

WHOLE SCHOOL

Parent Questionnaire

Every year, we ask parents to spend 3-4 minutes completing a questionnaire about the school. It is always extremely helpful to get feedback in this way.

Any positive feedback helps ensure we build on the things we do well (as well as giving staff a welcome lift) and any suggestions for improvement and/or more negative feedback is always scrutinised very carefully to ensure we do all we can to keep improving.

The more parents who complete the questionnaire, the more accurate a picture we get of parental views and we would be very grateful if you could spare the time to do this. A text/Gateway message will be sent out shortly, with a link, which can also be accessed by clicking here.

After-School Detentions

Dear Parents/Carers,

From **Monday 4th March** we will be changing the method by which we let you know if your child has an after-school detention. You will receive a text message on the afternoon of the day before to let you know that your child has an after-school detention the next day.

After school detentions run until 4pm or 4:45pm if a student has failed to attend the first one. Schools do not need to seek parental consent for after-school detentions but we would ask for your continued support in ensuring your child follows the behaviour policy in school and attends their detention if they receive one.

Parent Information Evening

Following the <u>letter</u> from the Headteacher before the half term break, we invite you to a Parental Information Evening led by the Warrington Young Persons Drug and Alcohol Service on **Tuesday 5th March 2019.**

An opportunity to ask questions, dispel myths, and discover how best to support young people by raising your awareness around drugs and substance abuse.

Parents/Carers will be able to access the most up to date information regarding young people's use of drugs and the specific patterns in our local area.

Start at **6pm** with refreshments and a chance to browse some information and a selection of interactive resources, with the main presentation beginning at **6.30pm in the hall**.

The evening is aimed especially at parents of students in Years 9, 10, 11 and the Sixth Form but everybody is welcome.

Warrington Young Persons Drug and Alcohol Service offers specialist support to young people age 13-19yrs experiencing drug and / or alcohol misuse. Youth Workers are trained to deliver person centred treatment. These evidence based approaches respond to the frequent changes in young people's drug and alcohol use. Youth workers use bespoke 1-1 interventions to strengthen young people's resilience to substance misuse developing positive relationships with young people to explore substance misuse and focus on recovery.

We cannot recommend this evening strongly enough and urge every parent to come along.

The Scholars Programme Launch

The Scholars Programme will be launching on **Thursday 7**th **March** at **6pm** for those who have received a letter.

Ski Trip Information Evening

An information evening for Parents/Carers regarding the upcoming ski trip will take place in the Main Hall, on **Thursday 7th March** from **5pm** till **6pm**. We would encourage all parents/carers of students going on the ski trip to attend.

LHS May Ball

Don't miss the Lymm May Ball organised by Lymm High School PTA.

The May Ball is an evening of indulgence, filled with an exciting array of entertainment, sumptuous food, music and drink.

Held on **Saturday 18th May 2019** at the Hallmark Hotel, Warrington, this event promises to be the highlight of the spring school calendar.

Don't miss out on our early bird offer with tickets costing £40 per person until 4th April (then £45).

Includes: Arrival drink, three course menu, entertainment including DJ, auction, prize draw with more to be confirmed.

Tickets can be purchased via the school Parent Pay system or by emailing ptachair@lymmhigh.gov.uk Once booked, you will be contacted for your lead table name and any dietary requirements.

(Tables of 10. Dress to impress - black tie optional)

The Momo Challenge

You may have heard of the Momo Challenge which has reportedly been appearing in children's Youtube videos, causing panic and upset amongst young people and parents.

Police have appealed to parents to not simply focus on Momo, urging them to:

- Ensure they know what their children can access online
- Ensure children understand the importance of not giving personal information to anyone they do not know
- Tell their children no-one has the right to make them do anything they do not want to do
- Use parental controls to keep their children safe

At school we will continue to support children and teach them about the importance of staying safe online. If you need any support with this, please contact Student Services and ask to speak with Mrs Ball.

Further information can be found on our Safeguarding page here and by clicking the link here.

Birchwood Careers Fair

Warrington Apprenticeships & Jobs Fair takes place next week on **Thursday 7th March 2019**, **6pm – 9pm**, at the Centre, Birchwood Park, WA3 6YN.

School Shop Swimwear

LOWER SCHOOL

Year 9: DTP & Men ACWY Immunisations

The DTP & Men ACWY immunisation letters will arrive home with your child this week. Immunisations will take place on **Tuesday 12th**, **Wednesday 13th** and **Thursday 14th March 2019** in school. Times will be confirmed shortly.

Year 9 Choices

All Year 9 Choices interview have now taken place. We are aiming to let you know your child's confirmed choices by the end of **March**.

Year 9: Information for Poland Trip 2019

The UK government recommends that travellers going to the EU after **29th March 2019** have 6 months left on their passport and is advising that any extra months which have been added to a 10-year passport will not be valid. Here is their latest information.

- 1. You should have 6 months left on your UK passport from your date of arrival. This applies to adult and child passports.
- 2. If you renewed a passport before it expired, extra months may have been added to your new passport's expiry date. Any extra months on your passport over 10 years may not count towards the 6 months that should be remaining for travel to most countries in Europe.

If you have any questions please contact Mrs Barraclough on https://doi.org/le/barraclough@lymmhigh.org.uk

UPPER SCHOOL

Year 10: Parent's Evening

We would like to invite you to our Year 10 Parents' Evening which is due to take place on **Thursday 14th March 2019** - further information to follow.

Year 11 Assessments

Year 11 students are now in the process of undertaking their Year 11 Assessments. To view a full timetable of these assessments, please click <u>here</u>.

Year 11 Prom

Arrangements for this Year's Year 11 Prom can now be confirmed. The 2019 LHS Prom will take place on **Thursday 27th June** at The Courthouse (Knutsford). **6.30PM Arrival - 10pm Carriages**. Tickets cost £36. An initial £18 deposit will be requested in the coming weeks. More information will follow shortly via a letter to parents.

Year 11 Visual Art examinations

Visual Art examination dates for students currently undertaking a GCSE in a visual arts subject can be found below:

CLASS	DATE
Photography	
IIB	22.03.2019
	25.03.2019
IIC	26.03.2019
	29.03.2019
Art & Textiles	
	02.04.2019
	04.04.2019

Year 11: 50 Days to Amaze

Year 11 parents – We are nearly half way through our #50DaysToAmaze, please click here for an overview of all sessions that are currently running. You will be receiving more information next week on how we are support our class of 2019.

SIXTH FORM

Year 12: Work Experience

We have now launched Year 12 work experience. Students have had an assembly followed by a tutorial researching ideas and looking at our past data base. A letter with further information can be found below along with a Placement and Medical Form. Please note: All paperwork must be returned by **Thursday 4th April 2019**.

Work Experience Parent Letter
Work Experience Placement Form
Work Experience Medical Form