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LHS MATTERS

Lady Hawkins' School
Newsletter

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It feels like summer was over some time ago and we are now truly into the Autumn term with a vengeance. This half term has been extremely busy with many opportunities for our students to be involved in whole school activities, trips and events. It is always a pleasure to see how well our students conduct themselves when representing the school; they certainly set a good example wherever they go.

In our corner of Herefordshire it is all too easy to become isolated from the rest of the world and I hope that this edition of LHS Matters shows just some of the ways that we are able to build our students cultural capital through involvement in local, national and international issues.

Mr P Jennings
Headteacher



PSHE Day

On October 17th all students took part in various activities that made them think about body image, health, and healthy eating. Some students also took part in first aid and CPR sessions. There were also groups who took part in team building activities where they had to work out how to cross a shark infested, lava river using planks and tyres. It was also a chance to practice some beautifully calming yoga and mindfulness. It was a challenging and thought provoking day for everyone involved.



English Department Young Writers

some year 8 pupils that had their 100 word mini-sagas titled 'Mission Chaos' selected for publication in a young writers' anthology. This is a huge achievement as it is a national writing competition. Well done to all 30 of them!



Year 6 Taster Day

Pupils from local Primary Schools enjoyed a busy day doing lots of different activities such as making bridges, pizzas and drawing teddy bears.



Kington Show

It was lovely to have so many visitors at the LHS tent. Past pupils enjoyed finding photos of themselves from our archives. There were lots of maths puzzles and science experiments to try and fluffy chicks to cuddle. Thank you to those pupils who came and helped out on the day and you all for visiting!



Dying to drive

Year 11 students attended this vital road safety course provided by Hereford and Worcester fire and rescue service. Thank you to all the emergency services and agencies involved for providing this valuable and potentially life saving service.

Morgan Factory Trip

GCSE Technology Students visited the Morgan Factory in Malvern which is a fantastic opportunity to see a mixture of modern and traditional production methods, and look at some very lovely cars.



Green Schools Project

We are only 1 of 3 schools in Herefordshire to be involved in this exciting new initiative. Our group started in September 2019. We are here to help our school and our community become more aware of the environment. We have started plans to improve the school such as:

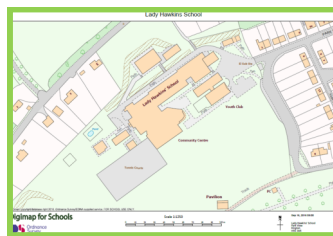
- Reducing litter
- Saving energy - turning off lights when no one is in the room
- Healthier eating. We are trying to encourage pupils to eat more healthily and we should use more school grown vegetables.
- Improving our environment by reducing the amount of plastic we use in school.
- Having a water meter to show how much water we use in a day.

Written by members of the LHS Green Schools Project



Geography at LHS this term

Year 7 have looked at the physical and human geography of Kington. They have produced their own map of the school and where they live using digimap for schools. This is a great resource that the Geography Department subscribes to annually. It gives free access to students, parents and staff to Ordnance Survey maps of anywhere in the U.K at any scale. You need to log on to the website below and the user name is HR59LE and the password is garped7235 <https://digimapforschools.edina.ac.uk/>



Year 8 have been looking at the different types of rocks and the processes of weathering and erosion which help to shape the landscape. They are now starting to look in more detail at the main landforms produced by rivers and ice.

Year 9 have been investigating natural hazards including hurricanes, tornadoes and volcanoes. They should be able to tell you what to do before and during a hurricane which could come in useful.

Year 10 have just finished their first topic on Rivers and Flooding. They have produced their own revision posters and now need to actively learn the key terms and case studies.

Year 11 have just finished looking at the Challenges of Urban Environments using Lagos and London as contrasting case studies. They now need to start revising this work along with their work from year 10 on climate hazards and climate change to prepare for their mock exams at the end of November.

Iceland 2020

25 Year 10 and 11 Geography students are going to Iceland for the trip of a life time in March 2020. The trip has been organised by Mr Smith and will take in some of the amazing sites this wonderful country has to offer. We will be visiting volcanoes, glaciers, geysers, waterfalls, beaches made of black ash as well as the plate boundary where Europe and America are spreading apart.

A big thank you to all parents who are supporting this trip financially, as well as to Mrs Cecil who has volunteered to come on the trip too. I will organise a meeting for parents and students before Christmas to finalise the arrangements

LHS 'Old Boys' Memorial

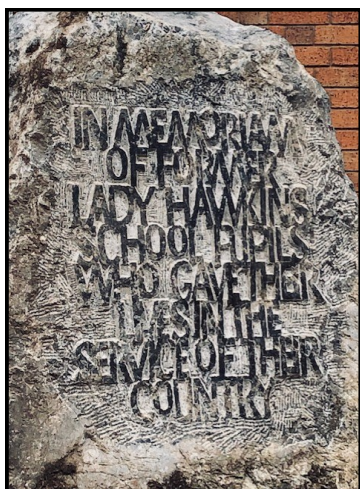
The unveiling and Service/Assembly is planned to start at 10.40am, with a two minute silence at 11am. As well as staff and students from Lady Hawkins' School and Kington Primary School, we will have Year 5s from various local primary schools present. The memorial will be unveiled by James Hervey-Bathurst, CBE, DL, High Sheriff of Herefordshire, and Cllr Bob Widdowson, Mayor of Kington, on behalf of Christine Forrester. It has been a true community project and the many individuals and local businesses who have helped and contributed to the project will be invited. Most importantly, the local families related to some of the 'old boys' commemorated are also invited, so will hopefully be able to join us.



OTM Garden, Groundwork & Tree Surgery, Hay-on-Wye and Kington Building Supplies have just installed the magnificent standing stone and stone seat. These stones have been very kindly donated by Tarmac.

OTM are now going to place 30 stepping stones spiralling around the memorial stones. 26 of these stones carry the names of the 'old boys' that we have identified as having died in wars since 1914. Four stones remain blank so that if our research throws up any more names they can be added.

The stones have all been carved and inscribed by Paul Jones from The Stone Workshop in Weobley





LHS Year 7, 8 & 9

Cricket Coaching

Every Friday

3.40-4.45p.m.

Starting on Friday 20th

September 2019

**Beginners welcome. All
equipment will be provided.**

See Mr Dinsdale for more details.



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LHSA

We have raised over £4,000 over the last 18 months. This has been through events such as 80's & 90's discos, charity shop week, quizzes and cake stalls to name but a few. We aim to keep it as relaxed and fun as possible, whilst raising vital funds to support our children's education and wellbeing.

We always welcome new parents to join our group. As well as helping the school, it is also a great way of socialising with other parents.



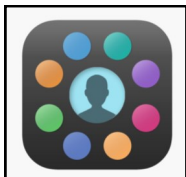
Want to join our fundraising group?

**Fancy putting the
fun back into fundraising?**

Then come along to our next meeting:

**Tuesday 12th November 7-8pm
The Royal Oak, Kington**

Edulink app



Everyone should be now have access to our new home school communication app. If you are yet to receive login details please get in touch with the school office.

Dates for your Diary

Senior Maths Challenge Thursday 7th November
Children in Need - Non Uniform Day Friday 15th November
Year 11 Mocks Friday 22nd – Friday 29th November
Year 8 Reports Thursday 21st November
Year 7 & 11 Reports Thursday 19th November

End of Term Friday 20th December

Please only use the school website for term dates.