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TEACHERS TAKE ON SNOWDON FOR PITCH IN!

Five Lymm High School teachers challenged themselves to climb Mount Snowdon and raised more than £1,000 for the school's Pitch In! campaign.

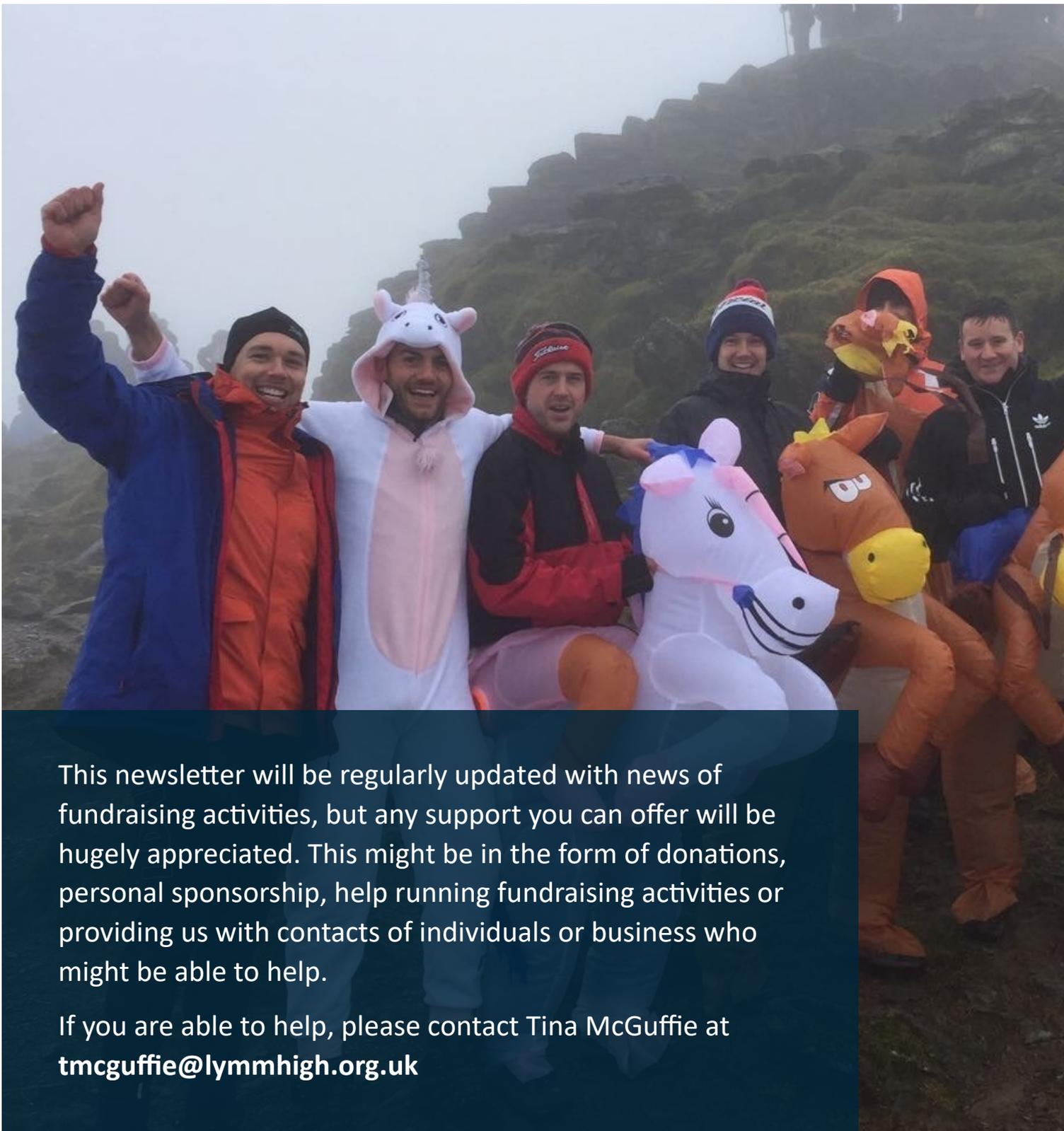
The five staff members put on the fancy dress costumes to climb Mount Snowdon in Wales, and battled through gale-force winds and

rain to reach the summit. Mr Hampton, Mr Hayes, Mr China, Mr Hope and Mr Mason, braved the Welsh

weather dressed as horses and unicorns for the 7km sponsored hike, which they completed on November 4,

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This newsletter will be regularly updated with news of fundraising activities, but any support you can offer will be hugely appreciated. This might be in the form of donations, personal sponsorship, help running fundraising activities or providing us with contacts of individuals or business who might be able to help.

