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Students visit Berlin  
on our fourth annual  
trip to the German  
capital

These Bridges  
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Students perform this  
year's ambitious  
National Connections  
play by Phoebe Eclair-  
Powell.

# NEWSLETTER

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## STUDENTS TAKE ON THE RYMAN CHALLENGE

Students develop the entrepreneurial skills as the Ryman National Enterprise Challenge comes to Lymm High School!

The Ryman National Enterprise Challenge is the UK's largest school's enterprise competition and on Friday 16th February, our Year

9 students were fortunate enough to take part.

As students took to their seats, ready in their teams, a buzz of excitement filled the sports

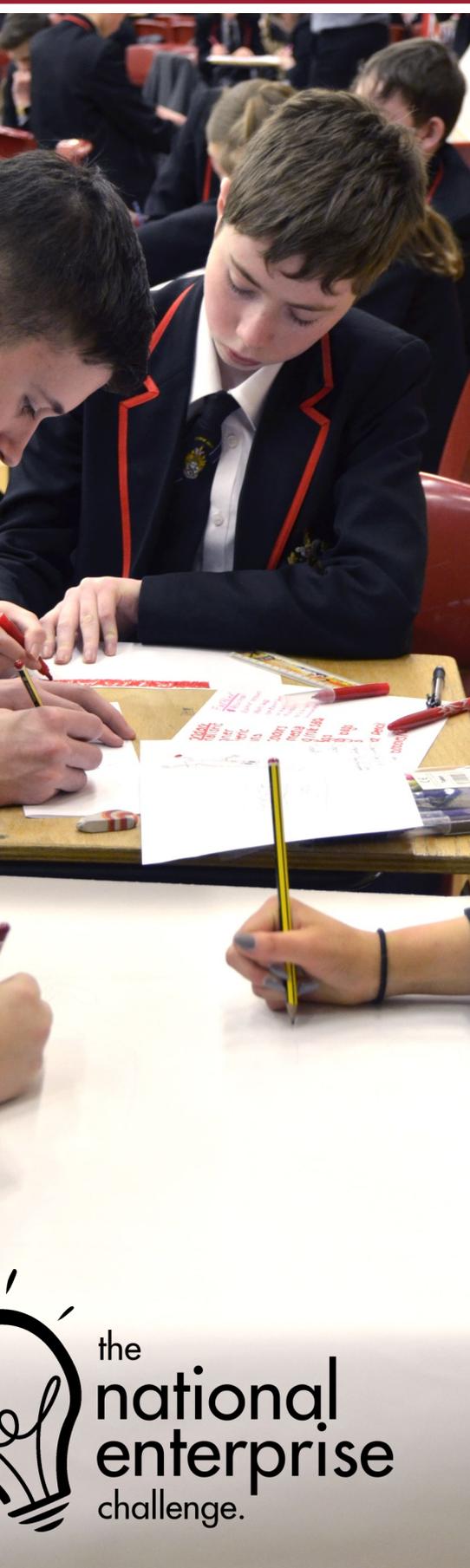
hall.

Who would walk away as finalists and make the next round of the competition?

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From selecting a project manager, to designing a product and creating a marketing campaign, our Year 9 students acted both maturely and professionally.

They listened intently to the brief, and showed real enthusiasm and energy throughout the day.

Their ideas were both creative and innovative, with the teams designing products such as pocket printers, to projectable pens!

The Higher Horizons team then had to embark on the difficult task of whittling the 50 teams down to 8 finalists who would present their idea to the whole year group, all with the hope of making it to the regional finals in Chester!

The judging panel consisting of Mr Eyres, Mrs Feast and Mr Simon Price had a very difficult decision to make in

selecting only 3 teams out of the 8 to go through to the Chester finals.

The presentations made by all teams were excellent, with all students involved again demonstrating confidence and professionalism. However, taking into consideration the

pitch itself, the product and advertising, the judges declared the names of the three winning teams. Huge congratulations go to Bee School Ready, Too Cool for School and

*‘They listened intently to the brief, and showed real enthusiasm and energy throughout the day.’*

Start Your Year The Ryman Way!

These three winning teams will now have the chance to go through to the finals at Chester Racecourse on Monday 12th March 2018, competing to be crowned the champions of the Chester National Enterprise Challenge.

We wish all students involved the best of luck!

# NOTICES

## SPORTS RELIEF

Sports Relief takes place on the 19th-23rd March 2018 and to celebrate, there will be lots happening in PE and around school. Please download the Sports Relief App on a phone and start counting your steps!

Track your steps, take on celebrity challenges and create leagues to compete against friends. The app has everything you need to get active.

