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# NEWSLETTER

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## LYMM HIGH SCHOOL EARN'S A GOLD MARK FOR ARTS

Students have struck gold, thanks to their artistic talents.

**A**chievements in art, dance, music and drama have earned the school an Artsmark Gold Award – one of the top national honours for schools who show

commitment to providing opportunities across all the arts.

Arts Council England launched the Artsmark awards

to encourage schools to increase the range, quantity and type of arts available to students, while also raising the profile of arts education.

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In recognition of the school's extensive participation across the art spectrum and after an audit and inspection from the Arts Council, the school received the Artsmark Gold Award. Receiving the award will allow the school to further enrich their art provision and give them access to an enviable network of leading cultural organisations for the benefit of students and teachers.

Lymm High offers a wealth of opportunities for students to get involved with the arts and has a tradition of staging ambitious productions; including last year's 'Snow Dragons', where students represented the

school at the Dorfman Theatre, London, as a finalist for the prestigious National Connections event; and celebrated shows such as 'Les Miserables'.

In the past twelve months the school's Art and Design Technology department, which has links to the MALL art gallery in London, has seen a number of students go on to study at the prestigious London College of Fashion, and has held a number of notable fashion shows and exhibitions

throughout the year.

Music provision is also extremely strong, with students going on to study at top music schools such as Guildhall, and the school String Quartet crowned winners of the Ensemble Open Class at last year's Bowden Youth Festival.

The Artsmark Panel commended the school's sense of ambition and commitment to achieving excellence

through the arts, as well as offering important space for more personal development and growth.

Head of Performing Arts at the school, Rachel Richards, said:

"The award is the result of a long and successful journey.

We have not only enriched our arts

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provision, working with many practitioners but have fostered great pride in sharing our creative practice and our students have relished the opportunity to show off their expertise. "We had to undergo an audit of all the arts in the school and an inspector came to take a look at the way we operate here.

"It was a very useful process which helped us all to see where our strengths are and where we need to move forward."

# EXPERIENCE MORE ADVENTURES WITH YOUR FAMILY THIS SUMMER!



A chance to **WIN** a Family Annual Membership with either the National Trust or English Heritage, when you play our lottery.



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Trust



ENGLISH  
HERITAGE

- Make a real difference and support OUR school and you could WIN £25,000.
- A GUARANTEED prize to one of YOUR supporters EVERY WEEK.
- Start supporting TODAY for only £1 a week!

To start supporting, Visit:

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And Search For:

**Lymm**

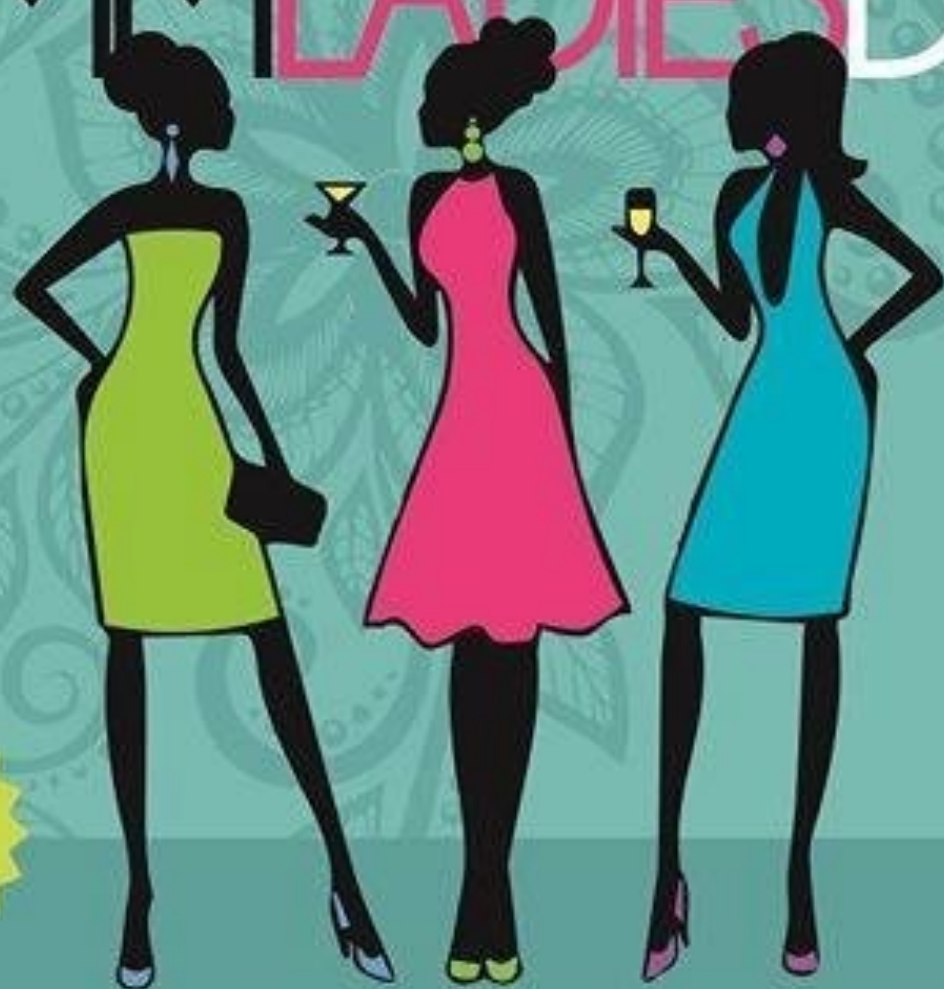
Supporters must be 16 years of age or older. Sign up before 2nd May 2018