If you are able to help, please contact Tina McGuffie at tmcguffie@lymmhigh.org.uk



making it to the summit and back after a tough five-hour climb.

During their walk to the top the intrepid five faced a series of challenges set by students of the school.

They performed scenes from William Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet, re-enacted the movie Titanic, moon-walked, cart-wheeled, took a selfie

with twenty strangers and took part in pie and chilli eating challenges to raise funds for the campaign.

The climbers have already raised £1042.50 so far for the cause, with more expected to come in the next few weeks.

All charitable donations raised from the Mount Snowdon climb will be added to the 'Pitch In!'

total, Lymm High School's extensive fundraising campaign.

The school hope to make an application to the Premier

League/ Football Association fund next year for a state-of-the-art 3G pitch and are hoping local people will show their support for a community football pitch by helping to raise at least

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£100,000 to support the bid.

Teacher Mr Hayes said: "As a staff group we were keen to raise money in order to support the school's 'Pitch In!' bid and provide new sports facilities for our students. We have an ambitious target of £100,000 and the amount raised from the climb takes us a step further to reaching our goal."

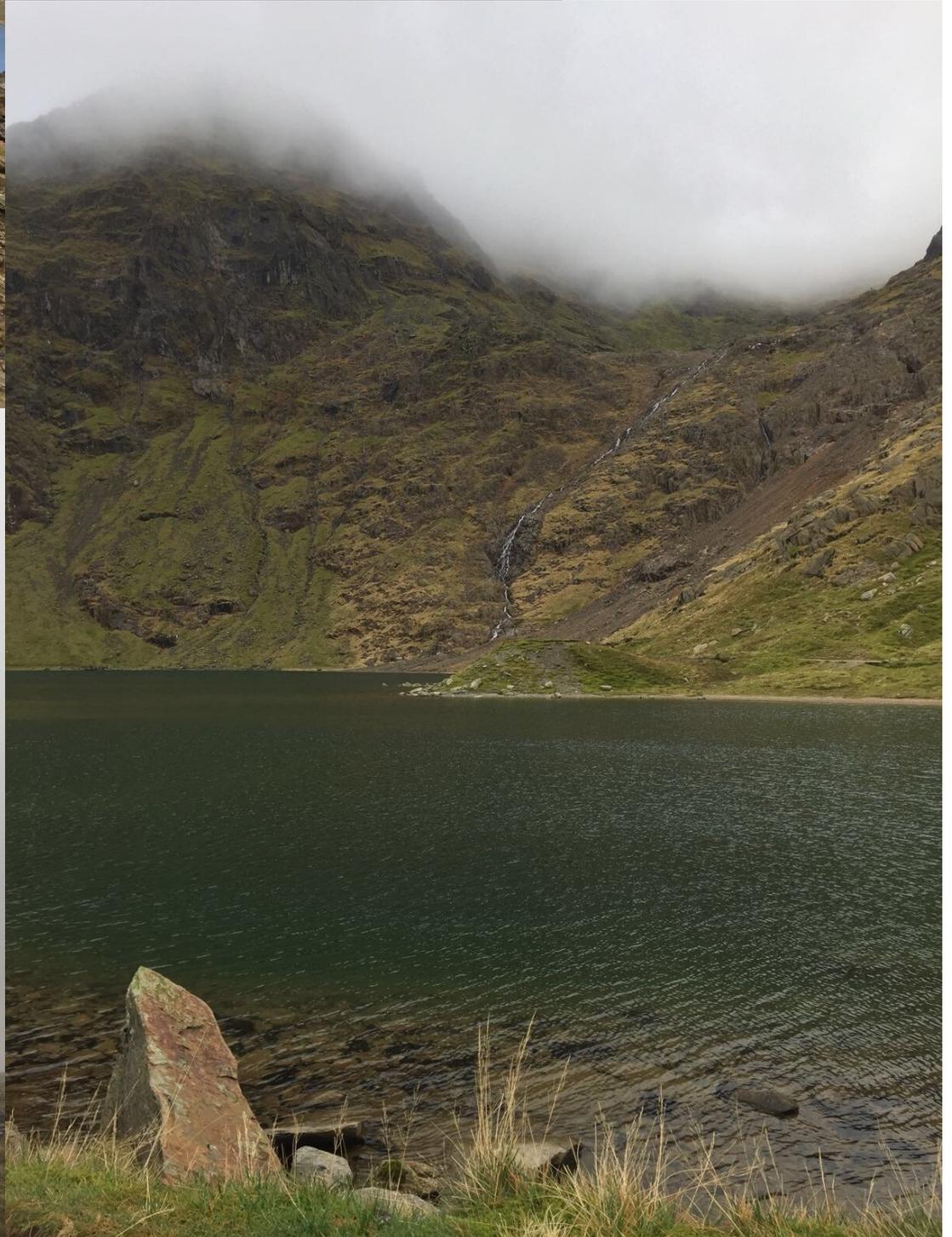
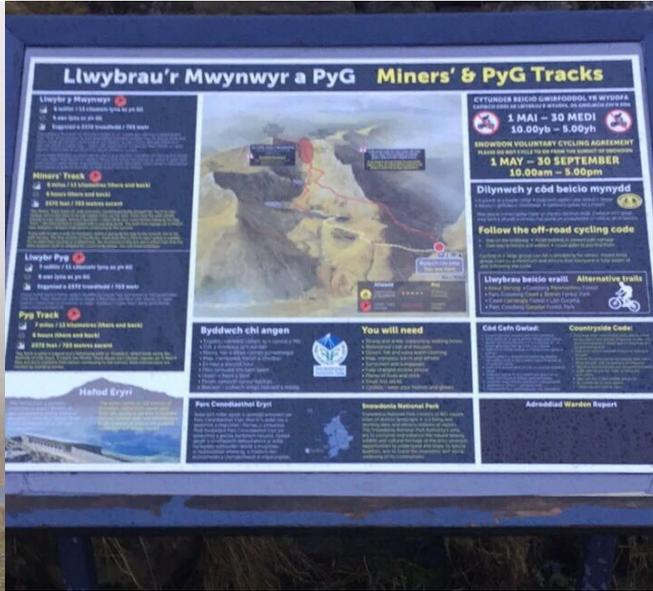
SNOWDON CLIMB FOR PITCH IN!

