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LHS MATTERS



Lady Hawkins' School
Newsletter

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JULY 2018

As we reach the end of the academic year, I like to reflect on the progress which has been made and the successes that Lady Hawkins' School has experienced. The most obvious outward sign of the progress that the school has made is the improvement to "Good" of our Ofsted rating in January, something of which we should all be rightly proud. We have not rested on our laurels however and the drive to improve has continued apace since the report was published. Subject leaders and teachers have worked tirelessly to address the challenges of teaching a new curriculum at GCSE, giving our young people the best chance of success. Our Heads of Year have been excellent in their leadership of the tutor teams, supporting learners at all stages of their careers at Lady Hawkins'. The hard work and dedication of the staff and students has been an inspiration this year and I hope that those who are waiting for examination results receive the good news that they richly deserve.

This has been a busy and successful term in terms of our extra-curricular activities, you will see here that there have been a range of activities from Year 7's Lab Night through to incredible results in the County Cricket finals. I would imagine that it will be a long time before another school boasts about winning both the Boys and Girls U13 Cricket Championships! For me, the sight of our student body taking part in Race for Life earlier this month summed up the community spirit and caring attitude which exemplifies our school. Another example of this is the fantastic work done by Mr Smith and his small group of volunteers who have done a brilliant job of looking after the grounds, weeding, planting and pruning to provide us with an environment of which we should all be very proud.

We are excited about a number of developments which are ready for the new academic year. The first being the relaunch of the house system, with four houses which the Student Council have decided to name after features associated with the school; Arrow after the river and the old school magazine; Vaughan after the painting of Lady Margaret; Hergest to reflect the huge importance of the Banks family to our school and Tattimore after the pool which, via a series of waterways, links the school to the farm which is managed by the Foundation Governors.

It is with sadness that we say farewell to several members of staff at the end of this year. Miss Bowen leaves to pursue a career in teaching, Mr Carpenter for a new challenge in teaching, Mr Layton to explore the world, Ms Holden to write a new chapter in her life, Mrs Field to retire and focus on her writing and Mr Kay who retires this year but has a number of exciting plans for the future. I would like to thank all of those who are leaving this year for their hard work and dedication over many years and wish them well for the future.

And so the school year ends with exciting developments lying ahead, new challenges around the corner and a real sense of a school which is continuing to improve.

I would like to wish everyone a restful summer; I hope that the weather remains fine and I look forward to seeing you all in September.

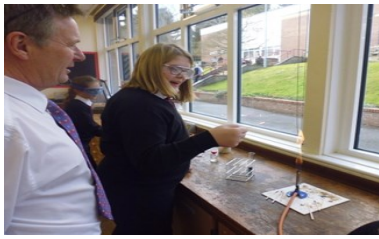


Mr P Jennings
Headteacher

UNIFORM CHANGES

A letter has been sent home regarding uniform changes from September 2018. The full letter is available to view on the school website.

	Summer Term Uniform	Blazers	Ties
2017/18	LHS red polos or white shirts	None	Clips on ties & tie on ties
2018/19	White shirts only	Years 7, 8 & 9 compulsory Years 10 & 11 optional	Clips on ties only
2019/20	White shirts only	Years 7-10 compulsory Year 11 optional	Clips on ties only
2020 onwards	White shirts only	Years 7-11 compulsory	Clips on ties only



SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

Year 7 hosted a lab night on Thursday 5th July for students to show parents what skills they have developed during the year. The evening was led by students and there were many interactive challenges for the adults!

SPORTS DAY & RACE FOR LIFE

On Friday 6th July Staff and Students took part in Race for Life raising over £800 for Cancer Research UK. We followed this with inter-house track and field events.

Well done to everyone for taking part.



FIFA WORLD CUP

RUSSIA 2018

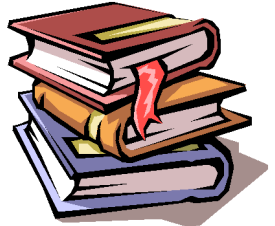
YEAR 5 TASTER DAY

Year 5's from our surrounding primary schools spent a day at LHS, taking part in a themed learning day based around the World Cup.

They got to take part in lots of exciting activities including re-living the moment when England won the World Cup in 1966.

LIBRARY NEWS

This summer, in order to encourage reading, the Library are holding a 'Reading Challenge' for students to do over the holidays. Students pick up a challenge form from the Library and try to read as many books from it as they can. When students bring their forms back at the start of the new term they have the chance to win a prize!



