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Summer of
success, p.2

Students and staff
celebrated August's
A' Level and GCSE
exam results.

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Win big prizes in
our Hall Together
online raffle.

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TIME TO GET INVOLVED!

As we embark upon a new academic year, we start with a personal development focus on participation.

We are very fortunate to have a wealth of opportunities available to our students both during the school day and after school. Actively participating in clubs, teams and events is an important part of our students' school experience

with us, supporting them in developing key skills of teamwork, resilience and confidence. Ultimately, these important skills shape the character of our students, equipping them to enjoy success both in and out of school.

We use the [Leadership Ladder, Participation Profile and Next Generation Future Leaders](#) to record and reward our students for their efforts in participating within our school community. You can see our [extra-curricular timetable here](#).



GCSE AND A'LEVEL RESULTS

Students and staff celebrated excellent exam results over the summer.

First up was A' Level Results Day on Thursday 14th August. School opened early so that the nervous wait could be over as soon as possible, and students entered Sixth Form at 8am.

The Lower Hex was soon filled with excitement, and students and staff celebrated another excellent set of post-16 results.

Amongst the many highlights, Laam Chow secured an incredible four straight A* grades, closely followed by Sofia Ottiwell, Jamie Lo, Novi Ma and Charlotte Masters, all of whom picked up three A* grades or equivalent.

The following students also impressed with at least three A* or A grades: Nora Abbassi-Stewart, Kailika Vyas, Ben Somerfield, Katie Allen, Hannah You, Lars Williams,

Christopher Storey, Ryan Rushton, Lucie Reynolds, Martha Parkinson, Beth Parkinson, Henry Millachip, Lara McDonald, Samuel Jackson, Abigail Freaney, Gemma Dutton, Alex Currie, Reuben Compton and Imogen Aspinall.

There are so many other students who have also done exceptionally well, including some who have had to overcome some really tough

personal challenges along the way.

"We are delighted for all of them", said Mr Williams.

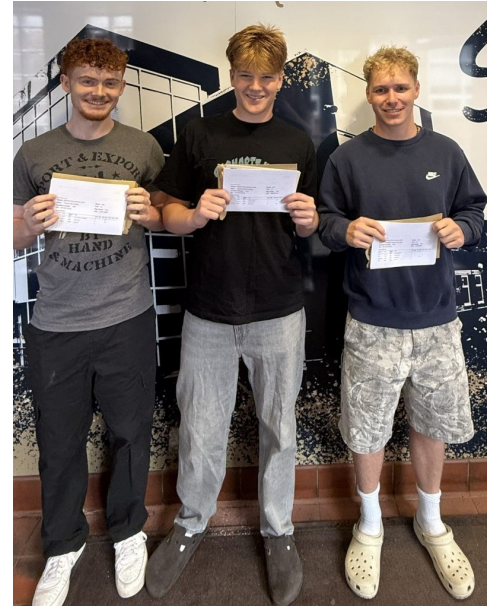
"Amidst all the smiles and celebrations, it's easy to forget how much work sits behind the success students have had", he said.

Post-16 qualifications these days are really challenging and require a great deal of sustained hard work and commitment, not to mention perseverance and determination.

"This cohort of students have certainly shown all of these qualities over the past couple of years and we are immensely proud of them. As ever, I am also grateful to work with

such a talented and committed group of staff who have been on hand throughout to support these amazing young people."

Mrs Neesam, Head of Sixth Form, said: "I'm so pleased for the students and am feeling very proud of them. It's been my first year as Head of Sixth Form here and I've been so impressed by them ever since I arrived; as well as having great attitudes towards their studies, they are such a lovely group of people and I've really enjoyed working with them. They deserve all the success that has come their way this morning."



Many students are now heading off to top universities around the country and others are beginning exciting apprenticeship options.

Whatever their next steps are, we wish everyone the very best and congratulate them once again on doing so well.





SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING



Thursday 13th November 2025
5.00pm to 8.00pm

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SIXTH FORM



Following the A' Level results, the next week GCSE students lined up to get their results on Thursday 21st August. And once again, they were superb!

