



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

I received a really nice phone call yesterday from a member of the public who just wanted to say how wonderful three of our students had been. The lady had fallen over on her way home and **Kadir Karabacak, Courtney Brown** and **Josh Mudd** had immediately rushed over to help her, picking her things up and making sure she was alright. It was really nice of the lady to phone the school and I am pleased to have this opportunity to praise the students publicly.

As you will see later in the newsletter we held one of our regular Parents' Forum meetings this week. The bulk of the meeting was about literacy within the school but there was also an opportunity to ask parents about how effectively we are marking their children's books. It was lovely to receive much more positive feedback about the quality (and quantity) of marking. Marking has been a real emphasis this term (and will continue to be from now on) and we are all aware of the positive impact that high-quality marking can have on students' learning. As a parent or carer I would really like you to keep an eye on your child's books as the marking will, on occasion, be setting further tasks for the students to do and you may be able to help with these. If you have any comments at all on the work you see in the books that come home please let me know. Richard Bramley

Christmas celebrations

Christmas is coming!

On Monday it is non-uniform day in aid of C.R.Y. (Cardiac Risk in the Young) in memory of former Deputy Head Boy, Mike Scott. A £1 contribution per family would be appreciated (not year 7).

Student Voice is very important to us and earlier this week a group of Year 8s asked if it would be possible for them to organise a party for their year group. They now have an organising committee and the party will take place during the lunch hour on Monday.

We also have our traditional Year 7 Christmas party which is organised by the sixth form. This is on Tuesday afternoon. A £1 contribution from all year 7 students please and they are allowed to come in non-uniform for the day. Lorraine Phippen



Poppy Slater and Katy Ventress, Year 8 party organisers

Parents' Forum

On Tuesday evening we held our Parents' Forum meeting in school. The agenda included a discussion about literacy across the curriculum. Michelle Harvey spoke to parents about whole-school developments in this area and the importance of literacy across all subject areas. We discussed the development of literacy mats in lessons and the introduction of the literacy toolkit, which all students now have to support them.

Thank-you to all parents who attended. **Our next meeting is on Tuesday 4th February.**
Brian Davis

Lady Lumley's sixth form keep marching on

The sixth form football team continued their unbeaten run with a 5-2 victory over Norton College. Victories against Whitby, Malton, Norton, Bootham school and Joseph Rowntree school in York, have made for the best start to a season ever for a Lady Lumley's sixth form team. The next match is the county cup quarter final against Thirsk, after the Christmas break. Special mention must go to **Oliver Varey** and **Corey Taylor** for representing the school so well at County level.

Richard Buckley

OFSTED Parent View

This is a way for Ofsted to gather views from parents and carers about the school. Most schools have very few contributions and it would be great if as many Lady Lumley's parents as possible could submit their views to this site.
Richard Bramley



Ofsted says: Parent View gives you the chance to tell us what you think about your child's school. Parent View asks for your opinion on 12 aspects of your child's school, from the quality of teaching, to dealing with bullying and poor behaviour. Ofsted will use the information you provide when making decisions about which schools to inspect, and when (*and they often mention it in the report on the school*). By sharing your views, you'll be helping your child's school to improve. You will also be able to see what other parents have said about your child's school (or any school in England).

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The questions asked:

1. My child is happy at this school
2. My child feels safe at this school
3. My child makes good progress at this school
4. My child is well looked after at this school
5. My child is taught well at this school
6. My child receives appropriate homework for their age
7. This school makes sure its pupils are well behaved
8. This school deals effectively with bullying
9. This school is well led and managed
10. This school responds well to any concerns I raise
11. I receive valuable information from the school about my child's progress
12. Would you recommend this school to another parent?

Christmas gifts for sale

I am fundraising for Borneo 2015. I will be selling Christmas tags with candy canes. I will deliver the gifts for your friends and family via your tutor group. These handmade gifts priced at 70p each are a cute thought for Christmas. They will be on sale from Monday 16th December until Thursday 19th December. I will be selling them at morning break and lunchtime in the link corridor. You can also try and win Rudolph the Reindeer by guessing his birthday for £1 per guess. I really appreciate your help and support for this once in a life time experience. Thank you.
Holly Hudson, 10FLA

RugbyforHeroes

I recently left Lady Lumley's School in July 2013 as a former year 11. I'm taking part in the Hadrian's wall walk on 16th August 2014 to raise money for RugbyforHeroes and I'd really appreciate your support. Donating to my JustGiving page is easy - just follow this link and click 'Donate':

<http://www.justgiving.com/owner-email/pleasesponsor/Amelia-Sargeant>.

JustGiving sends your donation straight to RugbyforHeroes so it's a quick and safe way to donate.

Thank you. Amelia Sargeant

IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 16th December
NON-UNIFORM DAY - C.R.Y.

Tuesday 17th December
Year 7 non-uniform day
Student Christmas Lunch
Year 7 Christmas Party (afternoon)
Years 8 & 11 Basketball, LLS

Wednesday 18th December
Travel & Tourism Trip, London (18th-19th)
Town Carol Service 6:30pm

Thursday 19th December
Year 13 Prizegiving Evening 7pm
(last year's Year 13)

Friday 20th December
Years 10-13 German Exchange trip students
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