



# Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

We held the second of our annual Year 6 to 7 roadshows last night at St Joseph's School. As usual, we took along students who had been at the primary school last year and last night we were brilliantly represented by **Molly Dougherty, Milenka Putniorz, and Tyler Waterton**. The Year 7 students spoke about life at Lady Lumley's School from their perspective and it was lovely to hear how warmly they spoke about the school and their experiences so far. I had another example of this on Thursday, also from Year 7 students. We held interviews for a teacher of computing to start in September, and three Year 7 students (**Molly Harland, Alice Welford, and Leo Wilbor**) took part in the process as a student panel. As well as asking the candidates questions, the panel itself was asked questions by the candidates. The student panel was asked what was the best thing about Lady Lumley's School and to give 3 reasons why. The students' answers were: fun (twice!), educational, friendly, challenging, rewarding, friends, home learning and the fact that it's on Fronter, and the Library. **Ava Treadwell and Jack Tunncliffe** also did an excellent job this week acting as tour guides for the candidates.

We had three assemblies this week to Years 9, 10 and 11 from staff at the National Parks. As well as outlining the work of the National Parks and how extensive their remit is, the speakers raised the awareness of the students to all the possible careers there are working for the National Parks. In the recent past we have had students taken on for very successful apprenticeships with the Parks and we held the assemblies as this could be of interest to students in the future.

I also had to speak to all student this week. This is something I have not had to do before in my time at Lady Lumley's but, as we fell victim to the latest craze of 'post-truth' and rumour I felt I had a duty to the students to set the record straight. Most students had heard that a student had brought drugs into the school. What actually happened was that a student bought something into school which she thought was drugs. This was acted upon immediately, the police were involved and the substance was tested and found not to be any form of illegal drug. What I made clear to the students was two things. The first was the dangers of drugs; how you have no idea what you have if someone gives you (or sells you) a white powder and how potentially disastrous the consequences could be if you took it. The second thing I spoke about was Lady Lumley's School's attitude to illegal drugs. The policy is on the website for all to read and it states simply that possession of an illegal drug or drug related paraphernalia will result in permanent exclusion. I told the assemblies that I have had to permanently exclude three students in the past 9 years for bringing drugs or drug related paraphernalia onto the school site and that I would not hesitate to do the same for any student, in any year group who put others at risk by carrying illegal drugs into school. I also reassured some of the younger year groups that this does not include prescription medicines and we have systems involving the school office for students who need to take medicine during the day. I would like to thank the parents who let us know how rife the rumour was in and around the school. This was a very sensible thing to do as, if you hear something which is disconcerting about the school, the sensible thing to do is to ask the school about it.

Richard Bramley

## Spanish exchange trip to Colmenar Viejo

Students from Years 10, 11 and 12 have spent a week in Colmenar Viejo near Madrid with host families from our partner school, Ángel Corella. The students have had the opportunity to spend a day in school attending lessons, learn how to dance salsa, visit the cities of Madrid and Toledo, and visit the Sierra de Guadarrama, a beautiful national park to the north of Colmenar. This has been a wonderful opportunity for students to practise their Spanish, improve their understanding of the language, and most importantly, to learn more about the culture and customs of another country. We are very grateful to the families, students and staff of the school who have made us feel so welcome. This is our fourth visit to Colmenar and there will be many more! I hope that students who will be taking Spanish at GCSE or A level next year will get involved! Many thanks to Miss Weatherburn for giving up her time in coming along and helping. Thanks to all our students for making this such a positive and enjoyable trip. I hope you have lots of great memories from the week! Rachel Wilson



## House Bake Off Round 2A Results

Round 2A of the Bake off took part on Tuesday with 4 of the 12 students baking their interpretations of the pastries brief. The students made mince pies, savoury swirls and apple roses which made the scores very close: **Abbie Henry = 16pts, Emily Hunt = 17pts, Molly Harland = 14 pts, and Erin Muscroft = 15 pts**

Well done to the above students! The scores from your first round bake and your second round bake will be added together and published in next week's newsletter after Round B on Tuesday. Please ensure you arrive on time for a 12:20 start!!



