



# Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Even briefer this week as there has been a lot going on. Also I am editor-in-chief for this issue so please forgive any typographical errors. Richard Bramley

## The New Senior Student Team

On Monday, twelve brave Year 12 students put themselves through the potentially terrifying experience of speaking to their sixth form peers in the hustings for the posts of head boy and girl and deputy head boy and girl. The speeches given were the usual high quality affairs, with a smattering of jokes (some excellent, some quite bad) and each unique. Following the speeches, students were asked to give one vote each to the people they wanted for the post of head boy and the head girl. On Wednesday, the selection process continued and each candidate was interviewed by a panel of three staff, a school governor and one of the existing senior student team. Deciding amongst the students was very difficult, as there were some very impressive contenders for the most senior student posts in the school. After much deliberation, the panel decided to take the unusual step of creating two deputy head posts for each gender to work alongside the head boy and head girl. Congratulations to all the students who did so well in the hustings and the interviews, and especial congratulations to Lady Lumley's new senior student team. Front row Head Boy: **Dan Peace**. Head Girl: **Beth Rose**: Back row from left to right Deputy head boys: **Oliver Fearn** and **Toby Mennell**. Deputy head girls: **Rosie Collier** and **Evie Sellars**. I look forward to working with them over the next year.

Richard Bramley

## The 'Old' Senior Student Team

I really want to express my thanks to the senior student team of 2014-15. **Jessica Voicu** (head girl), **Anthony Jones** (head boy), **Verity Humphries** (deputy head girl) and **Duncan Allen** (deputy head boy) have worked really well as a team and successfully taken on all the challenges presented to them. They have been a pleasure to work with this year and I will miss our weekly meetings.

Richard Bramley



The view from our library this morning

## Parents' Forum

Brian Davis and Richard Bramley met with parents at the meeting on Tuesday evening. A wide range of topics were discussed, including school uniform (no major changes intended), literacy and numeracy across the curriculum and how differentiation in home learning is being delivered. We also discussed the Assessment Policy with a particular focus on how Progress Reports are generated.

## Governor News

Governors met on Thursday evening this week in the first of a new format of meetings. Governors will now meet as the full governing body each meeting, but with a focus on particular areas. Thursday's meeting had an emphasis on the school's resources, particularly money, staff and buildings. Governors discussed the school's budget and how the school compares in its spending to other schools. This benchmarking exercise indicated no significant areas where we differ from the norm, meaning we are probably getting the spending about right. Governors also ratified two updated policies, the school's Behaviour and Assessment policies. The assessment policy has been tweaked in the light of 'life after level's and the expectations underpinning behaviour policy have been made more clear. The new policies will be on the school website by Monday and discussed more fully with staff and students in the new term.



## SUCCESS IN TECHNOLOGY

Lady Lumley's students took part in the tenth York Rotary Club National technology tournament at the Railway Museum on Tuesday.

The team of sixth formers **Duncan Allen, Bryn Davies, George Dunning and Christian Nicholson** won the senior section of the challenge. The competition attracted 32 other teams from 11 schools. The teams of four students had to design and build a solution to range of problems.

*(photograph from The Press website).*



## YOUNG FOOTBALLERS

Pickering Town Junior Football Club are looking for current Year 7 boys to join their squad for next season.

If you are interested please contact Keith Johnson on 07960

**CHARTER STANDARD COMMUNITY CLUB**

## ONE THAT GOT AWAY

We celebrated the success of young riders last week at Friar Hill Stables. In the winter dressage series **Nell Murray** won the Junior Intro Championships and we missed Nell's picture on her horse Lulu. Sorry Nell.

**Word of the Week - asymmetrical**

## Monday 23 March

Non uniform  
**wear something yellow**  
in memory of  
Judith Prickett



## IMPORTANT DATES

### Monday 23 March

Non uniform - Marie Curie  
Year 10/11 Exams all week  
GCSE Art Exam  
Y10 Cricket Trials, Malton

### Tuesday 24 March

House Matches  
French Exchange Trip Meeting LA4 6.30 p.m

### Wednesday 25 March

U14,U16,U19 Inter Area Cluster Netball Tournament,  
E. Yorks rugby Finals, Driffild  
N. Yorks. Music Centre concert

### Thursday 26 March

House Matches  
A level physics day  
Year 12 Biological science day, Leeds Uni.  
Y10/11/12/13 Football, CCW  
Netball finals knockout cup

### Friday 27 March

House Matches  
School Closes for Easter Break

## Coming Up...

13th April - Staff Training Day

**14th April - Students return to school**

20th April - Y9 trial exams start

**See web site for full school and at a glance calendars**