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11th September 2026

Dear KEVI Families,

Have you ever wanted to make a real impact in your community? Becoming a school governor is a fantastic way to do just that.

Governors play a vital role in shaping the future of our school — helping to ensure every student gets the best possible education and supporting staff to thrive.

It's also a brilliant opportunity for you — a chance to develop leadership, strategic thinking, and teamwork skills that look great on your CV and benefit your professional growth.

If you're passionate about education and your community, we'd love to hear from you!

Find out more and apply here: www.dret.co.uk/Careers/Become-a-Governor

Attendance

At our school, we know that every day matters. Regular attendance is one of the most important factors in helping young people succeed academically, socially and emotionally. When students attend school consistently, they benefit from high-quality teaching, build stronger relationships with peers and staff, and develop the routines and habits that support future success. Missing even a small number of days can create gaps in learning that become increasingly difficult to close over time. Excellent attendance is not simply about being present; it is about being fully engaged in learning and making the most of every opportunity. Students who attend regularly are more likely to achieve strong outcomes, feel connected to school life, and develop the confidence and resilience needed for their next steps. We have a brilliantly proactive and supportive pastoral team at KEVI who will be in touch quickly if there are any concerns with your child's attendance or patterns of regular absence

To celebrate a brilliant start, alongside our usual attendance rewards, all students with 100% attendance up to and including 25 September will be entered into a prize draw to win £100!

We appreciate the support of families in helping students attend school every day, on time and ready to learn. By working together, we can ensure that every student has the best possible chance to achieve their potential.

Uniform

Thank you for supporting our common approach with uniform. We believe that wearing our academy uniform creates and identity and ensures all students know they belong at KEVI. The uniformity of our uniform standards protects wellbeing and mental health. Nobody looks cooler, richer, or trendier than anyone else.

Please use this link to see our uniform guidance.

King Edward VI Academy - Uniform

KEVI Facebook Page

Please follow our school Facebook page because it provides a convenient platform for staying updated on important school announcements, events, and activities. This ensures that parents are informed about their child's education, including academic calendars and extracurricular opportunities.

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House News

A new school year means a brand-new year of House competitions! We are excited to get our House programme underway, with plenty of opportunities for students to get involved, represent their House and earn those all-important House Points.

Whether you are in Apollo, Arete or Mercury, every student can play their part. You don't have to be the best sportsperson to get involved either – our House calendar includes a huge variety of sporting, creative and community events, so there really is something for everyone.

Term 1 – We have a very busy first term ahead! We kick things off with House Limbo, before moving into our two-week Harvest Festival collection, where the three Houses will collect as many donations as possible for the Christian Fellowship Spilsby our local foodbank.

Students will then have the chance to represent their House in Switch Sports, competing against others in their year group on Nintendo Switch Bowling.

Our creative students can get involved in Book Decorating, with each tutor group transforming a paving slab into a giant version of a chosen book. Once completed and varnished, these will help us create our very own mini literacy garden!

There will also be plenty of sporting competition, with House Football and House Netball taking place across the different year groups later in the term.

Every event is an opportunity to get involved, represent your House and earn valuable points towards the overall House Championship.

Please take a look at the event posters for all the dates, times, locations, team requirements and House Points available.

Mercury finished last year as House Champions – but a new school year means the points start again! Can Mercury defend their title, or will Apollo or Arete take the trophy this year?

<u>House Limbo kicks off the year!</u>

We wasted no time getting the House competition started, with our first event of 2026/27 taking place this week – House Limbo!

Students from KS3 and KS4 took on the challenge to see just how low they could go, with some brilliant efforts from all three Houses. A huge well done to everyone who volunteered to take part and to those who came along to support their House.

Results will be revealed in assembly on Monday.

Word of the Week: Attentiveness

Attentiveness is the quality of listening, watching carefully, or showing care and helpfulness toward others
Similar words: Alertness, Mindfulness, Thoughtfulness, Watchfulness
Etymology: Borrowed from Old French *atentif* (meaning "expectant" or "hopeful"), which comes from the past-participle stem of the Latin verb *attendere*.

Example sentences:
The students' **attentiveness** during the assembly demonstrated a genuine respect for the speakers and the messages being shared.

The school's calm learning environment is strengthened by pupils' **attentiveness** to instructions, routines, and one another.

Her **attentiveness** to the details of everyday life, such as people's birthdays and anniversaries, made the people around her feel cared for and loved.

Gino's Update

KEVI breakfast

A reminder that your child can happily enter Gino's (the school canteen) from 7:45am each day if they arrive early to school.

This is a safe, warm and staffed part of the school with seating and free breakfast food.