Terms and conditions apply – see website. A chance to WIN a Family Annual Membership to either the National Trust or English Heritage.



Lymm Rugby Club & The Schools Of Lymm Present

# LYMM LADIES DAY



**Hurry!**  
Last year's  
event  
sold out...

**LYMM RUGBY CLUB FRIDAY 15TH JUNE**

*A day of indulgence for the ladies, from 10:30am-5pm*

**Tickets**  
**£32.50**

Includes fizz on entry,  
2-course lunch, browsing  
lovely boutique stalls,  
fashion show and  
fabulous goody bag

**Shop!**

Browse an array of gorgeous  
stalls, bubbly in hand...

**Fashion**

Enjoy a suitably glamorous  
fashion show

**Dress  
to impress!**

**BUY TICKETS**

through your school PTA,  
Lymm Rugby Club or Lymm High  
School uniform shop



# NOTICES

## Y11 UNIFORM DURING EXAMS

**B**ecause the Sports Hall can get hot, especially when it is full of students sitting exams, Year 11 students will be allowed to wear Lymm High School PE kit to school on any day when they have a GCSE exam.

Alternatively, if they choose to wear the usual school uniform, they will be allowed to remove their blazer and tie and to undo their top buttons for the duration of the exam.

Please note that students must remain in full uniform on all days when they do not have an exam and that the PE kit worn must meet the usual school regulations regarding PE kit.

## STUDENT WELL-BEING DURING EXAMS

**U**nderstandably this is an extremely anxious time for many students with their GCSE and A-level exams approaching quickly.

Whilst some stress is natural, if you think your child is not coping managing their anxiety levels in relation to their revision, and require some additional support, please don't hesitate to contact Student Services who will be able to provide support on 01925 750711 or [amogey@lymmhigh.org.uk](mailto:amogey@lymmhigh.org.uk)

## CASHLESS CATERING

**A** polite reminder:

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

Many thanks.

## SUMMER SWIM WARNING

**P**lease be mindful in good weather conditions - cooling off in rivers, canals, ponds, quarries and lakes can have deadly consequences. Please do not enter the water if you are not a strong swimmer.

We have been made aware of young people swimming recently in the River Bollin, near Old Mill Close. The water may look calm but can be extremely dangerous. Cheshire Police are monitoring the area.



# NOTICES

## LHS LOTTERY

Fancy winning a Family Annual Membership with either the National Trust or English Heritage? Join the Lymm High School lottery today in time for the next draw.

The lottery is a fun and effective way to raise money to improve our school. As well as a guaranteed weekly winner from our school community there's also a weekly chance to win up to £25,000. But we need your help to make the lottery the best it can be.

The more supporters that join the bigger the weekly prize fund! Friends and family are also welcome to join so please spread the word.

