

# Frequently Asked Questions

Here we try to answer some of  
the questions we get asked  
most often



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## **How is the curriculum structured in Y7?**

Year 7 is split into two halves: four teaching groups in one half, and three in the other

Most lessons are taught in mixed ability groups

Maths is set according to attainment

Students in Y7- Y9 study English, Maths, Science, History, Geography, Art, Drama, Music, a Modern Foreign Language (MFL), Design Technology (DT), PE, Computing, L@kes, Accelerated Reading

# What is Accelerated Reading?

Accelerated Reading is a weekly lesson where students are guided to read books to stretch their reading ability and continue to enjoy reading.



# What is L@kes?

It stands for 'Learning at King Ecgbert School'.

L@kes covers the personal, social, health, citizenship and religious education curriculum.





## How do we manage behaviour at KES?

Behaviour for learning is an absolute priority for staff at King Egbert School.

We have a Consistent Behaviour Model which is followed by all members of staff and behaviour concerns are dealt with swiftly and effectively. Behaviour in school is excellent, students understand our expectations and comply. For more information please click on the link below.

- [Behaviour and Discipline Policy including Consistent Behaviour Policy](#)

## **How does SEND support work at KES?**

Please see the document on SEND and the Integrated Resource at the bottom of the Virtual Open Evening webpage

# What is the school's attendance policy?

Our target for attendance is 100%

Students with good attendance make more progress

If attendance drops below 95% a letter of concern will be sent home.

If attendance does not improve, we will work with other agencies to support students and their families.



# Why is attendance so important?

Attendance of 95% by the end of Y11 is equivalent to losing 3 months of schooling

Attendance of 90% is equivalent to losing 6 months of schooling

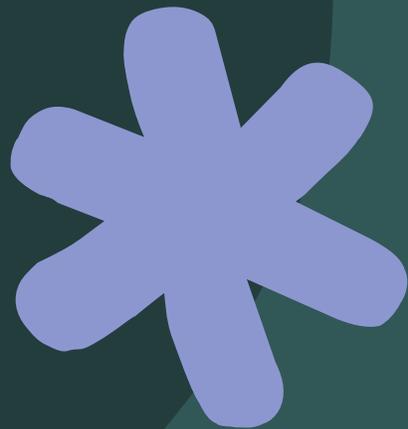
Attendance of 80% is equivalent to losing one year of schooling

Students can only take advantage of the excellent teaching and facilities if they are in school.

# **What modern foreign languages are taught?**

We teach French, German and Spanish.

Y7s will be taught one of these languages.





## **Will my child go on trips and visits in Y7?**

Trips are a very important part of the education offered at King Egbert.

All students are expected to go on subject based trips. Some trips, like trips to other countries, are voluntary.

Students who engage in extra-curricular activities and school visits are the most successful learners and make the most progress.

Due to Covid-19, all but essential coursework trips are on hold, but we will resume trips as soon as we are advised it is safe to do so

# How are form groups organised?



WE HAVE RECENTLY RETURNED TO TRADITIONAL FORM GROUPS WHICH MEANS ALL THE STUDENTS IN A FORM ARE FROM THE SAME YEAR GROUP.



STUDENTS GO TO FORM TIME EVERY MORNING WITH THEIR TUTOR.



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FORM TIME IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT AT KES

## **Are there extra-curricular clubs on offer in Y7?**

Usually there is a wide range of extra-activities and clubs available for Y7s, but opportunities are limited at the moment because of Covid-19.

See the section on extra-curricular clubs for more information on our hybrid open evening webpage.



# How does the school communicate with parents?

We use an app called Edulink which allows parents/carers to have live information about attendance, behaviour, punctuality and homework.

Parents/carers are sent log-in details at the beginning of Year 7.

All letters and important information are shared via Edulink or email. Once, visitors are allowed in school, we will resume our regular programme of face-to-face parents' evenings.

Students also have their own log-in and can keep up-to-date with important information.

# How do students pay for dinners and trips?



We operate a cashless system for catering and trips called ParentPay.



