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Highlights from Lymm High School's latest cooking competition.

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YEAR 13 GRADUATE FASHION SHOW

Fashion students from Lymm High School Sixth Form showcased their final collections with a stylish end of year show.

he students, from the Sixth Form's BTEC Level 3 Fashion and Clothing Diploma, have been working

hard all year and displayed their best catwalk designs in front of a packed audience in the school's Main Hall. The show featured catwalk models recruited from students in all years. A wide

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range of clothes were modelled on the catwalk inspired by their own chosen theme, such as riots and anarchy, fusion cultures and Portuguese architecture.

All of the models and designers worked in a professional manner and the event was an enormous success!

Year 13 BTEC Level 3 Fashion student, Alice Beckett, highly creative students emerge once again from Lymm High School'

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final year work on the catwalk made me really proud and I cannot wait to see what the future brings."

The show was watched by an

audience including, headteacher Mr Gwyn Williams, Lymm High School staff. students, family members and friends, and representatives from Universities also popped along to support the

commented, "The fashion show was a perfect end to an amazing two years on the course."

Fellow student, Alfie Chambers, who recently received an offer from the prestigious London College of Fashion, added, "Seeing my show.

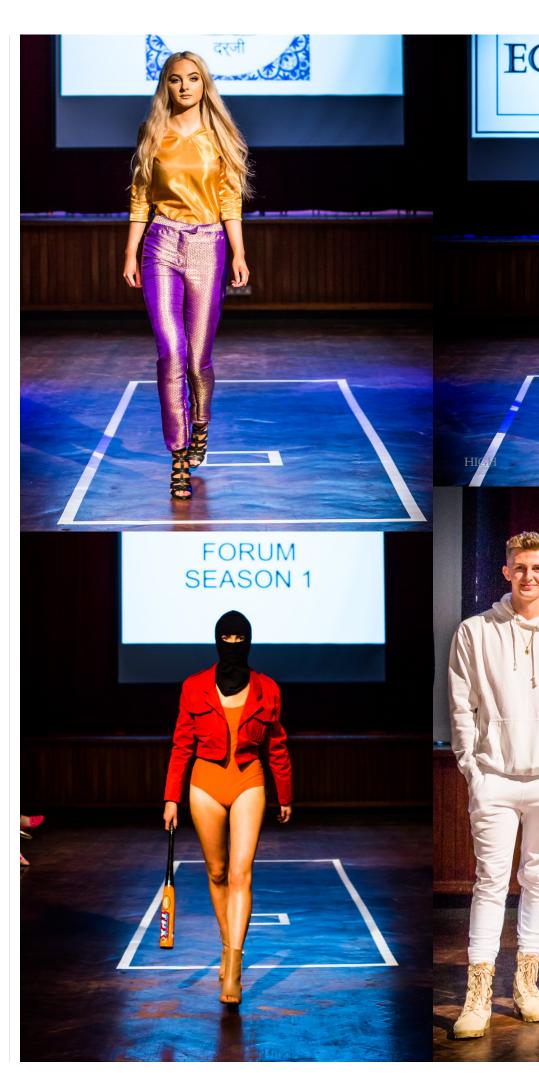
Course Leader for BTEC Level 3 Fashion, Rachael Doherty, was full of praise for all the students, "The fashion students delivered an excellent show of all their incredible work and it is inspiring to see such dedicated and highly creative students emerge once again from Lymm High School. The second year students will continue their studies on some of the most prestigious BA Honours courses in the UK and they all deserve every success!"

The Fashion show was an end of year graduate show organised by the school's creative arts department, which was open to the public on Wednesday 3rd May, from 7pm.

Anyone interested in joining a creative course at the Sixth Form can find more information on our Art, Design, Fashion and Photography courses page on the school's website.

www.lymmhigh.org.uk

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Pictured above: Year 12 students also exhibited work on the catwalk as part of the show.



NOTICES

EXTRA-CURRICULAR PE TIMETABLE - SUMMER 2017

W hile strong academics are the foundation of a strong education, we try to encourage student's engagement in outside activities.

We have a wide range of extra-curricular sport activities taking place over the summer term. To view the new PE extra-curricular timetable, please click <u>here</u>.

SCHOOL CLOSURE REMINDER

e would like to remind parents of upcoming school closures. The school day will finish early at 12.15pm on Thursday 15th June to accommodate for open evening and will remain closed on Friday 16th of June for an INSET day.

Students will return to school on Monday 19th June as normal.

