



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

We had visitors from Thailand in school this week and our students were brilliant at looking after the young Thai students. One of our guests was in a Year 8 music lesson on Wednesday and I was invited in to hear him play. I was able to take some colleagues with me, and all of us and the Year 8 students were blown away by how well he played Chopin's "The Minute Waltz" (the theme tune to Just a Minute) and a couple of Thai traditional piano pieces. The performance showed an amazing amount of confidence to perform in front of so many strangers in a foreign land; very impressive.

We are very close to the end of normal Year 11 lessons and have already had external examinations in art, drama, music and PE. The evidence in lessons is that the vast majority of Year 11 students are taking their forthcoming examinations very seriously (as they should!) and there is clear evidence of work outside school – well done. I know there is a lot of talk about stress and I really believe school should be an enjoyable place to be, but there has to be some sort of assessment. The present system of end of Year 11 examinations are a fact of life that we all have to deal with. The students know that their teachers are here to help and will support them in anyway they can, but we cannot do the work for them. It really is a time for noses to the grindstone knowing there is the long summer ahead and that the effort will be worthwhile for a long time ahead. Richard Bramley

County Cricket Success

The delayed county cricket final between Lady Lumley's and St. Aidan's was finally played yesterday at the Recreation Club in Pickering. The game was played in glorious sunshine but a strong wind made both fielding and batting difficult for both teams.

Lumley's opted to bat first with **Luke Smith** and **Max Harland** opening. The boys started well, scoring quick singles and put the fielding team under pressure. They then found their stride and proceeded to put on over 100 runs between them. Both reached 50 runs with Max being unfortunate to then lose his wicket. **Tommy Wright** then joined Luke at the crease and helped to keep pushing the score on. Luke had now become confident and was finding the gaps in the field with ease, hitting fours and sixes at will. With two balls remaining Luke reached 100 runs which was a fantastic feat for the team captain to achieve. The team then finished the innings on 199 for 1 wicket which

PICKERING CRICKET CLUB			
No. 1	TOTAL	WKTS	No. 3
100	199	1	14
LAST MAN	OVERS	1st INNS	LAST WKT
50	20	138	

meant that it was going to be extremely difficult for St. Aidan's to reach the target.

St. Aidan's came out fighting though and began to score runs quickly. However, good bowling from **James Boyes**, **Jack Dawson**, **Jack Balderson**, **Matthew Ridley** and **Luke Shepherd**, and tight fielding from all of the team put the batting team under enough pressure to begin to lose wickets. St. Aidan's batted through the full twenty overs but were unable to get near to the target score finishing on 120 for 5 wickets.

Well done to the boys for becoming county cricket champions.

Team: **Luke Smith (c)**, **Max Harland**, **Tommy Wright**, **James Boyes**, **Max Clough**, **Matthew Ridley**, **Lewis Rudd**, **Kian Stead**, **Liam Welburn**, **Jack Balderson**, **Ciaran Hunter**, **Luke Shepherd** and **Jack Dawson**.



Musical Success

The spring term saw some of our students take instrumental and theory of music exams. These are the known results:

Ruth Smith Y8 Grade 3 piano distinction
Felicity Lloyd Y7 Grade 3 cello merit
Tazmin Dixon Y10 Grade 3 piano
Henry Petch Y13 Grade 5 theory merit
Verity Hancock Y13 Grade 5 theory merit
Hannah Durant Grade 1 piano distinction
Sophia Edgar Grade 3 flute
Abigail Cove Y10 Grade 3 flute
Rhianna Wood Grade 1 piano merit
Lauren Oglesby Y11 Grade 6 piano merit

Well done everyone!

Peru Expedition Training

11 students from the school travelled to the Yorkshire Dales with Mr Rutherford and Miss Weatherburn. There we met again with our expedition leader Siobhan and began our training for Peru.

We put up tents and made camp then began planning games to play with the Peruvian children we'll be helping on our project. Before we left, a group of students went shopping to go and get all the food we needed for the weekend, with a budget to follow. We cooked meals for ourselves as a group, carefully planning what we could easily make with the Trangia stove. On Saturday we went for a walk in the Dales, discussing the effect the altitude will have on us on our trek to Machu Picchu, trying out walking sticks and other hiking equipment as well as meeting a little beagle. We then spoke about the hazards we could encounter in Peru and the dangers of being dehydrated or not drinking clean water. This was a great opportunity for us to bond together as a team and develop some of the skills we will need in Peru. We are all looking forward to going to Peru in July.



Y10 Partnership Rounders Tournament

The Year 10 girls displayed some excellent batting and fielding in order to come 2nd at the Whitby and Ryedale Partnership tournament yesterday. There was some brilliant rounders scored by **Hollie Lealman** in a nail biting game against Ryedale A team in which the girls narrowly lost out by 1 rounder.

