

WHOLE SCHOOL

Dear parents and carers

As we approach the year end, I have been in a reflective mood. It's certainly been another unusual, and at times challenging year, but I'd like to think our community has more than risen to these challenges. In my assemblies to students this week, I've been talking about all the things I love about working at Lymm High School and how the Covid pandemic has really brought home to me just what a special place this is. The number one reason I love working here has to be the students themselves, who really are an incredible bunch of young people. It's an absolute privilege to be their headteacher and to be able to spend time with them every day. I've been saying it all year and will say it again one more time here: the way they have navigated the challenges of the pandemic has been outstanding.

At the same time, I'd like to thank parents and carers again for your support. I am always conscious that we would not have such fabulous students if they were not so well brought-up at home and if you were not so engaged in their education; but I'm also grateful for the common sense, patience and understanding you have shown during the last couple of years when things have often not been as we would have all liked. With a little luck, next year really will be back to normal.

The last few days at school promise to be most enjoyable (if perhaps rather hot!) and I hope your children have the fun they deserve. Beyond that, thank you so much again for your support and I hope you all have the best of summers.

Kind regards
Gwyn Williams

Hot weather

Given the forecast for next week, students can wear PE kit all week if they so choose (please also see Founders' Day information below). Please make sure students bring water bottles to school with them and remind them to fill them up at break and lunchtimes. We also encourage you to give sun cream to students and remind them to re-apply it regularly when they are going outside.

Last day of term

School will finish on the last day of term, **Thursday 21st July**, at 12.15pm. As previously advised, no buses will be running from school at this time.

Sports Day

Sports Day is taking place on **Tuesday 19th July**. During periods 1–4 students will only be coming out of lessons to participate in their events. Please ensure students come prepared for the day:

- Arrive to school in PE kit
- Sun cream applied
- Hat
- Plenty of fluids

Founders' Day

We are very much looking forward to our Founders' Day celebrations on **Wednesday 20th July**, being particularly excited for our first ever sponsored Colour Run! Here are a couple of key messages to ensure the smooth running of the day:

- Students may wear sports clothing, but as we have said before, please ensure that this is old and not brand new as it will be getting covered in powdered paint during the Colour Run (Please see [FAQs here](#)). Please also ensure that clothing is appropriate for school (i.e., no crop tops or shorts which are particularly short in length).
- Students should bring a spare T-Shirt to pop on to travel home on the buses.
- Students will spend the day taking part in various activities including: a celebration assembly, reflection on the school year, well-being activities and learning about the history of our school.
- Students should bring a refillable water bottle with them, and ensure that they have anything else they require such as a raincoat, suitable trainers, sun cream/hat if applicable.
- Students may bring sunglasses/goggles with them to wear during the Colour Run.

It is worth noting, that as you may have seen from the weather forecast, there is a likely chance of rain on Wednesday. We will have a contingency plan.

A reminder that any sponsorship money or food donations for the Trussell Trust should be brought into forms up until Wednesday (please [click here](#) to read the original letter sent home, which includes the Colour Run sponsorship form). A huge thank you for those donations already received, it is wonderful to see how our students and families are supporting charity within our local community.

Finally, we will be hosting a Founders' Day church service at St. Mary's Church in Lymm on **Wednesday 20th July** from 6–7pm, which will include performances from our wonderful musicians. All are invited to attend.

September 2022

Please note that the first day back at school on **Monday 5th September** will be for Year 7 and Year 12 students only. The rest of the Year groups will return on **Tuesday 6th September**.

Open Water warning

We have been made aware of students jumping in the Dam, Bridgewater Canal and the Mersey. Please tell your children not to be tempted to cool off in open water. The [attached document](#) provides information about the dangers of open water and includes a list of useful resources.

Uniform expectations

Lymm High takes great pride in its uniform and the appearance of its students. Our high standards and expectations require all pupils to wear their full uniform correctly at all times. Please [click here](#) for a timely reminder about appearance for September 2022. This letter also includes information about our uniform recycling scheme.

Before purchasing any new items of uniform, please check the guidance on the school website, or seek advice from the school shop. Following the guidance avoids any difficult conversations in September resulting from the purchase of uniform that is not acceptable or appropriate.

School communication

We are aware that some parents' emails from school are being diverted into their junk folders. This appears to especially be the case with Yahoo accounts. Please remember to check this folder in case you are missing information from school.

School access

From **22nd July** to **31st August**, access to school will be very limited due to groundworks and resurfacing of the car parks. An update on access will be communicated towards the end of the summer holidays.

Photo Consent

At Lymm High School, we sometimes take photographs of students. We use these photos in the school's prospectus and newsletters, on the school's website and on display boards and TV screens around school. We may also use the images as promotion material in local news stories and this helps us celebrate our students' achievements throughout their time at Lymm High School.

Please [click here](#) to complete a Photo Consent form for your child/children. If you have previously submitted a paper version of this form, please also submit an electronic version.

Chromebook Programme 2022

Our latest Chromebook scheme is now open to all current students and our new intake for September 2022. Orders can be placed up until **Wednesday 10th August** and devices will be delivered to school, ready for collection in September. Please [click here](#) for more information and to sign up.

School shop

The school shop will be closed during term time every Tuesday and Thursday from 11.15am. However, parents can still order uniform online on a 'click and collect' basis by [clicking here](#). If you have ordered uniform, please collect this after you receive your email confirmation, and within 24 hours.

Cashless catering

Please remember to top up your child's cashless catering account via Parent Pay to ensure your child is able to purchase food at break and during lunchtimes. You can [click here](#) to view the lunch menu, which changes each day. The price list can be [viewed here](#).

Amazon Smile

You can help us raise money for Lymm High's PTA while online shopping at no extra cost to yourselves. All you need to do is sign up for the Amazon Smile Account by clicking here: smile.amazon.co.uk: [You shop. Amazon gives.](#) Any of your Amazon purchases will then benefit our school by giving us a little cash each time. Thank you for your support.

LHS Lottery

Congratulations to this week's school lottery winner, Mrs Knowles! You could be a winner too! If you have not signed up for our lottery yet, please head to our dedicated lottery website [here](#). If you want to find out how the school lottery works, please [click here](#). Tickets are only £1 each week and your support would be hugely appreciated.

LOWER SCHOOL

Boys Football Tour – May 2023

Please [click here](#) to read a letter about Years 7 and 8 Boys Football Tour to Barcelona next year. The tour is open to boys involved in school football who are currently in Years 7 and 8 (i.e. Years 8 and 9 next school year), and spaces are limited so names will be drawn fairly if the interest is above the number of places available. To register your interest in this trip, please print and complete the slip and return it to Mr Powell in the PE office by **Tuesday 19th July** at the latest.

UPPER SCHOOL

GCSE Results Day

GCSE Results Day is on **Thursday 25th August 2022**. Please [click here](#) to read a letter about arrangements for the day.

SIXTH FORM

A' level Results Day

A' Level Results Day is on **Thursday 18th August 2022**. Please [click here](#) to read a letter about arrangements for the day.

Student Leadership Team

Over the past few days Mrs Jennings and Mr Hayes have been conducting a series of interviews for Student Leadership. We are now pleased to announce that Atticus Burnett has been appointed as Head of Student Leadership. Ella McCarthy and Louisa James have been appointed as Deputy Heads of Student Leadership. Well done to all three students!