



# Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends,

I think I said last week that we had come to the end of the questions raised by year 7 parents, but I was mistaken and there is one more. "Can I use the MyMaths website to help my son at school?". Yes. The website is [www.mymaths.co.uk](http://www.mymaths.co.uk). Each student has an individual log-in as well which enables their teachers to track the work they have done, but the general log-in allows you to access all the same material. If your daughter or son has forgotten their log-in details, their teachers can remind them. It's been a great term and we are all looking forward to the Easter break. For Years 11, 12 and 13 the next two weeks are a crucial time to really knuckle down to revision. There will be plenty of time (and better weather) to relax after the examinations, so please make the very best use of the fortnight ahead. School re-opens for students on Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April when it will also be time for students to wear summer uniform. Richard Bramley

## The 2Steves

The '2Steves' came to Lady Lumley's School to tell us about their books and their experiences as writers. They stood up in front of us and they were phenomenal. Everyone was laughing the minute they started talking. Steve Skidmore and Steve Barlow gave us the most hilarious mimic of children who they call stickies. It was an amazing experience to be taught about how they became writers and what "to write a story" really means. I would recommend reading their books because we heard parts of their books and they were great! Sam Gibbons 7STH

Last Friday, students from Years 8 and 9 had the privilege to meet two successful writers: Steve Skidmore and Steve Barlow. We were given a lesson on how to write the perfect story as they gave us all of their 20 years writing knowledge in just one hour. The '2Steves' told us that writing was all down to our imagination and that we could take it anywhere. They also told us to always know what your story ending is before the beginning. We would like to say a big thank you to them for coming in and sharing their experiences, which were often funny, comical and entertaining. We would also like to thank Mrs Harvey and Mrs Walton for arranging this great opportunity. Lauren Oglesby and Charlotte Graham



RwandaChild in partnership with Harrogate International Youth Music Festival are bringing a choir of 15 children from Rwanda to do a short fundraising tour of the UK.

**2014 UK CHOIR TOUR**

**at Lady Lumley's School  
Friday 25<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm**

Tickets are £5 and are available by

Telephone: 01751 477731 or Email: [cscaling20@ladylumleys.net](mailto:cscaling20@ladylumleys.net)



### **Lady Lumley's School Swimmers Victorious**

On Monday 24th March teams from within the Ryedale and Whitby area competed in the Ryedale and Whitby School Games Swimming Gala.

The gala involved over 70 swimmers competing in both individual and relay events, with Lady Lumley's students achieving some excellent results. The overall results saw the Year 7/8 team finish in 3rd position with the Year 9/10/11 students able to be named as partnership champions.

#### **Year 7/8 Results:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Ryedale School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Caedmon School
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Lady Lumley's School
- 4<sup>th</sup> – Eskdale School

#### **Year 9/10/11 Results:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> – Lady Lumley's School
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – Whitby College
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – Ryedale School

Well done to all the swimmers, officials and leaders for ensuring the success of this event.

#### **Lady Lumley's School Swimmers:**

**Year 7/8:** Joseph Grayson, Ben Atkinson, Jonathan Cook, Jacob Head, Emily Grayson, Ceri Body, Abigail Davis and Ellie Gibson

**Year 9/10/11:** Emma Clapton, Louise Scupham, Evie Wright, Jade Kendrew, Alex Lynn, Chris Cook, Tyler Gaines and Rory Hobkinson.

### **House Competition**

Students have been taking part in interhouse competitions in football, basketball, hockey, netball and badminton throughout the week. As yet the competitions have not been completed so a full report will be included in the newsletter after Easter.

### **British Duallyn Championships**

On Sunday 30th March, at the British Duallyn Championships which were held at Corby, **Bronwen Owen** became the Junior Champion and **Emma Clapton** was a close second in the Youth Championship event.

Bronwen was recently interviewed by BBC Radio York, which aired on Tuesday 28th January, after she won the Yorkshire Cross Country Championship in January this year. In the interview, Bronwen states her ambitions which include competing in this year's world championships at both triathlon and track. She has taken the first step towards the triathlon championships.

