

WELCOME TO THE NEW SCHOOL YEAR

We hope you all had a good summer and term has started well from your perspective.

We are changing the way we issue the bulletin/newsletter this year in response to feedback about how we can keep trying to improve communication. The longer newsletter of last year has been very well-received and it is clear that many want to know as much about what is going on as possible. For this reason, the newsletter has grown in size quite substantially which in turn means that, firstly, some of the very important but more 'down to earth' messages are being drowned out and, secondly, it is becoming very difficult for us to keep up with everything.

Therefore, this year we will separate the important parent notices from our school newsletter and publish them as a separate fortnightly 'bulletin', allowing us to keep these important, day to-day notices and messages nice and clear. The longer newsletter containing more details about what our incredible students have been up to will be published every month. We hope this works for you.

For now then, we shall simply say that we had another excellent summer in terms of exam results, both at GCSE and A' level (details to come in the newsletter later this month) and are delighted with the way the students have settled back in after the long break.

With best wishes for the year ahead,

All at Lymm High School.

WHOLE SCHOOL

Welcome Letters

Welcome letters for all year groups have been added to the [parent communication](#) section of the LHS website this week. Please ensure you read these, as they contain important information regarding key dates for your child's specific year group for the upcoming academic year.

Parent Forum, 16th October

We will be holding our first Parent Forum event of the year on Tuesday 16th October, starting at 6pm and finishing no later than 7.30pm. This is an ideal chance for parents to come along and provide us with your feedback on the school, as well as to meet other parents. The headteacher and members of the senior leadership team will be there, along with school governors and they are keen to hear what you have to say. These are informal events and have always proved to be very constructive in the past. Please note that the focus of the evening is on school policy and practice generally and so it is not the right place to raise specific concerns about your own children (though, of course, you must contact us separately if you have any concerns and we will do all we can to help).

If you are thinking of coming along, please let Mrs Headon know (hheadon@lymmhigh.org.uk) so that we can plan the appropriate amount of refreshments.

3G Update & Changing Rooms

Our bid for the 3G pitch is progressing well and we expect to be in a position to submit our application within the next 2-3 months. The nature of these things means that, from the outside, it often looks as if not much is happening but the reality is that there is a great deal to do on the financial, technical and legal fronts. We are also working closely with local clubs to develop usage and business plans that will make the project work for everyone.

At the same time, we need to continue to raise the money to ensure we hit the £100k target necessary for a successful bid. We raised over half of this last year and will be working hard again over the next few months on various fundraising events. As ever, your support with this is much appreciated.

On a related note, plans are being finalised for the refurbishment of the changing rooms, with work expected to start on these before half-term.

PTA AGM meeting

The Lymm High School PTA Committee would like to invite any parents who wish to join the PTA to attend the next meeting to be held on **Monday 17th September** at **7pm** in the school **Library**. Drinks and nibbles will be provided by the Committee.

The PTA welcomes new members who may have new and refreshing fundraising ideas. It can be a daunting experience for some, but rest assured, they are a very friendly bunch!! We look forward to seeing some new faces at the next meeting.

Information notification

An important [letter](#) regarding school's information management system (SIMS), which stores all of our student's personal information, was sent out to parents this week. Please can you check with your son/daughter to see if they were given an information form to bring home. If so, please complete and return to student services as soon as possible so that we can update the system.

PE Extra-Curricular Timetable

Sport is now back in full swing at Lymm High School, please check the website weekly on a **Monday** for updated [fixtures and results](#). The [PE extra-curricular timetable](#) has now been uploaded to the school website under the Enrichment and Extra-curricular timetable menu tab.

Roald Dahl's Birthday

Roald Dahl would have been 102 this year! To celebrate his Birthday, the school ILC will be offering quizzes and activities during lunchtime on **Wednesday 19th September** for students to take part in. Please encourage your child to attend – All activities are free!

LHS Lottery

Congratulations to Liz Jordan who won £51.60 with our Lymm High School Lottery last Saturday!

You could be a winner too!

If you have expressed interest in joining our lottery and have not yet done so, please head to our dedicated lottery website [here](#). Your support would be hugely appreciated!

Amazon and supporting the LHS Development Fund

Access the Amazon.co.uk website through the icon link on lymmhigh.org ([or here](#)), and up to 10% of the value of any purchase automatically goes to the LHS Development Fund, at no extra cost to you or Lymm High School. Thank you to everyone who supports us in this way!