Mr Williams said: "We are delighted with our GCSE performance again this year. The Year 11 cohort have been wonderful throughout their time at the school, and we are so pleased that these results will set them up so well for whatever steps they are taking next. All the smiles we've seen this morning on the faces of the students are thoroughly well-deserved – as indeed are the smiles on the faces of all the parents and carers who have provided such brilliant support."

"Although we've become quite used to seeing such strong results over the past

few years, we try very hard to avoid any complacency. It's therefore really pleasing to see the success continuing and to know that these results will keep us right at the top in terms of performance across the North West."

What is especially positive again is the consistency of the results. The headlines are certainly very impressive, but Lymm High staff are even more pleased with what sits behind them. All the bigger

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subjects have performed exceptionally well, as have students from all groups and different academic starting points.

"This kind of profile of results only comes about as a result of sustained hard work and I thank and congratulate everyone involved", said Mr Williams.

87% of students managed to secure grades 4 and above in both English and Maths, with 69% securing 5 or above in both key subjects. Fully 33% scored grade 7 or above in both. In fact, well over 40% of all GCSE grades came in at grade 7 or higher.

Standout students included Daisy Nurse who scored a scarcely believable ten straight grade 9s. Daisy was closely followed by James Leung, Ben Liput and

Frankie Littlewood with nine grade 9s.

The following students all picked up at least eight grade 8 or 9s: Louis Johnson, Alex Sparkman, Toby Williams, Rebecca Bering, Heidi Dodd, Alisha Pemberton, Dana Williams, Bria Coxon, Scarlett Kelly, Joshua Prescott, Freya Sanderson, Alex Ferrie, Nat Higginbottom, Lily Norton, Tilly Bettridge, Amelia Cullen, Alfie Gardiner-Johnson, Theo Gyepi-Garbrah, Felix Horner, Ava Brooks, Brody Matthews, Anja Shackcloth, Eliana Wan, Oliver Dulson, Joseph Woodward and Elizabeth Hankinson.

As ever, these students only represent the tip of the iceberg and there are hundreds of other students who ought to be at least as proud of themselves for what they have achieved this year.

Success is always a team effort and congratulations must go, not just to the students themselves, but all the family, friends and staff in school who have supported them over the past few years.

Congratulations to everyone!

HALL TOGETHER RAFFLE

We were excited to launch our raffle this month.



This fun and easy way to raise funds to support the transformation of our Main Hall will go towards upgrading the theatre lights and sound system. Last term, in collaboration with our PTA, we raised more than £60K towards the project; and over the summer holidays, we progressed with a range of improvements that are now being enjoyed by the whole school. As can be seen in the photo, the Main Hall now has a much more modern and fresher look to it.

Online raffle tickets can be bought for £2 each, and you can buy as many as you like. Anyone over the age of 18 can take part, and they don't need to be linked to Lymm High School, or indeed Lymm.

The raffle will close at noon on Friday 12th December 2025. Winners will be announced the same day. The prizes include:

- 1st Prize – £1000
- 2nd Prize – £500
- 3rd Prize – Hot air balloon ride for 2 people
- 4th Prize – DeLonghi bean-to-cup coffee machine
- 5th prize – Lifestyle photography portrait session

Scan the QR code to buy tickets
or [click here](#).