The following is taken from the British triathlon web site:

*"In the junior female race, it was the 2013 British Youth Champion, Bronwen Owen who crossed the line first, showing that her progression to junior racing this season hasn't fazed her in the slightest.*

*Bronwen commented: "I feel relieved and really good, especially after last year to follow it up with a win this year as well. I was more worried about the long bike today, with it being double the distance, which is quite a big step up but I didn't actually find it that bad." Bronwen won in 01:01.26, with Sophie Coldwell almost a minute back in 01:02.21. Third place went to Leah Peploe who finished in 01:02.54. "*

### **'A' Level Music Recital Evening**

The performance aspect of 'A' level Music constitutes 30% of the overall mark. It was, therefore, a hugely important evening for our students as they performed last night in front of a large audience at Helmsley Arts Centre. The students performed a variety of repertoire, and wrote programme notes which explained their choice of recital pieces. Lady Lumley's students were: **Katie Coppack** (Alto), **Bron Bury** (Guitar), **Isobel Zarb** (alto), **Sam Lowe** (Baritone) and **Mark Fortnum** (Alto Saxophone). Katie said afterwards "Considering the importance of the performance, I was incredibly nervous, but the supportive audience helped my confidence and by the end of the fifteen minutes I was actually enjoying it!" Sam added "It was a successful evening, with a great atmosphere. Everyone did really well!" Isobel commented "the evening went really well and the supportive audience really helped lift my performance". Teacher Andrew Moxon commented afterwards "they really did all do well and proved that they can cope with the pressure." Audience member and Year 13 Head Boy Tom Wrench summed it up: "It was an excellent and diverse evening of musical entertainment. The repertoire was of a professional standard and the empathy conveyed through their performances ensured that it was a really enjoyable evening."

### **Year 11 GCSE Drama Performance**

On Thursday morning at 9.00am, bright and early, the year 11 GCSE drama students performed their final exam pieces. They have worked extremely hard, and put a lot of effort into their performances. The rehearsals took three months, and this was evident through their quality of their pieces

The drama students were split up into two groups, the first to perform was "Equus". The style was very physical and non-naturalistic. In order to achieve this, they used a range of drama mediums, and elements, for example; the use of choral speaking made the audience engage with the key themes of the piece. The other performance was called "Do we ever see grace?" contrasting to "Equus". They used elements of humour and it was in a narrative style. Two very different, but also very enjoyable, performances.

As year 10 GCSE drama students we are looking forward to performing our final pieces: the year 11's have set an excellent example.

### **Lady Lumley's School Succeed at the North Yorkshire School Games**

Lady Lumley's School students took part in the very first North Yorkshire School Games Winter Games Event on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> March, hosted by the University of York. The event involved 325 students from across North Yorkshire, with the Lady Lumley's teams representing the Ryedale and Whitby area in handball, sitting volleyball and girls' rugby union competitions.

Twelve students also enhanced their leadership skills by volunteering to help out as officials, coaches and leaders for the sitting volleyball event. During this event the leaders were able to develop their skills in working with disability students and gain an understanding into how inclusive sport operates.

The sitting volleyball event was aimed at participants with physical and mobility impairments and this was the first time that the event had been run in North Yorkshire. In this event the Lady Lumley's team brought home the gold by overcoming the challenge of Applefields from York.

The year 7/8 girls' rugby event took place for the second year running with Lady Lumley's competing against another eight schools in a series of matches. The girls worked hard to develop and improve their performances throughout the day, resulting in the magnificent achievement of gaining the silver medal behind the eventual winners, Archbishop Holgate.

Lady Lumley's had four teams competing in the inaugural handball competition, with the opportunity for progression to the Yorkshire and Humber final if they were successful. Each of the teams achieved a podium place as they finished the day in the following positions: U13 girls (Gold medal); U13 boys (Gold medal); U15 girls (Silver medal) and the U15 boys (Bronze medal).

Well done to all of the Lady Lumley's students for working so hard as either leaders or performers on the day. There will be further opportunities for both primary and secondary students at the Summer School Games which will take place on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> June at Queen Margaret's School, Epsom.

**Sitting volleyball** – Chloe Pask; Morgan Gardner; Corey Murray; Jake Smith; Jonathan Pickering; Harry Hitlon-Gargett; and Charlie Ridgewell

**Rugby** – Ella Shaw; Chloe Gallacher; Sophie Gorman; Emily Grayson; Christy Thompson; Katie Thompson; Ella Lazenby; Chloe Howarth and Emily Calcraft

**U13 girls' handball** – Victoria Maude; Mary Middleton; Emma Pickering; Katy Ventress; Enola Wenham; Libbie Williams; April Wardell and Lily Crabtree-Craft

**U13 boys' handball** – Laurence Blades; Zach Corcoran; Joe Harland; Jacob Head; Luke Hornby; Greg Howard; Josh Penny; Sam Penny; Dan Tomlinson and Harrison Wood

**U15 girls' handball** – Molly Abbott; Millie Barnes; Isobel Haythorne; Chloe Stockdale; Olivia Webster; Joanne Thompson; Hollie Stephenson; Olivia Sellars and Jade Hellman

**U15 boys' handball** – Jordan Allanby; Archie Barnes; Kieran Boyes; Solomon Craft; Joe Dunnett; Tyler Hodgson; Harry Jowett-Spring; Nathan Price; Ryan Taylor and Brad Thompson

**Sports Leaders** – Thomas Cleary; Kieran Edmond; Macaulay Gibson; Ruby Bradley; Imogen Rose; Chloe Tarry; Evie Wright; Toby Gonella; Josh Peel; Sam Batty and Megan Green.