SAINSBURYS VOUCHERS

S ainsburys Active Kids campaign for 2017 is still underway. All Sainsburys stores give vouchers when you pay above £5 in store. These vouchers can be used by the school to purchase new equipment and resources that focus on keeping your child healthy.

Parents can still continue to submit vouchers into school via a box in the school shop or alternatively, you can hand them in to Student Services.

SCHOOL UNIFORM

S chool uniform can be purchased from our school shop throughout the summer holidays. Holiday opening hours will be: Mon-Thurs. 9-3pm and Fri. 9-2pm.

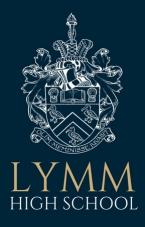
For an updated Uniform Price list for 2017 please click here > (<u>Boys</u>) and here >(<u>Girls</u>)

POLAND TRIP MEETING

A parental meeting regarding the upcoming Poland trip will be taking place on Thursday 22nd June, at 6.30pm in the main hall. A letter will be sent out to parents nearer the time with more details.

BATTLEFIELDS TRIP MEETING

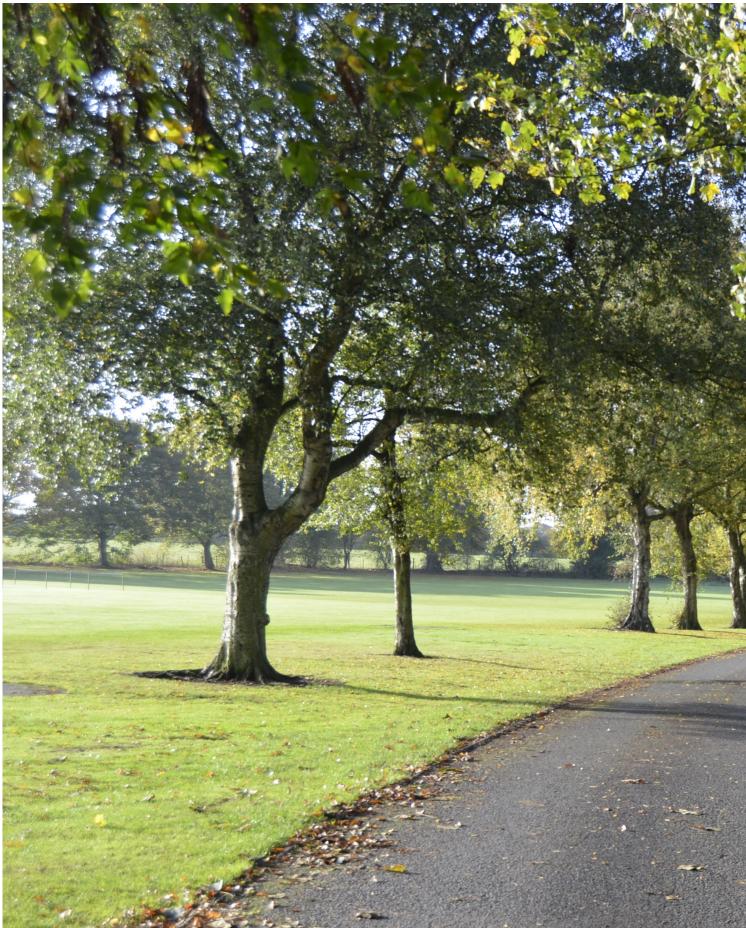
T here will be a Battlefields parental meeting on Thursday 22nd June taking place at 6pm in the main hall. Parents whose children are attending the trip will be sent a letter with further details shortly.



Our students love studying here and we think you would too

Open Evening Thursday 15th June 2017 5pm-8pm Visit the facilities on offer and meet the Headteacher www.lymmhigh.org.uk

A NOTE FROM THE H



too much pressure over tests that, after all, do not count towards

As ever, we rely upon your help in

individual children – often you are in

a better position than us to judge

whether they need to be working

harder or whether they would be

better off taking more breaks and

relaxing a little more.

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anything formal.



Jear parents and carers,

I hope you all had a good Easter and managed to spend some time with your children.

This half-term is often the most intense of all and this year is proving to be no exception. Year 11 students start their GCSE exams in a matter of days now and I am very pleased with how well they are working as a year group and with the maturity with which

maturity with which they are going about their business.

