



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

In Jaws there is the famous line "you're gonna need a bigger boat". I have just left the Year 7 parents' consultation evening on Thursday with the feeling that we're gonna need a bigger hall! It was absolutely buzzing tonight, with parents, carers and their children and the teachers and other staff all desperate to meet each other. Although we have had the Meet the Tutor evening in early October, this was the first chance that parents and carers had had to meet their child's subject teachers. This Year 7 group is the largest on record at Lady Lumley's and the hall and dining room was very full for the entire evening. Nearly as busy, and a lot more noisy, was the school field this afternoon. Lady Lumley's hosted the Ryedale and Whitby School Games Cross Country Final and over 20 primary schools were involved from across the county. On Tuesday night the school also hosted the annual Rotary Club Youth Speaks competition. Lady Lumley's was represented at the senior level by **Marcus Allen, Cameron Cooper and Kyran Feeley**. The Year 11 lads spoke really well but were narrowly beaten in the competition by a sixth form team from Malton School. Thank you to Mr O'Cleirigh for coaching and accompanying the Lady Lumley's team. On Wednesday night a group of students from Years 9 to 12 went to the Leeds Grand Theatre to see *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night*, which, by all accounts, was wonderful. Although I had hoped to see the play, I had already made a commitment to attend the meeting of the governors of the Lady Lumley's Educational Foundation (LLEF). All students, parents and carers need to be aware of the LLEF as it not only provides additional funding for the school, it also offers financial support to young people up to the age of 25. The school has benefited from donations from the LLEF which have helped fund the new IT suite, the modern languages block, the library and the audio-visual equipment in the hall. Money also goes to departments each year to buy extra resources for the students that normal school funds could never afford. On top of this, the LLEF supports the purchase and running of the school's minibuses, helps subsidise school trips and residentials (e.g. Bewerely Park) and helps sixth formers with travel costs for university interviews. The Foundation also helps students and ex-students with financial contributions towards books, tools for apprenticeships, travel for training, musical instruments and a host of other expenses. There are no means-tests or other restrictions on applications from eligible young people and the extra money can make a big difference to the people who apply.

Richard Bramley

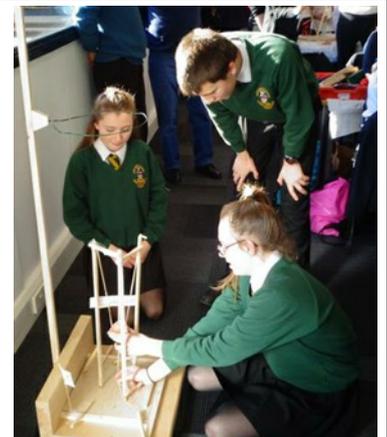
York Rotary Technology Tournament 2017 - Portakabin York

On Tuesday 12 students [**Lauren McNichol, Alice Rose, Oliver Newby and Michael Humphriss** from Year 9, **Curt Hoggarth, Harriett Evans, Alix Armstrong and Alex Nock** from Year 10 and sixth formers **Jonathan Boyd, George Jackson, Charisse Charlton and Charlotte Vallis**] travelled to York for the day to participate in the Rotary Club Technology Challenge. The teams were tasked to design and

manufacture a rocket launch pad that fired a payload with a parachute that deployed mid-flight. There were around 50 other teams that we were competing against trying to build the best launch system possible. There were three levels of difficulty: foundation – launch the payload, intermediate: launch the payload then allow a parachute to deploy, advanced: launch the payload in a cup that separates then allow a parachute to deploy. A portfolio had to be

created showing design ideas and how the design would function, this included any other ideas we had not just the ones we were going to use. The launcher wasn't just judged on height, we were judged on teamwork, our portfolio and the originality of our design.