Mr Hampton said
"Climbing Mount
Snowdon for Pitch In! was
a brilliant experience
enjoyed by all who took
part and shows what can
be achieved when we work
together. We would like to
thank every single
individual who donated
over the weekend"

The next major fundraising
event for 'Pitch In!' will be
a Lymm High School Santa
Dash, set to take place on
Monday 4th December,
which will see Lymm
school students take part in
a sponsored run wearing
Santa costumes.

To donate to the cause a
MyDonate page has been
set up. For more
information about the
school's 'Pitch In!'
campaign please visit the
school website: [http://
www.lymmhigh.org.uk/
about-us/pitch-in/](http://www.lymmhigh.org.uk/about-us/pitch-in/)





NOTICES

HEALTH & SAFETY

There is currently building work going on around site and we would appreciate your support in reinforcing the message to students that they should never, under any circumstances, climb on any scaffolding.

This includes in the evening; students should not be on site after school unless they are taking part in an organised activity anyway, and they need to be mindful that there are very serious health and safety risks in climbing on scaffolding and/or walls or roofs.

BEHAVIOUR ON BUSES

Generally, behaviour on buses used by our students is excellent – indeed, we are regularly told by the bus company that our students are the best they work with. However, a very small minority do let the rest of us down from time to time and there were one or two incidents in the run up to half-term.

This is clearly very disappointing and the students involved have been dealt with. We want to reassure parents that we take misbehaviour on buses very seriously and will always respond vigorously to reports of problems.

You can help us by reporting any issues, or encouraging your children to do so, as soon as possible after the event. If we are not aware of the problem, there is nothing we can do.