Year 13 students are similarly gearing themselves up for their exams and the Upper Hex seems to be getting very full, late into the evening. It goes without saying that we wish all of them all the very best and the same goes to parents and carers, for 'I have cause to smile everyday at the wonderful talents and personalities our young people display.' Otherwise, as this newsletter shows, so many different activities are going on around the school and I have cause to smile everyday at the wonderful talents and personalities our young

whom we know it can be an even more stressful time than for the young people themselves!

We also have exams taking place over the next few weeks for KS3 and Year 10. For these in particular, we continue to try hard to get the balance right between encouraging students to take them seriously whilst, at the same time, not burdening them with people display.

The Fashion Show this week was a real highlight and, I'm sure like everyone else who attended, I was blown away by the dedication and ability on display.

Kind regards,

Gwyn Williams

LYMM SUPPORTS CITY OF CULTURE BID

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Warrington 2021 City of Culture

he school, granted a royal charter in 1601, has strong historic links with Warrington and currently has more than 2000 students enrolled.

The school is proud of its long tradition of service to the community and now students at the High school are backing the towns bid to become the next UK City of Culture by becoming the first Warrington 2021 student ambassadors.

Last week, the school took part

in a number of events supporting the bid. Student Jess Ward led the campaign, delivering assemblies that celebrate Warrington's culture and heritage and explaining to her peers what winning the City of Culture Bid could mean for the town.

Lymm High also took over the Warrington 2021 twitter account for the day, tweeting about how students engage with culture, both in school and in their community. The creative arts are embedded in Lymm High School's culture. From the Lymm High String ensemble who are set to perform at the National Music for Youth Festival to our Fashion students, who this week held their final degree fashion show, as well as putting on ambitious plays like 'The Snow Dragons' as part of The National Theatre Connections Festival and 'The 400' at Warrington Parr Hall.

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Headteacher Gwyn Williams said "Lymm High School is delighted to support Warrington's City of Culture bid.

We have so many incredibly talented young people and winning the nomination would provide so many exciting new opportunities for them to develop their passion and skills."

The Warrington City of Culture 2021 bid team, commented saying: "A big thank you to Lymm High School for taking part in the @warrington2021 #twittertakeover. Culture is alive and kicking in Warrington.

"The UK City of Culture bid will give Warrington an opportunity to shine and show the world what we are made of. Working together, our ambition is to create and deliver a world class cultural year in 2021.

"More than that, we want to create a legacy which increases engagement in the arts among all our communities and invite everyone to get involved and celebrate everything that great about our town.

"Let's tell the nation who we are, why we are such an amazing place and change perceptions of culture in Warrington forever"

For more information check out the Warrington 2021 website:

www.warrington2021.com





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ARBORETUM VISIT

ear 7 scholars visited Staffordshire Memorial Arboretum last Tuesday as part of their project on World War One.

They completed a guided tour of significant World War One memorials including the Gallipoli Campaign and Shot at Dawn.

During the tour students learnt about the symbolism of the memorials such as the colours, structure and even the surrounding landscaping. For example at the shot at dawn memorial there were 306 posts that represented soldiers that had been shot for cowardice despite suffering from shell shock that had been pardoned in 2009.

After their tour, students completed an act of remembrance at the Tank Corps memorial. This gave them time to reflect on the personal stories they had heard and on those who have made contributions in conflict up to the present day.

In the afternoon students participated in a group activity, investigating different soldiers from multiple fronts. From this, they constructed a presentation about their chosen soldier and delivered their findings to the rest of the group.

This experience will now be used to help students create a piece of work inspired by their studies on World War One and exhibited at the Relationships Centre in Warrington.





THE MOST INSPIRATIONAL PERSON I KNOW

Scholar student Jade wins writing competition for essay on her most inspirational person.

s part of the Holocaust Memorial Day, Year 10 Scholars watched a live streaming by Mala, a Holocaust Survivor. Her story and delivery were inspiring and as such the scholars were then asked to complete an essay on 'The Most Inspirational Person I Know." Students were asked to reflect on any person who inspired them, they could be a personal friend, it could be historical or someone famous but the essay needed to be written in an appropriate academic style. Students were asked to consider and explain the impact that that person had either on their own lives, or that of others.

We had some fantastic entries with a wide range of people, such as Tim Berners-Lee, the inventor of the internet, whose persistence and dedication to computing has impacted all our lives, particularly due to his philanthropic nature of providing this tool to the world for free. Other essays



were more personal and local such as Mr Dave Shipton, a local karate instructor whose perseverance, discipline and motivation inspires one of our scholars.

