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U18 CHESHIRE CHAMPIONS

Lymm High School lifted the Cheshire Schools U18 Cup last Saturday after a thrilling game against Wirral Grammar School.

In an early Christmas present for our school, the 1st XV rugby team became champions for the second year running.

With the snow falling, Lymm took on the opposing Wirral

team at the AJ Bell stadium, as curtain raiser to the Sale Sharks European fixture against the Cardiff Blues.

Lymm had already been beaten by Wirral 34-20 in the National Vase a month earlier

but after coming off that pitch feeling disappointed and with something to prove, Lymm had trained hard and prepared well for the upcoming fixture.

From the kick off, we set the

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pace, keeping the ball in play as much as possible. After a few early mistakes and potential scoring situations blown, the chance that we were looking for opened up.

Captain James Sherlock managed to get on the outside of his tackler and offload the ball to Josh Hadland, whose pace and strength took him away from the covering defenders. With support coming and only the full back to beat, Josh dummied and scored near the post, making the conversion for Alex Galloway easy.

Lymm went on to dominate the first half of the game but couldn't quite find a way to score the next try. Whilst Lymm were attacking well, they were making mistakes at critical times and missing opportunities to build a score.

'...Lymm went on to dominate the first half of the game...'

Wirral had running in tries from all areas of the pitch this seasons, through their excellent 10, 12 and 13 players, but James Rooney was marshalling the

Lymm defence with military precision and held strong during the few opportunities that Wirral did have with the ball.

The only blemish to an almost perfect 1st half

defensive display was a late penalty to allow Wirral to take three points and go into the half 7-3 down and gain a little momentum.

After a half time regroup, we knew that Wirral's next 10 minutes were going to be their strongest and we weren't wrong.

If Lymm had all the ball in the first half, Wirral had all the ball in the second. The pressure

CHESHIRE CUP CHAMPIONS

started to mount. Wirral started to find some leaks in Lymm's strong, water tight defence of the first half.

Scrambling defence, last gasp tackles and simply working hard kept the Wirral side away from the Lymm try line.

However, despite their hard work, our boys couldn't keep the opposing team's kicker from attempting out of range penalties, of which he managed to

kick three, taking the score to 7-9.

With only 10 minutes left to play,

Lymm started to get some ball as they pressed for a score to take them back into the

lead. Much like in the first half, they started to dictate play again, making their way back into the Wirral half.

Then the opportunity was there: a penalty in front of the posts but about 35 metres out! A chance, but not a given. With Alex Galloway off the pitch, James Rooney stepped up to take the kick; however, the kick was pulled wide and Wirral breathed again.

Lymm kept the ball, pushing for a score to win the game. Despite a few last ditch tackles from Wirral, which kept Lymm away from the line, the pressure started to tell and they were caught off side in front of the posts.

James again stepped up. This kick was a lot easier than the first, a kick he could probably do with his eyes closed, but with the memory of the last

kick and less than 2 minutes on the clock, the pressure was huge: this would win the cup once again for Lymm.

James composed himself and, like all good

kickers, forgot about the last attempt and took his time. The kick was successful! Lymm took the lead with seconds left in the game.

Wirral managed to get the ball back but with pressure coming from the Lymm defence, knocked it on.

All that was left to do was win the scrum and kick the ball off the pitch.... and celebrate.

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NOTICES

RETURN TO SCHOOL

We'd like to wish you an enjoyable and restful break over the Christmas holiday.

School will resume as normal for all students on Thursday 4th January 2018 at the usual time of 8.25am.

Staff will hold an INSET (training) Day on Wednesday 3rd January.

E-SAFETY XMAS ADVICE

Christmas is a time when lots of young people receive devices that are able to access social media such as tablets, smartphones, games consoles and laptops.

Please click [here](#) to read an important letter about how to keep your child safe online.

We have also attached a [document](#) that can support you to monitor the online behaviour of children and young people.

EXCEED AND EXCEL

We have updated the 'Exceed and Excel' section of our website, which provides lots of useful information about how students can do all they can to fulfil their potential.

