



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Today is the official leaving day for Year 13 and we will bid farewell to them as a year group in the final assembly this afternoon. This is a particularly special year group to me as I started at Lady Lumley's as Headteacher at the same time as many of the current Year 13 students started in Year 7. This year group has also been enhanced by students joining the sixth form from other schools and they have been a real asset to the school over the last two years.

Everyone in the school will miss the Year 13 students and we wish them every success in the forthcoming examinations and in the years beyond.

Richard Bramley

Learning about Passover

Last week we had a very different R.E. lesson learning about the Jewish festival of Passover. We took part in a Seder meal – all the things on the table were symbolic and represented things in Jewish history.

Matzah bread symbolises how the Jews rushed away from slavery in Egypt in case the Pharaoh changed his mind and their bread didn't have time to rise. Bitter herbs are dipped in salt water to represent tears and sweat of the slaves. We even had lamb bones from the local butcher which symbolised the sacrifice of lambs the blood of which was put on their doors to stop the Angel of Death killing their firstborn sons!

The Seder meal is a really important festival for Jews and reminds them of how God freed them from slavery and kept them safe.

Year 7s now have an opportunity to enter the Seder plate decorating competition – paper plates can be collected from either Mrs Bell or Mrs Bartlett. Deadline for entries is 13th June. Abby McGrath and Bethany Marsden 7KDA



**FOOD
REVOLUTION
★ DAY ★**

At 2 o'clock on Friday 16th May, the Year 10 COPE group took part in a worldwide Guinness world record attempt by Chef Jamie Oliver, as part of Food Revolution Day, to hold the biggest cooking lesson ever. The group, along with 9 million other students in 92 countries around the world, made 'Rainbow Wraps' after watching a demonstration by the chef on a live video feed.

The wraps were really easy and fun to make and tasted great too. Mr Bramley, as well as other staff and students from the school, came in to see us as we made them and even stayed to taste them at the end.

Food Revolution Day is an annual event organised by the Jamie Oliver Food Foundation to promote healthy eating and cooking skills in children and young people around the world.



Athletic success for two Lady Lumley's students

Two weeks ago **Emma Clapton** ran her first ever 10 kilometre road race at Kirkbymoorside, and finished as the first woman in a time that was and still is, over two minutes faster than any Under 17 woman in the UK this year. Less than 24 hours later, Emma finished first in an English Junior Fell Championship series race. The next day, she competed in a top class track meeting in Manchester at 3,000 metres, and she ran the fastest time this year by an Under-17 Yorkshire County athlete. Notwithstanding these three disciplines, Emma is hoping to be selected for Great Britain Juniors at triathlon later this year.

At the same meeting in Manchester, **Bronwen Owen** ran the fastest 3000 metre time by a UK Under 20 woman this year. She was immediately selected to represent Great Britain Juniors at last weekend's Loughborough International match, (home countries, GB juniors and Loughborough students) and was 3rd match scorer. She has now been selected to represent Great Britain at the World Junior Dualathlon Championships which will be held in Spain next weekend. Her other targets for 2014 include the World Junior Triathlon Championships, and the World Youth Games in the USA.

Good luck to Alex Lynn who will be competing at the English School's Swimming Championships at the weekend.

County Cup cricket success

The Year 8 team carried on the school's 100% winning streak with victory over Driffield school. After a shaky start, **Jack Murray** (35) and **Tom Fletcher-Varey**(27) steadied the ship and guided Lumley's home to 115. Superb bowling by **Harrison Wood** 3 for 7 and **Joe Harris** 4 for 2, restricted Driffield to 58 all out.

Mackenzie's Sponsored Hair Cut

MacKenzie Jordan is cutting her hair to make a wig for the 'Little Princess Trust' because she feels "every girl should feel like a princess". The Little Princess Trust provides real-hair wigs, free of charge, to boys and girls that have lost their own hair through cancer treatment and other illnesses. Please support MacKenzie by donating through JustGiving at www.justgiving.com/MacKenzie-Jordan1.

Helmsley Writing Weekend

Friday 6th June to Sunday 8th June

Ryedale born and bred Sir Herbert Read and his son Piers Paul Read are featuring at Helmsley Arts Centre Writing weekend from 6th to 8th June. Piers Read's talk on his own novels is free on Saturday 7th June at 2 p.m. Herbert Read features in a new film 'To Hell with Culture' on Saturday 7th June at 3 p.m.(Ryedale Premier). Tickets £6 Concs £5.50 U18s £4.50.

Both are booked via Helmsley Arts Centre at 01439 771639. Please see website for further events over the weekend at www.helmsleyarts.co.uk.

New clubs/coaching opportunities for children/teens at the Northern Ryedale Leisure Centre

The activities are: Junior Boxercise for ages 12-17, on a Saturday 10.30-11.15am; Tennis coaching for ages 11+, on a Saturday, 9.30-10.30am; and Badminton coaching for ages 11-16, on a Sunday, 4-5pm.

Please contact the Leisure Centre on 01751 476726 for further information.

Parents' Forum

Brian Davis and I met with parents on Tuesday night in the Parents' Forum. We discussed possibilities around how the school will assess students following the Government's pronouncement of the 'death' of levels at Key Stage 3. Parents and carers will be used to the progress of their children being reported home as 5b, 4a, 6c or similar. There is now no requirement to use this system (and, in hindsight, probably never was such a requirement) and each school can devise its own method of monitoring and reporting. It was really useful to talk to parents about what information they wanted to hear about their children as this is a key factor in designing any system. There will be a lot more to talk about on the topic of 'life after levels' in the coming months.
Richard Bramley

IMPORTANT DATES

Exams all week

Monday 2nd June

Return to School

Tuesday 3rd June

Yr 10 District Rounders, Malton

Wednesday 4th June

KS3 Drama Trip, 'War Horse', Bradford
Yr 8 Cricket (all day)

Thursday 5th June

Yr 10 Mock Interviews
Yr 9 District Rounders, Scalby