## FRONTER

This is a fantastic resource in so many ways. Every parent/carer should have their child's log-in details and should be regularly logging onto Fronter. (There is a link on the school's webpage or save it on your bookmarks toolbar). As well as other information, every Home Learning is put on Fronter and parents/carers and students can see what is set, when it is due and any other information necessary. The example below is taken from a Year 8 class in maths. Miss Spencer has also put on a link to the worksheet, so if the sheet was lost or forgotten, or if the student was away, they can still complete the home learning. Ask your son or daughter for their log-in, keep it somewhere safe and secure (it should only be known to mum/dad and the child), log-in and this is another way you can support your child with their schooling.

Maths - Miss Spencer - Due Wednesday 25th January

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Either complete:

2 sections on adding or subtracting fractions

2 sections on multiplying and dividing fractions

All the algebraic fraction questions

The questions are from the sheet [attached here](#).

Read by: 23

**Word of the Week - Paraphernalia.** This was a word that cropped up in the assemblies I gave this week. Sometimes only specific words will do and, even if its as difficult to spell as paraphernalia. According to Dictionary.com, paraphernalia means *miscellaneous articles or equipment* (which is the way I was using it this week). The *para* suffix turns up in many words. As a chemist it is a suffix I know from the old ways of naming some compounds (ortho, meta and opera) and from more everyday languages from paracetamol, paradox, paramedic or parachute. There is also the portmanteau word Paralympics. Interestingly the para in paracetamol comes from the older chemical way of naming compounds (well, interesting to chemists anyway). *Para* - is a suffix (the part of the word that comes at the beginning) meaning *at or to one side of, beside, side by side or beyond* (like paranormal). *Para*- now also means activities that go alongside other activities e.g. paramedic. The rest of paraphernalia comes from the old concept of a woman's dowry and relates to the articles that would still remain hers after marriage.

### British Schools Regional Championships

Congratulations to **Brandon Cowton** Y12 (brown belt), **Rosie Hodgson** Y7 (yellow belt 6th mon) and **Tyler Waterton** Y7 (orange belt 8th mon) who all competed in the British Schools' Regional Championships last weekend in Goole. All 3 students gained medals and have gone through to the next round and will be competing in Sheffield in April. If successful, they will then go on to compete in the Nationals. This is a great effort and good luck in the next round!



*Please do email head@ladylumleys.net if you wish to share any news about events/activities/awards that your child is involved with outside school that can be celebrated in the weekly newsletter. Many thanks.*

### Y7 Basketball - Captain's Report – by Joe Barker

Lady Lumley's Year 7 basketball squad went through to Malton School to compete in the Ryedale & Whitby partnership final. Out of four matches we won two - Caedmon 12-10 and Malton 16-6. Although Ryedale dominated throughout the tournament, all the lads can be proud of the 110% they put into each match. We kept pushing through and the performances improved with each game. Well played lads.

Squad: **Dylan Gautier, Daniel Breckon, Richard Sharp, Ben Peckitt, Isaac Edmond, Luca Mastrotonado, Wayne Kitula and Joe Barker (c)**

### Cricket Coaching

Matthew Hurren the Scarborough Community Coach is offering to run cricket sessions in the sports hall for boys and girls in years 7 to 9 on a Monday from 3.45-5 p.m. This is open to anybody no matter what your level of cricketing experience.

For further information see Mr Park.

### USEFUL CONTACT INFORMATION

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### IMPORTANT DATES

#### Monday 30th January

Y9 Exams start (30th Jan to 3rd Feb)

Y11 English Language Exam, L2

#### Tuesday 31st January

Y13 DT Aston Martin Headquarters Trip

House Bake Off Round 2B 12.20 - 1.30 p.m.

Y8 Basketball, Pindar

Y7 & Y8 Netball, Norton

#### Wednesday 1st February

Y13 Drama Unit 3 Assessment Rehearsal (all day)

Y11 District Basketball, LLS

U16 Girls' Football, Norton

#### Thursday 2nd February

Y13 Drama Unit 3 Assessment Rehearsal & Performance

Intermediate Maths Challenge (in lesson)

Y6 Roadshow, Sinnington 7 p.m.

#### Upcoming Events...

Monday 6th February - Y10 Battlefields Experience (6th - 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 4:30 p.m.

Thursday 9th February - Y6 Roadshow, Thornton Le Dale 7 p.m.

Monday 13th February - Y7 Production/workshops

Tuesday 14th February - Y10 Mock Interviews (a.m.)

Wednesday 15th February - Y7 Wentworth Woodhouse Trip

Friday 17th February - School Closes for Half Term

Monday 27th February - Student Return to School

Tuesday 28th February - KS3-5 Rotary Club Challenge, York