

## WHOLE SCHOOL

### Pitch In! Update

We are pleased to announce that work on the brand new 3G pitch will begin on **Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> February**. This is major news for the LHS community following work from all parties to ensure this project gets the green light. As is the nature of building works on this scale, the exact completion date may be subject to change, but the project is anticipated to be completed by the end of May 2020. We would like to thank all parents and carers for their patience and we look forward to posting further updates soon.

### School Start Times

Polite reminder to all students that the school day starts at **8.25am**. Students should be on site and at their form room from **8.20am**.

Students arriving late to school will be issued with a 30mins standards detention the next day. It is really important for students to be on time in order for them to have a productive day at school and we appreciate your support in achieving this.

Please note, if a student arrives late due to a bus issue, a late detention should not be issued.

### Vocational Apprenticeship Evening

Our Vocational Apprenticeship Evening takes place in the Lymm Sixth Form Lower Hex on **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> January, 6.00 - 7.30pm**. Find out more about future options.

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. Careers marketplace takes place in the Lower Hex from 6pm - 7.30pm. All About Apprenticeships talk at 6pm in The Main Hall.

### LHS Ball: Leap Into Spring!

Save the Date: **Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm**. Don't miss the Lymm Ball, organised by Lymm High School PTA.

Price: £40 per person (Early bird until 31st Jan) then £45. Tables of 10. Tickets: Via ParentPay system.

Includes: Arrival drink, 3 course menu, and entertainment including DJ, auction, prize draw and more to be confirmed. Dress code: Dress to impress (black tie optional).

### LHS Gardening Club – Bedding Plants

We are pleased to provide you with the Bedding Plant Order Form for this year.

There have been a few changes to the bedding plant products this year, details of which can be found [here](#).

Orders and payment need to be returned to school by **Friday 3 April** and plants will be available for collection from the school allotment on **Friday 22 May 2020**.

All funds raised from the sale of these plants goes towards the support of projects in school. Click [here](#) to download the 2020 bedding plant list.

### 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 Mrs Cooper who was this week's school lottery winner!

Buy your lottery ticket this term and you could WIN a Family FITBIT Bundle! Click [here](#) to sign up!

## LOWER SCHOOL

### Knowledge Organisers

All students have been issued with a knowledge organiser folder, in which they keep their knowledge organisers for all subjects. It is expected that they have these with them in school at all times; they are part of expected equipment, and failure to bring their folder is likely to incur a sanction. Students should be using them in most lessons, as well as during self-quizzing time in form, so disadvantage themselves significantly if they arrive without them.

Please remind your child of the importance of having this folder with them at all times. Further information, guidance, and electronic copies of knowledge organisers can be found [here](#).

### Year 9 Parents Evening

THURSDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> JANUARY 2020

We would like to invite you to the Year 9 Parents Evening on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January, 4.30-7.30pm. This will give you the opportunity to discuss with teaching staff the current progress of your child along with strategies to improve his/her achievement. This evening will prove particularly important for Year 9 students as the detailed feedback they receive will support them in making informed decisions about their GCSE options.

### Year 9 Choices

Thank you to all Parents and Carers who attended our Year 9 Choices evening last night. We hope you found the evening useful in enabling you and your child to make well-informed decisions for their option choices. For details of all GCSE subjects available at LHS, please refer to the Year 9 Choices Booklet which can be found on our website, along with a downloadable copy of the Choices Form.

### Key Upcoming Dates

**20th—31st January:** Year 9 Choices Guidance Interviews (for students)

**23rd January:** Year 9 Parents Evening

**7th February:** Choices deadline. Please return your completed form to your Form Tutor.

## Duke of Edinburgh's Award – cohort 2019/20

### Logins and setting aims

Students should have now set their aims in their Physical, Skill and Volunteering sections if undertaking the Duke of Edinburgh Award. It is crucial that this is completed so LHS, as a licensing organisation, can approve them. If students have started their activities without approval from the school on eDofE, some choices may not appear on the approved list of activities and won't count for their award. You can see the approved list on our website [here](#).

Gold students currently searching for a residential can follow [this link](#) for further guidance. If you are unsure in any way, please speak to a staff member. Get Outside The Classroom will be meeting with students about this section in the coming weeks.

Students who have misplaced their login details will need to see Mrs Hill in the School Shop for their username. This can be used along with the 'forgot password' link by typing in the email address they used when they logged in for the first time on [www.edofe.org](http://www.edofe.org). Students initially used their school email address so that staff can help them access the email link to reset their password.

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### GCSE Mock Exam Results

Year 11 students will receive their mock exam results on **Monday 20th January**. Click [here](#) to read a letter with further information about these results, progress reports and revision.

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## **DofE Training Days**

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Students will be allocated to a training day group on **Friday 31st January** or **Monday 3rd February** and will require warm, outdoor-appropriate clothing with walking boots or old trainers and a waterproof coat.

Students will be outside for a significant proportion of the day so please ensure they are dressed for cold weather with lots of layers and a warm, waterproof coat. Further details will be provided shortly.

## **Expeditions – reminder of dates** *(originally provided in the sign-up letter)*

Parents/Carers are required to drop off and pick up from all expeditions. Many choose to car share to help with work or other commitments.

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Silver practice expedition: Mon 1st – Wed 3rd June 2020 (Peak District)

Silver qualifying expedition: Sun 28th – Tues 30th June 2020 (Llangollen)

Gold practice expedition: Mon 1st – Wed 3rd June 2020 (Peak District)

Gold Qualifying Expedition: Sun 28th June – Wed 1st July 2020 (near Betws-y-Coed)

# SIXTH FORM

## **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.

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