However, our overall winner was Jade Carlin, for her essay on Emma Watson. Jade was inspired by her favourite literary character in Hermione, from the Harry Potter series, however as Emma grew up, Jade's admiration also grew, admiring her confidence and motivation to make a difference whether that be on equality or her courageousness as a UN Ambassador promoting education for girls in less privileged countries.

'Well done to all the students who took time to enter.' *Mrs Wardle*

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PETER CLAUS PREPARES STUDENTS FOR OXFORD

n Thursday 4th May Peter Claus, Access Fellow & Lecturer in History at Pembroke College, Oxford University, visited the sixth form to offer support to our Oxbridge applicants.

He provided excellent advice on Oxbridge University applications focussing on writing personal statements and the interview process.

During his visit, Peter also delivered special tutorial sessions to students, giving them an insight into the teaching methods used at Oxford and Cambridge University.

The students were fantastic and thrived when challenged in the tutorial session.



UNIVERSITY OF OXFORD

MASTERCHEF COMPETITION 2017

The Food Technology department held it's annual Year 8 Masterchef competition before Easter. Once again the competition was fierce and the standard extremely high.

Competitors worked in the searing heat of the schools catering kitchens to produce their favourite recipe, which could be a starter, main course or a dessert dish, in a limited amount of time. It had to be within a budget of £5 and had to showcase skill all to be prepared within the time frame given of an hour. Students were allowed to have a Sous chef work with them. The semi-finalists were selected from the submissions and invited to the semi-final where they would prepare, cook and serve their chosen dish.

All students involved did us proud and their dishes were beautifully presented. The judges had much deliberation and finally agreed on the finalists. Students; Steven Turner along with Will Stout, Jack Powell along with Iain Tenant, Jack Gordan along with Tom Lea, Pierre De Villies, Gemma Gandy with Liv Galloway-Pollard, Darcy Whittingham with Emma Parkinson and George Gibbons with Ellie Davies all made it through to the next round with their imaginative choice of dishes.

These students remade their selected dishes, took on any feedback the judges gave for improvements and fought fiercely for the title of Interhall Masterchef competition 2017.

Chef Steven Turner with his Sous chef Will Stout came in 3rd place overall. Chef Pierre De Villies came in 2nd place with his sharing starter dish. Chef Darcy Whittingham and her Sous chef Emma Parkinson was crowned the overall winner of the competition. Darcy and Emma prepared a Trio of desserts for the competition.

Mrs Deane, Head of Food Technology said when asked about the competition, "Being given the list of ingredients as a base, it was clear to see that everyone had really thought about their dish and had prepared well. The atmosphere in food tech was great and the hard working attitude of every student was a pleasure to see."

Well done to all of the students who took part and we look forward to seeing your entries for the Year 9 competition in the new academic year. Students will be receiving their prizes soon.





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MUSIC FOR YOUTH NATIONAL FESTIVAL

The Lymm High String Ensemble has been invited to participate in the finals of what is the largest music festival in the world.



usic for Youth is the world's largest youth music festival, with more than 40 year's history of providing performance opportunities for young musicians and showcasing the eclectic mix of musical styles performed by them.

After competing during the regional festival series in March, we were delighted to hear that our Ensemble had been shortlisted to play at the Music for Youth National Festival 2017.

Taking place on Tuesday 4th July, between 10.30 and 1.30pm, the Ensemble will be performing on the main stage at Birmingham's magnificent town hall.

Competition is high and each year the Music for Youth organisers have to disappoint a large number of performers so to go through to the final festival is a huge accomplishment. Congratulations to all musicians involved! Students are already working on pieces for their upcoming performance, so watch this space!



MY LITTLE BROTHER

Student Zach inspires his form group to do their bit to support Cheshire Down Syndrome Support Group for World Down's Syndrome awareness day.

S tudent Zach is a polite friendly member of form 7ML and a big part of their form family!

Before the Spring Break Zach approached his Form Tutor Miss Pennack, and asked if he could present something to the rest of his class. He proceeded to show a picture of his younger brother and a presentation he had written.

It takes a lot of courage to stand up in front of a group of people especially when you're sharing something personal – but Zach was brilliant! Everyone cheered and the whole form were inspired to do their bit to support Cheshire Down Syndrome Support Group.

All students in the form made cakes for a bake sale, we sold out in a record breaking twenty minutes and we raised £125! A big well done to 7ML and a special thank you to Zach for his kindness, bravery and endless positivity! My little brother is 5 years old, he loves street dance, pizza and music. He also has something called Down's syndrome. Down's syndrome is a condition that he was born with. It is caused by a third chromosome being present in the zist pair. Chromosomes make you into the person you are. It is means you are a combination of your parents however this extra chromosome means that you have similar features to other people with Down's syndrome.

