



# Lady Lumley's School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers and Friends

We had two days this week where the new Year 7 intake visited Lady Lumley's School. On Wednesday we had Mrs Mintoft's class from Pickering Juniors and Year 6 pupils from Thornton Dale, Seamer and Irton and 12 other primary schools. On Thursday we were visited by Miss Holmes' and Miss Turner's class from Pickering Juniors, the year 6 pupils from St Joseph's and 7 other primary schools. On both days the Year 6 pupils had lessons in food technology, modern languages, science and PE. The pupils were also given maps and tours of the school and taken through the routines of the school day, for instance what to do at lunchtime. I saw both sets of young people at the end of their visits and they all said they had an enjoyable time – one young man said he didn't want to leave! What was really nice to see was the way youngsters who might have been the only ones from their primary school were so quickly integrated and have already started to make new friends. I must thank Debbie Smith for the way she has organised the days, the staff who supported her and put on the special lessons, the Year 9 students (**Tom Askew, Casie Austin, Milly Fitton, Abbie Henry, Erin Hick, Gracie McNally, Holly Philps, Alice Rose and Chloe Steele**) who were brilliant as helpers and guides and an ex-student, **Oliver Hadley**, who came back in to help as well. Richard Bramley



## 'Everyone Loves a Big Yellow Digger'

On Thursday 21 business, travel & tourism and DT students were lucky enough to visit the world HQ of JCB in Rocester, Staffordshire. Deep down we all love big yellow diggers and the group were fascinated by the history behind, and manufacturing process involved in producing one of our greatest engineering stories. Joseph Cyril Bamford (JCB - not everyone knows what it stands for!) was the innovative entrepreneur who set up the business in the 1940s with his famous Backhoe loader (a digger and a shovel on a tractor for those less educated in digger speak) and this has been taken on and developed by his son to become one of the UK's leading multinationals with factories in six countries and sales across the globe. The wealth of relevant and real life topics illustrated during the tour was invaluable to all three subjects and the students will be focussing on their findings over the next few weeks. The experience certainly surprised many students, one of whom thought it would be 'like a big shed,' whilst sipping tea from her JCB fine bone china crockery as we sampled the corporate hospitality. On a very pleasing and gratifying note our guides commented on how impressed they were with our students and how they had 'renewed my faith in young people', to directly quote one of them. As always our students were a credit to LLS and that is why we can happily take them to places like JCB and be proud of them. Steve Varey

## Sporting Success

Over the weekend of 10th and 11th June 2017, over 3,000 triathletes took part in the Columbia Threadneedle World Triathlon Leeds event. This is an International Triathlon Union (ITU) event and the racing on Sunday included superstars of the men's and women's World Triathlon Series including Alistair and Jonnie Brownlee and Non Stanford. Many competitors would have been completing their very first triathlon whilst the more experienced triathletes were competing for the coveted 2017 British age-group titles on offer in the standard (Olympic) distance races.

The ITU has had an excellent relationship with the UK for many years now, with the London first appearing on the ITU World Triathlon Series calendar in 2009. Since then, the country has hosted numerous ITU World Triathlon Series races, a Grand Final and the London 2012 Olympic Games. Most recently, Leeds has hosted this prestigious race.

Yorkshire has a fine tradition in the sport of triathlon and Lady Lumley's School is blessed with its very own crop of superstars. On Saturday, three sixth form students took part in the junior distance events (400m swim, 10,000m bike and 2500m run). **Emma Clapton** is in the England Junior Talent squad; in Leeds she 'had a mechanical' as they say, with a dropped chain on the bike leg, finishing in the top 20 with a time of 39:41. **Maurice Calton-Seal** and **Nathan Smith** are both in the Yorkshire Triathlon Academy. Maurice finished in the top 25 in a time of 35:20 and I am delighted to let you know that Nathan Smith won the junior event in a time of 33:08!

