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TY'N-Y-FELIN 2017

Year 7 Arley and Moreton students have fun in the sun at their first Ty'n-Y-Felin residential.

Our annual Year 7 Residential experience began last week with halls Arley and Moreton being the first two groups to stay at Ty'n-Y-Felin residential centre in Anglesey.

This experience is essential for Year 7's as they start on their Lymm journey as it gives

students the opportunity to meet and get to know others in their hall group.

It was rewarding to see students of different friendship groups, working together to achieve a common goal in all of the different activities. This is something that every one of the students

who attended should be proud of. We hope students came back with some new skills, including making their own beds! An excellent and thoroughly enjoyable visit with Durham and Walton Hall due to follow with their visit to Ty'n-Y-Felin taking place next week.

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Year 7 Moreton students were the first Hall to visit Tyn-y-Felin this year.

The Lymm High Hall group enjoyed a fantastic few days of fun activities.

One particular highlight of the trip included time spent on the beach at Silver Bay, which is part of the larger Cymyran Bay.

It boasts a stunning sandy beach, rock pools, dunes and low rocky headlands which students loved exploring.

Students also participated in problem solving and team building activities led by Angelsey Adventures. These activities enabled students to develop their friendships and

get to know staff as well as taking on new challenges, conquer fears and work as teams. The group also painted

their own T-shirts, and spent time crabbing together down at the creek – an idyllic estuary that stretches from Four Mile Bridge out to Cymyran Bay.

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throughout their stay and it was a pleasure getting to know the newest members of the Moreton family.

Well done year 7 Moreton!

Mr Thompson

Head of Moreton Hall

‘Students behaved impeccably throughout their stay and it was a pleasure getting to know the newest members of the Moreton family.’

Y7 Arley students had a fantastic time in Tynny; the weather was on our side and we had glorious sunshine for the whole trip.

On Monday afternoon, we took a walk to Silver Bay where the students played games on the beach and made a great Arley sign with seaweed and driftwood.

On our second day we had a mystery to solve run by Anglesey Adventures, which involved sending messages with semaphore, water activities, and making bridges to collect secret messages hanging from trees. This really helped the students get to know each other and developed teamwork and communication skills – indeed, a lack of communication saw some students get an unexpected shower!

This year the students showed off their design skills and artistic ability, designing their own Tynny inspired T-shirt. Because of the lovely weather, we were able to spend all day outside on Tuesday and this meant that the meat and potato pie went down a treat at tea time (and also a better night's sleep for staff!)

The last day was time to pack up and a big game of 'capture the flag' with all of AL playing against all of AH. I have seen a few tired faces back in school but it has been lovely to hear them talking about how much they enjoyed Tynny.