The next draw takes place on Saturday 5th May. Click [HERE](#) to support the lottery today and, who knows, maybe you will be the next £25,000 winner!

## Y13 FASHION SHOW 2018

We would love to see you at this year's Lymm High School Fashion Show, which showcases the work of our Year 13 Fashion and Textiles students. All members of the public are welcome and for anyone thinking of applying to Lymm Sixth Form, it is an excellent opportunity to see the kind of work our students produce. All viewings take place in the Main Hall, Lymm High School, Oughtrington Lane. Refreshments available. Entry is free so don't miss what promises to be a fantastic evening!

## SUMMER FAYRE

Roll up! Roll up! Why not join us for a Spring day of fun for all the family? Our annual Spring Fayre is one of our biggest fundraising events of the year and takes place on Saturday 9th June, 12pm, at Lymm High School.

There will be games organised by students and staff as well stalls run either by Lymm students or local community enterprises. The day includes all the traditional attractions of a fayre including raffles, rides, inflatables, music, hot food, bar, face painting, craft stalls, music, performances from our talented students....and much more!!

Local businesses are invited to sponsor a stall at the Fayre. These donations help us cover the costs of attractions and in exchange your business will be promoted to all who attend the event. We also welcome donations of raffle prizes. All are welcome to join us for what promises to be a great day.

# LYMM HIGH

# FASHION

# SHOW

## YEAR 13 FASHION SHOW 2018

**03.05.18**

**FREE ENTRY**

**REFRESHMENTS**

**LYMM HIGH SCHOOL**

**MAIN HALL WA13 ORB**

**DOORS OPEN : 6:30PM**

**SHOW STARTS : 7:00PM**



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**YEAR13 GRADUATE  
FASHION SHOW 2018**



**LHS GRADUATE  
FASHION SHOW**



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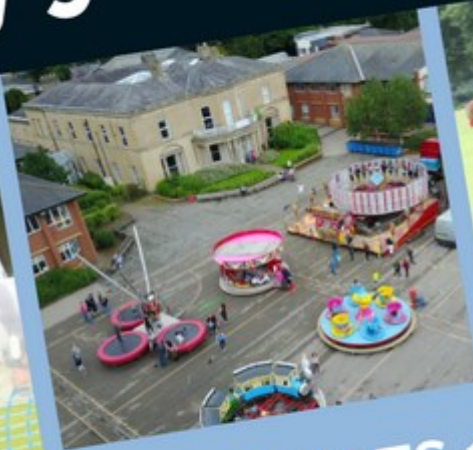




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# Summer Fayre

Saturday 9th June 2018



**ADULTS £2  
CHILDREN £1  
BABIES FREE**

**FAYRE STARTS 12PM**

*All  
Welcome!*

FAIRGROUND RIDES |  
TRADITIONAL GAMES | RODEO  
BULL | ZORBING | STALLS | BAR |  
FOOD AREA | COMPETITIONS | ITS  
A KNOCKOUT | PHOTOBOOTH |  
DANCE TENT | FACEPAINTING

# THESE BRIDGES AT THE CRUCIBLE



Lymm students take to the stage to perform ‘These Bridges’, by Phoebe Eclair-Powell at the Crucible Theatre.

**O**n Thursday 22nd March the cast and crew of “These Bridges” travelled to the Crucible Theatre in Sheffield for our performance as part of the National Connections Festival.

This was a really exciting experience as we were going to a new venue and would be working with the professional teams to get our performance ready.

The stage we were going to be performing on was very

different to the one we had here at Lymm and so prior to the performance day, the cast had worked intensively to re-stage the whole performance – and what a great job they did!

On the 22nd, we arrived in the morning and had some time to rehearse in one of the rehearsal rooms, before going into the theatre to do our Tech rehearsal.

The cast were incredible during this process as they were working non-stop for 4

hours, while the sound and lighting teams set all their lights and sound cues.

The staff at the Crucible said how impressed they were at the professionalism of our cast – it was like they were a professional theatre company with the way they worked alongside the Stage Manager.

It was such an exciting experience being able to go through the whole process of a technical rehearsal in such a prestigious venue.



We then got to the most important part of the day – the performance.

Families and friends had travelled over to Sheffield to watch and were blown away by the standard of the performance they saw, myself and Mrs Richards included.

