



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

This is the 200th edition of the newsletter and I thought I would celebrate the fact with a double sized edition dedicated to extracts from previous editions, developments in the school over the past 5 years and a look forward to what could be in the 300th edition. That was my intention, but so much has happened over the past week that I haven't been left enough room! It may all have to wait until Newsletter number 300.

On Wednesday we had two celebrations in school. In the afternoon, it was the Year 12 prize-giving event, where the present Year 13 received attainment and achievement awards for their work in the first year of their A level studies. Wednesday evening saw the higher-profile Year 11 prize-giving ceremony, where every Year 11 student's name was read out and their achievements at GCSE and vocational awards acknowledged and applauded. Both events were warm and wonderful occasions, with a genuine collegiate feel – every student genuinely celebrated the achievements of their peers. This is a really good school and these events clearly reinforced that.

And, on that note, on with edition 200 and thanks for reading.

Richard Bramley



London Galleries 'Art'-icle

As part of the A level Art and Photography course, students were given the opportunity to go on a 3 day trip to London to visit the main galleries and museums to gain inspiration and discover new artists they could use within their work.

We travelled down by train to Kings Cross last Thursday and spent the remaining evening visiting the National Portrait Gallery (via Pizza Express) and taking photographs in a floodlit Trafalgar Square. This was the first of a handful of exhibitions and landmarks we visited and saw during our jam-packed stay. These included the British Museum, National Gallery, Tate Britain and Tate Modern. We used sketchbooks to record our notes and ideas and as well as draw things that inspired us.

Seeing works in front of us helped us understand the scale, texture and impact of the pieces we saw which we would never have got over the internet or from a book. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed the trip and got a lot from it, which could not have happened without the help from Mr McGrath, Mrs Chaddock and Mrs Strachan (who needs an extra thank you for booking us a table at the Hard Rock Café – it was highly popular!)

Molly Northcote



Assemblies

This week was national anti-bullying week and this was the theme of this week's assemblies, led by James Ambrose, Head of Sixth Form. James used music and song lyrics to send a powerful message about people's relationships and the effect we can have on each other, sometimes positive and sometimes negative. Bullying is unacceptable behaviour, but bullying in some form is an issue in all schools; even one as good as Lady Lumley's. Anyone who feels they are being bullied, or thinks someone is being bullied, must tell a member of staff. Staff will always listen and we will always act.

Richard Bramley

Children in Need

We all know that this time of year is the perfect chance for everyone to come together and support the charity 'Children in Need' and Lady Lumley's 6th Form were certainly no exception. For many of us it was a jump back in time as we dressed in our old, and seemingly tighter, school uniforms. For others, on the other hand, it was an opportunity to get creative and you may have even seen a few students that apparently took a wrong turn on their way to Hogwarts! Overall, not only did this give us the chance to have great fun but also, due to everyone's exceptional effort, we managed to raise £83.70 for this worthy cause!



Key Stage 4 Updates

Year 10

As you are aware the students have been issued with their first progress report for Year 10. As part of our continued drive to improve standards and provide our students with individual support and guidance, we will be holding our first Tutor Review Day for Year 10 on Tuesday 4th December. The students will have a one-to-one meeting with their tutor to discuss their progress in Key Stage 4. The meeting will give the students an opportunity to share any successes they have had so far this year. There will also be a discussion about any concerns they or staff have at this time. In preparation for this, students have identified three subjects/courses they currently do, as areas for development. The students have been formulating their targets and sharing these with their subject teachers. The targets have been recorded in their planners. During the meeting the students will agree and complete an Action Plan for the next term. The completed Action Plan will be in the student planner and require a parental signature. Thank you for your continued support.

Year 11

Trial Examination Results

Following the Trial Exams students will receive their results on Thursday 29th November from 1pm in the School Hall. The formal distribution of results will be identical to the Results Day in August. Staff will be in the Hall to offer support and guidance.

