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# LHS MATTERS

Lady Hawkins' School  
Newsletter

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## APRIL 2019

This edition of LHS Matters comes at the end of a long and busy term for everyone. I would like to offer my thanks to everyone who has been involved with a wide range of activities, including World Book Day, Fairtrade cake sales, a sponsored "bike race" to St David's, a week full of fun packed and exciting science activities, visitors from Germany and a huge range of sporting successes. Next term will, I am sure be just as exciting and will again show just what is possible in our corner of Herefordshire.

As thoughts turn to the Summer term and examinations, the GCSE written papers start next month, I would like to wish everyone a Happy Easter and hope that we all return on the 29th April well rested and ready for the new term.

**Mr P Jennings**  
Headteacher

**SUMMER TERM 2019**

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> April – Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July\*

*\*slight alteration to dates previously advertised*

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## LHSA

Thank you to those who donated and helped out with the charity shop, the total raised was a fantastic £1,210! This money will go towards supporting projects for LHS students.

## Fairtrade Cake Sale

Year 7s held a fabulous Fairtrade Cake Sale on March 11<sup>th</sup> as part of Fairtrade Fortnight, they raised £103 which will help to improve the lives of some of the world's poorest farmers, thank you to those who helped out and baked the lovely cakes.



## World Book Day

A brilliant effort from all those that dressed up, there were some really imaginative costumes. Students enjoyed a day full of quizzes and guessing who staff members had dressed up as. Below are the winners of the best costumes.



## Sponsored Cycle

LHS staff, students and parents took part in a sponsored cycle to raise money for the Year 7 Residential. The challenge was to see who would cycle the distance between Kington and St David's first, staff or students? Students won, raising over £900, thank you to everyone who took part.

Year 7 also have a pop-up restaurant coming soon!



# British Science Week

## Animal Man

Staff and students had a great start to the week with a visit from The Animal Man who brought some exotic animals of all shapes and sizes into school. Students got to hold snakes, spiders and a very cute chinchilla.



## Big Bang Trip

Year 7 had a fun filled day at the NEC taking part in some exciting interactive experiments.

## Big Demos

Mr East very bravely demonstrated a dissection experiment using a massive fish



Ms Staton and Mrs Dines demonstrated a Van de Graaf Generator with some hilarious results.



## German Exchange 2019

With spring in the air it was time to welcome friends from our German partner school in Langenfeld to Kington once more. Arriving on Thursday, just as the snow cleared, they joined us in school on Friday for a welcome breakfast and a chance to experience a range of lessons. Our weekend started on Friday with a trip to Leominster for an evening of bowling and food after which it was off with host families to enjoy a range of activities.

Monday saw us all in Cardiff completing a discovery trail in the bay area. Some challenging questions led us around the historic features before we ventured on to the city centre for some sight-seeing. Stratford upon Avon and Shakespeare country provided the destination for our visitors on Tuesday where they were able to experience some of our literary heritage. Wednesday was a quieter day with a trip to Hereford to see the cathedral, Mappa Mundi and other sites of local interest. Thursday saw us all back in Hereford at 7:30am for our guests to catch the early train to Birmingham Airport and their flight home. We will follow in their footsteps in June when our return visit to Germany takes place.



### Lovely work experience student

Ricarda Dietrich, a 19 year old student on her gap year from Marburg in Germany recently spent 4 weeks at LHS. She had a lovely month staying with the Treasure-Evans family and helped in Geography and History lessons.

Now she has returned to Germany and started training to be a teacher of Geography and English (as a foreign language) at university in Mainz. She will be qualified to teach both these subjects in German schools, also conducting her Geography lessons in English to German school children!

This was her first visit to the UK. She knew of LHS as when Ms Williams spent a gap year as a Teaching Assistant in a German school near to Dillenburg (the twin town of Hereford) and became friends with Ricarda's mum, staying in touch ever since!



## Year 7&8 Girls Cricket

Congratulations to our Year 7&8 Cricket Team, who won the Lady Taverners u13 indoor Cricket finals they are now County Champions and are off to Edgbaston for the regional round of the competition.

## Good Luck!

Best wishes to Year 7/8 Girls who are also off to the regional hockey finals in Millfield April 30th.



## Congratulations

Well done to Charlotte Smith who has had an amazing start to the season with some brilliant results. Charlotte competed at Cricklands Winter League Showjumping Championship last weekend with her pony Steel. They did very well, winning their 90cm class, and an overall silver medal. They were also winners of the Leading Rider 2019 award out of 259 competitors!