AMAZON SHOPPING

An effortless way for you to help us raise funds, simply by shopping at Amazon.co.uk

With Christmas just around the corner you can help Lymm High School raise funds whilst doing your Christmas shopping.

Just use the Amazon icon on the school's homepage to access the Amazon site.

You can browse and shop as you normally would, and each month Amazon pays us up to 10% of all purchases made through our link with no cost to you, the shopper.

That includes products sold at Amazon by other companies, too.

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UNIFORM REMINDER

Now the weather is getting colder, students may wish to wear a coat to and from school. Please remember, these should be dark and plain in colour. Students must not wear their coats in the buildings and should be removed as soon as they enter the school buildings. We would like to thank parents for their co-operation with this matter.

LADIES LUNCH

We are pleased to announce that the Lymm Ladies Lunch event, held at the end of last year was a huge success! We managed to raise a fantastic £959.09 for the school which will be added to our fund for a new 3G sports pitch, floodlighting and refurbishment of the school changing facilities.

A huge thank you to everyone who attended and helped organise this fantastic evening.

Y11 PARENTS EVENING

Year 11 parents evening takes place on Thursday 23rd November 2017, 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.

All students will be given a booking sheet to make appointments with teachers, for each of their subjects. Students should make one appointment for each subject.

On the evening, all teachers will be based in the Sports Hall. A copy of your son/daughter's progress report will be sent home the week leading up to parents evening. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to get in touch with us to discuss any aspect of your son/daughter's progress. We look forward to seeing all Year 11 parents/carers on Thursday 23rd November.

EASY FUNDRAISING

Now we are on the countdown to Christmas remember to do all your online shopping through easy fundraising so the school and our children get the benefits of the donations. If you are not already signed up it is easy just follow this link

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/lymmpta/>

We now have 141 supporters - share this link with your friends and family and see if we can get that to 150 supporters before the end of term. Last month we raised over £100 just by shopping! Thanks to all those regularly shopping online via easy fundraising it is probably the easiest way we can raise money for the school.

YOUNG MUSICIAN OF THE YEAR AWARDS 2017

Lymm High School students in the spotlight as they reach finals and the winners of the competition are announced.



The Lymm High School Young Musician of the Year Competition has been running for a few years. It has always been a wonderful event and this year's competition was no different.

The competition provides students with a great performance opportunity and also helps students prepare for university and music college auditions.

The success of the competition is unquestionable; students progress into further education and subsequently become professional musicians.

Many of our previous winners and finalists are now highly revered full time musicians. The competition took place in front of a packed house in the Main Hall and was a wonderful evening.

The panel members consisted of music staff

and peripatetic instrumental staff. They found the adjudication extremely difficult, but eventually came to a decision.

- KS3 1st place: James Anderson, Trombone
- KS3 2nd Place: Will Simms, Trumpet
- KS4/5 Winner: Hannah Leighton-Jones, Violin
- KS4/5 2nd Place Jamie Reid, Trombone

Dominic Starkey, Director of Music said, "It was an absolute pleasure to hear musicians perform in a variety of genres.

"I am very proud to be the musical director of such an amazing department and work with such wonderful staff and students. I wish all musicians all the luck and prosperity for the future."

LEST WE FORGET

Lymm High School students and staff show their respects and observe two minute silence for Remembrance Day 2017

All students and staff from Lymm High School paid their respects to the fallen by observing a two-minute silence on Friday.

The whole school lined up on the main school yard to pay tribute to servicemen and women who have been or are involved in global conflict.

With the flag outside flying at half-mast students listened as one student read out Flanders Fields. Five students played the last post to mark the beginning and end of

the two minute silence.

Mrs McGahey, Assistant Headteacher, said: "Staff and students observed the two-minute silence impeccably and their behaviour was excellent, we are very proud of them.

"They were very respectful of the event.

"It's very important for our students to understand and acknowledge the sacrifice of their ancestors"



THE GREAT BIO-BAKE OFF

Students from all years got involved with the tastiest science event of the year: the Biology Bake Off.

Last week students made some fantastic cakes with a Biology theme.

Their creativity and baking was put to the test by creating cakes that represented how the body works. They all chose very diverse areas to cover.

