



Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

All of us with children or who work with children will be affected by the awful event in Manchester this week. Our thoughts are with those who lost loved ones and those who suffered injuries in the attack. The Year 13 students, on their last official day in the school, are raising money for those affected and today (Thursday) we observed the nationwide one-minute silence, with the whole school paying respects to the victims of the atrocity. NYCC sent schools advice regarding school trips after the attack in Manchester and I think the message is an important one: "the risk of being caught up in a terrorist attack remains very low. It is important as educators that we continue to give children and young people the opportunity to learn about different religions, faiths and cultures and engender respect and tolerance within our communities and to all go about our daily lives without fear or hindrance."

Those students in Year 9 who have opted to study engineering at Yorkshire Coast College had interviews with college staff this week, and we also held staff interviews for geography and mathematics teachers to cover maternity leaves next year. As always, the students were an important part of the process and I would like to thank **Aaron Brown, Lucas Croft, Evie Lythe, Emma Payne, Mason Rehill** and **Robin Turnbull** who made up the student panels and showed the candidates around the school. We also had the Great Exhibitions in Year 8 history lesson this week (see photos overleaf); an opportunity for students to express their understanding of this important era in innovative and unusual ways (and bake many Victoria sandwiches!). Year 7 have their internal examinations to look forward to after the half-term break alongside Year 13 who will join Years 11 and 12 in taking external exams. Today is the last day when all of the Year 13 are in school. It has been a pleasure to have had these young people in the school and all the staff wish them all the best for whatever the future holds.

Richard Bramley

Year 12 Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award

A last-minute change of plan saw us head once again to the river Derwent with our second Gold Duke of Edinburgh group.

This week, the weather was on our side. As the sun was shining, our usual parking place was already taken, and with a minibus and trailer full of canoes, finding a spot can be a challenge! Up the road we went, and after finding a



place to pull over, Mr Mann and Miss Heyes managed to find a suitable, but more challenging than usual, entry point. Boats unloaded

and riverside, teamwork was essential to get the canoes and then their occupants in the water. Once on the water we had great fun working on paddling skills while playing games and working on some trust exercises. Well done to all of you who made it this week, especially in the midst of exams! *Mr Mann and Miss Heyes*



Drama News

It's been a really busy half term in Drama! Performance Club performed a shortened version of *The Bacchae* to Year 7 in their assembly this week. It's a piece that Year 8 looked at last term in their studies of Greek Theatre. A number of students wanted to perform to a bigger audience so we spent 6 lunchtimes rehearsing and then performed in the sports hall: **Jodie Best, Olivia Smith, Ellie Taylor, Josh Teale, Katie-Mae Tillotson, Laila Georgiou, Alice Crabbe, Joe Bentley, Raphaella Lund, Alice Welford, Skye Tarry, Freya Botzen, Felicity Lloyd, Rosie Hodgson, Abbie Peacock, Lydia Reeder and Tallulah Starbuck.**

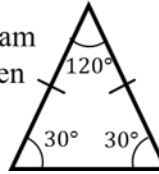
Year 9 are in the middle of their final performance assessment - they have all created their own plays either based on a picture entitled *The Fence* or on the trip some students went on to Wentworth Woodhouse. The quality of some of the work promises to be high with a number of students rehearsing their work at lunchtimes. Students have enjoyed working in production teams with some students choosing to be assessed on technical options such as costume or lighting.

Green Parrot Theatre performed their final 'Big School' at St Joseph's.

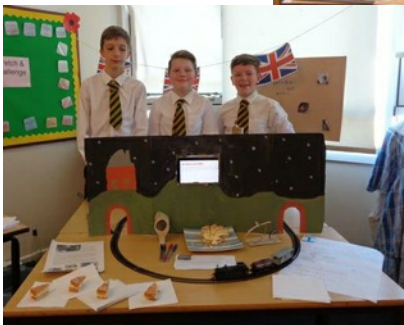
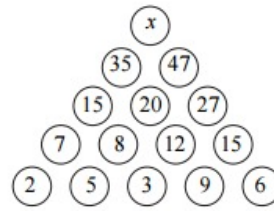
Finally, House Drama is well underway with rehearsals starting this week. We're going to have a really varied programme. Sarah Goodwill

Solutions to maths challenge questions:

8. **E** The base angles of an isosceles triangle are equal. The diagram shows the only possibility where there is a difference between the other two angles.
 $120^\circ - 30^\circ = 90^\circ$



9. **B** The empty spaces in the diagram can be completed as shown. Hence the value of x is $35 + 47 = 82$.



**Year 8
Great Exhibition**

Word of the Week - Solidarity

If a group of people show solidarity, they show support for each other or for another group. For example, after the attack in Manchester, a newspaper headline was "crowds spilled from Albert Square on to nearby roads, standing together in an act of solidarity".

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IMPORTANT DATES

Monday 5th June
Students Return to School
GCE/GCSE Exams all week

Y7 Exams all week (in lessons)
 Y7 Football Final v Scalby, Caedmon 3.30 p.m.

Tuesday 6th June

10 District Rounders 3 p.m.
 Y8 6-a-side Cricket, Malton

Wednesday 7th June

7KWE History Trip, Pickering Castle L3

Thursday 8th June

Y9 District Rounders 3 p.m.

Upcoming Events...

13th June - Junior Maths Challenge
 13th June - GCSE/A level Art/Photography Exhibition
 14th-15th June - Y6 Induction Days
 15th June - Y12 Business/TnT Trip, JCB Factory
 15th-16th June - Y8 Languages Enrichment, Rosedale
 19th June - School Games, York
 20th June - Parent Forum
 21st June - Y8 Eurofest Event, York
 23rd-24th June - Y10 DofE Practice Expedition, Dalby
 26th-30th June - Y8 Exams
 26th-27th June - Y11 Silver DofE Training
 28th-29th June - Y12 Biology Fieldwork
 28th-30th June - Y10 MFL Speaking CAs
 29th June - NYBEP Solar Boat Challenge
 29th June - Y11 Prom
 30th June - Y12 Newcastle/Northumbria Trip
 30th June-3rd July - Y13 Gold DofE
 30th June-6th July - Austrian students in school

Governor News

Governors met last night with a focus on school resources. At this time of the year governors have to set the school's budget for the financial year 2017-18. Like every other school we are finding the financial situation very tight but with careful management we have been able to produce a balanced budget. Governors also heard from Lorraine Phippen and Brian Davis about their work in school on two important developments. Mrs Phippen spoke about Achievement Unlocked and our work with North Yorkshire County Council to ensure disadvantaged students are helped to overcome the barriers to their learning. As Mrs Phippen said in her report to the Achievement Unlocked project "we have challenged ourselves to create opportunities for all, regardless of background or barrier to learning". This is not an easy task, but it is a morally and educationally correct one and we work hard to challenge every student so that each young person can develop and make progress. Our efforts to achieve this were reinforced by the work of Mr Davis who shared with governors the way we have developed coaching at Lady Lumley's. We already have a culture where teachers welcome others into their lessons, but the coaching project has begun to take this to a new level with 120 coaching visits already this year. This collegiate approach allows staff to share ideas and ensure the students get the best possible learning experience.