



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

The staff and students who went on the ski trip to Austria returned late on Monday night/ early on Tuesday morning after a very successful trip, albeit with a protracted return journey. Teachers and students I have spoken to said they had a fabulous time and I was also told that staff at the resort and hotels were incredibly complementary about our students. I would just like to mention one of the students who had missed my Chemistry lesson during the ski trip. Despite not getting back until the early hours of Tuesday, she had downloaded the work for the lesson from Fronter and completed it before I saw her in Wednesday's lesson. I thought this was a good use of new technologies and deserved a mention as an impressive example of get-up-and-go.

On Tuesday we held the Year 10 consultation evening. There was a very good turn-out of parents, carers and students and there was a really positive atmosphere in the hall. Year 10 are mainly following new GCSE courses which have definitely ramped up the content compared to previous courses (Year 11 are already doing these new courses in maths and English). While these courses are quite challenging, the more reassuring news is that they are equally challenging to every Year 10 and 11 student in the country. Whilst eventual outcomes are largely determined by how much effort students put in, at Lady Lumley's school the students are supported by excellent staff and high quality teaching so that their effort can reap a just reward.

Next week we begin the year 6 to 7 roadshows as part of the transition process for the upcoming Year 7 students for September 2017. I am looking forward to taking the transition team to Pickering Juniors on Thursday 19th January at 7 p.m. to meet parents, carers and Year 6 pupils.

Today (Friday) but too late for the Newsletter, we will welcome Archbishop John Sentamu for his second visit to Lady Lumley's School – more on this next week. Richard Bramley

Ski Trip 2017 – Wagrain

On New Year's Day, 31 students and 4 staff departed for the annual school ski trip, with Wagrain, Austria the destination on this occasion.

After arriving at midnight all the group woke up the following morning in anticipation for what the slopes looked like. Sadly the first day we were told 80% of the snow was artificial but we were promised that snow was on the way. The forecast proved correct and for the remainder of the trip the students were able to develop their knowledge of skiing by having the most perfect experience of Alpine skiing imaginable. Over the course of the week well over a metre of fresh powder dumped down on us, making conditions challenging but perfect.

Evening activities included swimming in an outdoor thermal pool with snow falling, use of the indoor sportshall, quiz night based on Mr Walton's eclectic music taste, bus trip into the town centre, and concluding with a pizza night at a local pizzeria.

Our students were commended by both the ski instructors ("one of the best and most positive groups we've had") and hotel staff ("the cleanest UK group to use the hotel").

Being away from home during holidays is tough for staff but the positive nature of the group made it an extremely rewarding, pleasurable and enjoyable week for Mr Walton, Mr Park, Miss Hammond and Miss Buffoni.



Volunteer Award

On Saturday night, **Chloe Steele** was awarded for volunteering at the Ryedale Swimming Club at an award ceremony at the Recreation Club.

Chloe has had swimming lessons with the club for many years and now volunteers during the younger classes. Well done Chloe!



Duke of Edinburgh's Gold Award

I am really delighted to have received confirmation that **Meg Abbott, Amy Bradley, Kirsty Brown** and **Holly Dunnnett** have passed their Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award. The students worked towards the Award during their time with us at Lady Lumley's 6th form. After so much commitment and dedication, the four are now waiting for their award ceremony at St James's Palace. Well done! Dave Mann

Host / exchange family wanted for French student

One of our colleagues in our partner school in Bordeaux has a friend in Briec-Comte-Robert, near Paris, who would like their daughter Johanna to spend a week in England with a host family during the Easter holidays (their holidays are between 1-18 April.) They would be very happy for this to be an exchange so they would also like to host at some other point. Johanna is 17 and loves music. Please contact Miss Wilson for further details if you are able to help.

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School Hall Chairs

The plastic chairs in the school hall are being replaced over the next couple of weeks. Therefore, approximately 400 chairs are going free to a good home.



If you would like any chairs, know of any friends, colleagues, community groups, clubs that would be interested in receiving some, please contact Sallie Russell, srussell@ladylumleys.net or Tel: 01751 472846.

Home telephone numbers etc.