Mrs Worrall

Head of Arley Hall





A NOTE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Dear Parents/Carers

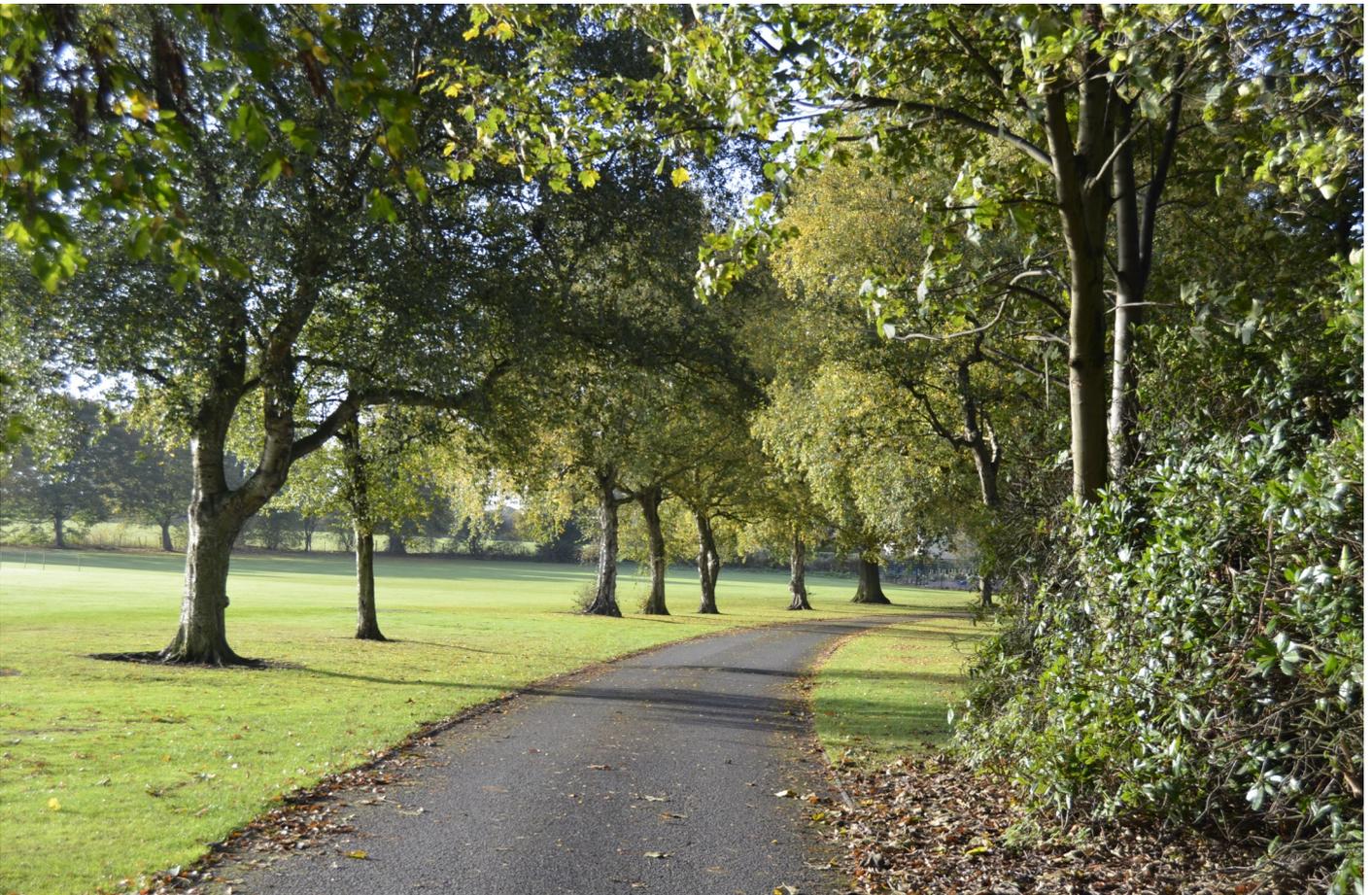
Some parents will have seen early proposals for the development of land on Higher Land adjoining the school that have been published by developers and which suggest new road access to the school as well as the gift of land to the school or council for playing fields.

I want to make it clear to everybody that the school has no association with any developers, and has not had any involvement in these proposals, nor in the discussions about road safety that these developers have apparently held with Warrington Borough Council officials. At this very early stage, we do not intend to comment on this or any other proposed housing development in Lymm.

Kind regards

Gwyn Williams

Headteacher

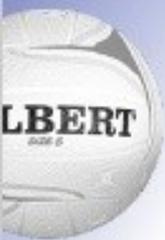




Sports Tour Ball



Saturday 7th October 2017



Lymm Golf Club

7pm

£40 a ticket

welcome drink

3 course dinner

raffle

auction

followed by music & dancing till late



Posh Frocks & Black Tie



In aid of the
South Africa Sports Tour
2018



*Tickets can be purchased at the school shop
in person (perhaps when buying new uniform?)*

or by phone 01925 755458

Tables of 8 or 10



NOTICES

LYMM FACEBOOK PAGE

With the aim of increasing community involvement and continually expanding our communication efforts, we have now launched our own official Facebook page, which will feature up-to-date news about the school's many events and activities.

As a school we aim to keep parents, staff, students, community members and the broader public informed of our latest news and accomplishments by honouring student and school successes and highlighting key programmes. We hope the Facebook page will enhance this.

