



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

Many thanks to everyone who supported Monday's non-uniform day in memory of Mike Scott, former Head Boy and well done to the Senior Sixth Form team for organising the Year 7 Christmas Party, with both events raising over £550 for aid of the Cardiac Risk in the Young charity. The sixth form students put on a fabulous spread of Christmas treats and activities on Thursday lunchtime, raising £181 for the Teenage Cancer Trust. Congratulations to James Ambrose for successfully naming the polar bear "Snowflake".



Those of you who were lucky enough to be in school on Thursday or Friday night will know how good Romeo and Juliet was, and I recommend clearing a night in your diaries for the summer when there will be another major production. This week we had the prize giving ceremony for last year's Year 13, another lovely occasion where it was great to see the ex-students who have moved on and are making their way in the world. I think all of us are looking forward to the Christmas break and also looking forward to a busy and exciting 2016. On behalf of all the students, staff and governors at Lady Lumley's, I wish everyone a peaceful Christmas and a fabulous new year. Richard Bramley



Year 9 Science Trip to York National Science Learning Centre

On 15th December Year 9 students visited the National Science Learning Centre (NSLC) to learn all about Tim Peake's mission to the international space station. We took in numerous activities including making UV bracelets and coding our own pictures with python on raspberry pi. After the activities we were told about how your body changes in space

and how weightlessness was achieved. Overall it was a brilliant experience and a big thanks to the NSLC and all teachers involved. Good luck to Tim Peake! By Ellie Gibson and Jodie Metcalf



Staying Alive

Congratulations to **Sam Thomas-Smith, Charlotte Vallis, Georgia Jennings, Victoria Woodhead, Mary Hebron, Olivia Doughty, Jonathan Boyd and Charlie Gascoyne** for successfully completing their ITC Level 2 Award in Emergency First Aid at Work this week. The students took part in a 6 hour qualification over 2 days and covered the essential skills of first aid, including dealing with an unconscious casualty, shock, CPR, bleeding and much more.

The students have completed this qualification as part of their Duke of Edinburgh's Award training - as in 2016 they will be completing a challenging 4 day canoe expedition, which requires the students to be extremely self-sufficient. I was really impressed with the quality of the candidates and their performance throughout the course and am sure that the skills they have learned will be a great asset to the school and the wider community. Mr Mann, Head of Outdoor Education.



House Swimming Gala

The Annual House Swimming Gala was held on Friday 11th December with 105 students participating across the age ranges and races. The event was made more inclusive this year through the introduction of 3 new races: the float relay, cannon relay and butterfly relay. The atmosphere during the event and especially the float relay showed the encouraging nature of the LLS students. New records were set for the new events whilst **Owen Hobkinson and Emily Grayson** broke records in the Junior Boys breaststroke and Inter Girls freestyle races. Further records were broken by Highfield's Senior girls in the freestyle and medley relays. The event saw a very close battle for 3rd and 4th and again for 1st and 2nd place. The final results were as follows:

1st = Highfield 135 pts; 2nd = Acland 123 pts; 3rd = Hainsworth 94 pts; 4th = Feversham 93 pts

A huge thank you to house captains for sorting out their teams and well done to all students who competed in the gala and earned points for their house!!

The next house sporting events will be Inter House Netball/Hockey and Football/Basketball on the week commencing 14th March 2016.



Christmas Quiz Winner

The winner of the Year 10 COPE group's Christmas Quiz was decided this week after the group collected in all of the completed entries and marked them.

The Quiz, which raised money for Cancer Research was won by **Charlotte Simpson 7KWE**. Well done and thank you to everyone who bought a quiz and took the time to take part.



Governors

Brief summary of the meeting on Tuesday 8th December. Reviewed the first term with the new roles amongst the senior leadership team, the expanding role of the advanced teaching support team and looked at the action plans from departments. Also discussed how to make the students more aware of the role of the governing body and the recent governor input to the Parents' Forum. Richard Bramley.

December 2015 ParentPay Update

Microsoft have recently announced that as of 12 January 2016 they will no longer support older versions of Internet Explorer and security updates will no longer be applied. To ensure parents are protected whilst using ParentPay, from 11 January 2016 any users attempting to access ParentPay through older browsers with known security flaws will no longer be able to login to ParentPay - unless they upgrade to a supported browser.

A small proportion of parents currently use a browser that will no longer be supported, so for peace of mind ParentPay do advise that you check that the browser you use to access ParentPay is a supported one.

A message has been placed on the parents home page outlining which browsers can be used with ParentPay: <https://www.parentpay.com/Improvements-coming-soon/>

Moorland Meet-Up Group - Volunteers Required

Could you spare a couple of hours on a Friday afternoon to support people at the Moorland Meet-up Group in Kirkbymoorside Library? Opening in February 2016, the group will offer activities and a meeting place for people who are lonely and isolated within the Ryedale Area. Presently there are many people living alone who would welcome the opportunity to join an informal group to chat and make friends.

Please contact Gill on 01609 533921 or Bernie on 01723 500958 for further details. Why not come along to our OPEN DAY on the 22nd January from 11am to 2pm at Kirkbymoorside Library to meet the team and share your ideas. Thank you.

Sign up now with Adult Learning!

Make your New Year's Resolution early. Learn something new for the New Year. For all our courses look in the RYEDALE Handy Mag (Jan 16) and online at: www.northyorks.gov.uk/adultlearning

School Sports Organising Committee

Well done to all students who submitted letters of interest for the title of Sports Ambassador. The quality of the applications and standard of letters was exceptional which made the decision making a difficult process. However, after some lengthy deliberations, congratulations go to the following candidates who were successful in their applications:

Charlotte Beal, Rhianna Wood, Caitlin Wilson, Jack Tomlinson, Emma Downing, Jessica Appleby, Lucy Harrison, Marcus Allen, Emily Grayson, Katie Thompson, Imogen Rose, Evie Wright and Chloe Tarry.

These students will begin their role as a Sports Ambassador in January. Please note if you were not successful this time the committee will be reopening applications again in July for the next academic year!

Word of the Week - Frabjous. This was a word invented by Lewis Carroll in Through the Looking Glass (the companion to Alice in Wonderland). It was in the poem Jabberwocky which was full of new words coined by Mr Carroll. It is a contraction of fabulous and joyous and means both of those things (and more!). Perhaps you could invent a new word to use over the Christmas holidays and one day it may be in a dictionary and used all over the English speaking world.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 4th January

Staff Training Day

Tuesday 5th January

Students return to school
Y12 Trial Exams start

Wednesday 6th January

Y12 Drama Visiting Production/Workshop
Y10 7-a-side Football, Malton

Y7 Learning Evening - Postponed to later date

Thursday 7th January

Y9 Partnership Basketball, LLS
Battlefields Meeting, Common Room 6pm
Spanish Exchange Meeting, Cafe Area 6:30pm

Friday 8th January

Y11 External Exam

Forthcoming Events...

11th January - Y13 Trial Exams start
14th January - Y6 Roadshow Evening, PCJS
15th January - Y7/8 PSHCCE Event, L3
21st January - Y8 Consultation Evening
21st January - Y6 Roadshow Evening, Rosedale
22nd January - Y10-12 Spanish Exchange Trip depart
27th January - Y12 Biology Science Live, Birmingham
28th January - Y6 Roadshow Evening, St. Joseph's