



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

On Wednesday evening we held the annual Year 10 information evening where we had an excellent turn-out of parents, carers and Year 10 students. During the hour-long event there was my presentation on target setting, Lorraine Phippen spoke about expectations and the support we offer students and Claire Wilson and Emma Thomas from NYBEP outlined what needs to happen as Year 10 students prepare for Work Experience in July. I finished the evening with a short trailer about life after GCSEs, what is on offer at Lady Lumley's in the sixth form and a reminder to the students to make as informed a choice as possible about their choices post-16.

Everybody also received an information booklet about the courses students are following in Years 10 and 11 and some very important pieces of paper from NYBEP about work experience. We also gave out a booklet we had bought for all families with children in Year 10 called "GCSEs What can a parent do?". This is a commercial booklet that we tested with a sample of parents and we decided that the advice and information in there was so good that all parents with children in the GCSE years should have a copy. We will be giving these booklets to Year 11 parents at the forthcoming consultation evening on October 22nd.

The booklet is subtitled "101 tips to ensure success" and covers topics such as "the most common frustrations of parents", "how can I make a difference?", "working in partnership with the school", "coping with homework, coursework and controlled assessments" and "revision". I think you will have heard much of this before, but the booklet contains a wealth of advice in one place and is an easy reference resource. I would just like to share some of the advice on revision from the booklet, as this applies to students of all ages throughout the school:

Start revision early – (research shows that the most effective revision is that which is done over the long-term – so start NOW)

Don't be influenced by friends who talk about how little work they are doing – your results don't matter to them but they will be crucial to you.

The key to effective revision: useful revision means **DOING SOMETHING** with the information you are trying to learn and remember. This is **ESSENTIAL** to allow your brain to learn, make connections and remember (more on this next week).

Richard Bramley

European Day of Languages

On Wednesday, 9 students were taken to York St. John's University for a special trip to honour European Languages Week. We had a selection of activities including learning Norwegian, Chinese, Cambodian, Russian and Arabic. We had a taster selection of each language as well as being able to meet new people and meet people who speak the language proficiently. We were able to have our names written in Arabic, learn how to write basic words in Chinese and introduce ourselves in both Cambodian and Norwegian! We had a great time and would like to thank Miss Mark, Miss Wilson and Mr Heeley for taking us.
(Ellen and Ines Jeffreys)



The European Day of languages is on September 26th every year. The aim is to celebrate the importance of recognising language diversity not only in Europe but also the wider world. We have been celebrating the European Day of languages in school too. We had MFL assemblies for the whole school celebrating language diversity and the importance of language learning. Last week in the department we offered a number of lunchtime activities in MFL, including learning some basic Japanese and a chopstick challenge competition, some beginners Italian, orienteering in German, handball in French and Eiffel tower building out of spaghetti and marshmallows - (apologies to the cleaners for any aftermath!) We look forward to offering more opportunities during the school year to learn more about a wider range of languages spoken around Europe and the wider world.

(Miss Wilson and Miss Mark - MFL)

Equestrian team success

On Sunday 27th September, nine girls travelled to Bishop Burton Equestrian Centre to take part in the National Schools Equestrian Association Show Jumping qualifier. The girls competed in the Arena Event section, "Jumping with Style", which is a mix of show jumping and cross country. The top two teams and top two individual riders from each section automatically qualified for the October Championships, being held at Addington Manor Equestrian Centre, Oxford. Lady Lumley's had three teams jumping at heights of 70, 80 and 90 cm, and a couple of the girls entering as individual competitors.

Representing the 70cm team was **Sophia Edgar, Emily Hamilton, Sophie Lunn, Charlie Parker and Holly Shepherdson**. Emily was placed 8th as an individual, and Sophie with her 2nd place as an individual qualified for the championships. **Hester Hardy** also entered this height as an individual rider and gained 6th place. The 70cm team narrowly missed out on qualifying. All girls and ponies rode brilliantly and did extremely well.

The 80cm team was represented by **Millie Newton, Molly Vance, Hester Hardy and Lauren McNichol**. With three clear rounds and just four faults, they took 2nd place and also qualified for the championships.

It was a tough round for the 90 cm team, **Holly Shepherdson, Millie Newton, Lauren McNichol and Molly Vance**. They all jumped brilliantly at this height, but with a few poles down, they didn't manage to qualify, but gained 6th place overall.

With over 50 competitors and 10 schools in each section, the girls did brilliantly in their first team event together. The girls who qualified are now hoping to travel to Oxford to take part in the championships, and we wish them all the best of luck. Everyone really enjoyed themselves during the day. The girls learnt a lot and were a credit to the school. The teams would like to thank everyone for their support. Report by Millie Newton (Year 11)

Pearl of Africa Children's Choir

The Pearl of Africa Children's Choir is visiting Lady Lumley's school on Monday 12th



October. The choir is from Uganda and will be performing to Lady Lumley's students and some of our feeder primaries during the day. The Ugandan school has a fantastic reputation for music and dance and they are going to work with our own students to provide workshops including singing, dance and drumming.

The choir is on tour for three months in the U.K. raising funds for six schools and homes in Uganda. The school is part of a non-government organisation which provides education, food, shelter and healthcare to orphaned and destitute children in the Kampala and Masaka districts.

There will be a chance to buy craft items made by the African children to raise money and these will be priced at 50p an item. Please bring some cash on the day to help raise funds for them! On the following Monday (19th October) there will also be a non-uniform day, the proceeds from which will go towards their fund raising.

The aim of their tour is to:-

To improve the health, education and welfare of people suffering through disease, war and poverty in Uganda.

Their objectives are to:-

- advance the education of families
- provide resources for schools
- support children through their education
- provide resources and education to improve health, nutrition and care
- promote and encourage sustainable projects.

There will be a **concert by the Pearl of Africa choir** in the evening at **Lady Lumley's School on Monday 12th October** starting at **6.30 pm**. This is a free concert. Tickets can be reserved at reception. There will be a chance to give a donation and buy craft items to help the students raise money. The more money they raise, the more children can be helped and given an education.

Word of the Week - Personification

When you give the qualities of a human to something that is not a person.

"The stars danced playfully in the moonlit sky."

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 5th October

Travel & Tourism Trip, The Deep

Tuesday 6th October

Y9/10/11 Rugby 10s, Scarborough RFU 10 am-3 pm

U14 District Netball, Scalby 3pm

Wednesday 7th October

U18 County Hockey, Harrogate

Y10 Hockey Cup, LLS

Y6 Open Evening 6:30-9 pm

Thursday 8th October

Y11 District Netball, Malton 1:30 pm

Y10/11/12/13 Football, CCW

Y7 Rugby, Malton & Norton RUFC

Friday 9th October

Y13 History Academic Skills Conference, York University

Y9-11 French Exchange, Bordeaux (9th to 16th)

•Forthcoming Event...

12th October - Ugandan Choir workshops & performance

14th October - House Cross Country

14th October - Y7 Meet the Tutor Evening

14th October - Y12 Information Evening

19th October - NON-UNIFORM DAY

19th October - Y9 Theatre in Education workshops

20th October - Parent Forum 6:30 pm

21st October - Y12 Drive Alive

22nd October - Learning Support Open Afternoon

22nd October - Y11 Consultation Evening 4:30 pm

23rd October - KS3 Ghost Walk && Creative Writing

Workshop, Rosedale

23rd October - School Closes for Half Term

2nd November - School Opens

2nd to 6th November - Y11 TRIAL EXAMS