, we can make sure everyone stays safe this autumn and winter.

Careers

❖ Manufacturing the Future

Interested in how things are designed, built and manufactured? There's an exciting opportunity for young people to explore the world of manufacturing and engineering.

Manufacturing the Future, delivered by the Greater Lincolnshire Careers Hub and Pathway CTM, gives young people the chance to discover more about careers in the manufacturing sector and the skills needed for the future.

It's a great opportunity to find out more about the range of roles available, hear from people working in the industry and explore where a career in manufacturing could take you.

If this sounds like something you'd be interested in, find out more and register your interest here:

Manufacturing the Future – Pathway CTM

❖ Aspiring Physiotherapy 2026

Are you interested in a career in Physiotherapy?

Aspiring Physiotherapy 2026 is a fantastic opportunity for young people aged 14–19 to discover what it's really like to work in NHS Physiotherapy.

The event is open to young people who live in Lincolnshire or are educated within the county. If this sounds like something you'd be interested in, find out more and apply through the Lincolnshire Talent Academy:

Taking place at Lincoln College on Monday 26th or Tuesday 27th October, the day will include:

- Meeting NHS Physiotherapy professionals
- Hearing from current University of Lincoln Physiotherapy students
- Hands-on workshops and practical activities
- Exploring specialist equipment used in patient care
- Taking part in realistic patient scenarios and case studies
- Finding out about different career pathways in Physiotherapy

9:00am–3:30pm | Lincoln College, Monks Road

❖ Work Experience Placements

House News

It's been a fantastic week of House Football, with students from Mercury, Apollo and Arete taking to the pitch to compete for those all-important House points!

Throughout the week, we have seen some brilliant football, great goals and, most importantly, excellent teamwork and sportsmanship. It has been fantastic to see so many students getting involved, supporting their House and giving their best in every match.

A huge well done to everyone who has represented their House this week. Whether you scored the winning goal, made an important tackle, pulled off a great save or simply worked hard for your team, every contribution has counted!

Full results and House points will be revealed soon!
Who will come out on top — Mercury, Apollo or Arete?

Coming Up Next… House Netball!

The House competitions continue with House Netball, taking place from 19th–23rd October!

Each year group will get their chance to represent Apollo, Arete or Mercury and battle it out for a huge 375 House Points! Matches will take place at 12:40pm on the Astro, with Year 8 kicking things off on Monday and Year 11 finishing the competition on Friday.

Teams will need 7 players, at least 2 substitutes, and must include at least one boy in the squad.

Get your teams ready, represent your House and let's see who can take the House Netball crown!

Art Exhibition – Lincoln Barbican Creative Hub

Our pupils were incredibly proud to see their work featured in Kerry Gibson's exhibition, "Clothes Have Stories", at the Barbican Creative Hub in Lincoln.

The exhibition explores the story of denim, including how clothes are made and used and how our attitudes towards clothing have changed. Pupils had the opportunity to explore the exhibition and take part in creative activities, including weaving.

A particular highlight was seeing the pupils' own work displayed as part of a professional exhibition. It was a fantastic opportunity for them to see their creativity and ideas valued beyond the classroom and to contribute to something real within their local community.

The exhibition also explores the UN Sustainable Development Goals, encouraging visitors to consider sustainability, consumption and the choices we make about the clothes we wear.

We are incredibly proud of our pupils and the creativity, curiosity and ideas they brought to the project. This is a brilliant example of learning extending beyond the classroom and giving young people opportunities to make a genuine contribution.

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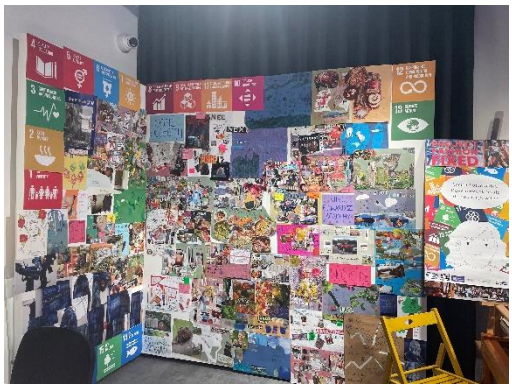
PEACE

LOOK CLOSER.