Year 11 Consultation Evening

A reminder that the Year 11 Consultation Evening will be on **Wednesday 12th December** from 4.30p.m – 7.30p.m. This is an extremely important evening for all students and parents/carers of Year 11. There will also be staff available to discuss post-16 provision at Lady Lumley's. Appointment sheets will be made available to students on **Monday 26th November**. Can you please sign and return this to let us know if you will be attending. Brian Davis

Sixth Formers spread a little Christmas Cheer

As in previous years, Sixth Formers at Lady Lumley's School have again been taking part in the annual 'Operation Christmas Child.' This is the world's largest children's Christmas project, run by Samaritan's Purse, which distributes shoeboxes full of Christmas gifts to underprivileged children in hospitals, orphanages, refugee camps, homeless shelters and impoverished



neighbourhoods world-wide. These gifts often help change a child's life: it might well be the first Christmas present they have ever received. The Sixth Formers have encouraged all Tutor Groups throughout the school to be involved, by either wrapping and filling a shoebox, or bringing in items to help make-up the shoeboxes. The shoebox appeal shows how the power of a simple gift can make these children feel special and show them that they have not been forgotten.

A level Geography Fieldwork trip

A keen and determined group of 14 students supported by Mr Gwillam and Mrs Fuller attended an education and action packed weekend in Blencathra, a beautiful but remote location situated about 5 miles from Keswick within the Lake District.

The aim of the field work was to prepare us for our first A2 January skills exam. The typical Lake District weather meant that we had to start out in full waterproof kit as soon as we arrived. We were taken by bus to a farm in the middle of nowhere to examine the beck that runs along-

side the farmer's field. We sampled the river using a variety of different techniques to record the different species and see if there were any noticeable differences between riffles (shallow areas of water) and pools of deeper water. In the evening we returned to the centre to get warm and dry and then progressed to the classroom to go over our findings and put our work into context, we used statistical tests to prove that our results were accurate and had not occurred by chance.

The second day was our main full day, and it was a packed day, we were up at 7.30am with sandwiches made, breakfast scoffed and kit packed. We headed off to investigate the change in terrain from bare rock to climax vegetation, sounds easy... but this was half way up a valley in heavy rain, we also had to contend with 70mph gusts of wind hitting us from all directions, whilst precariously walking on loose rocks. The data and observations that we recorded would form an important part of our A2 examination, all the team were aware of the importance of this work and the need to maintain 100% concentration and commitment throughout the day and evening classroom sessions.

Our last day of field work was spent working in a woodland area, comparing plant species and determining how they were affected by the coppicing of trees, we had a lucky break with the weather and we even got a rare glimpse of blue sky.

Overall, the geography field trip was a brilliant practical experience which enabled us to use our field work skills and a valuable aid to prepare us for our examinations, we were all very grateful to Mr Gwillam and Miss Fuller for their help and support and despite the weather, the trip was enjoyed by all.
Daniel Carter



Year 9 Netball Cup Match Success

Lady Lumley's Year 9 girls were going into the game with a positive attitude. They were playing Eskdale from Whitby. The game started with an Eskdale centre pass. With a few long, overhead shots Eskdale had already got the ball down to their shooting end. Luckily, with some great defending from Victoria Woodhead and Caitlin Frith we had already won the ball back. During the first half there was some great teamwork and at the end of the first half we were in the lead by 9 goals. The score was 11-2. In the second half there was some great passing from Abi Pollard and Ellie Lealman. Also there was some amazing shooting from Lyd Coote and Freya Morton who kept us in the lead. As well as that Ellie Lealman and Emma Clapton helped by passing the ball into the 'D' so that Lyd and Freya could have a shot. Just before the last quarter started we got one more goal which kept us in the lead. The score was 15-2. In the last quarter Eskdale gained three more goals as well as our team getting another three. The final score was 18-5. We are now through to the third round of the Cup League. Well done to all of the team; Lyd Coote, Freya Morton, Abi Pollard, Ellie Lealman, Emma Clapton, Caitlin Frith and Victoria Woodhead.