We were overwhelmed with entries, and staff judges commented on the extremely high standard of bakes that were presented.

From plant cells to eyeballs, bloody brains to a worryingly realistic dissected frog, the effort and detail that went into each and every bake was extremely impressive.

After a lot of deliberation, the winners were announced.

Archie Klass, the Year 7 winner and baker behind 'Beating Heart, certainly created a stir with his original design - it actually does beat!



Yasmin White was crowned the winner for Year 8 with her amazing brain cake that Mrs Deane described as 'superb!'

Pierre De Villiers won the Year 9 spot with his impressive ear cake entry.

A huge well done to everyone who got involved.



MOCK TRIAL CONFERENCE

On Friday 20th October, fifteen of our Year 10 pupils battled through

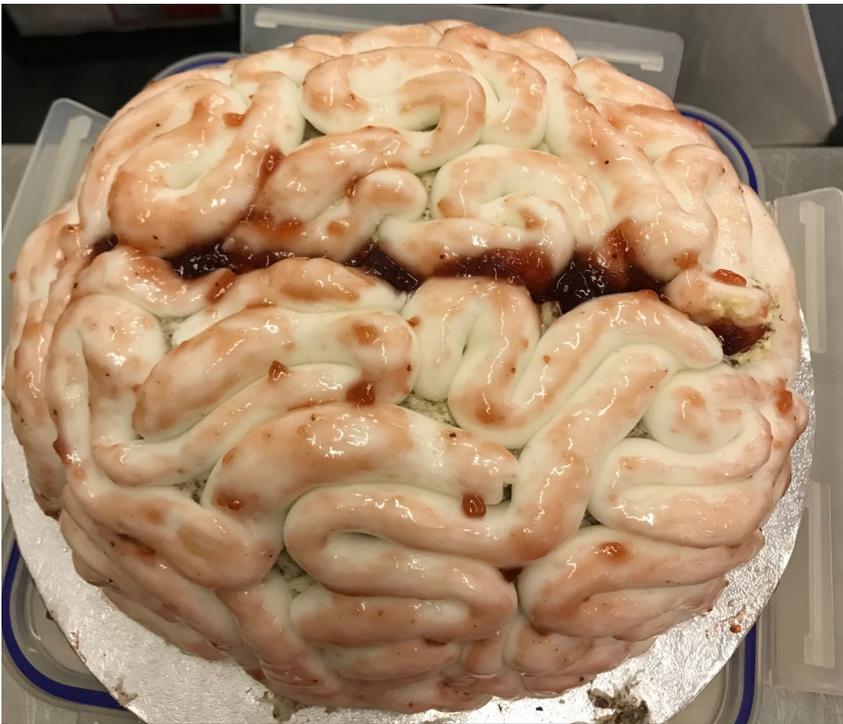
Manchester's driving rain to attend the Mock Trial Conference at Manchester Metropolitan University.

The Conference gave pupils an opportunity to meet practising lawyers and barristers, and granted an insight into the daily lives of members of the legal profession.

Our students learned a great deal about the challenges that await those who practise law, but came away with a much better idea of how worthwhile a career in the law could be.

Our students asked a number of intelligent questions about how courts work, what they involve, and how lawyers deal with the day to day challenges of their profession.

Overall, students found the insights presented to be very valuable and we may see some budding barristers tempted towards a career in law!



SPORT UPDATE

FROM THE HEAD OF PE & SPORT

It has been an extremely busy start to the academic year for the PE and Sports Faculty. I don't think we have ever had a first half term with so many fixtures! I would like to thank all those members of staff in the school who have volunteered to run sports clubs and teams. In addition, I would like to thank the parents who have kindly offered their support. It is very much appreciated by the school and more importantly the children. Without the good will on offer it would be impossible to provide the range and depth of sporting opportunities that we currently do.

It looks like it's going to be another exciting year of sport ahead with many teams making promising starts. The current crop of Year 7 look to be full of talent, with some excellent performances in a variety of sports. The depth of talent we have in Year 7 boys football was evident when we beat St. Greggs 9-0 in the league on Monday and then fielded an entirely different team the following day, to

beat St. Monica's RC High School 3-2 in a nail biting National Cup first round tie. The 1st XV rugby team have already taken one step closer to retaining the Cheshire Cup by beating Calday Grange Grammar School. The girls football team's had two convincing wins in the national cup with the U13's beating Manchester Creative and Media Academy 14-0 and the U15's winning 11-0 against All Hallows, Salford.