Take part in The Nation's Billion Step Challenge and fundraise for Sport Relief.

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## LHS LOTTERY

Thank you to all those who have already signed up to our school lottery and huge congratulations to our five lucky winners so far!

Join the Lymm High School lottery by the 30th March and you could win a trip for you and nine friends to Go Ape! The lottery is a fun and effective way to raise money to improve our school.

As well as a guaranteed weekly winner from our school community there's also a weekly chance to win up to £25,000. But we need your help to make the lottery the best it can be. The more supporters that join the bigger the weekly prize fund!

## GREETINGS CARDS

We now have a number of greeting cards available that have been designed by LHS students from the school shop.

The cards are blank inside, with students impressive Art Prints featured on the front of the card, so they can be used for any occasion and all year round. Cards are A6 in size and are collated as a pack of eight for £3.

All to raise money for Pitch in!

## GARDEN VOUCHERS

To help cover the cost of replacing worn out gardening equipment we are collecting 'School Garden Vouchers' from High Legh Garden Centre.

Every time you spend £10, they will issue a voucher. When we reach a total of 250 vouchers we can claim a £100 garden voucher.

Any vouchers collected can be handed in to Student Services.

# NOTICES

## AUCTION OF PROMISES

On Friday 9th March, the school will be hosting the Auction of Promises evening, raising funds for our partner school in the Eastern Cape of South Africa, to support several different projects that will help improve the lives of our counterparts.

The Afritwin 'Auction of Promises' site is now LIVE!

Please take a look at the hundreds of auction lots on offer!

Tickets for this event are now available to purchase from the school shop and we would like to encourage as many of you to attend as possible; it promises to be a fantastic evening!

To place a bid please visit the Auction of Promises [website](#).

Happy Bidding!

## BAVARIAN BIERKELLER

Pitch In with a pitcher! Bavarian Bierkeller comes to Lymm High School on 16 March and there's still time to get your tickets!

In aid of Prevent Breast Cancer Care and the Lymm High School Pitch in! Campaign we'll be turning the main hall into Lymm's one and only Bavarian Bierkeller for some serious sing-a-long stein-clinking madness!

Tickets are £25 and are available to purchase from the school shop or online [HERE](#).

So come along from 7.30pm (Happy Hour!) in your best dirndl or lederhosen for an evening of oompah, Bratwurst, Tanzen & Pilsner and raise a toast to good friends and good times!

## SUMMER BEDDING PLANTS

Once again we'd like to give parents the opportunity of ordering summer bedding plants and hanging baskets. Orders and payment need to be returned to school by Friday 6 April and plants will be available for collection from the school allotment on Friday 25 May 2018.

All funds raised from the sale of these plants goes towards the support of projects in school.

Click [HERE](#) to download the 2018 bedding plant & hanging basket list

# Go Ape

**THIS SPRING &  
SUPPORT  
OUR SCHOOL**

**YOU COULD WIN A GO APE  
ADVENTURE FOR 10 PEOPLE BY  
JOINING YOUR LOTTERY THIS TERM.**

- Buy a lottery ticket for £1 and support our School!
- Draws every Saturday, even through the holidays!
- 40% of ticket sales go directly to our School!
- Match all 6 numbers & WIN £25,000!
- Guaranteed cash prize to one of our supporters every week!

To start supporting, visit:

[www.YourSchoolLottery.co.uk](http://www.YourSchoolLottery.co.uk)

Search for:

**Lymm**

Sign up before 30<sup>th</sup> March 2018. Supporters must be 16 years of age or older.

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BAVARIAN MUSIC  
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**Bierkeller**  
2018

**FRIDAY 16TH MARCH**

DOORS OPEN 7.30PM

**LYMM**  
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MAIN HALL

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FOR

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cancer**

TICKETS  
**£25**

TICKETS AVAILABLE TO PURCHASE FROM THE LYMM POST OFFICE & LYMM HIGH SCHOOL SHOP.  
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# FUN IN THE SNOW!