Congratulations to all participants and especially our sixth form students who work incredibly hard to balance significant extracurricular training and events with academic study. Hard work really does pay off. James Ambrose, Head of Sixth Form



## Word of the Week - Hubris

According to Dictionary.com, hubris means pride or arrogance. In Greek tragedies it is used to mean an excess of ambition, pride, etc, ultimately causing the transgressor's ruin. Most times I have seen it used, it has been the second meaning, where someone decides they know best, are far too ambitious and proud and then end up with egg on their face. The word hubris comes from Greek and may have originally meant 'presumption towards the gods'. In the Greek story of Icarus, his downfall and death have been used as an example of hubris, as Icarus ignored his father's warnings and thought he knew best. In the story, Icarus and his father Daedalus were imprisoned by King Minos of Crete in a high tower above his palace (reasons why for another day). Daedalus, who was a great craftsman, created two sets of wings for himself and his son made of feathers glued together with wax. Daedalus taught Icarus how to fly and warned him not to fly too high, which would cause the wax to melt, nor too low, which would cause the feathers to get wet with sea water. They flew out of the tower to freedom, but Icarus ignored his father's warnings and started flying higher and higher. As he neared the sun, the wax melted and the feathers fell off his wings. Without the wings, Icarus fell from the sky into the sea and drowned. A recent headline in the Financial Times speaks of a more recent example "Theresa May's hubris robs Britain of stability".



### Outdoor Enrichment

Despite missing Mr Mann and some of the long-standing members of the group, Miss Heyes and the outdoor enrichment group decided to venture out onto the moors for a well-

earned post-exam mountain bike ride. This week we kept it local and cycled from school to Newton-upon-Rawcliffe where we joined the bridleway which would eventually bring us back out at Newbridge. A respectable 12 miles were covered and having become accustomed to cold, wet and muddy rides, we were somewhat taken aback by the warmth and humidity! Next week will see a return to the water and some serious canoe training on Allerthorpe Lake. Julie Heyes



### USEFUL CONTACT INFORMATION

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### IMPORTANT DATES

#### Monday 19th June

A2 EXAMS ALL WEEK  
School Games, York

House Matches - Y7/8 Boys Tennis/Girls Rounders, L1

#### Tuesday 20th June

75TH History Trip, Pickering castle, L2  
House Matches - Y9/10 Boys Tennis/Girls Rounders, L3  
U12 District Rounders, St. Augustine's 3 p.m.  
Parent Forum 6.30 p.m.

#### Wednesday 21st June

Y8 Eurofest, York St. John University  
Town v Country Athletics, University of York

#### Thursday 22nd June

House Matches - Y9/10 Boys Cricket/Girls Tennis, L1  
Y12 Drama Trip, London 6.50 a.m. - 10.20 p.m.

#### Friday 23rd June

House Matches - Y7/8 Boys Cricket/Girls Tennis, L1  
Y10 Bronze DofE Expedition (23rd to 24th June)

#### Upcoming Events...

26th-30th June - Y8 Exams  
26th-27th June - Y11 Silver DofE Training  
28th June - Y12 Psychology Day, University of York  
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  
3rd July - Y12 Personal Statement in a Day  
3rd July - Y10 Prizegiving, L3  
4th July - Sports Day  
5th July - Y6 Induction Day  
5th July - Y13 Prom  
5th-7th July - Y11 Silver DofE Expedition  
5th July - Y12 Business/TnT Trip, York Races  
6th July - Y9 Careers in Languages Day, York  
6th July - Y12 Transition Day  
6th-7th July - Y10 Bronze DofE Expedition

### Reminder: Parents' Forum

#### Tuesday 20th June 2017 6.30 p.m.

The agenda will include a presentation about the school's development during 2016/17 and our key areas of focus for 2017/18. The rest of the agenda will be an opportunity to meet members of the Senior Leadership Team and ask questions.

If you would like any more information or would like to add a particular agenda item for discussion, contact Brian Davis via the school reception or by email at [bdavis@ladylumleys.net](mailto:bdavis@ladylumleys.net).

### Ryedale Show 2017

There are new children's classes at this year's Ryedale Show being held on Tuesday 25th July. Full details are available on the following website

[www.ryedaleshow.org.uk](http://www.ryedaleshow.org.uk).

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