We were so proud of the students and they were a credit to Lymm High School in their conduct throughout the whole day.

We also had the chance to watch another of the productions as part of the festival and it was lovely to see how the two casts were so supportive of each other.

Overall, it was a brilliant experience and I am very proud of all our students and what they achieved with their talent and sheer commitment and dedication.

Ms Finnigan



# PARENTS FORUM



The last parents forum event had to be postponed due to the visit of Ofsted and we have rescheduled it for Wednesday 23rd May, from 6-7.30pm. It would be great to see as many of you there as possible.

The main focus of the evening will be on the Ofsted report itself and, in particular, gathering feedback from parents and carers about what you feel the priorities for the schools should be over the next three years. If you have

not been to a parents forum event before, please do consider coming along; these are informal, friendly events and a great opportunity to hear from senior leaders about how we feel things are going at the school, as well as giving you the chance to make sure your voice is heard.

If you are able to attend, please let Mrs Headon know ([hheadon@lymmhigh.org.uk](mailto:hheadon@lymmhigh.org.uk)) so that we can ensure sufficient refreshments are available.

# BRIGHT FUTURES

Two teams of Lymm High School Year 8 students took part in the Bright Futures competition run by Unilever on Thursday 22nd March.

**T**heir brief was to design a product which encouraged young people to brush their teeth more frequently.

Students were tasked with researching the current market and consumer behaviours. From this, they then had to design a unique product including a suitable formulation and design packaging, along with posters and a video or PowerPoint to use.

As part of the competition our

cohort pitched their ideas to six separate groups of Unilever employees (some of whom were very high ranking). There were five category prizes based on the judges' independent scores.

We're extremely pleased to announce that our two teams came joint first in the Consumer award for creating an innovative product. They were judged on their research of the current market, as well as conducting market research to produce claims for their new invention. Both teams

scored full marks with all six sets of judges in this category who remarked on how impressive our teams and their ideas were.

Mrs Cattell, organiser of the visit said, 'Given they are year 8 students the maturity and confidence they displayed was fantastic and they represented their school really well. They all have taken a lot away from this experience and I think they deserve recognition for their hard work and achievement.'







# BAVARIAN BIERKELLER 2018

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Lymm High School Parent's and Teacher's association and staff hosted a beer-swilling Bavarian night which raised £6,936 for the charity and 3G pitch campaign.

Around 120 people attended the event organised by the PTA at the school to raise money for Prevent Breast Cancer and Pitch In, a fundraising initiative to

provide a new 3G pitch and PE changing rooms with the support of the Football Association, Football Foundation and Cheshire FA.

Guests enjoyed a hog roast and a live performance of traditional Bavarian music and entertainment from Robert Burton.

Tina McGuffie, Business manager at Lymm High School, said: "We were overwhelmed by the generosity of everyone at the event, which was a sell-out. It

was a fantastic, fun evening that raised a significant amount of money for a very worthwhile countrywide charity and towards the new 3G Pitch.

"There was plenty of audience participation and we were pleased that a number of people came dressed in lederhosen and really threw themselves into the theme of the evening. A huge thank you to our PTA who have worked tirelessly to put on what was a fantastic event"

# BOWLING TRIP

Lymm High School students were rewarded with a trip to LA Bowl by the School for achieving target hall points in the Spring Term.

Just before the students broke up for the Easter holiday we ran the end of term reward trip for students who managed to accrue over 70 hall points since the previous trip at Christmas.

There was a fantastic number of students who managed to qualify – over 400 students across two days went bowling. A great time was had by all, and it turns out that not only are these students incredibly well behaved and hardworking, but there are also some very talented bowlers amongst them. A special mention to Hannah Davies, 7ML, who got the highest recorded score – a very impressive 149!

A big well done to all the students who qualified for the trip. The end of year trip will be to Alton Towers. Students need 235 hall points since the start of the year in order to qualify and as always these hall points are given out for excellent behaviour and effort in lesson but are also awarded for completing various stages of the leadership ladder.

Please encourage and support your child in getting the required number of hall points as it promises to be a fantastic way to end the year!