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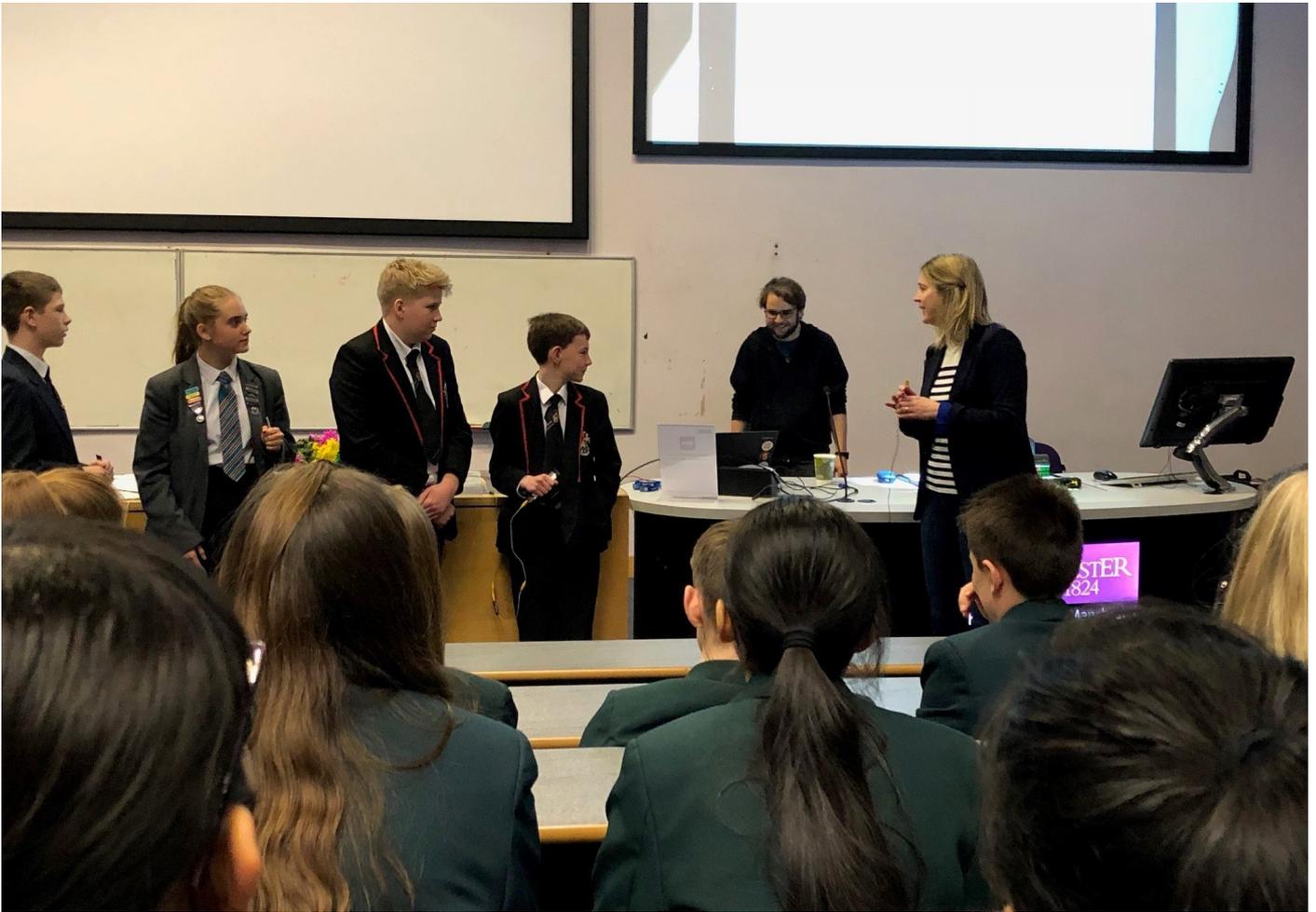
Nothing like a little snow to bring a bit of excitement to the week and last week certainly did that!

**O**n Tuesday 27th February students were allowed onto the school fields at break and lunchtime for a good old fashioned snowball fight as the snow was still fresh, powdery and clean. What better way of taking advantage of the beautiful wintry grounds, have some

fun and relieve some exam stress for our students. The Senior Leadership Team and Headteacher supervised whilst students had some good wintertime fun. Our students were an absolute credit to the school - they all played in good fun and were ready to get back into lessons when the

bell rang. So while they may have been disappointed that school wasn't closed last week, it was certainly made up for by making memories with their friends in the snow.





# THE ROBOTS ARE COMING!

Last Wednesday, Year 9 braved the snowy conditions to visit the University of Manchester to hear a lecture presented by Professor Danielle George a BBC Science presenter and Vice Dean at Manchester University.

Her talk was entitled "The Robots are Coming" and she explained how robots can now

carry out everyday tasks with ease. She demonstrated how a robot could solve a Rubik's Cube (in a fraction of the time of a human) and she set up a full robotic orchestra with the help of two of our students who volunteered and half a dozen others from the audience!

We would like to thank the Rotary Club for organising

and hosting the lecture and our own Rotary Club of Lymm for their sponsoring of the tickets and transport for the event.

The students were a credit to our school, very much appreciated the opportunity given to them and had a very enjoyable afternoon!