INDIGO



Who Makes our Clothes?
Who Really Mak
our Clothes?

LOOK CLOSER.

DENIM
MORE THAN A
PAIR OF JEANS
COTTON.
INDIGO.
SLAVERY

Word of the Week: Analyse

Meaning: To analyse means to study or examine something in detail by breaking it down into separate parts to understand its nature or inner workings.

Similar words: examine, assess, evaluate

Etymology: Analyse comes from the Ancient Greek verb *analúō*, meaning "to unloose, release, or set free"

Example sentences:

1. Researchers analysed the purchases of 6,300 households.
2. Water samples taken from streams were analysed for contamination by chemicals.
3. The teacher asked us to analyse the poem.

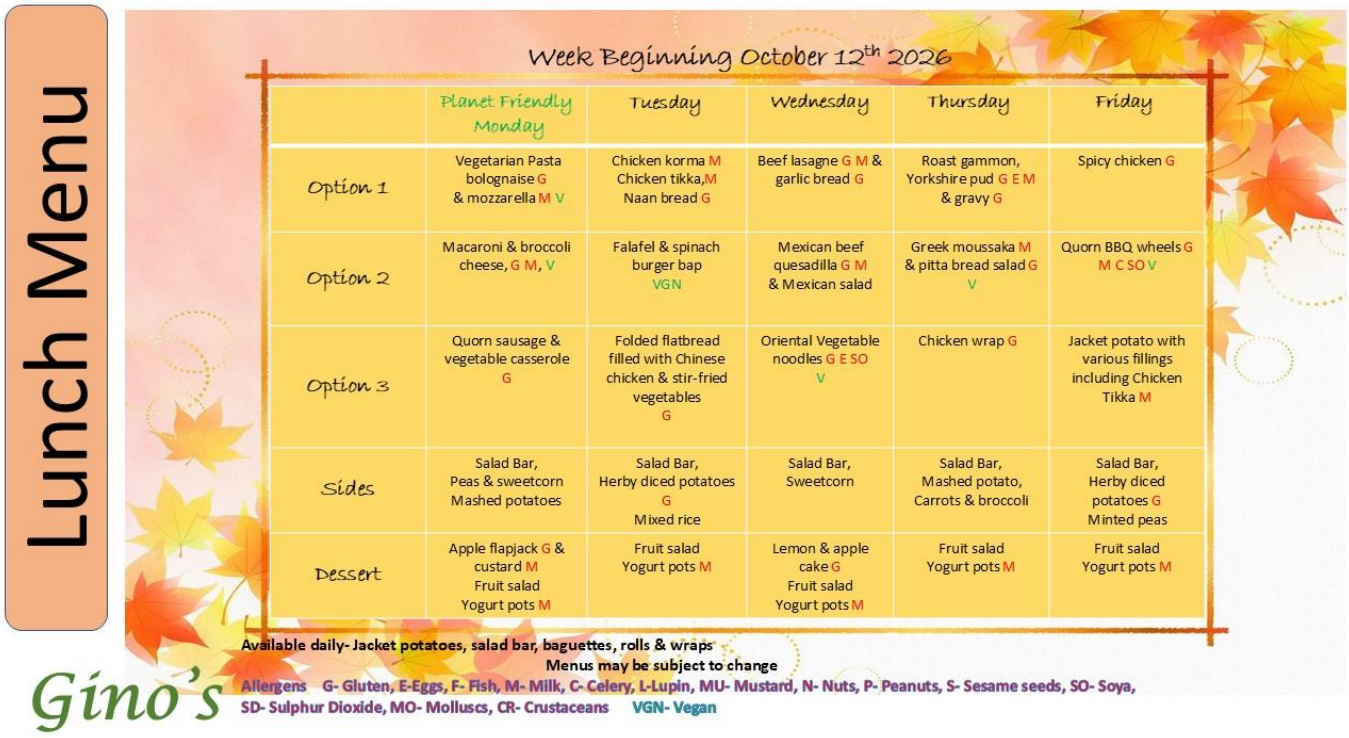
Gino's Update

Menu – Autumn Term

<u>KEVI breakfast</u>

Students are welcome to use Gino's, our school canteen, from 7.45am each morning if they arrive at school early.

It provides a safe, warm and supervised space, with seating and free breakfast food available.



Price List – October 2026

Daily spend limits in Gino's are set at £6.00 per day. The Free School Meal (FSM) daily allowance is £2.75. Please contact the School Office at office@kingedwardacademy.co.uk if you would like this limit to be increased or decreased for your child, stating your required daily spend limit. We ask that you please do your best to not let your food account go into a negative balance. Please ensure that your child's food account remains in credit.

KEVI Library

It's fantastic to see so many KS3 students embracing reading for pleasure and making great use of our school library! Following student feedback, we are delighted to introduce an exciting new collection of books for students to borrow and enjoy from Monday morning.

To keep the library shelves fresh and inspiring, a brand-new selection of reading books will be released every two weeks. With a wide range of titles to explore, there will always be something new to discover. We hope our students enjoy these exciting additions and continue to develop their love of reading throughout the year.

A reminder that students can visit the school library every day during break time or lunch time where there will be a member of staff to help them choose a book which is appropriate for their individual reading level.

Sports Enrichment

It has been another busy period for our sports teams, with students continuing to show great determination, teamwork and enthusiasm across a range of sporting opportunities.