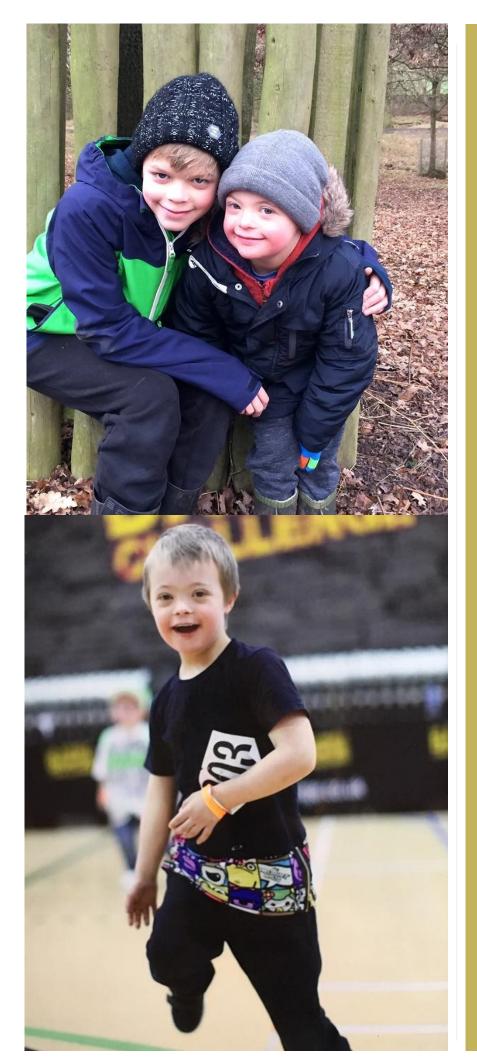
This means also that he has some learning difficulties, floppy limbs and hearing issues. He is also deaf in one ear and needs to wear a hearing aid.

These problems don't seem to stop him being an annoying little brother and an amazing street dancer. He is in school and is learning to read and write. He is able to draw and paint and do all of the things other people can.

In fact people with Down's syndrome can work, get married, appear on television. There are now people with Down's syndrome appearing in adverts, soap operas and films. There are artists painting for the Royal family and even an Italian Mayor with Down's syndrome.

Today is World Down's Syndrome awareness day the zistt of the 3rd month. It is recognized by the United Nations and is important to families like mine as we can show how Harry can be like everyone else and is a star in his own right. Lots of people wear odd socks to show that even though they are different the socks are the same and do the same job. Also they look like the Chromosome patterns that cause Harry's Down's syndrome.

It can be hard sometimes as Harry is a little bit embarrassing, loud and doesn't care what he does (he also doesn't sleep!) but I wouldn't change him at all.



Guardian SCHOOLS AVVARDS 2017

VOTING NOW OPEN

he Warrington Guardian are holding their annual Guardian school awards next month and whether you are a parent, teacher, governor support staff or Headteacher they are inviting people to nominate those in school who go the extra mile and deserve special recognition.

Categories include:

CLASS OF THE YEAR SCHOOL OF THE YEAR HEAD TEACHER OF THE YEAR PRIMARY SCHOOL PUPIL SECONDARY SCHOOL PUPIL FURTHER EDUCATION STUDENT OF THE YEAR UNSUNG HERO INNOVATION AWARD APPRENTICE OF THE YEAR EARLY YEARS AWARD LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

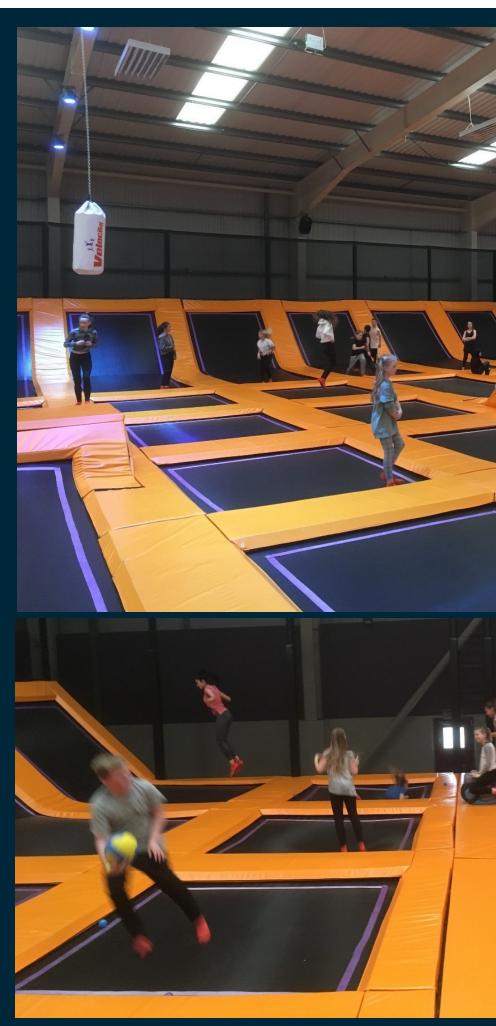
To download a nomination form please click <u>here</u> or alternatively visit the Warrington Guardian website