A huge well done to all the girls as they prepare for the District tournament next half term.

Congratulations to **Ruby Hick** (Y7) who was selected to play for **North Yorkshire Girls U13s Cricket Team** last week and will be playing her first match this Sunday at Yapham CC against East Yorkshire Cricket Club. Good luck Ruby!

Pencil Test

During the interviews for the art post in February, one of the candidates handed out 6B pencils to the students to use for shading. The Year 7 students that I was sat next to were intrigued by the 6B designation and wondered what their normal pencils were on the same scale. This brought back memories of my childhood when I used to be fascinated by the range of pencils on sale in WHSmiths. This, in turn, set me thinking of a small quiz on these everyday objects. Just like a BBC quiz, there are no prizes, just the joy of the challenge and the frisson of excitement when one gets the answers correct.

- What are pencil leads made from?
- What makes the difference between a hard and a soft pencil lead?
- In terms of Hs and Bs, what are the hardest and softest wooden pencils?
- How hard is the pencil we use every day in school?

Answers next week

House Events May-July 2017

House Matches: 26th- 30th June

Rounders/Cricket; Bin Game; Tennis; Ultimate Frisbee.

Sports Day: Tuesday 4th July

Track and field events, multi-sports and house games. Everyone will be off timetable taking part in different events.

Y7 Enterprise Challenge: Wednesday 12th July



House Drama Festival - Tuesday 18th and Wednesday 19th July

Each house will submit up to 30 minutes of drama. Two houses per evening. House points awarded for the number of performers and associated audience members.

This could be: an extract from a play; a devised piece of Drama; a selection of play extracts/sketches; music within the piece. **Roles:** Publicity, Refreshments, Front of house, Acting; Technical support. Sign up with Miss Goodwill

Food and Beverage Dragon's Den Challenge

Task: work in teams to design a new food and beverage service, and pitch your idea to local employers and teachers after completing mini workshops in: Food and drinks service design; Financial forecasting; Marketing and presentation. Teams of up to 4 (from any house). Sign up with Miss Hammond.



Pop up challenges

Foot golf; House Quiz; Tent put up. Watch fronter/ house boards for the dates of these challenges.

House Points: 1st Highfield - 1007 pts; 2nd Hainsworth - 751 pts; 3rd Feversham - 744 pts; and 4th Acland - 702 pts.

Campaigners swap swim suits for cycle shorts!

In a courageous bid to save Helmsley open air pool, campaigners, supporters and enthusiasts are swapping water for wheels and cycling a 95 mile picturesque route taking in Yorkshire's 3 existing lidos at Ingleton, Ilkley and Helmsley, and the best hope of a fourth, Otley.

Taking place on **24th and 25th June**, this is an event for cyclists and swimmers alike, offering a rejuvenating dip in each of the pools along the way. Accommodation, transport and support is provided by the event organisers.

If you would like to join the event and 'cycle the Yorkshire lidos' further information and entries can be found at:

www.helmsleyopenairpool.org

Word of the Week - Gadzooks. This is (according to Dictionary.com) a mild oath (in other words a little swear word). The word possibly comes from *God's hooks*, which refers to the nails of the cross on which Jesus was crucified. Many oaths are derived from religious ideas, for instance "strewth", which is an alteration of *God's truth*. In highly religious times or places, such oaths would be considered unacceptable, as are many swear words we (unfortunately) use today.

From last week's kennings: Head twister - owl; Postman chaser - dog; Tummy slider - penguin; Tree swinger - monkey.

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 8th May

Y7 Geography Fieldwork, Pickering (in lessons)
Y12 AS Art Exam Day

Tuesday 9th May

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Y9 Green Parrot Theatre Rehearsal 3.40 – 4.30 p.m.

Wednesday 10th May

Y13 A2 Art Exam Day
Y12/13 Young Enterprise Competition, York 1-8 p.m.
Area Athletics Trials, Ryedale

Thursday 11th May

Y13 A2 Art Exam Day
Y9 Green Parrot Theatre, St. Joseph's L3
Area High Jump, LLS

Friday 12th May

Y13 A2 Art Exam Day

Saturday 13th May

DofE Bronze Training Walk

Upcoming Events...

15th May - 29th June - GCSE/AS/A Level Exam Period

16th - 18th May - Visits to Primaries

24th May - A level PE Moderation

26th May - Y7 Geography Fieldwork (in lessons)

26th May - School Closes for Half Term

5th June - Student Return to School

5th - 9th June - Y7 Exams

13th June - GCSE and A level Art/Photography Exhibition