It is specifically aimed at the most academically able students, but there are things for anyone interested in pursuing a love of any subject.

Please click [here](#) for more details.

Please note, this is not just about the Scholars Programme: we are working hard to increase the quality of provision for all our more able students.

NOTICES

CASHLESS CATERING

A polite reminder: Please top up your child's cashless catering account via Parent Pay, before your child returns to school, to ensure they are able to purchase food during their lunch break.

HAIR & NAILS

A polite reminder: Should your child be planning on getting a haircut or colour over the Christmas holiday, please remember - hair must be no shorter than a number 2 cut, no extreme hairstyles are allowed and hair must be natural in colour upon returning to school.

If students are considering having acrylic/gel false nails on over the festive period, they must also be removed before returning on the 4th of January.

SPORTS FUNDRAISING DINNER

Lymm High School proudly present their annual Sportsmans Dinner 2018, with ex-Liverpool and Denmark professional footballer and manager Jan Molby.

The event will take place on Friday 27th April, 2018. Tickets include a three course meal, entertainment, charity auction and raffle and are available to purchase from the Lymm High School Shop.

Please note: Due to unforeseen circumstances the date has changed to Friday 27th April, not February 2018, as previously stated. It promises to be a fantastic night and not one to be missed!

YEAR 9 IMMUNISATIONS

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

Consent forms have now been given to students. These forms 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

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

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LYMM ROVERS PITCH IN!



Celebrities visit Lymm High to help Pitch In! fundraising campaign!

Premier League referee, Anthony Taylor, and Liverpool and England player Ellie Fletcher visited Lymm High School yesterday to witness a cheque for £10,000 being handed over to support “Pitch In!”, the school’s bid to build a brand new 3G pitch.

The money was being donated by Lymm Rovers Junior

Football Club and the two celebrities were joined by students from Statham Primary School as well as Lymm High’s own students, all of whom also play for Lymm Rovers.

Gavin Laidlaw, chairman of Lymm Rovers said:

“Lymm Rovers have worked as a partner with Lymm High

School for many years now, continuing to grow as a club and continuing to provide a safe and fun environment to allow children and adults to learn how to play the game.

We share the school’s ambition to have first class facilities in place for the students and wider community.

It gives us great pleasure to donate £10,000 to the Pitch In! campaign with money that we have set aside for exactly this sort of opportunity”

Gwyn Williams, Headteacher said:

“We are very grateful for the money, which provides a significant boost in our campaign to raise £100,000 this year.

Having Ellie and Anthony here today, alongside children from Statham Primary and representatives from Lymm Rovers, underlines the fact that this is a bid for a facility to

support the whole community. I know Anthony is desperate to see more pitches built locally in order to support training of referees and it would also allow us to offer significantly more pitch time in the evenings and weekends to local groups. It’s a very exciting project.”

Ellie Fletcher, who has been capped three times for England this season, said:

“Having a 3G pitch in the area would be fantastic for local clubs. There’s growing evidence that girls in particular love playing on

these surfaces and having one in Lymm would provide a massive boost for girls football. I’m delighted to be able to support this campaign.”

Anyone wishing to support the campaign can visit <http://www.lymmhigh.org.uk/about-us/pitch-in/> for more details.



KS3 ART EXHIBITION

Wed 31st January 2018 . 5:00pm-7:00pm . Main Hall



SANTA DASH TOTAL REVEALED



Lymm High School's Santa Dash raises more than £21,000 for our fundraising campaign.

Hundreds of students turned out in Santa Hats for the sponsored Santa Dash which took part on the school grounds on Monday 4th December.

The event saw the entire school community come together to help raise funds for the 'Pitch In!' campaign – a fundraising initiative launched to build a brand new 3G pitch and floodlighting at our school.

A huge well done goes to Mrs Tierney's form group 7TH -

winners of our inter-form Santa dash challenge! They managed to raise an amazing £1,136.10 towards the finished total and will be rewarded with lunch served by the senior leadership team in the new year.