At the start of September we had a number of students take part in a sport leadership training session. Many of these students have been utilising their new skill set by assisting in the organisation and running of the sports competitions we host for our local Primary school's afterschool on Mondays.

Please click on the link to view the detail of our [extra-curricular sports timetable](#).

We also have two exciting sports trips to look forward to over the coming year. Firstly, at Easter, approximately 45 boys from Year 8 and 9 will be

visiting Barcelona on a football trip. They will be playing against local opposition, as well visiting the Camp Nou, the home of the mighty Barcelona Football team. Then we will be venturing further afield to South Africa with football, rugby, netball and hockey teams made up of students from Year 11 and the sixth form.

Sponsorship/funding

The cost of school sport is expensive, however, I truly believe that it is worth every penny. Transport, kit, equipment, match officials and affiliation costs run into thousands of pounds for a school our size. As you can appreciate, school funding struggles to cover the cost of all of this. Therefore, we are looking at ways at raising money in order to ensure the excellent level of sports provision can continue. If this is something you could help us with, either through knowledge and advice or sponsorship, I would appreciate it if you could contact me on the email below.

School Honours boards

On a final note, we like to recognise the performances of individuals and teams at Lymm High School.

One of the ways we do this is via the School Honours boards. Hopefully, you have seen these on the corridor walls near reception. They date back quite a few years and recognise all the students who have represented their County (or equivalent) in sport whilst attending Lymm High School.

As you can imagine, with the abundance of talent we have, quite a number of student names are added each year.

I am currently in the process of finalising the details of students from last year – September 2016 to August 2017.

Please can you ask your son or daughter to see me if they have fulfilled this criteria.

Alternatively, you can email me the details (full name/sports/age group/County or level).

Mr. Hampton

**Head of PE and Sport
Faculty**

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THE TEAM FROM TOWNSVILLE



Lymm High School vs St Margaret Mary's Townsville, Queensland, Australia.

Towards the end of September, 32 Australian girls were welcomed and hosted by Lymm High Students for a two-night visit.

The girls from St Margaret Mary's were touring Great Britain, playing netball and girls football across the country.

The team from Townsville have never been beaten by an English school at netball, and according to their coach, Lymm

High School were by far the best team they have played to date.

Unfortunately, our Lymm team lost the match by a small margin but all students who played for the U18 and U16 fixtures were a great credit to Lymm High School netball.

Our U16 football team also made the school proud, with an excellent 7:1 win! A special mention goes to student Izzy

Gare who received the 'player of the match' title.

A huge thank you to all the Lymm High School girls and families who kindly volunteered to host our Australian guests by welcoming them into their homes. St Margaret's were extremely thankful and they are keen to return the favour by hosting us in Australia in the future. WATCH THIS SPACE!



A GOOD START FOR THE GIRLS!

The Lymm High School Girl's Football teams fly through the first round!

We've had a fantastic start to the season for the U13 girl's football teams, both in the National Cup and the Cheshire Cup.

The Lymm High School team were outstanding in the first round of the Cheshire Cup, beating Wilmslow 10-1.

Year 7 student, Freya Jackson was the top goal scorer of the game, blasting three goals into Wilmslow's net. Grace Unsworth bent it like Beckham and also scored two fantastic goals and a great effort was shown from Emily Forshaw who also played up from Year 7 and managed to score.

Goal scorers from the game included students Ruby D'Arcy (captain), Freya Jackson (3), Grace Unsworth (2), Emily Forshaw, Amy Jackson, Jenny

Nuttall and Holly Matthews with the 'man of the match' title being awarded to Emily Crouch.

Not satisfied with just the one victory, the Lymm High School girls team also beat Manchester Creative Media Academy 12-1 in the National Cup Knock Out Tournament in the week that followed.

Meanwhile, the U15 girls team beat All Hallows Academy from Salford 12-0 and will now play Archbishop Temple School from Preston in Round 2. Our U18 team have also progressed on to Round 2 in the National Cup.

A brilliant start to the season for all of the girl's football teams and a fantastic team effort by all!