Match Report Year 7

On Tuesday 20th of November the Year 7 girls from Lady Lumley's were in a netball match against Eskdale and Caedmon School. There was also a mixed team of Eskdale and Caedmon. Lady Lumley's won every match they played and worked well in co-operation. Our first match against Eskdale was 3-0 to Lady Lumley's. Our second match against the mixed team was 6-0 to lady Lumley's and our last match against Caedmon was also 6-0 to Lady Lumley's. Throughout all the matches Lady Lumley's played fantastically especially Katie and Christy Thompson who worked great together.
Match report written by Emily Grayson and Chloe Howarth.

Success at the recent Yorkshire & Humberside Area Care Awards

Joanne Hindmarsh, ex-student, who is a Care Assistant with Alba Rose, received the **Care Newcomer Award**. The judges' comments were "Joanne demonstrated a natural instinct in delivering compassionate and good quality care. With willingness to learn and develop personal skills so that she could do the best in her role - well done Joanne!"

Win £20 in Christmas Quiz

2nd Pickering Guides are selling Christmas quizzes at £1 each to raise money to buy camping equipment. They are suitable for people aged 10+ and can be purchased from Katie, Emily and Rosie (8RWI) or Rhianna and Jade (8JWS). They can also be bought in some shops around Pickering. Answers are to be returned to Languages 4 by 21st December or to the address on the front of the quiz by 6th January. There are prizes for three winners. Rosie Brown and Katie Henson

Christmas Carols by Candlelight

Lady Lumley's School

Tuesday 11th December 2012

7.00 pm

* Christmas Raffle *

Tickets £3.00 to include refreshments

(mince pie, tea/coffee/mulled wine)

Tickets available from Mrs R Dobson,
Lady Lumley's School Office.

Tel: 01751 472846



Christmas at Dalby:

Winter Wreaths

Come and make your own wreath with natural woodland materials.

Saturday 1st & Sunday 2nd December 1pm-3pm

Dalby Visitor Centre

£8 per person, under 16yrs to be accompanied by an adult

Booking essential: call 01751 472771/460295 or book at the Visitor Centre

Real Christmas trees on sale:

1st -20th December 10am - 4pm

Visit Father Christmas & Festive Crafts:

8th-9th & 15th-16th December

Treetops Restaurant Serving Christmas Dinner

Tree delivery to cars by Aqua Nova Water Bears Newfoundland Dogs for a donation to charity (Yorkshire Air Ambulance and Scarborough Mountain rescue team).

Horse & Carriage rides



For Further Information
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Parent Forum

Tuesday 4th December, 6.30pm

As part of our Student Voice at Lady Lumley's we hold School Council meetings every half-term where students have the opportunity to share their opinions about how the school runs. We also have Student Learning Forum meetings which involve the students meeting every half-term to discuss their learning.

As an extension of this we would like to involve parents in our discussions. This is an invitation to any parents/carers who would like to be part of our Parents' Forum. This would involve one meeting per half-term to share views about how the school runs and how your child learns. The first meeting of this year will run **from**

6.30-8p.m on Tuesday 4th December. The meeting will take place in Media Studies 1.

This room is located above the school reception. The agenda for the evening will focus on home-school communication and updates on our assessment and marking policies. If you require any further information please contact me at school by telephone or by email - bdavis@ladylumleys.net.

Brian Davis



6th Form Open Evening

Thursday 6th December
6.45pm - 9.00pm

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IMPORTANT DATES

Year 7 Partnership Netball Tournament,
LLS 1.30pm

Tuesday 27th November

Year 12 Consultation Evening, 4.30pm

Year 11 trial exam results

Wednesday 28th November

FOLLS shopping trip to Meadow Hall, 8.30am

Saturday 1st December