



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

Assemblies this week were taken by the senior student leadership team – Head Girl **Sophie Robinson** and Deputy Head Girl **Emily Keal** alongside Head Boy **Tom Wrench** and Deputy Head Boy **George Swiers**. The team had decided that they wanted to re-vamp the way school council works in the school, an initiative totally driven by the senior students themselves. Traditionally, each tutor group selected two students to attend school council. This made a large, rather unwieldy body which, despite its democratic intentions, failed to represent the student body as a whole. School council did make useful suggestions and had some impact on whole school decisions affecting the students, but the senior students felt that the council was not as effective as it could be – hence the proposed changes. The idea is that two students will represent each year group in Years 8 to 11 (Year 7 to join in later in the term). In two weeks' time, the students who wish to be considered as school council members will give a two minute speech to their peer group and these students will be chosen by ballot after the hustings. It is a new way of doing things and I am really pleased that the driving force behind these ideas is coming from the students themselves. We await with interest to see how the new school council develops.

Richard Bramley

Potential Industrial Action October 1st

You will be aware from the news that the two main teachers' unions, the NASUWT and NUT, have been in protracted dispute with the Government. The two unions have called for a one-day strike in the Eastern, East Midlands, West Midlands, Yorkshire and Humberside regions of England on October 1st. Nearly all the teachers at Lady Lumley's School are in these unions and, should the strike go ahead, it is likely that the school will have to close for that day. I will keep parents and carers informed through next week's newsletter and through the school's website.

Richard Bramley

Year 8 District Cricket Champions

Lady Lumley's beat Scarborough College to become the under 13 Scarborough and District champions. **Kieran Edmond**, **James Mudd** and **Luke Balderson** batted well on a heavy North Marine Road pitch to score a very creditable 137 for 2 in their 20 overs. Some tight bowling by **Macauley Gibson** and Captain **Sam Batty** restricted the opposition to 104 -5. The boys were a credit to the school and to the large amount of proud parents that watched the impressive display.



KS5 Languages Project

On Wednesday night a group of 13 A-Level language students were the first to test out the new Rosedale Outdoor centre, after having an hour of den building in Cropton Forest. The language based 'bonding' trip involved presenting our dens and playing Pictionary in German, Spanish and French then dividing into teams to cook 3 foreign meals. The Spanish team made chilli con carne, the German team made 2 apple strudels (calzone style) then the French team prepared biscuits to go alongside the croissants and pain au chocolats for breakfast the next day. All in all the trip was a success and special thanks to Terry for making the centre so great! Thanks to Mr Mann, Mr Fairclough, Miss Wilson and Miss Mark also.

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Great North Run

Victoria Quilter, year 13, and her sister Charlotte both ran the Great North Run on Sunday. They finished in 2 hours 33 minutes and raised £1,100 for Kidney Research. Absolutely brilliant effort!

Also congratulations to Lady Lumley's staff Ruth Dawber, Kerry-Louise Hammond and Abbie Pye for running the Great North Run.



Swimming Talent

Congratulations to Alex Lynn, year 9, who has been selected to swim for the Yorkshire County Squad. He will be taking part in a national competition on 20th October. He is ranked 13th in the country at the moment and aims to lower this - a fantastic achievement.

Cycling to success

Louise Scupham, year 11, took part in a National GHS Youth & Schools Cycle Race finishing 5th in her juvenile category (under 16), and 11th overall in the junior category (under 17). This was a National Schools 10 mile time trial involving the fastest qualifying riders from every district in the British Isles. Well done Louise!

Relief Invigilators

Relief invigilators are required for both internal and external exams throughout the year. No experience is necessary as full training will be provided. For further details please contact Pat Watson on 01751 472846.

Headlice

It is that time of year again! We would be grateful if parents and carers could be vigilant about checking the children for headlice. ☐

Halloween Events at Dalby Forest

Fear in the Forest - Thursday 31st October. Come along to the 'Fear in the Forest' event on Halloween for a special scare in the woods. The event is a participation walk with plays performed by Yorkshire Coast College students and also has children's creepy crafts and live bats up close and personal. The first walk is at 5.30pm and the last walk departs at 8.00pm. **BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL** by contacting 01751 460295 or 017510 472771. The event is £5.00 per person. Why not dress up in fancy dress to make a more exciting visit to the forest for this festival of fear.

Half Term Horror

Creepy Craft Making - Tuesday 29th October (1pm-4pm) This is a free event. Pumpkins will be retained for the Halloween walk events. £2.00 per person.
Pumpkin Carving - Wednesday 30th October (11am-3pm)
Come and help us carve out the pumpkins for our halloween event on Thursday 31st October.
Halloween Quiz Trail
All through half term. 50p per person.

Pickering Town Youth Council

Next week is the Pickering Town Youth Council annual meeting. This will be held on **Tuesday 24th September at 4:15 pm** at the Memorial Hall in Pickering. If you want to make a difference to your community and want your voice to be heard, please come along!

IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday 24th September
U14 (year 9) District Hockey, 3pm

Wednesday 25th September
KS3 Prizegiving Evening 7pm
U18 County Football Trials
District Cross Country, Scalby 3pm

Thursday 26th September
Year 11 GCSE Art Study Visit
U16 (year 11) District Hockey, Scarborough College 2pm
Years 7,8 9 Football, Caedmon

Friday 27th September
Year 13 Gold Duke of Edinburgh Expedition Assessment (27th-30th September)