



# Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Over the past year we have been delighted to receive two collections of books to add to our Library resources. The first was bequeathed from the estate of the late Arnold Pape, a Pickering man and former pupil of Lady Lumley's Grammar School. Mr Pape, who left his personal library to the school in his will, had a great interest in the navy, history, including local history, and especially Egyptology.



Lady Lumley's School are now the proud owners of what I am

sure must be one of the best school-based collections of books on Egyptology.



Our second, and extremely impressive, collection has been donated to the school by Mr Robert Wardell of Thornton-le-Dale and on Wednesday we were pleased to be able to arrange a visit by Mr Wardell to the school. Janet Walton (our excellent librarian), ably assisted by Val Todd (who wonderfully volunteers to help Janet) had spent the last few

months cataloguing, covering and displaying the books and Wednesday was an opportunity to thank Mr Wardell and to show him the books in their new home. The fabulous collection of Art books has been enthusiastically received by our Art Department and is being used by our 'A' level students whilst the library benefits from all the Antonia Fraser books on kings and queens of England, books on the Royal Houses such as Buckingham Palace, Chatsworth and Chequers and many historical novels. We were also incredibly pleased to accept from Mr Wardell a complete set of 115 books in the reprint society series of classic fiction, from Born Free by Joy Adamson to The Man in the Grey Flannel Suit by Sloan Wilson, via Live and Let Die (Ian Fleming) and Under the Net by Iris Murdoch.

The books have added great depth to the already strong collection in the library and have real relevance to the young people studying in the school today. We are very fortunate to receive these two unique donations of extreme academic interest. Our heartfelt thanks go to Mr Wardell and to the family of Mr Pape.

Richard Bramley



## Staff Training Day 4th November

On Monday we had a staff training day. Teaching staff met in the morning to experience a 100 minute lesson from the other side of the desk. Brian Davis led this session where we looked at marking and variety in lessons. This then led on to work in the rest of the day where teachers worked together on planning schemes of learning to continue to create lessons which engaged, enthused and challenged the students. We believe we have made a significant change to the way we mark students' work. I would welcome the views of parents and carers on this to see how much this change has been noticed at home.

Richard Bramley

### **Career Development**

During the October half-term, myself, alongside Annabel Smith and Faye Christopherson were all invited to attend a finance conference in London with like-minded individuals from across the country. The afternoon was run by Pure Potential; a charity-based company offering students from state schools fantastic opportunities to explore what are to be considered more prestigious career paths. The afternoon consisted of a detailed explanation of specific financial careers in more depth, a workshop with major powers in the finance sector and a careers fair similar to those at Universities. This gave me a chance to not only learn more about what I want to do when I'm older, but also talk to those in the industry, gain a personal account of their experiences and their contacts. The conference has had an influential impact on me as a whole. Not only have I gained confidence from exchanging conversations with incredibly important people, but also I now know where I'm wanting to go with my future; which is really satisfying. For other students looking into a specific career or not even quite sure, I would encourage greatly looking at pure potential's website ([www.purepotential.org](http://www.purepotential.org)) and as many others as possible to benefit from similar experiences and to start to shape your future

Ollie Rising, Year 13

### **Make it with mince Challenge 2013**

**Lyes Berkache** and **James Howlett** have been selected to represent Lady Lumley's in the regional finals on Tuesday 12th November at Harrogate College. They have been very successful in being selected from a large field and they both look forward to the challenge. We wish them lots of luck for next week.

Carolyn Willett.

### **Hockey Match Report**

On Wednesday 6th November, the year 11 girl's hockey team played their first cup match of the season against Malton.

The result was 1-0 to Lady Lumley's. **Megan Green** scored an amazing goal straight after half time. Solid defending from **Annie Mitchell**, **Jess Fox** and **Emily Blunt** resulted in conceding no goals. Great passing from the mid-field and overall a great team performance.

Rosie Grewer (Captain)

### **Governor News**

The Governors' Resources Committee met last night. We discussed the school budget in the light of national changes to school funding (not rosy but not disastrous), plans for further developing ICT facilities (already good, we want them to be outstanding), the teaching staff appraisal system, and the protracted delays in the new telephone system for the school.

Richard Bramley

### **Car Park**

You may already have seen on the website the update about the use of the school playground (ex-car park) as a playground at lunchtimes. This was an experiment that did not really work and from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November the car park that became a play ground will, once again, become a car park. In school we talk about taking risks and making mistakes and learning from them; this is a good example of that in practice. Thank you to everybody who coped with the changes.

Richard Bramley

### **Outlook Expeditions**

**Two dates for the diary:**

**Wednesday 20th November, 7pm**

Parent Information Meeting regarding the Borneo Expedition, Summer 2014.

**Tuesday 26th November, 4pm**

Debriefing evening for students who were involved with the Himalaya Expedition 2013, followed by a curry! David Gwillam

### **Opportunity Knocks Event**

**A Date for your diary!**

During the day on **20th November**, over 20 local employers and organisations will be in school with displays and to talk to students. Parents can attend in the evening from **5:00 - 7:00pm**.

More details will be provided in next week's newsletter. Lorraine Phippen

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

**Monday 11th November**  
**Year 11 Trial Exams continue all week**

**Tuesday 12th November**  
Years 9 and 11 Basketball, LLS

**Wednesday 13th November**  
Cross Country, Duncombe Park  
Years 12 and 13 Football, LLS 2pm

**Thursday 14th November**  
**Year 9 Consultation Evening 4:30pm**  
Year 10 Partnership Hockey, LLS 2pm  
Year 9 Basketball, Malton  
Year 11 Partnership Rugby  
A Level Drama Trip, '1984',  
West Yorkshire Playhouse