YEAR 10 HISTORY - IMPERIAL WAR MUSEUM NORTH VISIT

Year 10 Historians had an excellent day visiting the IWMN in Salford, Manchester. The students had a great day finding out about conflict from the First World War onwards. They also enjoyed using both train and tram and seeing the impressive bridges, buildings and studios around Media City UK.



IWMN staff commended the students on staff with the words "You are the best school party that we have ever had visit the Museum" - a real compliment to all!

YEAR 11 PROM

This year the Year 11 Leavers Prom was held on a beautifully sunny evening at Lomore Manor. All the guests looked fantastic.

Best Dressed Girl - Bethany Canvin
Best Dressed Boy - Ollie Price
Best Vehicle - Callum Smith (a tractor he had spent most of the day polishing!)
Prom Queen - Rhianna Slade-Jones
Prom King - Thomas Pattemore



Well done to all the students and staff for organising such a fantastic evening .

YEAR 7 HISTORY - LYONSHALL CASTLE VISIT.

Year 7 Historians had a great morning surveying the site of Lyonshall Castle. They carried out surveying techniques to hypothesise on the uses and development of the castle and the settlement over the centuries.

We were joined by Suzanne Hughes and Crispin from English Heritage to help further build up an understanding of the castle's construction, legends and history. Crispin demonstrated the skill of lime slaking to create mortar for the conservation of the castle, using the same techniques as were used over the castle thousand year history. A huge thanks to Suzanne and Crispin from the staff and Year 7 students for a fabulous morning!



PARENTPAY - ONLINE PAYMENTS

We are moving all payments for trips to the ParentPay system from September.

If you need another copy of your sign up codes please email:

parentpay@lhs.hereford.sch.uk or call the school office.

2018/19 TERM DATES

AUTUMN TERM 2018

Term starts: Tues 4th Sept **(Year 7 only)***

Weds 5th September **(all students)***

Half Term – Monday 29th – Friday 2nd November

Term ends: Friday 21st December

SPRING TERM 2019

Thursday 10th January* – Friday 12th April

Half Term – Monday 18th – Friday 22nd February

SUMMER TERM 2019

Monday 29th April – **Friday 19th July***

Half Term – Monday 27th May – Friday 31st May

**slight alteration to dates previously advertised*

Please only use the school website for term dates as often they are incorrect on secondary sites such as termdates.co.uk

SPORTS SUCCESSES IN 2017/18

Wow, what a year we've had for sports! Below are just some of the amazing achievements of LHS students and teams. We are lucky to have a very dedicated PE Department who run lots of extra-curricular clubs and sports fixtures.

ATHLETICS

District Athletics Winners

Emily Price 2nd Place at Hereford and Worcester Athletics

Sam Roberts represented Hereford & Worcester at English Schools Cross Country



HOCKEY

U12 North Herefordshire Winners

U14 North Herefordshire Winners

U16 North Herefordshire Winners

U16 Girls County Cup runners up



ROUNDERS

U12 Girls County runners up

U13 Girls County runners up



CRICKET

U13 Boys County Cricket Champions

U13 Girls County Cricket Champions



BADMINTON

KS3 Girls Badminton Champions

KS3 Boys Badminton runners-up



Netball

Year7 County runners up

Year 8 County semi-finalists

Year 10 County semi-finalists



Rugby

U16 Boys County Cup semi finalists



Football

U16 Boys County Cup semi finalists

YEAR 7 RESIDENTIAL

The Year 7s have spent their last week of term at St. David's, they have enjoyed many activities such as rock climbing, coasteering and surfing.

The weather has been kind to them and all have thoroughly enjoyed the new challenges, with some overcoming their fears.

Year 7's have worked hard fundraising for this action packed week. Thanks to everyone who has supported them.



GERMAN EXCHANGE

A group of 15 students travelled to Langenfeld near Cologne and Dusseldorf for a 10 day stay with host families as part of our yearly German Exchange Visit . It was a chance to do lots of sightseeing and make new friends.



Everyone enjoyed the experience of life in a different culture and returned home happy but tired after 10 activity packed days. The whole trip was a rewarding time for everyone with many new friends made along the way.

Have a great





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Open Evening

Thurs 27th Sept

6 - 8pm

All welcome

Ofsted 2018 Rated "GOOD"