### **Parents Forum**

We met on Tuesday evening to hear more about the use of technology in the classroom. Matthew Smith showed us the tablet computers the school has purchased and explained how we have been investigating how to best use these to improve learning. The tablets have been on trial in Modern Languages and Matthew is compiling a report on the findings with suggestions for the way forward. Thank you to all parents who attended. The next meeting of the Parents Forum will be the **20<sup>th</sup> of May at 6:30 p.m.** and all parents and carers are welcome to attend. Brian Davis.

### 3 Peaks of Yorkshire sponsored walk

Tomorrow (Saturday 5th April) when most people will be fast asleep, a group of 25 students and staff will be leaving school at 3am to take part in the gruelling 3 Peaks of Yorkshire Challenge. The walk is being organised by the school's outdoor education department and the purpose is to raise much needed funds for the Meningitis Now charity. During the day students and staff must walk 26 miles and cover Yorkshire's 3 highest peaks, Pen-y-ghent, Wharfedale and Ingelbrough. We will report back after the Easter break. Thanks in advance to the staff who are giving up their time and making this fantastic opportunity possible. Dave Mann.

### Take Over Festival

Are you interested in drama? Creative and Media students working with Crackpot Theatre are taking over the Kirk Theatre on **Tuesday April 15<sup>th</sup>** for a fun day of drama activities. If you are aged 10+ join us from 10am-3pm. Bring a packed lunch. Suitable for anyone interested in putting on plays, stage lighting, sound and make-up. For more information or to book your place please email [crackpottheatre@gmail.com](mailto:crackpottheatre@gmail.com) or ring 01751 433380 for more information.

### Events and Activities at Dalby Forest for Easter and beyond

#### Tour de Forest Family Ride (easy)

Sat 5th April 10.00am - 12.30pm

A 2.5hr ride for those with limited off road experience with a few hills but lots of fun! One Saturday per month with extra dates added in school holidays.

£12.00 per person, £30 family of 4 - BOOKING ESSENTIAL - Call 01751 460537  
[www.dalbybikebarn.co.uk](http://www.dalbybikebarn.co.uk)

#### Tour de Forest Family Ride (intermediate)

Sat 5th April 13.30pm - 16.00pm

A 2.5hr ride for those with limited off road experience with a few hills but lots of fun! One Saturday per month with extra dates added in school holidays.

£12.00 per person, £30 family of 4 - BOOKING ESSENTIAL - Call 01751 460537  
[www.dalbybikebarn.co.uk](http://www.dalbybikebarn.co.uk)

#### Ellerburn Trail Open Day

Dalby Courtyard

Sunday 13th April 1.00-4.00pm

Be among the first to trial the new Ellerburn trail. Adapted bike tours, children's activities and the gruffalo trail.

For more info contact 01751 472771 or visit [www.forestry.gov.uk/dalbyforest](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/dalbyforest)

#### Youth Skills School

Sat 5th April 10.00am - 12.30pm

Don't learn by trial and error. Quickly build control and confidence from first timers to tackling the big stuff!

School holidays and one weekend per month.  
£29.00 per person - BOOKING ESSENTIAL - Call 01751 460537 [www.dalbybikebarn.co.uk](http://www.dalbybikebarn.co.uk)

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### Year 9 Options

We are in the process of looking at all the student option requests. Students who have chosen Hair & Beauty and Vehicle Technology courses will be interviewed after Easter. Once these places on these courses are confirmed, we will be able to complete the process and let students know their options. Lorraine Phippen

### Police Warning

**Please be aware that it has been reported that a man in a car has offered sweets to a child in Pickering. Please be vigilant.**

### Lost Property

Could students please check for lost property outside the school hall. There is a number of unnamed items of uniform and aprons.

### IMPORTANT DATES

**Tuesday 22nd April  
Training Day**

**Wednesday 23rd April  
Return to School**

Yr 11 German Fasttrack Day  
Yr 9 School Games Makers Conference , Queen Margaret's  
Yr 9 Maths Optional Test (L1)

**Thursday 24th April**

GCSE Art Practical (pm)  
Yr 9 English Optional Test (L1)  
Yr 11 English IGCSE & English Lit. Trial Exams (pm)  
Yr 11 Partnership Rounders, Ryedale

**Friday 25th April**

Yr 11 Physics Trial Exam (L1)  
Yr 9 Maths Optional test (L2)  
Yr 9 Science Optional Test (pm)  
A2 Level Art & Photography Practical Exam (pm)  
Rwanda Children's Choir Concert for Yrs 7/8 2pm  
Rwanda Children's Choir Concert 7pm