

WHOLE SCHOOL

Duke of Edinburgh's Award 2022-23

Sign-up for DofE in the following year groups has now opened! We had fantastic numbers on DofE last year (nearly 300 students!) so we hope lots sign up again this year.

- Bronze open to Year 9
- Silver open to Year 10
- Gold open to Year 12

NB. Your child does not have to have completed a previous DofE Award to sign up for Silver or Gold, but if they have done so and got it signed off, it will benefit them because the length of their sections will shorten.

Students need to collect a letter from Student Services (also available on the website here below the oval badges for the three Awards). Sign-up is only open between 24th November and 16th December so please ensure you've paid the deposit on Parent Pay and returned the reply slip by **Friday 16th December** if your child would like to participate this year. Please also triple-check the expedition dates and training days: as part of our DofE offer, all dates are compulsory so if a student is unable to complete any one of them, they unfortunately won't be able to complete their Award with us and may have to explore options outside of school to finish their DofE programme. Please encourage your child to pick up a letter. There is also a Parent Presentation on the website if you'd like to find out a bit more information about the DofE programmes in school and how they run.

Unifrog

A reminder to all parents that you are able to access Unifrog to support your child with their careers education. If you are unsure of the parent code, please email lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk.

Life Programme dates

We thought it would be helpful for parents to know when our extended Form Time Life Programme sessions are taking place over the rest of the year.

Our extended Form Time sessions take place around once every two weeks and students are with their Form Tutors covering our PSHE and RSE curriculum. We dedicate this extra time so that we can look more closely at the key topics under the umbrella of PSHE and RSE. Each session is tailored to the year group it is being delivered to in terms of content. This is separate to our Drop-Down Day Calendar.

Extended Form Time sessions for PSHE will take place on:

- Tuesday 6th December 2022
- Wednesday 11th January 2023
- Wednesday 25th January 2023
- Wednesday 8th February 2023
- Wednesday 1st March 2023
- Wednesday 29th March 2023
- Thursday 20th April 2023
- Thursday 4th May 2023
- Thursday 18th May 2023

- Thursday 22nd June 2023
- Thursday 13th July 2023
- Thursday 20th July 2023

For further information on Life Programme, click here.

Cars on site

A reminder that parents/carers dropping off and/or picking up students in cars need to do so outside of the school grounds – ideally, as far from the school site as possible. Cars are no longer allowed on site before school or at the end of the school day. Please also avoid dropping students at the Lodge entrance to school in the mornings as this area needs to be kept clear for staff coming to school.

We will continue to make arrangements for those exceptional cases where parents or students need to come on site. If this is the case, please just email Mrs Mogey in Student Services. Many thanks for your continued support with this.

Bus services

We have been informed by Warrington Borough Council that Bradshaw Lane will be reopening from **Monday 28**th **November**. The following services will return to their normal routes prior to the closure: CAT5, X5, 40, 40B and 42A.

Christmas Dinner

The Lymm Diner is serving Christmas Dinner on **Wednesday 7**th **December** for Years 7–11 at a price of £2.20. Students can choose from Roast Turkey or Roast Quorn Fillet, served with mini Yorkshires, roast potatoes, glazed carrots, Brussels sprouts, savoury stuffing, gravy and cranberry sauce.

Surveys and events for Hong Kong community

The Welcome Hub are re-launching their demographic survey in order to get a clear picture on the emerging Hong Kong community in the region. It is really important as many people as possible complete this survey in order to give the best understanding of the Hong Kong community in the North West, which in turn may inform funding decisions. The link to the survey is here. A separate survey on adapting to life in the UK has been developed by The Chaser News & Citizens of Our Time Learning Hub. The link to the survey is here, if you wish to complete. For further information on events in the North West that will benefit Hong Kong residents, please see the events page on the Welcome Hub website.

PTA Quiz

Please save the date for the PTA Quiz in school on Friday 27th January 2023. More details will follow soon.

School shop

The school shop will be closed during term time every Tuesday and Thursday from 12 noon. However, parents can still order uniform online on a 'click and collect' basis by <u>clicking here</u>. If you have ordered uniform, please collect this after you receive your email confirmation.

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 <u>click here</u> to view the lunch menu, which changes each day. The price list can be <u>viewed here</u>.

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, Ms Welsby who won £74.40! You could be a winner too! If you have not signed up for our lottery yet, please head to our dedicated lottery website <u>here</u>. If you want to find out how the school lottery works, please <u>click here</u>. Tickets are only £1 each week and your support would be hugely appreciated.

LOWER SCHOOL

Careers Event

On **Tuesday 29th November**, all Year 7 and 8 students will receive a careers talk from the BBC as part of their 'Share your story' careers tour.

Year 7 Parents' Evening

The Year 7 Parents' Evening is on **Thursday 8th December** from 4.30–7.30pm. This will take place online. For further information, <u>click here</u>.

Year 8 HPV vaccinations

The School-aged Immunisation Team is offering the HPV vaccine to boys and girls in Year 8 as part of the national school-aged vaccination programme. The HPV vaccination programme can help to protect young people against some types of HPV-related cancers. The programme consists of two doses of the vaccine: the first dose in Year 8 and a second dose a minimum of 26 weeks after.

To consent for your child to have the two doses of HPV vaccine, please follow the steps on this attached letter. Please note that if you do not indicate whether you want your child to be vaccinated or not, and your child requests the vaccinations, it may be appropriate for your child to give their own consent.

Year 9 Take your child to work event

Year 9 students will be taking part in a 'Take your child to work event' on **Friday 9th December**. Please complete the <u>form here</u> if you haven't already. For those students remaining in school, we will be running a variety of careers-related events.

UPPER SCHOOL

Careers Event

On **Tuesday 29th November**, Year 10 students will receive a careers talk from the BBC as part of their 'Share your story' careers tour.

Year 11 Revision Support

We want to take this opportunity to wish all of our Year 11 students the very best of luck in their mock exams which start next Wednesday. They have shown excellent engagement with intervention and support this half term and we are really proud of them.

A huge thank you to all of our parents and carers who have worked with us to encourage those key messages around revision at home, we couldn't do it without you.

A reminder that the <u>mock timetable</u> and revision support materials can be <u>found here</u>. We would also like to remind you of the essential equipment students will require:

- Black pens
- Pencil/ruler/rubber
- Compass/Protractor
- Scientific calculator

Should any student struggle purchasing the above items, please ask them to see Mr Scott so that we can support.

Year 11 Sixth Form Applications

The deadline for applying to join us in the Sixth Form is **Friday 16th December**. Please <u>click here</u> to apply online.