# DUKE OF EDINBURGH EXPEDITIONS

## Duke of Edinburgh **BRONZE** 2018 Expeditions

We hope your child is excited about their DofE expeditions. The pre-expedition meeting for students will take place in the Main Hall on Thursday 10th May at 3:15 – 4:30pm (approx.) where students will receive additional paperwork related to the expeditions including pick-up and drop-off sites as well as the campsite details. If for any reason you need this information before the meeting, it can be found on the school's website under Enrichment/ Duke of Edinburgh in the Documents section. At this meeting, walking groups and tent groups will be worked out with support from staff so all students are catered for. There is also a kit list on the website – please encourage your child to read this and chat to you about what you might need. It is really important that students

have taken the time to read the Expedition Handbook on the website so they are fully prepared and therefore enjoy their expeditions much more.

**Students DO NOT need:**  
trangers or tents – these will be lent to all groups.

**Students DO need:** items on the Kit List (see website)

**If students do not own rucksacks, waterproofs or a roll mat/camping mat, these can be borrowed by booking them at the 10th May meeting with GOTC.**

Reminder that for Bronze expeditions, parents need to drop off students in the morning on the Friday at the start point and collect them from the finish point in the

afternoon on the Saturday. Please bear in mind, that because there are so many students doing Bronze, half the groups will start at St Nicks High School, half will start at Tarporley High School and they will meet at the same campsite on the Friday afternoon/evening. The specific locations for each group will be confirmed at the meeting once groups are decided.

For any expedition queries, please contact Mark Harnden: [mark@getoutsidetheclassroom.co.uk](mailto:mark@getoutsidetheclassroom.co.uk)

For any eDofE queries, please contact James Hellmers: [james@getoutsidetheclassroom.co.uk](mailto:james@getoutsidetheclassroom.co.uk) or Mrs S Hill in the school shop ([shill@lymmhigh.org.uk](mailto:shill@lymmhigh.org.uk))

We look forward to seeing students on 10th May.

## Duke of Edinburgh **SILVER & GOLD** 2018 Expeditions

More information will follow for Silver and Gold students nearer the time via the website (Parent Communications) and the Newsletter, but please access the website for a wide variety of information before then regarding expeditions and kit.



# It's all About STEM

## Royal Institution Summer Schools – Now Booking!

This July and August the RI in London is running a number of summer school workshops for young people up to the age of 19. RI Summer Schools are a brilliant way for young people to get hands-on with all areas of science, mathematics, engineering and computer science and to meet other like-minded young people. Opportunities include:

**Mathematics** - Learn from expert mathematicians in our exciting maths-based workshops. Topics include exploring probability and the mathematics behind winning at game shows, discovering the wonders of creating anamorphic art and becoming an expert code breaker and cryptographer.

**Engineering** - Design and build your own robots, get an introduction to the science of rockets and space travel and explore the dynamics of flight using microdrones in our wide range of engineering workshops.

**Laboratory science**- Join the RI team in the L'Oréal Young Scientist Centre and be a scientist for the day by experiencing a range of lab-based workshops, including making a pin-hole camera, creating your own cosmetics and learning how to control your own LEGO Mars rover.

**Computer science** - Get to grips with computer science in hands-on computing workshops including making music with a BBC Micro:bit, learning to control and programme a LEGO Mindstorm robot and discovering how to code

STEM brings together Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics with an aim of making links between the subjects you study at school and how they are applied in real life. STEM activities, workshops, competitions and trips offer you great opportunities to discover these subjects in action and hopefully have some fun along the way. Getting involved with STEM is a great way of enriching what you learn in the classroom.

### Codebreaking challenge

Have you ever wondered what type of jobs subjects like maths, science and technology can lead you to? Find out more about exciting new industries and technology at STEM Careers Club. Students from Year 7 to 10 will be welcome each week to find out about different STEM careers. More details coming soon in the student bulletin.