As it was a competition awards were given at the end, the intermediate team came second in their category. Although we didn't win it was still a great experience, the day was very enjoyable and interesting as it also improved our teamwork and design skills. Curt Hoggarth



Learning Support Panathlon Event

On Wednesday 15th February, a group of 13 students went to Scarborough rugby club to take part in a Panathlon, where they competed in numerous sporting activities against others schools from the area. They were put into small teams to compete in the morning events, such as new age curling and polybat. After a very successful morning, we were 2nd on the leader board, just 1 point behind Springhead School. Before lunch the students each got the chance to take part at the javelin throw to try and win some more points. Up stepped **Ben Romanus** who threw his javelin the furthest to win us some extra points. After lunch, the students were ready and fuelled for the afternoon's relay races. We managed to win a very impressive three out of the four races taking place, which gave us a total score of 29 points. All thanks to Mr Preston's amazing team talk as well as Miss Brittain's and **Ellie Lawton's** fantastic cheerleading and the fast feet of **Tyler Waterton, Ava Treadwell, Chloe Steele and David Corney** in the final race. With this score we were named the winners and each student received a gold medal and a certificate. We also received a trophy and now get the chance to represent Scarborough and District at the finals in Sheffield! A huge congratulations to all the students who took part, you all made lady Lumley's very proud. Big thanks to all the staff who helped with the day and we are all looking forward to the finals in Sheffield.



Table Tennis Champion - Congratulations to **Sam Lowe** who recently competed in the Yorkshire Regional Table Tennis Competition and won! Sam will be competing in the next stage at Kettering. Well done Sam.



The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night Time

We took 47 students from Years 9, 10, 11 and 12 to see the acclaimed production of The Curious Incident of the Dog in the

Night Time at the Grand Theatre in Leeds. The play is told from the point of view of Christopher, a 15 year old autistic boy and is about his investigation into who killed his neighbour's dog. But the play is really about giving the audience an insight to living with autism and how Christopher perceives the world around him. The students really enjoyed the play, particularly the physical style they used. The set, lighting and projections used up to date technology to really immerse into his world. It was a fantastic production. Watch this space with news of our next theatre trip.

Word of the Week - Capricious

We have had some very worthy words of the week recently, so, in a capricious mood, I thought we ought to have a more exotic one this week. Capricious means "characterized by or liable to sudden unpredictable changes in attitude or behaviour; impulsive; fickle" (Dictionary.com). So if you suddenly decided you liked broccoli after steadfastly refusing to eat it for years, your behaviour could be described as capricious.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 6th March

Y10 Geography Fieldwork
Head Boy/ Girl Hustings, L2

Tuesday 7th March

Y12/13 Drama Trip, London (7th to 8th)
Y10 7-a-side Football, Ryedale
Y8 Partnership Netball, Malton
High School Netball 3.45-5.30 p.m.

Wednesday 8th March

Gold DofE Presentations, St James's Palace
Inter Cluster Netball, QE

Thursday 9th March

Y8-13 Apprentice Fair, all day
Y7/8 Hockey, Y9 Netball v CCW, LLS

Upcoming Events...

13th March - Y10 PSCH EE Production
13th March - A level Music Performance, HAC 7 p.m.
14th March - AS Drama Assessment Rehearsals
15th March - Drama Assessment Performance
15th March - Spanish Student Exchange Meeting, 6 p.m.
20th March - Y12 Physical Geography Fieldwork
22nd March - Y9 Options Evening
24th March - Y7 PSCH EE Production/Workshops
27th to 31st March - Y10 Exams
28th March - Y11 GCSE Art Exam Prep Day
29th March - KS3 Junior Maths Team Challenge, York
30th March to 6th April - Spanish Exchange Students at LLS

Vaccinations

Please can all Year 9 vaccinations forms be returned to school by Wednesday 8th March 2017. If a replacement form is required students can collect one from reception.



School Nurse Drop-In - Thursday Lunchtimes

The school nurse Fiona Darrell will be in school on Thursday lunchtimes for drop-in. She will be in "the pink room" from 12:30-1:30 for anybody wishing to chat with her about a health matter. Fiona will offer health support and advice. Please encourage students along to see her. **Please note that any student under 14 years of age will need permission from a parent/carer.** If any parent/carer would like to discuss this service please give school a call and ask for student support. Ms Rose, Mrs Loosley, Mrs Briston or Ms Smith.

Y12/13 Drama Trip 7th to 8th March

Students taking the minibus to York railway station need to meet at school at 6.00 a.m. They will return back to school at 10.30 p.m. on Wednesday 8th March. Sarah Goodwill