

## WHOLE SCHOOL

### Autumn Term Last Day Arrangements

Early closure and end of autumn term arrangements: School will be closed to students from **12:15pm** on **Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019** and will reopen on **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> January 2020** at **8.25am**.

We wish all students and parents/carers a Merry Christmas and a happy new year!

### Seasonal Influenza (flu) Information

Please click [here](#) to read advice and guidance for pupils, parents and staff from Public Health England regarding seasonal influenza (Flu).

### DofE Certificates from 2018-19 cohort & earlier

Please be aware that we will now be issuing certificates for 'old awards' on a termly basis for the remainder of this academic year. The deadlines for students to have uploaded their assessor reports and finished their awards will be:

Deadline for End of Spring term presentation of certificates (in assembly): **Friday 28th February**

Deadline for End of Summer term presentation of certificates (in assembly): **Friday 5th June**

Any queries, please ask your child to pop into the School Shop and speak to Mrs Hill.

### Vocational Apprenticeship Evening

Our Vocational Apprenticeship Evening takes place in the Lymm Sixth Form Lower Hex on **Thursday 30th January, 6.00 - 7.30pm**.

Join us for a presentation about the changes to apprenticeships from Dr Dave Armston and a market place of employers, training providers and former students.

### LHS Ball: Leap Into Spring!

Save the Date: **Saturday 29th February**. Don't miss the Lymm Ball, organised by Lymm High School PTA.

### Parent Governor Election Result

Please click [here](#) to read a letter from Liz Green, our chair of governors, regarding the recent parent governor elections.

### Sport Fixtures & Results with SOCs Sport

This year we have launched [SOCS](#), an online school communication system for extra-curricular sport sessions, sport fixtures and results. Click [here](#) to read an important letter that explains the new system and how you can use it to access information relating to extra-curricular sport.

### Cashless Catering

We politely remind all parents/carers to top up your child's cashless catering accounts via Parent Pay each week to ensure your child is able to purchase food during their break and lunchtimes.

### LHS Lottery

Congratulations to Ms Barrett who was this week's winner school lottery winner!

Buy your lottery ticket this term and you could WIN a family ticket to Warner Bros Harry Potter Studio Tour! Click [here](#) to sign up!

## LOWER SCHOOL

### KS3 Exams in English, Maths and Science

Our Year 7, 8 and 9 students will be sitting exams in English, Maths and Science during January and February and these will assess students' knowledge and understanding of the content they have covered to date in these subjects. Click [here](#) to read a letter with further information.

### KS3 Revision Guide

Please click [here](#) for the KS3 Revision Guide. Your child should have brought home a printed copy this week. The associated letter with details about the January & February exams is also available [here](#).

### Year 9 Choices

Year 9 students are about to embark on the very important process of selecting their GCSE subject options. Click [here](#) to read a letter for further information about this process.

We would like to warmly welcome all year 9 students and parents to Lymm High School's Year 9 Choices Evening on **Thursday 16th January 2020**.

The choices evening has two major components: a brief presentation in the hall where our choices process is outlined and a subject 'market place' in the sports hall where you can ask the subject experts: our teachers and heads of faculty, any questions about their subject area.

The timings of these will be:-

6.00 - 6.30pm: Student Surnames A—J (*Presentation from the Senior Leadership Team in the Main School Hall*)

6.30 - 7.15pm: Student Surnames A—J (*A subject 'Market Place' in the Sports Hall*)

6.30 - 7.00pm: Student Surnames K—Z (*Presentation from the Senior Leadership Team in the Main School Hall*)

7.00 - 7.45pm: Student Surnames K—Z (*A subject 'Market Place' in the Sports Hall*)

### Current Duke of Edinburgh's Award 2019-20

All Bronze (Year 9), Silver (Year 10) and Gold (Year 12) students should now have:

- Logged onto eDofE and inputted all their personal details.
- Chosen the 3 activities (for their Skill, Physical and Volunteering sections). A list of approved activities is on the school website under Enrichment/DofE and on the DofE noticeboard at the end of the Hall corridor in school.
- Set an aim, for example if choosing tennis an aim could be to learn how to perform a topspin serve (students should try to avoid win/loss type aims, for example win a particular match or tournament because there are too many other variables at play and we want students to ensure all DofE award sections are completed successfully).
- Chosen a named Assessor (cannot be a parent or family member).

- Pressed submit so we can approve the activities before students start. We will be chasing students to do this but it is really important that they don't start activities without getting the go ahead through eDofE so they time is not wasted doing an activity that can't count towards the DofE award.
- Started doing their 3 activities.
- Once the 3/6/9/12 month period is complete in an activity, students need to ask their Assessor to complete the Assessor report (either into the booklet with the proformas in students' DofE award packs OR directly by the assessor themselves onto eDofE using the participant's eDofE ID). The assessor report then needs to be scanned (not a photo taken of it please as we can't read it to approve it) – Mrs Hill can help with scanning if necessary, but all the school printers scan documents straight to a student's email and if they visit the library, staff in there can help them with the process.

Any questions at all, students should see Mrs Hill in the School Shop.

## UPPER SCHOOL

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# SIXTH FORM

## Year 12 Work Experience

We are pleased to confirm initial details of Year 12 Work Experience this year. All Year 12 students will have the opportunity to participate in this valuable part of their education from Monday 22 June to Friday 26 June 2020. Please click [here](#) for a letter from Head of Sixth Form, Mrs Jennings, with further information.

[2019-20 LHS Sixth Form Work Experience - Presentation](#)

[2019-20 LHS Sixth Form Work Experience - Medical Consent Form](#)

[2019-20 LHS Sixth Form Work Experience - Placement Form](#)

## Y13 Student Finance

On **Tuesday 7th January** all Year 13 students will be having a student finance talk delivered by Chester University during their Life Programme session and parents are invited to attend this talk the same evening at 6pm in the main hall. Please click [here](#) to read a letter with further details.

## Summer 2019 Certificate Collection

Year 11 students who left Lymm High School in summer 2019, can now collect their GCSE Certificates from the school exams office.