Parents and community members can also keep up with the numerous activities happening throughout the academic year, such as school performances and open events.

Check our page out [here](#) and Like Us!

Please note that the Facebook page will not be used for individual communication, so if you have any questions or concerns, please continue to contact us in the usual way (more details in our communication FAQs document, including email addresses [here](#)).

Equally, the Facebook page is not designed to replace our usual method of communication, via text messages and the parent communication section of the website, for regular notices.

YEAR 8 INJECTIONS

Year 8 HPV injections will be taking place on Wednesday 27th September 2017 and will be based in the school Library.

ADULT CLASSES

Learning need not stop when you leave school, college, university or work!

There are lots of opportunities for people to continue to learn and develop their skills, whatever their age. Lymm High School is committed to providing lifelong education opportunities within the community to encourage as many people as possible to continue to learn.

We are looking to offer a wide range of exciting and stimulating short courses this year. Interested in running your own evening course at the school or want to find out more?

Please contact Mrs Tina McGuffie:

tmcguffie@lymmhigh.org.uk

NOTICES

EARLY CLOSURE

We would like to remind parents of the early closure on Thursday 5th October 2017, in order for our teachers to prepare for the Open Evening taking place later that day.

The school day will finish at 12:15pm and buses have been scheduled for this time. Please let us know if this presents you with significant difficulties in terms of childcare; we may well be able to help.

SCHOOL GATEWAY

For details of how to download and use the app, please click [here](#).

If you have any technical problems, please contact our ICT support team:

ictsupport@lymmhigh.org.uk

CASHLESS CATERING

A reminder that our catering system is entirely cashless and students should not bring cash into school. Accounts can be topped up online via Parentpay. For those students in receipt of free school meals, please note that your account will be credited for lunchtime only each day.

NAMING BELONGINGS

Please could all Parents/Carers make sure that their child/children's uniform is labelled with their name including PE kit. In the case of uniform going missing or accidentally being picked up by another student, a labelled piece of uniform will be easily located and returned. A full range of uniform is available to purchase on site from the school shop.

SCHOLASTIC TEEN BOOK CLUB

We're running a new term Teen Book Club sale through Scholastic. Year 7 pupils will be given a brochure to bring home by the end of this week and students from other years can pick up a copy from the ILC. All books from the brochure and many more are available to view on the Scholastic website. Please place your order online at <http://schools.scholastic.co.uk/lymm> by September 29th 2017 and help us to earn free books for our school.



LYMM HIGH SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

We are extremely proud of our sixth form students, with 33% of our students achieving A* - A grades at A Level

We are confident that, whatever your passion, Lymm High Sixth Form offers the crucial support and guidance needed at Post-16 study to enable you to secure your future.

We have a limited number of places available in our Sixth Form; however we always welcome applications from external students.

OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 9TH NOVEMBER 2017

When our application process for
September 2018 will open

www.lymmhigh6thform.org.uk



THURSDAY

With so much on offer, so special. Come along to see excellent opportunities and the opportunity to tour the Student Ambassador

LYMM HIGH SCHOOL



BE SUCCESSFUL
ENJOY LEARNING
ACHIEVE YOUR
POTENTIAL

OPEN EVENING

WEDNESDAY 5TH OCTOBER 2017 5PM - 8PM

Our autumn event will showcase the many aspects that make our school and be part of a highly ambitious and successful school, which provides for enrichment, enhancement and extended learning. You will have the opportunity to visit the school, meet current students – including our newly inducted Year 7 students – and speak to teaching staff about what we can offer your child.

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AFRITWIN



Afritwin 2018

Sharing Education Together - This is the motto of the Afritwin charity which has been a part of the extra-curricular activities at Lymm High School since 2003.

In 2001, the school was twinned with Qhasana Senior High School in Mdantsane, the second largest township in South Africa. Since the initial introductions, a twinning partnership has developed between the two schools.

Afritwin has the aim of sharing education together. It is intended that by undertaking to improve the lives of people in a deprived community in South Africa,

those involved will benefit by becoming more aware global citizens whilst, at the same time, benefiting the wider communities in both locations.