It is incredibly important that we have the correct information about student's addresses and contact numbers. Parents and carers will want us to be able to get in touch should anything happen to their child in school so we must have the most up-to-date information. If you have changed phones or moved house recently, please let us know. An e-mail or a note with your child would do the job. Thank you. Richard Bramley

House Bake Off Round 1 - Tuesday 17th January

Bake Off Round 1 begins on Tuesday 17th - students must bake a meringue creation at home (this could be one large creation or 6 mini's- no nuts allowed please!!). Students will present their creation to the judges at 12:40pm on Tuesday in FT2. All bakes should be submitted by 8:55am to FT2 on Tuesday with a name label.

Round 2a and 2b will take place on the following two Tuesdays where students will be asked to bake 12 identical pastries of their choice over 90 minute period. The judges will award points for creativity, taste, presentation and uniformity. The top 4 from each house will then go through to the show stopper on Tuesday 7th February where they will make a 3-D biscuit creation alongside staff teams.

If you are interested and need anymore information please see Miss Hammond, Miss Weatherburn or Miss Buffoni. If you have not managed to sign up you are still welcome to enter your meringue creation on the day!!!

Parent Governor Elections Reminder - There are two vacancies on the school's Governing Body for parent governors. Further information about the process is on the school website on the 'Parents' tab - 'Letters to Parents' section. For further details of the role, please contact Kathryn Holbrook at school on 01751 472846 or at kholbrook@ladylumleys.net. **Nomination forms, declaration forms and statements in support of election need to be returned to school by Tuesday 17th January 2017.**

Team Cross-number

As promised, solutions from last week's maths challenge:

	1	3		2	1	3	3	4	1		5	1
6	8	1	7	2		6		8	4	0	7	
	3		9	1	2		10	1	4			2
11	2	8	6		13	3	5		14	3	9	
		7		15	5		4			7		
16	2	5		17	1	3		18	1	0	3	
	6		20	3	4		21	6	3			5
22	5	2	0		23	5		24	2	6	8	
	7		26	1	3	2	6		4			

Word of the Week

Well 'phrase of the week'. **Portmanteau Word.** This phrase was first used by Lewis Carroll (author of Alice in Wonderland – one of my favourite books). A portmanteau word is "two meanings packed up into one word". Lewis Carroll used many portmanteau words in his poem Jabberwocky (which is also one of my favourite poems) e.g. mimsy from flimsy and miserable. Modern speech uses lots of portmanteau words e.g. Brexit (Britain and Exit), brunch (breakfast and lunch), Bollywood (Bombay and Hollywood), Brangelina (Brad and Angelina), docudrama (documentary and drama), sexting (sex and texting), phablet (phone and tablet), digimon (digital monsters). Interestingly, portmanteau is itself a portmanteau word, from porter (to carry) and manteau (a cloak).

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 16th January

Y13 Trial Exams start (16th to 19th)

Tuesday 17th January

Y12 Trial Exams (17th to 18th)
 House Bake Off Round 1 Judging 12:40pm

Thursday 19th January

Peru Outlook Expedition Meetings :
 4:30pm students, 6pm parents/carers and students
 Y6 Roadshow, PCSJ 7pm

Friday 20th January

Y10-12 Spanish Exchange Trip departs
 Y7 Drama Theatre Trip 'The Witches' 4:45pm meet Dr1
 (pick up 10:30pm Eastgate car park)

Upcoming Events...

Tuesday 24th January - House Bake Off Round 2a
 Thursday 26th January - Y6 Roadshow, St. Joseph's
 Friday 28th April - Outlook Expeditions Training (28th to 30th)
 Monday 30th January - Y9 Exams start (30th Jan to 3rd Feb)
 Tuesday 31st January - DT Aston Martin Trip
 Tuesday 31st January - House Bake Off Round 2b
 Wednesday 1st February - Y13 Drama Unit 3 Assessment Rehearsal and Performance (1st to 2nd Feb)
 Thursday 2nd February - Intermediate Maths Challenge
 Thursday 2nd February - Y6 Roadshow, Sinnington
 Monday 6th February - Y10 Battlefields Experience (6th to 11th)
 Monday 6th February Y12 TnT Event Management (6th to 7th)
 Tuesday 7th February - House Bake Off Final
Tuesday 7th February - Parent Forum tbc
 Wednesday 8th February - Y8 Consultation Evening 4:30pm
 Thursday 9th February - Y6 Roadshow, Thornton Le Dale