# BAE SYSTEMS ROADSHOW



It's a numbers GAME! - BAE Systems STEM Roadshow engages Lymm High School maths students.

**B**ack in February, BAE Systems launched their new roadshow for 2018. The audience of Year 8 students enjoyed an afternoon of Maths activities, which included interacting with a robot courtesy of BAE Systems, the RAF and Royal Navy.

Alongside The Royal Academy's #ThisIsEngineering campaign, the roadshow, now in its thirteenth year, aims to inspire and instil excitement among school pupils around STEM, in the largest ever schools programme of its kind.

With the focus on maths, students experienced a series of workshops and demonstrations to showcase various applications of the subject, from robotics and coding through to the use of maths in iPhone technology and even magic.

During the interactive show, students volunteered to help solve a number of problems, including magic tricks, planning the allocation of aircraft on an aircraft carrier and much more.

Students were also lucky enough to see the propeller used to set the world record for the highest flight without an aircraft.

Engaging in practical activities based around the theme 'It's a Numbers Game,' students showed great enthusiasm whilst gaining an understanding on how the maths they are currently studying is the same maths used in a large number of high profile professions.

The students also met MIA the robot, a 70cm high android robot that showed just how advanced robotics can be.

This talking, dancing, sensing, 'thinking' robot has features that are present in many of the products that BAE Systems manufacture. For example, the gyroscope in the robot is very similar to the gyroscope that can be found in fast jets to help them keep level, or the ships that they build to keep them stable in rough seas.

Students also explored the uses of Virtual Reality and

developments in Facial Recognition Technology.

The session was light hearted and interactive and gave students a unique opportunity to see their school subject in a very different light!

"We really enjoyed the assembly. They made maths amusing and educational. The robot, Maya, was wonderful.

The maths magic trick was puzzling yet simple. And we were blown away by the parameter." Zuza Konca

Hopefully it has inspired them to take STEM subjects in the future and ultimately increase the pool of talent in years to come.



LYMM HIGH SCHOOL

# SPORTS FUNDRAISING DINNER

## BLACK TIE EVENT

Includes three course meal, cash bar  
and canapes reception



**WITH JAN MOLBY**

Former professional footballer and manager

**FRIDAY 27TH APRIL 2018**  
**7PM START AT LYMM HIGH SCHOOL**

Fundraising to improve sporting facilities at Lymm High School

**TICKETS £40**  
**SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES AVAILABLE**

**TO BOOK OR ENQUIRE CONTACT**

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# STEAM SCHOOLS

## A VIRTUAL PROJECT FOR 11-14 YEAR OLDS

Are you interested in finding out more about STEM careers?

**O**n Thursday 8th March at 3.45pm, Rob Bennett, Chief Inspirer at BLOODHOUND SSC will be interviewed in a live webcast for STEAM Schools. Lymm High School has been given the opportunity to take part in this webcast.

Interested students should see Mrs Dowdall in the Maths Faculty Hub with potential questions for Mr Bennett by lunchtime on Wednesday and come to room E101 on Thursday at 3.30pm.

The BLOODHOUND Project is a global Engineering Adventure, using a 1,000mph World Land Speed Record attempt to inspire the next generation to enjoy, explore and get involved in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

For more information, visit:

<http://www.bloodhoundssc.com/>



# BERLIN 2018



Lymm High School students recently enjoyed a short study tour to the historic city of Berlin during the half term break.

Our 4th annual trip to the German capital, students had the opportunity to immerse themselves in German culture and history!

After a delayed start at Manchester Airport Year 11 students arrived at Schönefeld Airport around lunchtime.

A historical walking tour of Berlin gave our cohort a fun opportunity to explore this vibrant city, learn fascinating historical facts and visit many famous monuments. The tour involved visiting some of the most visited attractions in

Berlin including the Brandenburg Gate, Museum Island, the Jewish Memorial and Hitler's bunker (now covered by a very grey carpark!)

All of these sites link to our History GCSE studies where students investigate the Weimar Republic and then the Rise of the Nazis followed by the Cold War including the construction of the Berlin Wall.

With a packed itinerary, students had an early start (well early for teenagers...a lie in for the staff with breakfast

at 8am) to travel for a rather sombre visit to Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp. Unlike Auschwitz this was a labour camp mainly for political prisoners and those classed as 'asocial'.

During the visit students also learnt about the Soviet prisoners of war who were kept here during World War Two and the Nazi policy against them.

We were then dropped back into central Berlin to Checkpoint Charlie where students could appreciate

how Berlin was divided from 1961.