Good luck to all players as we face the next round.

RUGBY NEWS SO FAR

Rugby at Lymm High school has had a fantastic start to the season, with 55 fixtures being participated in over the last six week period and around 150 boys taking part on a weekly basis.

Most pleasing has been the amount of students in Year 7 wanting to play. Training sessions and games have seen over 40 boys take part, which has been fantastic.

The 1st XV are still in the midst of both of their cup competitions, beating Fallibroome and Audenshaw in the national Cup, and Calday to progress to the ¼ final of the Cheshire cup.

The seniors will play AKS Arnold and Stockport grammar in the next round of the respective cups.

The U15s are also still in the National Cup where they have beat Birkenhead School and will play Lancaster Grammar in the next round.







THE PRIMARY LEADERSHIP TEAM

Lymm students demonstrate their leadership skills running ‘Cluster Sports Competitions’ for local primary schools.

This term we have set up a primary school leadership team in PE.

The students involved in this team range from Year 7 right through to Year 11.

They help lead on the primary school Lymm ‘Cluster Sports Competitions’ for the local primary schools.

Their roles consist of officials, scorers, time-keepers, team managers, overall organisers

and media as well as helping lead warm ups and drills for the primary schools.

All students who participated were a credit to the school, with many of the primary school staff commenting on how professional and confident the leaders were.

The competitions they have been involved with so far include Tag Rugby, Football and Netball. All leaders are

working towards their Bronze, Silver and Gold Lymm Sports Leadership Awards. We are always looking to develop young leaders at Lymm so anyone interested in joining the leadership team should see Miss Ball in PE.

We hope that the leaders continue to volunteer and lead and that they will use the skills that they learnt in the future.

A huge well done!

GIRLS TENNIS

Four Lymm High School students performed brilliantly in our recent regional Tennis semi-finals. Competing against Bolton High School, the U13 girls managed to beat Bolton with a score of 10 – 8 in the championship tie break. The four Year 9 tennis players will now go through to the North finals competing against eight other schools. The next round is due to take place next week in Sunderland. A huge well done to Alice Shields, Hatti Cosgrove, Siobhan Grayson and Emilia McMonagle.



NETBALL SEASON SO FAR

We have had an extremely positive start to the Netball season using newly tarmacked courts, winning the majority of our 20 plus matches. Our Year 7, 8 and 9s remain unbeaten.

The Year 10s came 3rd in Cheshire at the county tournament, a great achievement, especially as we were the only team to beat Helsby who were the overall winners of the tournament. Well done to all our young netball players.

HOCKEY UPDATE

Lymm's U16 girls hockey team produced an outstanding performance against Sandbach High School and Sixth Form College recently, taking a victory of 5-0. The girls worked incredibly hard as a team, never giving up on the ball. Harriett Cosgrove played up for the team and demonstrated her talents weren't to be messed with, and student Georgina Cosgrove was awarded the title of Man of the Match. Their grit and determination really shone through on the day. Meanwhile, the U14's and U16's boys hockey teams have

both been in action over the last few weeks - competing in the league stages of the Cheshire Cup. Unfortunately both teams failed to progress to the semifinals after some tough fixtures against some excellent teams from Altrincham Grammar School, The Kings School Chester and Sandbach High School. The U16 Teams did manage a fantastic win against Fallibroome in which Tom Davenport, Patrick Dempsey and debutant Sam Bernard all got on the score sheet in a comprehensive 6-1 victory.





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Lyrics by HERBERT KRETZMER

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Additional Material by JAMES FENTON

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UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Les Miserables

Tuesday 28th November -
Friday 1st December

Santa Dash

Monday 4th December

Christmas Break

Monday 23rd December –
Thursday 4th January



MAN OF STEEL

Lymm High School student receives a surprise visit as Warrington Wolves 'Man of Steel' nominations are announced.

Congratulations goes to Connor Pheonix who received a nomination this week for Warrington Wolves 'Man of Steel 2017'

Connor was surprised before the half term, with Warrington Wolves members turning up to school to present his nomination.

The prestigious Warrington Man of Steel Awards celebrate teams and individuals who give their time and contribute to Rugby League across Warrington.

We wish Connor the very best of luck!



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