Information evening for Parents and Carers

WELLBEING WORKSHOP

Wednesday 8th October, 6-7pm

Lymm High School, Main Hall

**Join us for tips, advice and guidance to support
our Year 7-13 students' wellbeing.**

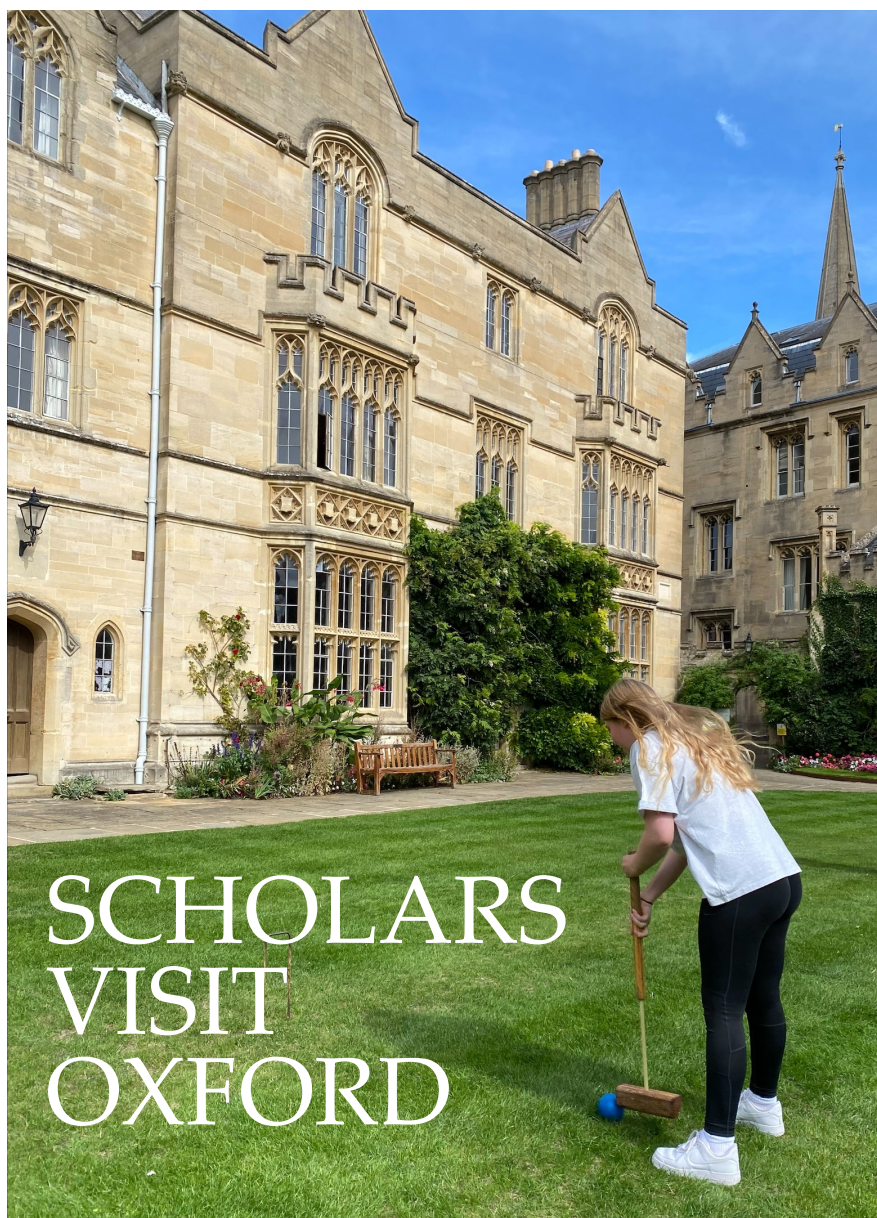


This interactive session will explore:

- Strategies for managing anxiety
- Tips for exam worries
- Day-to-day coping skills
- Mindfulness techniques
- Self-esteem boosters!



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At the start of September, our Scholars set off bright and early for a 2-day visit to Oxford, writes Miss Cucuz.

After the long journey, our first stop was the Oxford University Museum of Natural History, where students took part in an Evolution workshop – complete with some very lively cockroaches! This hands-on experience brought their science learning to life, allowing them to see natural selection and adaptation in action.

From there, we headed to the Pitt Rivers Museum for a

thought-provoking Colonial Voices session. Students examined artefacts from colonial India and discussed the way history is represented in museums. This linked directly to their history studies and encouraged them to think critically about perspectives, power and the importance of diverse voices in telling the past.