In the afternoon, students explored the Topography of Terror Museum that is built in the grounds of where the Gestapo Headquarters used to be. The tour highlighted how ordinary many of the perpetrators of Nazi violence and policy were.

There was a photograph that was particularly poignant; Gestapo officers celebrating Fathers' Day by wearing silly hats, drinking beer and joking. This showed students the normality of many of the men, often at odds with perceptions of Nazi officers.

Students ended the day with a visit to the TV Tower, taking a moment to enjoy the 360 views of Berlin the building offers. The building was a great triumph of Stalin's during the Cold War, designed to show the power and status of Communist Europe.

Other cultural and historical highlights of the trip included poignant visits to the Reichstag (the German Parliament) to see the centre of German democracy and the Story of Berlin Museum.

Tour organiser Mrs Douglas concluded, "The Year 11 students were a pleasure to take on this trip and showed impressive knowledge and engagement in the two themes of the trip. The purpose of the trip was to bring to life the GCSE History course."



# THESE BRIDGES

On Tuesday 27th and Wednesday 28th February we performed this year's ambitious National Connections play, "These Bridges" by Phoebe Éclair-Powell.

Following the hugely successful production of "The Snow Dragons," last year, "These Bridges" follows four sets of teenagers who, when the Thames bursts its banks, submerges London and the north and the south of the city become separated, ignore the risks of the treacherous crossing to find out whether life on the other side is all it's cracked up to be.

It was an extremely challenging play to work with not least because it is entirely set on and under the water of the river Thames! I chose this particular play not just because of the challenging aspect but also that it was a huge ensemble production.

It has been such a pleasure to be able to work with this cast – 30 talented students from Years 9 – 12, all of whom became an integral part of the whole production. The cast took on the challenge brilliantly, becoming the sea of drowned commuters and brave teenagers with confidence, not only having to remember their lines, but also the constant movement, lifts and manoeuvring the number of milk crates around the stage! The feedback we received from our audiences was fantastic, recognising the incredible focus and commitment of each and every performer.

Our National Theatre director, who was in the audience on Tuesday evening, also recognised how focused and committed the cast were, and how they



had successfully managed to transport the audience from the School hall in Lymm, to the water of the Thames with ease. I am extremely proud of what our students created and when I think that we have only been working on it for 7 weeks, it just highlights how talented our students are.



Our next step is that we are taking These Bridges to The Crucible Theatre in Sheffield on the 22nd March, which we are very excited about.

We are lucky to be able to work with all the professional teams there and the cast will perform

in the professional theatre, which is the pinnacle of the Connections Festival itself.

*Ms Finnegan*

LYMM HIGH SCHOOL



Afritwin 2018

# AUCTION OF PROMISES

Proceeds raised will be used to support Afritwin's work in South Africa

FRIDAY, MARCH 9, 7.00PM - 10.30PM  
IN THE SCHOOL HALL

Includes: auction, bar, buffet, games & challenges  
TICKETS £5 | available from the school shop

# LHS LGBT RAINBOW CLUB



The first ever Lymm High School LGBTQ Rainbow Club took place last term – marking the first ever meeting of its kind since Lymm opened its doors.

Open to anyone and everyone who wanted to celebrate diversity and inclusion the

club was a huge success!

The students discussed how to continue to make Lymm High a respectful, inclusive environment and planned future projects to work alongside Warrington Youth Service.

The club will run every Thursday in A206 from 1.30pm until 2.10pm – everyone is welcome to come and get involved!

# ODDBALLS FOR LHS



## Still feeling the cold from storm Emma?

**I**ntroducing... Lymm Obble Hats from Oddballs!

We've partnered with our good friends at Oddballs to bring you the new Lymm Obble hats!

We have joined the growing number of rugby clubs and bodies up and down the country to design a personalised Oddballs Bobble hat that shows your LHS pride while giving to Oddballs mission against testicular cancer.

Oddballs is the male version of wear pink and if you follow them on twitter you can see major sportsmen, sportswomen and teams investing and contributing to the charity.

The hats are available in blue and black, as modelled by Mr Mason on the 2018 ski trip.

Pop into the school shop and get yours for £15, and support the school and the charity.

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

**Auction of Promises**  
Friday 9th March

**PTA Meeting**  
Tuesday 13th March  
7pm - 8.30pm

**Year 10 Parents Evening**  
Thursday 15th March

**Bavarian Bierkeller**  
Friday 16th March

**Good Friday**  
Friday 30th March

**Bank Holiday**  
Monday 2nd April

**Spring Term Ends**  
Friday 6th April

**Return to School**  
Monday 23rd April

**Sports Fundraising Dinner**  
Friday 27th April

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