Lunch Menu

Week Beginning September 14th 2026

	Monday	Planet Friendly Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Option 1	Chicken Korma M, & naan bread G	Spiced vegetable pasta bake G M Kachumber salad V	Roast Pork, Apple sauce, Yorkshire pud G E M Gravy G	Chicken & leek potato topped pie M	Salmon & broccoli frittata F E M
Option 2	Bolognaise pasta bake, G M & garlic bread G	Meatball Melt wrap G M V	Tomato & basil pasta G M V	BBQ vegetable, cheese & rice toasted burrito G M C SO V	Spicy chicken, G
Option 3	Folded flatbread G filled with Bang Bang Quorn pieces & vegetables V	Jacket potato with various filling including Vegetable Curry G V	Chicken wrap G	Vegetable pasta Bolognaise G V	Tomato & mascarpone pasta G V
Sides	Salad Bar Rice	Salad Bar Herby diced potatoes G Sweetcorn	Salad Bar, Mashed & crispy potatoes, Mixed seasonal vegetables	Salad Bar Broccoli & cauliflower	Salad Bar Herby diced potatoes G Sweetcorn
Dessert	Oaty Apple crumble G & custard M	Fruit salad Greek yogurt M Yogurt pots	Fruity flapjack G SU	Fruit salad Greek yogurt M Yogurt pots M	Fruit salad Greek yogurt M Yogurt pots M

Available daily- Salad bar & cold meal deals Menus may be subject to change

Allergens G- Gluten, E-Eggs, F- Fish, M- Milk, C- Celery, L-Lupin, MU- Mustard, N- Nuts, P- Peanuts, S- Sesame seeds, SO- Soya, SD- Sulphur Dioxide, MO- Molluscs, CR- Crustaceans VGN- Vegan Please ask for allergen information for items in the salad bar

Gino's

Price List – September 2026

Gino's Menu

Breakfast

07:45-08:30

Free

Toast

Crumpet

Cereal

Hot drinks

Start the day the right way at our friendly Breakfast Club. Every morning, students can enjoy a free, nutritious breakfast in a warm and welcoming environment, helping them feel energised, focused, and ready to learn.

FOOD HYGIENE RATING 0 1 2 3 4 5 VERY GOOD

Brunch

11:05-11:25

Brunch Muffin	£1.25
Beans on Toast	£0.60
Wraps	£2.20
Fruit Bread	£0.60
Brunch Swirl	£1.25
Chicken & Rice	£1.80
Folded Flatbread	£1.80
Bread Twists	£0.40
Crumpets	£0.40
Fruit & Yogurt	£1.00
Soup	£0.80
Soup & Roll	£1.00
Fruit Salad & Greek Yogurt	£1.00
Fresh Fruit	£0.60

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Lunch Menu

12:35-13:15

Gino's serves three delicious hot meal choices each day, alongside a healthy dessert and access to our fresh salad bar.

All options are available to our Free School Meal students.

Main Meal	£2.60
Meal Deal	£2.90

NOTHING BRINGS PEOPLE together LIKE GOOD FOOD

Lunch MEAL DEALS £2.90

A choice of:

- **Hot main meal & dessert** *(Choice of hot or cold dessert)*
- **Cold option** *Large sub (wrap, baguette, bagel)* *Served with* *Fruit, yogurt & Popchips*

Daily spend limits in Gino's are set at £6.00 per day. The Free School Meal (FSM) daily allowance is £2.90. Please contact the School Office at office@kingedwardacademy.co.uk if you would like this to increase or decrease 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.

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SPILSBY KING EDWARD VI ACADEMY

Y6 OPEN EVENING

Tuesday 22 September • 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Principal address at 6.00pm and 7.00pm

- A small, friendly school where every student is known and valued
- Calm, focused classrooms with disruption-free learning
- Opportunities for every child to learn a musical instrument
- Brilliant sporting opportunities for all abilities
- A welcoming breakfast club
- Educating the whole child - character and qualifications

A caring community where students can learn and grow.

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Dyslexia Outreach

Support Your Child's Learning at Home

A free, online workshop, for parents and carers, to support your knowledge and understanding of how to support your child with their learning at home.

We will be sharing recommendations for effective ways to support your child at home to ensure the best outcomes for your child.

Wednesday 30th September 2026 at 7:00 – 8:00pm

If you would like to attend, please email
dyslexiaoutreach@lincolnshire.gov.uk

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Sports Enrichment

This week has seen 5 fixtures take place starting on Wednesday with the Year 8 and Year 10 football and netball teams. All four teams started the coastal league with matches against Skegness Grammar School. While the results didn't go our way this time, every team showed determination, resilience and great team spirit throughout.

A tough start, but plenty of positives to build on as we continue to develop, learn and grow together.

The next fixture was the Year 7 football teams against Barnes Wallis Academy. The teamwork communication and skill were clear to see with the 5-a-side team winning 3-1 and the 7-a-side team winning 13-0.

As well as the fixtures we have been pleased to welcome back our students to lunchtime and after-school clubs. It's been nice to see so many getting involved. The Year 7 girls also had the opportunity to work with one of the Trust netball coaches to gain confidence, skill and get a good introduction to the game of netball.

The girls had a great time and cannot wait to work on what they have learnt.

Dates for the Diary

14th – 25th September – Harvest Festival

15th September – Y10 Parents' Information Evening 6pm-7pm

22nd September – Open Evening 5:30pm

28th September – Open Week

29th September – Y11 Parents' Evening In-Person 4pm-6pm

1st October – Flu Vaccinations

20th October – Y7 Settling-In Evening 4:30pm-6:30pm

22nd October – Night at the Musicals 5:30pm

1st December – Y9 Parents' Evening Virtual 5pm-7pm

8th December – Y11 Parents' Information Evening 4pm-6pm (Invite only)

Wishing you all a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Mark Wilkinson
Principal