### Codebreaking challenge

Do you fancy yourself as a codebreaker? Have a go at the codes below (all provided as part of the Manchester University's cryptology competition):

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nwonk edame btonn acdlr owsih tfosg  
nihte htrof**

*-nocab regor*

**Dtt bnu idbnuidbfsdt xsfursux dau  
cyormum yr autdbfyrx publuur vnwxfsdt  
tdlx drm tdlx yc roipuax, xy bndb bnu dfi  
yc uzdsb xsfursu fx by aumosu bnu  
vayptuix yc rdboau by bnu mubuaifrbfyr  
yc hodrbfbfux pw yvuadbfyrx lfbn  
roipuax.**

*Jdiux Stuaq Idzlutt*

**CAN YOU CRACK  
THE CODE?**

# CRYPTOLOGY COMPETITION 2018

Since the end of January, three teams of Year 9 and 10 students have been putting their analytical, problem solving and code breaking skills to great use attempting to crack codes as part of Manchester University's annual cryptography competition.

Running for the past 5 years, the competition involves students solving six codes which are released fortnightly online. Each code is different and they become increasingly difficult over time.

The codes really challenged the students (and some members of the maths department!) and they were very thankful for advice from one of our 6th form students in the later stages.

The competition gives young people a taste of how maths can be used in the real world in a very real and specialised context.

The competition culminated in a Live Crypto Challenge that took place at Manchester University on Wednesday 23rd April. Eight students who were involved in the competition from Day 1 were



selected to attend the event.

The students were welcomed to the Alan Turing Building by the Crypto team – consisting of Lecturers, Researchers and Students of the Manchester University School of Mathematics. It was some of our students first experience of visiting a University campus and they were excited by the opportunity.

In teams of 4, they were tasked with solving three further codes and using these to find a hidden codeword. Teamwork and collaboration were in

great evidence and the Lymm teams quickly deciphered each problem and successfully found the missing codeword.

The students were the second and third teams to submit a correct answer but unfortunately on the day, there were no prizes for second place!

The second part of the afternoon gave the students the opportunity to find out more about how maths can be applied in real life as they listened to some guest speakers.





The first speaker was Squadron Leader, Paul Kennedy, whose day to day job in the Royal Air Force involves the security of communication and its effective encryption.

The students were then introduced to Ewan Nicholson, a data scientist who currently works for Skyscanner.

His main responsibility at work is to make data useful and extract the key

information that will help to inform business decisions.

Ewan spoke about his background and where maths had taken him in his career to date – this included three years travelling the world onboard a ship looking for undersea oil reserves and a further two years working for the BBC as a data scientist where his maths skills were used to help with programme planning and commissioning.

The afternoon culminated with the prize giving for the online competition. This year's overall winners were a team from Stockport Grammar School but our students represented Lymm very well.

One team finished in 10th place and all three teams placed within the top 100 from over 1100 teams nationwide.

The students really relished the challenge of the competition and are already excited and looking forward to taking part in the competition again next year!

*The Alan Turing Cryptography Competition 2019 will start at the end of January 2019 and any interested students (Year 11 and below) are welcome to sign up.*

*Students will be required to stay after school on a Monday for the release of codes. Further details will be made available in the school bulletin in December.*

A close-up photograph of green grass blades, some of which have small water droplets on them. The grass is slightly out of focus, creating a soft background for the text.

# GOLF DAY

FRIDAY MAY, 4TH 2018  
LYMM GOLF CLUB  
SHOTGUN START AT 1.00 PM



# WARRINGTON GUARDIAN SCHOOL AWARDS



The Warrington Guardian Schools Awards are back for 2018 and nominations are now open!

The annual awards ceremony is a celebration of Warrington's most inspiring pupils, teachers and schools and the winners will be invited to a special presentation evening at the Village Hotel on Thursday, June 21.

Now judges are urging parents, teachers and staff

members to nominate anyone who they believe deserves to be recognised for their efforts over the past year.

For more information and details how to vote please visit:  
[http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/school\\_awards/](http://www.warringtonguardian.co.uk/news/school_awards/)

## UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

**Year 13 Fashion Show**  
Thursday 3rd May

**Golf Day**  
Friday 4th May

**Bank Holiday**  
Monday 7th May

**DofE Bronze Practice Expedition**  
Friday 18th May -  
Saturday 19th May

**Parents Forum**  
Wednesday 23rd May

**Summer Fayre**  
Saturday 9th June

**Ladies Day**  
Friday 15th June

**DofE Bronze Qualifying Expedition**  
Friday 15th June -  
Saturday 16th June

**Year 11 Prom**  
Thursday 28th June

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