LOWER SCHOOL

Year 7 Information and Guidance Evening – New date confirmed

We are pleased to confirm rearrangement details for the Year 7 IAG Evening.

The new date for the Year 7 IAG evening will be **Wednesday 19th September**. The evening should finish no later than **7.30pm** and will cover a brief introduction to the curriculum in Year 7, opportunities available to students, along with homework, assessment and reporting information.

On the evening there will be a welcome from the Headteacher and an opportunity to meet your child's tutor, should you have any concerns or worries, or if you just wish to say hello. Due to capacity the evening will be split dependent on your child's Hall group.

Details for the evening are as follows:

5.30pm – Headteacher's Presentation – **Arley Dunham & Moreton**

6.15pm – Meet the tutors – **Arley, Moreton, Tatton & Walton**

6.45pm – Headteacher's Presentation – **Tatton & Walton**

There will be an opportunity for parents of Dunham students to meet with tutors on **Monday 17th September, 5.30 – 6.00pm**, should they wish to do so. This is due to Dunham Form Tutors being in Ty'n-Y-Felin. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

Ty'n-Y-Felin Residential 2018 & Medical Forms

An information letter for the Year 7 Ty'n-Y-Felin induction trip is now available on the school website ([or here](#)).

We are using the student medical forms you submitted during the Year 7 transition events for the Ty'n-Y-Felin residential. If any information has changed, please email Head of Year 7, Mrs Worrall, at <mailto:cworrall@lymmhigh.org.uk> as soon as possible.

Any students currently without medical forms have been issued with one, these need to be returned to Mrs Worrall via Student Services as soon as possible.

Presently there are a number of students attending Ty'n-Y-Felin that have been identified as having nut allergies. Therefore, please can parents ensure their child does not bring any products that may contain nuts along to the residential.

All medication sent with children must be prescribed as we cannot give un-prescribed medication. This must be clearly labelled and handed in to a member of staff.

If your child suffers with asthma and requires an inhaler you will need to provide two inhalers, one that can be kept with the student and one that can be kept with staff. We thank you for your co-operation.

Knowledge Organisers & Show My Homework

As a school, we recognise the value of quality home learning in complementing and cementing the work students do in lessons. In order to best equip our young people for academic success, we are increasingly making use of Knowledge Organisers, which you may see examples of when your child is completing homework or revision. A [letter](#) regarding Knowledge Organisers and Show My Homework has been placed on the Year 7 & Year Parent Communication pages on the LHS Website.

Year 7 Mathematics Baseline Assessment

The Year 7 Mathematics Baseline Assessment will take place on **Tuesday 18th September**

L Forms: Period 5

H Forms: Period 1

The assessments will include questions covering a wide range of material covered in Year 6. It will be a Non-Calculator paper, but all other equipment is required. If you have any further questions, then please contact a member of the Mathematics Faculty.

UPPER SCHOOL

GCSEPod

This week we were delighted to announce that we had recently invested in a digital platform called GCSEPod, this is an award-winning digital content and revision provider used by over 1,200 schools worldwide. We feel this will be such a valuable tool in supporting your child in the run up to their GCSE exams and are pleased to say it has been received extremely well, with 500 pods watched in 3 days! Make sure your child has registered. Click [here](#) to read an important letter regarding this new platform and how to use it.

English Literature Results & Resits

As you are aware, your child recently received their results from their English Literature GCSE. As a year group, students performed very well and we would like to take this opportunity to congratulate them on their success in the examinations. An important letter regarding these results and information should your child wish to re-sit the exam has been posted on the Y11 Parent communication pages of the school website ([here](#)). There will be more details on this in the monthly newsletter in a couple of weeks' time.

SIXTH FORM

Careers Advice – Medicine, Dentistry and Veterinary Science

Sixth Form students in Year 13 applying to a medical course, or Year 12 students considering a career in Medicine, Dentistry, or Veterinary Science, are invited to attend a lecture with a guest speaker, currently studying medicine at University. During the session, students will have the opportunity to hear about the application process and ask any questions they may have. The lecture takes place on **Wednesday 26th September**, at **1:30pm** in **S202**. Our Sixth form students who attend these sessions find them invaluable, and we hope all students who are interested in working in the fields of Medicine, Dentistry and veterinary science will attend.

Year 12 Assessment week

Year 12 Assessment Week begins **Monday 24th September**. All students will have an assessment in each subject to monitor their progress so far.