Since 2006, a biennial visit of Lymm High staff and students has taken place to the Eastern Cape. During these visits, there has been a strong emphasis on teaching lessons and providing resources to improve the education and facilities in this severely deprived township school.

Lymm students have planned and delivered many lessons on crucial aspects of the curriculum; they have led the re-decoration of most of the classrooms in the school and have provided Xhosa-English dictionaries. Other important projects at Qhasana have been the provision of, with the help of Rotary International, a community library and, with the help of Vodafone SA, a computer suite.

During the last visit in August

2016, assistance was given to establish a food garden in the grounds of the school. This was led by an instructor from Trees for Food, a local South African NGO, and will provide food to supplement the government lunch programme for staff and pupils as well as providing an extra food supply for the wider school community.

Afritwin is a true community project. Lymm High School students, staff and families undertake various fundraising activities in and around Lymm and Warrington. Local fundraising such as bag packs at local supermarkets and stalls at Lymm May Queen, Lymm Dickensian and Lymm Transport Day have been supplemented by sponsored walks, clothing collections and bake sales in school.

Afritwin 'elves' are frequently to be seen collecting funds for the Rotary on the Santa Float in December. These funds have been used previously to enhance the partnership by paying for two members of staff and two Qhasana High School pupils to visit the UK and to pay for a particularly deserving student to complete her university course. During each visit the most hard-working and dedicated pupils at Qhasana are rewarded by having their annual tuition fees paid in the form of a scholarship. These only cost £10.00 and have regularly been paid for by families and friends of the project.



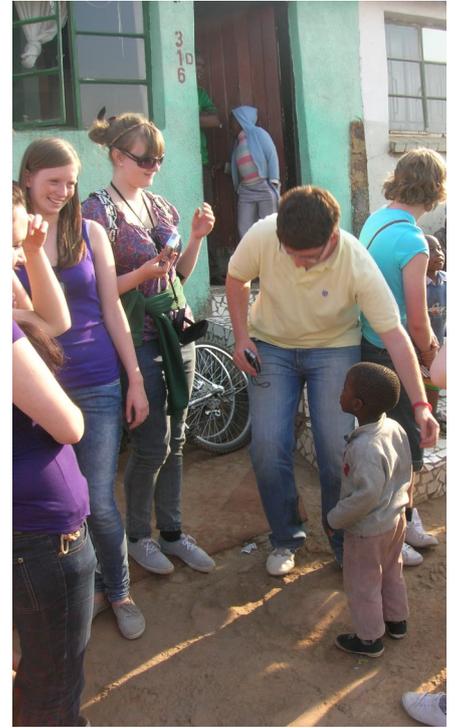
The new leadership group has been selected at Lymm High and they are busy planning a year of preparation and fundraising prior to the next South African visit in August 2018.

They are currently planning major improvements to the water supply and toilet facilities with the staff at Qhasana.

The aim is to investigate the possibility of developing a

biogas plant to provide an energy source for the school community and a vastly improved rainwater collection and storage facility as exists at other schools in the area.

If you would like to know more about the project in Lymm or how you could support its activities then contact Jess Millington: jmillington@lymmhigh.org.uk



“We spend so much time looking at screens that we don’t even spend time to get to know our neighbours and it’s only when you have little that you realise what is truly important.”

Francesca Hughes, Afritwin 2010.

“The Afritwin Project was a truly life-changing experience for me.”

Chloe Rowan, Afritwin

“It’s amazing how much about your own country you don’t know, whether that be because you prefer to live in ignorance or because you feel it’s always someone else’s problem. Afritwin opened my eyes wide open.”

Greg Herriott, Afritwin 2006

PHEOBE HAMPSON



Lymm High School student chosen to represent Wales in the UEFA Women's U17 tournament!

We are delighted to hear that Phoebe has been selected to represent Wales in the UEFA Women's U17 Qualification Tournament in Denmark between Wales, France, Denmark and Kazakhstan this month.

Congratulations, Phoebe – and good luck!

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Y11 IAG Evening
Monday 5th June

Early Closure - 12.15pm
OPEN DAY
Thursday 5th October

Half Term Begins
Friday 20th October

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