HALL POINTS! A TRIP TO THE TRAMPOLINE PARK

On Thursday 6th April staff (somewhat nervously!) took 300 pupils and staff to Velocity Trampoline Park in Wigan.

We had private hire of the complete venue so the pupils were extremely excited to have free-run of the whole park. It was a sight to behold seeing 170 Year 7 pupils leave the safety briefing like a plague of overexcited locusts and cover the whole trampoline park to start 1 hour of bouncing, flipping and falling over (mainly from staff!). They then had a rest and some re-fuelling whilst the Year 8's, 9's and 10's got their chance to show off on the trampolines.

A great day had by all and only a couple of minor accidents which left Mr Williams very relieved!!



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HOLY TRINITY CHURCH CONCERT

Lymm High School students including String Ensemble put on a spectacular performance at the Holy Trinity Church in Warrington.

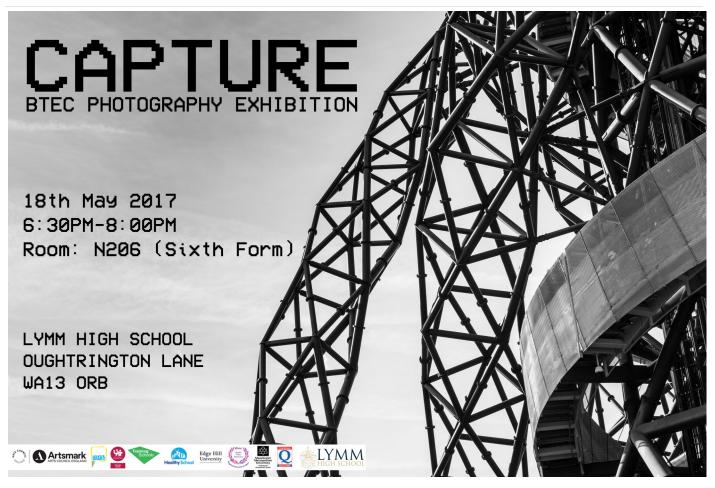
Students performed on Saturday 29th March as part of the church's concert series run by WACIDOM (formally known as Warrington Arts Council Initiative for the Development of Music).
WACIDOM funds several series of recitals at various venues in Warrington to provide a platform for musicians of all levels of ability - but especially young musicians. Up to 25 free concerts are held by WACIDOM on Saturday lunchtimes throughout the year.

Performances included Pachelbel's Canon in D, Pavane by Faure, and Allegro from Divertimento in D, Mozart, by the school string quartet.

Holy Trinity church said "We are impressed by the ability and enthusiasm of those taking part. It is good to know that music of this type is still being taught to such a high standard in the town."

Norman Cutter, Chairman of WACIDOM also stated: "It was exciting to see such wonderful talent from the young string performers from Lymm High school.

"They presented themselves impeccably and the performance was thoroughly enjoyed by the large audience."





HOVERBOARD WINNER!

ikolaji Underwood, Year 8, was the lucky winner of the much sort after final rewards prize of the term – a hoverboard (donated to the school by Breezeboard Pro superstore Manchester)

Mikolaji was really pleased that his hard work and effort this

term had been recognised and he was the lucky pupil drawn from the raffle he said he uses the hoverboard all the time at home, it's a really good prize and despite perfecting a number of tricks he hasn't fallen off yet. PRAISE & UPCOMING DATES

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

BTEC Photo Exhibition Thursday 18th May

Summer Half Term Ends Friday 26th May

Second Summer Term Begins Monday 5th June

Early Closure - 12.15pm OPEN DAY Thursday 15th June

> INSET Day Ladies Day Friday 16th June

Summer Fayre 15th July

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