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FAISAL RASHID MP VISITS LYMM HIGH SCHOOL

Students were delighted to take part in a Q&A session with MP Faisal Rashid who talked about his route to becoming an MP.

Lymm High School students were offered a fascinating perspective into life as a politician during a question-and-answer session

with Faisal Rashid, MP for Warrington South last week. Mr Rashid was welcomed to the school by Headteacher

Gwyn Williams before speaking to students about his recent experiences as a new MP.

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Students packed into a room to hear Mr Rashid, as he explained how he entered into a career in politics and talked about the current challenges being faced in

his constituency.

During his visit Mr Rashid faced a series of well-thought out questions from Lymm students on a range of issues, including the abolishment of University fees and lowering the voting age to 16.

Students also gained an insight into the work of an MP as Mr Rashid gave a detailed account of his average working week, and encouraged students to consider getting involved in politics.

Commenting on his visit afterwards, he said:

‘...I was very impressed with how knowledgeable the students were...’

“It was a pleasure to visit Lymm High School last week.

I was very impressed with how knowledgeable the students were, and how

engaged they are in politics and current affairs.

“I am incredibly proud of the students in Warrington South, and I look forward to catching up with them again.”

Mr Williams, Headteacher, said

“We were delighted that Faisal Rashid took the time out of his busy schedule to come and talk to our students about politics, education, current affairs and their wider implications.

“There was a stimulating Q&A session and I am sure our students will have gained from these experiences.”

NOTICES

ST MARY'S PARISH CHURCH

One of the benches in the porch of St Mary's Church in Lymm has been completely destroyed during the evening of Friday 12 January; this has been reported to the police. If anyone has information, please ring the police quoting incident number 233. There have been previous incidents in the porch so if any pupils or parents/carers see anyone in the porch at night or acting suspiciously at any time please ring the police immediately. Many thanks.

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY CONTRIBUTIONS

During the rest of this school year, students in Y7, 8 & 9 will continue to make a variety of Design Technology projects. As always, we would like to enable our students to take home their projects to show the wide range of skills they have learnt and explain the materials they have used.

As we have done in the past, and in order to avoid having to collect small amounts of money each week, we are asking for a small voluntary contribution of £3.50 towards covering the cost of the materials. This can be paid via Parent Pay which can be accessed through the school's website.

Should you require help accessing the site then please contact Ms Ralph on the school number.

YEAR 9 CHOICES 2018

Year 9 students are about to embark on the very important process of selecting their GCSE subject options. To support them with these decisions, we will be running daily assemblies and an information evening for both students and parents/carers to attend.

Key dates:

25th January 2018 from 6pm-8pm - Choices Evening for students and parents/carers. Further information to be released.

1st February 2018 - Choices forms due from students.

If you require any further advice or information throughout this process, please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Feast (*Head of Year 9*) or Mrs McGahey (*Assistant Headteacher*)

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CASHLESS CATERING

Please top up your child's cashless catering accounts via Parent Pay to ensure your child is able to purchase food during their lunch break.

GCSE ENGLISH LITERATURE EXAMS & SCHEDULE

As outlined in our [letter](#) last week, year 10 students will be sitting their English Literature GCSE at the end of this year.

Please click [here](#) to read a further letter to parents, with important information regarding upcoming examinations and the revision and assessment schedule.

Click [here](#) to see the timetable for the upcoming Year 10 English Literature mock examinations.

LHS LOTTERY

Please consider supporting the Lymm High School lottery!

All of the profit goes to OUR school! A GUARANTEED prize to someone on our supporter list every week! A further chance of winning £25,000 in a separate draw EVERY WEEK!

Start supporting NOW for only £1 a week!

The lottery is a fun and effective way to raise money to improve our school. But we need your help to make the lottery the best it can be. Click [here](#) to support the lottery today and, who knows, maybe you will be the next £25,000 winner!

YEAR 9 IMMUNISATIONS

The DTP & Men ACWY immunisations for Year 9 take place on Tuesday 23rd, Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th January 2018 in the school library.

Consent forms were given to students and should have been returned to student services before the Christmas break.

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**

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LYMM HIGH SCHOOL PRESENTS



AN INTRODUCTION TO ESSENTIAL OILS

Nature's Medicine Cabinet

TUESDAYS 6 - 7.30PM

COURSE BEGINS TUESDAY 23RD JANUARY

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YOU WILL LEARN NATURAL SOLUTIONS INCLUDING:

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Emotions | Difficulty Sleeping | Tummy
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BEING BRILLIANT

OUTSTANDINGLY HAPPY SCHOOLS PROJECT



Fifteen Y8 students have successfully completed the initial 'Brilliant Schools Brighter Futures' training as part of the 'Future in Mind' Project 2017/18.

The training has been taking place across Warrington schools with the objective of equipping young people with the knowledge and skills that enable them to take charge of their own wellbeing. The aim is to share some of the 'secrets' of Positive Psychology, focusing on learning new habits of thinking and behaviour that will sustain personal 'brilliance'.

Our 'brilliant' Ambassadors are now busy designing their own wellbeing programme

that they will deliver across their school and community.

The project runs throughout the school year embedding the initiatives and will culminate with an attempt to break the World Record for 'random acts of kindness in a day' for participating Warrington Schools - teenagers making headline news for the right reasons!

Utilising cutting edge research, the 'Brilliant Schools Brighter Futures' is based on 12 years of PhD study into happiness, wellbeing and flourishing

lives. The initiative covers wellbeing, happiness, positive psychology, resilience, personal responsibility, mindfulness, growth mindsets, goal setting, strengths, altruism and emotional intelligence designed to be engaging, thought-provoking, inspiring and fun.

If you would like any further information, the best-selling book 'Brilliant Teenager' is available.