Our winning form group were closely followed by 7ML, 7TL and 7DL - with 7ML taking the title of the first form to reach the £500.00 total, earlier in the half term.

We are extremely pleased to announce that we raised a

grand total of £21,178.19 from the event!

Added to our previous total for non-uniform day and the generous contribution from Lymm Rovers last week we have now raised an impressive £35,469.75 towards our 3G Pitch Bid!

We could not have done this without the support from everyone involved and those who donated, and want to say a huge thank you to everyone who Pitched in!

YOUTH HEALTH CHAMPIONS COMPLETE THEIR TRAINING

On Monday 15th December our Year 10 Youth Health Champions attended a celebration event at Bridgewater High School where they received certificates from Counsellor Helen McLoughlin for successfully completing their 'Youth Health Champions' training programme.

At the event the group delivered a presentation to local council representatives and local schools around the work they have been undertaking in school to raise awareness for mental health.

The group have worked incredibly hard promoting their campaign around school. They have created noticeboards, visited form groups and delivered assemblies across year groups to signpost our students to local health and support services.

Alongside running a campaign, the group have submitted portfolios to the Royal Society for Public Health in the hope of achieving a Level 3 qualification in the Spring Term.

We are very proud of their hard work and commitment not only as peer mentors but ambassadors for the school.



CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE



On Monday evening, December 18th, our lymm instrumentalists and singers once again took to St Peter's Church in Oughtrington to perform in the annual Christmas carol service in front of a packed audience. The evening began

with a brief address from our Headteacher, Mr Williams, and a reading from deputy head boy, Sam Anderson, who invited the congregation to join them in celebrating the school achievements of 2017 whilst looking to the year ahead. Lymm High School

students old and new, as well as staff, joined forces with the Reverend Michael Burgess and congregation, in the singing of favourite festive hymns including; Once in Royal David's City, Hark the Herald Angels Sing and O Come all ye Faithful.

Fantastic as ever, was our title-winning String Ensemble, with a notable solo from student Hannah Leighton-Jones.

The String ensemble played a stunning set throughout the evening ranging from Vivaldi's 'Winter' from 'The Four Seasons' to 'Last Christmas' by George Michael.

There were also excellent readings from student, Rosemary Wake and Eve Shaw and Ollie McFerran, as well as a stunning solo from Eva Jones.

The school's Brass Ensemble, also stunned the packed church with a rousing set which included Winter Wonderland, Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas and We Wish You a Merry Christmas to bring the evening to a rousing conclusion.



THE MOVEMENT



On 26th November 'The Movement' which involves Lymm High School students Ieuan Clark, Zach Jones, Ellie Simpson & Abi Greenwood, entered the Iconic Street Dance Competition in Blackpool. We are pleased to say the crew were successfully placed 1st, beating off some tough competition!

The previous week at 'Calling You Out' Street Dance Competition Zach Jones also came away with 2nd place for his solo performance which is an amazing achievement.

Students Zach & Ieuan, who regularly compete in competitions, are also part of

a Break Dance Crew called 'Dynamix' who were also placed 4th overall at Calling You Out. The crew have been asked to perform at 'Winter Wonderland' at Event City on 15th, 21st, 22nd & 24th December where they will be dancing at the entrance as guests arrive.

The boys have been working hard rehearsing in preparation of their performances and are enjoying having a taste of a professional dancing experience. If you have tickets for Winter Wonderland on their remaining performance date - keep an eye out for the boys.

WARRINGTON SCHOOLS CROSS COUNTRY



Three Lymm High students have recently competed in all three races of the Warrington Schools Cross Country League at Walton Gardens.

The final race took place on Saturday 9th December with snow falling on an extremely muddy course - tough conditions for our young competitors.

In the Minor Boys Race, Year 7 student, Erik Marshall was crowned league winner during the Saturday race - successfully winning all three races of the league!

In the Junior Girls race, Eva Ferris (Year 8) also had an excellent race, finishing in 2nd place during the Saturday final - achieving 3rd place overall in the league competition.