10<sup>th</sup> March - 1<sup>st</sup> 90cm British Showjumping

19<sup>th</sup> March - 3<sup>rd</sup> in Dengie 2<sup>nd</sup> rounds qualifying for Championships at Addington

28<sup>th</sup> March - 2<sup>nd</sup> BSPS qualifying for winter champs

7<sup>th</sup> April - 1<sup>st</sup> in the 90 taking overall silver medallist & the riding leader prize





## WWI Battlefields Trip.

There will be a World War One Battlefields Trip Information Evening on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May, starting at 6.30pm in Room 22. Parents and students are invited.

Can parents please check that the following are completed over the next few weeks: Return the forms included with the information booklet

An up-to-date EHIC for your son/daughter

A passport for your son/daughter

Payment of full £430.00

Details of any WWI ancestor's grave or memorial in Belgium or France



## Martin Brown - Illustrator of 'Horrible Histories' coming to LHS

The fantastic illustrator of the Horrible Histories books will be visiting us on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> May! Martin Brown will talk to Year 7 and primary school students about his illustrations and his new book.

He will also hold an illustration workshop for our artists in Years 8, 9 and 10. The workshop will have limited spaces available, so look to return forms to Mr Dinsdale as quickly as possible when the letter comes home! .

## Year 11 GCSE History Revision.

The students who have been using the revision materials and who have been regularly tested by a parent/carer using the flashcards have been making great progress with their History GCSE preparations.

The Easter holiday is the most important period of time to prepare before the GCSE exams start, so continuing support from parents using these materials will be greatly beneficial. A huge thank you to all who have been using these revision aids - and I'm sure that your son/daughter is grateful as well.



## Easter GCSE Revision Sessions

**Product Design** Monday 15<sup>th</sup> & Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April (Mr Roberts-Powell)

**Maths** Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April (Mrs Collister)

**Geography** Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> & Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April (**Eco Classroom** with Mr Smith)

It would be great if as many students as possible could attend these valuable revision sessions.

## Geography This Term

**Year 7** have been studying the topic of weather. They have also carried out a micro climate study of the school grounds to assess whether the school's greenhouse is in the best place. Students have also been learning map skills.

**Year 8** have looked at the topic of population. They should now know why the world's population is still increasing, We will go on to look at Food and Farming and soils next term. This will provide some really good fieldwork opportunities.

**Year 9** have been finding out about different sources of energy and which ones are best for the U.K and Kington. Next term they will look at World Development and Fast Fashion.

**Year 10** have been looking at Natural Hazards, in particular earthquakes and Tropical Storms. They have also investigated whether our weather in the U.K is becoming more extreme.

**Year 11** have been studying Economic futures and resources in the U.K. They have started looking at Fieldwork and Geographical skills which we will finish after Easter. Over the holidays they should study the pre-release booklet and plan their answers to possible questions as well as using their revision booklet to go over all the topics we have covered for paper 1 (Living with the physical environment) and 2 (Challenges in the Human Environment). They do not have to learn Cold Environments or Glacial Landscapes for paper 1 or Food and Water for paper 2. I wish them all the best for their exams.

## The School Grounds

Students mostly from Years 8 and 9 have been really busy weeding and digging over the ground. They have planted potatoes, onions, peas and carrots which will be used in the school canteen. After Easter we will plant more vegetables as well as flowers to help brighten the place up. Mr Smith is organising working parties during the holidays for any staff or parents who would like to help with the school grounds. They will be on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup>, and Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2-4 pm after the Geography revision sessions. We will meet in the Eco classroom.

The main projects are to clear parts of the Wildlife area, weed and mulch the rose bed and weed and dig over the remaining beds. We will provide tools, but please wear appropriate clothing and footwear. We would also be grateful for any donations of plants, seeds or tools. A big thank you to all students and staff who have worked on the grounds this year. Your hard work is greatly appreciated and really helps to make LHS a great place to learn and work in



## Notices

### Attendance

We would like to remind all parents and carers that if your child is absent from school for any reason then we must be notified, as ensuring the safety and welfare of our students is vital.

### School Uniform

We would like to remind parents that high standards of uniform are expected at all times. Unnatural hair colours and piercings other than one pair of studs in the ears are not allowed.

### Leaving LHS or students outgrown their uniform? Why not donate your old uniform

The LHSA is looking to put together a second hand uniform supply and would welcome any donations of uniform from those students leaving this year or from those families having a clear out of outgrown uniform. Donations can be left at school at any time or brought to any LHSA meeting.

## Dates for your Diary

Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April Primary Maths Challenge

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> May Year 7 Parent's Evening

Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May LHSA fundraiser - 90's Night at the Oxford Arms, Kington

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May Hay Festival Trip

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May GCSE Exams start

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