In addition, click here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PqdFe8efNoc>

PARENTS FORUM

We want to hear from you. The LHS Parents Forum takes place on Tuesday 6th February

Mr Williams will be hosting the latest Parent Forum event between 6-7.30pm on Tuesday 6th February and it would be great to see as many parents and carers there as possible.

These events are really important to us as a means of gaining feedback from parents and carers about things that are going well and areas in which we need to improve.

Those of you who have attended in the past will know that the evenings are fairly informal and there is usually a very nice atmosphere. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.

The evening will be split into three parts. Mr Williams will open with a short presentation, giving an overview of where we feel the school is now in terms of our overall development. Mrs Ryles-Dean will then say a few words about all of the work we are doing to ensure that behaviour and ethos in the school keeps improving, including details about the rewards systems,



other means of recognising students' achievements and ways in which we encourage students to become more socially responsible citizens.

Then, as always, we will be inviting parents and carers to split into small groups and provide us with feedback (positive and negative!) on any issues at all that you feel are important.

Please bear in mind that these evenings are about discussing policies, systems and practices in the school more generally,

rather than a chance to talk about any specific concerns regarding your own individual son or daughter (although, of course, if you do have any such concerns, then you must not hesitate to contact us separately).

If you are likely to be attending, please let Mrs Headon know via email (hheadon@lymmhigh.org.uk) in advance so that we can ensure that there are sufficient refreshments for everybody.

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

AFRITWIN

AUCTION OF PROMISES 2018



Afritwin is a project which has been running in Lymm High School since 2003 linking three very different communities here and in South Africa. We help students to learn about different cultures and open their eyes to the world around them.

Fundraising has previously been undertaken to support a rural township school in the

Eastern Cape.

We helped fund a computer suite, a library, a supply of Xhosa/English dictionaries, musical instruments and sports equipment, refurbished classrooms and created a community food garden.

We have also funded mentoring of students and teachers at the school and provided many teaching materials.

We are currently raising funds to pay for students to attend a revision camp prior to their final examinations and to support a Soup Kitchen which feeds children with a hot meal during weekends and school holidays.

The Auction of Promises on March 9th is a focal point of our activities this year.

REWARDS CINEMA TRIP

On 19th January, 120 year 9 and year 10 students attended the cinema reward trip to ODEON, Warrington, in recognition of their effort and behaviour since the start of the academic year.

The trip took place in the new year due to the high number of students across the school who achieved the 70 hall point target, resulting in the need to run two reward trips instead of one.

The students had a wonderful time and their behaviour on the trip mirrored their excellent behaviour in school.

A massive congratulations to all the students who went on this trip, and the one before Christmas, you deserve it!

All students now have the opportunity to earn hall points for the reward trip happening at the end of Easter. Students have until 5th March to

accumulate 70 hall points since Christmas which will result in them qualifying for the bowling reward trip.

Please do encourage your child to collect those hall points through excellent behaviour, effort and punctuality and through completing the leadership ladder. It would be fantastic to reward even more students than this time!





KEEP CLIMBING UP THE PYRAMID

Our rewards pyramid is back up and running for the Easter term with a fantastic selection of rewards available to students in recognition of their hard work and effort.

This term's top prize is an electric scooter, kindly donated to us by Breezeboard PRO.

Students who receive the most hall points this term will be entered into a draw in the last week of term to win this amazing prize!

Please encourage your child to get as many hall points as possible in order for them to be in with a chance of winning!

GOLDEN TICKET WINNERS!



A massive congratulations to Anna Shaw 7MH and Emily Crouch 8TL.

Both girls won jars of sweets

on week 1 of our rewards pyramid having been drawn out of the golden ticket draw on Friday.

Well done girls!

CHESHIRE CROSS COUNTRY CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Jordan Jones who won the Cheshire Cross Country Championships at Delamere Forest on Saturday 6th January.

He's now been selected to represent Cheshire in the Inter Country Cross Country Championships in March. Well done to all Lymm athletes who participated.

They achieved a fantastic set of results representing the school, winning gold silver and bronze medals across age categories.



OFFERS FROM OXBRIDGE

Smiles all round - meet our Lymm High School Sixth Form Oxbridge offer holders so far!

Two talented pupils from Lymm High School have been offered the life-changing opportunity to study at Oxford and Cambridge universities.

William Catlow has received an offer to Study Law and student Hannah Leighton-Jones has received an offer to study Geography.

Focus and determination have paid off for the pair, who are stepping up their revision to secure conditional offers from



the world-renowned institutions.

Congratulations to them both!

We wish them the best of luck in their upcoming examinations.

SALE SHARKS

A huge congratulations to Lymm High School students James Rooney and Josh Hadland, who have been selected to play for Sale Sharks Academy U18s' team. A fantastic achievement.

Well done lads!



SHEILA WOODYATT MBE

It was with deep sadness that we heard about the death of Sheila Woodyatt last week.

Our thoughts and condolences are very much with her family.

An ex-pupil, Sheila had also been a governor at Lymm High School for almost 40 years and was always a huge supporter of the school and community.

She was a remarkable woman and will be greatly missed.

Having recently introduced the Woodyatt Cup for Social Responsibility, which is now awarded every year at Awards Evening, we will be discussing in due course how else we can best remember Sheila.

Her funeral will take place at 12pm on Friday 2nd February at St Peter's Church.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Year 9 DTP & Men ACWY Immunisations

Tuesday 23rd January
Wednesday 24th January
Thursday 25th January

Year 9 Choices Evening Thursday 25th January

KS3 Art Exhibition Wednesday 31st January

Year 9 Choices Deadline Thursday 1st February


Parents Forum Tuesday 6th February

Year 8 Parents Evening Thursday 15th February

Half Term Break Monday 19th February

Return to School Monday 26th February

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