The afternoon offered a change of pace with punting

along the river, giving students a chance to see the city from a new angle, before an atmospheric guided ghost walk through Oxford's streets. This not only brought the city's history to life but also inspired students to think about the role of storytelling and folklore in shaping our understanding of the past.

Day two was spent at our partner college, Pembroke. Students enjoyed a guided

tour, gaining a real insight into university life. A special exhibition in the library introduced them to rare manuscripts and books, while a memorial scavenger hunt encouraged them to engage actively with the college's history, including links to J.R.R. Tolkien. Lunch in the historic dining hall, kindly provided by the college, gave them a real taste of academic tradition. We rounded off the trip with a game of croquet on the lawn, which was both a fun challenge and a classic Oxford experience!

The trip provided an invaluable opportunity for students to broaden their horizons, connect their classroom learning with the wider world, and see first-hand what university has to offer. It was both academically stretching and great fun, and we are grateful to Pembroke College and all involved in making the visit possible.



INTER-HALL



Moreton Hall has got off to a flying start with our first Inter-Hall events of the year.

Congratulations to Year 7 students Addison Milligan (Tatton) and Oscar Allen (Moreton) who won the Throwing competition. The Pound-rolling competition winners were both from Moreton Hall: Year 8 Casey Kinder and Year 7 Sam Thoroughgood.



FASHION FORWARD

Students are invited to channel their inner Stella McCartney or Alexander McQueen for the Young Fashion Designer Competition.

Under the theme of 'Wear the Change', students in Years 7–13 are being encouraged to breathe new life into old garments, household textiles, or discarded materials by transforming them into fashion-forward pieces.

From charity shop finds to unloved uniforms, the challenge is to reimagine waste as wearable art – proving that style doesn't have to cost the Earth. The deadline for entries is Friday 1st May 2026. For full details, and how to enter the competition, [click here](#).

Winners from each group will be announced in the summer term of 2026 and invited to attend the live finals competition later in the summer.



KENYA SHOE APPEAL

If you have shoes that you no longer wear, please consider donating them to children at our Kenyan partner school, St Trizah.

- **Which sizes?**
Any shoes that would fit children between the ages of 3–14.
- **What kinds of shoe?**
Any shoes can be donated as long as they are still wearable.
- **Where to donate?**
Please leave at Main Reception; or students can leave with their Form Tutor, or take straight to Miss Tunstall in A210. Students will receive a Hall point for every pair donated.



Our Macmillan Coffee Morning on Friday 26th September was the best one yet!

The cake tables in Sixth Form were piled high with an incredible variety of delicious bakes – more cakes than we've ever had before. From gooey brownies to lemon drizzle, there was something to tempt everyone.

The excitement was so great that almost every cake was sold out within just half an hour!

A huge thank you goes to everyone who baked, donated or brought items along, and of course to all who

purchased and enjoyed the treats.

So far over £900 has been raised, and parents and carers can still donate via ParentPay.

Your generosity and enthusiasm made this event such a fun and fantastic success – and all for a wonderful cause.



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MEET THE NEW STUDENT LEADERSHIP TEAM



There are many opportunities available for Sixth Form students to develop their leadership skills. These include peer mentoring lower school students, maths 'buddying', acting as prefects, or joining our Student Leadership Team who are involved in making decisions which involve the whole school.

Head of Student Leadership

Elizabeth Doherty



"I feel privileged to have been appointed as Head Student this year, and I am excited to use the opportunity to make a positive contribution to the Lymm High community along with my fellow students on the Leadership Team. Having recently returned from Kenya as part of the new Afritwin programme, I believe that we can use the connections developed as a starting point to build a long-term relationship with the schools and communities that we visited. This will benefit both Lymm and the partner schools in terms of exploring different cultures, encouraging a pipeline of future exchanges, and also creating opportunities for fundraising to help give them the basics that we take for granted. I plan to do this by setting up and supporting charity days as well as corporate fundraising."