All families are given a ParentPay account and can add money for dinners, trips and other payments using it.

# Where do KES students come from?

Our students come from our main feeder schools and up to 20 other schools across the city. We have been over-subscribed within catchment for several years so nearly all our students live within the catchment area.



# How do students get to school?

Most of our students walk or catch the bus. We have dedicated school buses (798) in the morning and at the end of school.

Staff supervise students at the bus stop at the end of the day and make sure they get onto the buses safely.

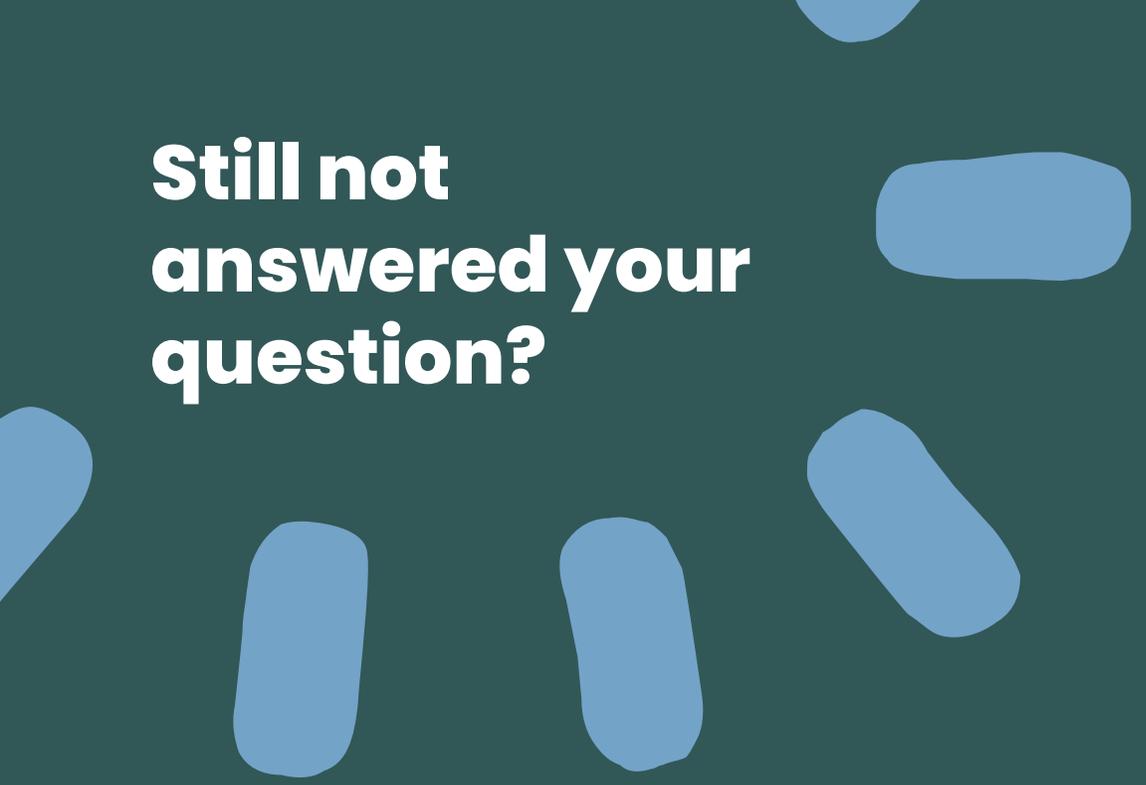


## Why should my child come to King Egbert School?

Joining King Egbert School is an opportunity to be part of and contribute to a thriving, vibrant, diverse and successful community.

Because of our:

- ✓ Consistent academic success at GCSE and in sixth form
- ✓ Our talented and dedicated teachers
- ✓ Our outstanding pastoral support
- ✓ Our wonderful setting and facilities
- ✓ And most importantly because of our amazing students

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**Still not  
answered your  
question?**

If we've missed something you need to know the answer to in order to make your mind up about the right school for Y7, please email us.

We hope you understand that this is an incredibly busy time for us, so phone calls and school visits must be replaced with email contact for now.

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