Our Year 7 Netball team took on Barnes Wallis in a non-competitive match, providing valuable experience and an excellent opportunity to prepare for the upcoming Winter Shield. The team worked hard throughout and gained important experience ahead of the competition.

The Year 9 netball team faced Skegness Grammar School in a closely contested match. Although they narrowly missed out on the win, the team showed great determination and teamwork, keeping the score close right until the end. Well done to everyone involved!

We also had 13 Year 7 netballers attend a fantastic netball development day. The students had the opportunity to develop and practise their skills, learn new techniques, and gain valuable experience on court. A particular highlight was meeting Reah Dixon, who plays for Leeds Rhinos and Jamaica. She inspired the students and gave them a valuable insight into netball at the highest level.

Well done to all our students for their continued commitment, and sportsmanship. We look forward to seeing what the coming weeks bring!

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Broadening Horizons

Supporting Your Child with Social Media, Relationships and Sexual Health

Parent Training Evening

Practical advice and strategies to help you support your child.

- Social media and online safety
- Relationships and healthy boundaries
- Consent and peer pressure
- Sexual health and age-appropriate conversations
- Talking to your child about difficult questions

Thursday 15th October 2026 | **5.00pm – 6.00pm** | **Adult only event** Not suitable for under 18s.

Places must be pre-booked using the Microsoft Form.
Booking deadline: Thursday 8th October 2026.

BOOK YOUR PLACE
Microsoft Form – Supporting your child with Social Media and Sexual Health – 15/10/26 5pm

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- PE for two periods in Key Stage 3
- In School Enrichment Competitions
- House Competitions and Student Voice
- Breakfast Club available
- Sport and Cultural competitions within the DRET schools family

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Dates for the Diary

Week commencing 12th October – Open Week

20th October – Year 7 Settling-In Evening, 4:30pm-6:30pm

1st December – Year 9 Parents' Evening, on-line 5.00pm–7.00pm

8th December – Y11 Parents' Information Evening 4.00pm–6.00pm

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Mark Wilkinson
Principal