Jasmine Jones also in Year 8 had a gutsy run, finishing in 5th place also finishing 5th overall.

Huge congratulations to all students involved!



INTERHALL CROSS COUNTRY

This half term brought with it PE's first and one of the favourite

Inter-hall events of the year, the KS3 Cross Country.

Wanting to live up to its reputation, this year didn't disappoint! Students battled the elements as they battled against each other with wind, rain, sun and of course the mud, to contend with throughout the competition.

Year 8 were our first cohort to tackle the course, with Tatton victorious overall. Year 9 students followed suit the next day and not to be outdone,

Tatton once again proved their strength in fitness by claiming the victors title.

It was then down to our Year 7 students to make their Cross Country debut. With Tatton securing the top spot for both Year 8 and Year 9; the question on everybody's minds was whether they could manage a clean sweep.

The youngest of the Tatton hall groups didn't disappoint. Even with the added mud from the previous two days, Tatton were still able to come out on top!

Our inter-hall events are not just about winning, however, but about students participating and representing their hall whilst displaying their hall values. To see so many participating in the event is why the Cross Country Inter-hall is up there with one of the PE departments greatest Inter-hall events.

We now look forward to hosting the next event which will be the Swimming Gala in the new year. Well done to everybody that participated!



ENGLAND FOR ELLIE FLETCHER

We are really proud that one of our past sporting stars and role models, Ellie Fletcher has received her 3rd England football call-up. The ex-Lymm High student (who left Year 13 in 2017), is a regular for Liverpool Ladies 1st team and has had considerable success with them. She has now had 3 caps for England U19s ladies;

her debut against Wales in the Euro qualifiers resulted in a 4-0 win for the squad, followed by her 2nd cap in a 1-0 win over Slovenia. Ellie has now had her 3rd cap in a friendly against Finland, and is one of only two Liverpool players who've been selected. With Ellie's help, the England squad have now made it through the initial round of the UEFA

European U19 Championship qualifying and sealed their place in the elite qualifying round which takes place in Spring 2018. We wish Ellie every success in this and her future matches and are exceptionally proud of her incredible achievements. You can follow Ellie's progress at [@EllieFletch7](https://twitter.com/EllieFletch7)



FIRST XI BOYS FOOTBALL

After a very testing start to the year, with some extremely tough fixtures, the First XI boys football team continue to improve game by game. On Wednesday 6th December they beat Tytherington High School, in the second round of the Cheshire Cup.

Despite the pitch and weather conditions, Lymm played some expansive football and took a well-deserved lead through Ben Welch after fantastic work by Harry Quarmby on the left hand side.

The team, which consisted of four Year 11 boys, continued to dominate and were 3 up by half time with Welch adding to his tally and an audacious Sam Bernard back heel.

Tytherington got back in to the game briefly but Lymm were able to move up a gear when needed and see the game out 5-2.

The Tytherington match was followed up with a quarter final tie at home to Whitby High School, Ellesmere Port. Lymm, once again, started brightly and were rewarded with an early goal through a

neat finish by Harry Quarmby. Max Allardyce doubled the advantage with an excellent header from a Fergus Grogan corner. Whitby High School then began to play some excellent football and pulled level before half time with two quick-fire goals of their own. After some half-time tactical tinkering by the management team Lymm completely dominated the second half and a fantastic double by Year 11 student Sam Bernard earned Lymm a 4-2 win and a passage into the Cheshire Cup semi-finals.

YEAR 10 HANDBALL

Lymm Year 10 Handball teams dominated the Warrington Tournament.

Both the girls and boys convincingly won their games against Sir Thomas Boetler and Great Sankey to secure their passage to the NW finals in Chester in March.

The Year 8 teams will try to make it a full house on Thursday 18th December.

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Christmas Break

Monday 23rd December –Thursday 4th January

INSET DAY

Wednesday 3rd January

Students Return To School

Thursday 4th January

Year 9 DTP & Men ACWY Immunisations

Tuesday 23rd January

Wednesday 24th January

Thursday 25th January



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MERRY CHRISTMAS

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