

WHOLE SCHOOL

Parent Forum, 16th October

Many thanks to all parents/carers who attended our Parents Forum, which took place on Tuesday 16th October. Those in attendance put their views across in an exceptionally positive and constructive manner and we will certainly be able to use the feedback from the evening to improve the school. A detailed response to all the points raised during the meeting will be available to parents in our next school newsletter very shortly.

Changing Room Update

We are pleased to announce that the refurbishment of the PE changing rooms began on **Monday 15th October**. Work is progressing well and we expect the new changing rooms to be finished before the Christmas break. At the same time, a new floor is in the process of being installed in the small gymnasium along with other remedial work.

Whilst work is underway, girls have use of the leisure centre changing rooms for PE lessons and extracurricular clubs. Temporary changing rooms (porta cabins) are also in place next to the AstroTurf, to be utilised by the boys.

We are confident that the PE and Sport provision has not been disrupted too heavily, however, there have been some changes to the PE and extra-curricular programme that students have been made aware of. We are committed to improving the facilities on offer to all of our students and we look forward to sharing a detailed update with parents and carers once the refurbishment is complete.

The School Gateway App – Push Notifications

A number of Parents have contacted us recently who have been unaware that messages have arrived via the School Gateway app because their 'push notifications' have been turned off in their device settings.

If you are not receiving alerts when messages come through, please check push notifications are enabled under 'Settings' on your mobile phone or device.

Beaujolais Evening

Working with the Lymm Twin Town (French) Society, the LHS PTA would like to invite all parents to attend their joint upcoming fundraising and social event, to mark the release of the Beaujolais Nouveau 2018.

Beaujolais Evening takes place on **Saturday 17th November, 7.30pm** and will be held in the **Lower Hexagon** within our sixth form building,

Tickets cost **£15.50** and include a two-course menu, a glass of Beaujolais and a wine tasting/talk.

Further drinks may be purchased at our cheese and wine bar. Prize Draw also offered.

All proceeds from the evening will be divided equally between the Lymm Twin Town Society and the Lymm High School PTA – Don't miss this fantastic opportunity to support your child's school!

Tickets are available via Parentpay. Pre-booked ticket only. Adults only.

PTA AGM meeting

Thank you to all Parents/Carers who attended the recent PTA AGM meeting on **Monday 28th October**. Minutes from this AGM meeting are available to read by clicking <u>here</u> or by visiting the PTA area on the school website.

Oliver!

Lionel Bart's much loved musical 'Oliver!' has been brought to life in an ambitious and exciting production featuring over 400 students from Lymm High School and our local Primary schools. Feel free to sing along!

Adults: £8 | Children & Concessions £5

Tickets for Thursday (15th) and Friday's (16th) performances are now available to purchase via <u>ParentPay</u> from **the school shop. T: 01925 755458**

Please note that Tuesday's (13th) and Wednesday's (14th) performances feature our local primary schools, and will take place at the Parr Hall. Tickets for these dates are available separately by contacting the **Parr Hall Box Office T: 01925442345** alternatively, you can visit their **website** <u>here</u>.

Winter Plant Sales 2018

This Autumn Term the PTA are offering hanging baskets and Christmas wreathes for sale to raise funds. To download a 2018 Winter Plant order form please click <u>here</u>

Trainers for Africa

Next week we will be launching our 'Trainers for Africa' project!

In the summer Lymm High students attended a sports tour to South Africa and were incredibly moved to see the poverty divide in South Africa, which through our fixtures and visits to local townships students witnessed first-hand.

We are asking for donations of any old trainers, football boots or Astroturf shoes no longer in use or needed. These can be any size to suit a variety of age groups. Students can bring these into school during Form time and take them to the atrium where our Sixth Form students will collect them. We will then post any donated sport footwear out to the township schools we visited. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

"Poverty is not an accident. Like slavery and apartheid, it is man-made and can be removed by the actions of human beings" – Nelson Mandela

Cashless Catering

We politely remind all parents/carers to top up cashless catering accounts regularly, via Parent Pay, to ensure their child is able to purchase food during break and lunch time.

LHS Lottery

Sheneen Naylor who won **£55.20** with our Lymm High School Lottery! Our prize total rises with the more supporters we have. Join now and you could also win a family ticket to Warner Brothers Harry Potter Studio's Tour! If you have expressed interest in joining our lottery and have not yet done so, please head to our dedicated lottery website <u>here</u>. Your support would be hugely appreciated!

LOWER SCHOOL

German Exchange 2019

We are delighted to announce that the MFL department will be running a German Exchange with Christoph-Jakob-Treu School in Lauf in 2019. The Lymm – Lauf Exchange is a very successful and long-standing exchange to Lauf an der Pegnitz in Bavaria.

We invite all students in Year 9 who are studying German. If you would like your child to take part or just wish to find out more information, please <u>click here</u>.

Letters and information are also available from Mrs Baldwin and Mrs Brettle or alternatively on the school website.

UPPER SCHOOL

Make it Stick - A help your child to revise session

We are hosting a YR11 'Make it Stick' – Help your child to revise session, on **Monday 26th November, 6-7pm.** Click <u>here</u> to read our parent letter for further information.

Sixth Form Open Evening

Dear Year 11 Parents,

We warmly invite you to attend our Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 8th November, 5pm – 8pm.

Meet our committed staff and exceptional students and find out why our Sixth Form is so successful.

This year we are organising things slightly differently to enable prospective students and their parents/carers to gain a greater insight into the courses available at Key Stage 5. Click <u>here</u> to read an important letter from the Head of Sixth Form regarding further information about how the evening will run.

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We invite all students in Year 10, 11 & 12 who are studying German. If you would like your child to take part or just wish to find out more information, please <u>click here</u>.

Letters and information are also available from Mrs Baldwin and Mrs Brettle or alternatively on the school website.

SIXTH FORM

Year 13 Parents Evening - Thursday 1st November

A huge thank you to all who attended our Year 13 Parents' Evening last night. If for any reason you were unable to attend, you will receive your son/daughter's progress reports via post.

Sixth Form Assessment Week

Sixth Form assessment week begins week commencing the **19th November**. During this week, all students will have an assessment in each of their subjects.

Sixth Form Open Evening

We welcome you to join us at our **Open Evening**, which starts at **5.30pm** on **Thursday 8th November**, with the Headteachers talk in the main hall.

We would also like to say a huge thank you to all students who were involved with our Open Evening promotional video, available to view <u>here</u>.

Restart a Heart

On the **16th October**, Sixth Form students took part in the national 'Re-start a Heart' day, which resulted in over 355 students receiving training in basic CPR! Students loved taking part and were grateful of learning this very valuable life skill. Well done to all who participated.

Wear it Pink

We are pleased to announce Sixth Form students raised an impressive **£760** for Breast Cancer, as part of their 'Wear it Pink' day, which took place before the half term. A huge thank you to all who donated to such a good cause!