Head of Student Leadership

Seth Wall



"I am really grateful and excited to be part of the Student Leadership Team and to have been given the opportunity to serve as one of the head students. In this role, I hope to help make Lymm High Sixth Form even more inclusive and welcoming than it already is. One of my main goals is to bring students together through fun and friendly Inter-Hall activities and challenges, similar to those in the lower school. We've already started working on an enrichment fair to promote clubs and societies to the new Year 12s – something that will not only be enjoyable, but also help them build useful and transferable skills. Ultimately, I want to help create a Sixth Form environment that feels inclusive, engaging and supportive for everyone."

Deputy Head Student

Zita Walsh

"I am very thankful and proud to have been given a role on the Student Leadership Team because it is an honour to represent this school and contribute to its growth. This position gives us the ability to support our peers and help bring students together, where we can encourage teamwork, celebrate achievements and make school life even more enjoyable and inspiring for everyone. I would love to make a difference by strengthening our Year 7 buddy programme as starting secondary school can be very overwhelming and I believe that students should feel supported and guided from the beginning. I hope to develop this programme so the Year 7s feel valued, supported and inspired to make the most out of their school journey here at Lymm High."



Deputy Head Student

Emilia Franks

"I am really excited to begin my work as Deputy Head Student. One of my aims is to increase participation in enrichment and extra-curricular opportunities across all year groups by introducing a more diverse range of activities to inspire all students to engage in clubs each academic year. This would facilitate the development of new hobbies and other life skills, including collaborative teamwork, which would complement academic aspirations. Having benefitted from the school's Gateway programme, I would like to help support the Year 12s who wish to consider early applications for university. Outside of school, I enjoy dance, music and coaching gymnastics, where I have gained valuable skills that I am eager to apply while working with both staff and students."





GIRLS OUT LOUD

We welcomed the Girls Out Loud team into school to deliver a Role Model Relay event and our Year 8 girls loved it!

This 2-hour event connected our students with a diverse range of female role models, ranging from barristers and broadcasters to train drivers and entrepreneurs, all of whom shared their personal journeys and career insights in a structured speed mentoring format.

The aim of the event was to: help our students increase their awareness of the variety of career opportunities available to them; raise their aspirations and achievements by meeting and interacting with positive role models; find out more about what they need to do to succeed; and get enthused and excited about

their future. We look forward to working with Girls Out Loud in the future – watch this space!

For further information about the organisation's work as a champion and campaigner for teenage girls, please [click here](https://www.girlsoutloud.org.uk).



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YOUNGmINDS

BONNE FÊTE!

The French celebrate their national day on 14th July and Year 7 joined in the celebrations.

In teams, the year group (now Year 8) put the French reading skills they have developed to the test, learning about the history of the French Republic, why we call their national day Bastille Day and the origins of the French flag and motto 'Liberté, Égalité, Fraternité'.

Next, we were joined by the Performing Arts department and were blown away by Mrs Swift's amazing rendition of *Do you hear the people sing?* from *Les Misérables*. Mrs Richards then led the year group on a mass sing-along and Miss Hitchins followed suit, with everyone joining in the chorus of the French national anthem (*La Marseillaise*).

Edible prizes were a great incentive to get those tricky French numbers correct in a huge game of French lotto, before we all rounded off the event with a croissant!

Vive la France!



We're excited to announce that [The Code Show](#) will be visiting our school on Thursday 9th October, and it's open to all students, staff, parents, carers and the wider Lymm community!

- **When:** After school, until 4.30pm in the Main Hall.
- **Who:** One of the UK's top interactive digital coding exhibitions.
- **Why:** Hands-on coding, robotics, animations — fun for all ages.

Bring your curiosity (and your family!) and join us to explore the world of digital creativity. There will be a museum of vintage computers as well as a model of the first electric car. There will be workshops for students throughout the day, but the show will remain open to everybody at the end of the school day. Let's code, create and celebrate tech together!

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- 4TH DELONGHI BEAN-TO-CUP COFFEE MACHINE
- 5TH FAMILY PORTRAIT PHOTOSHOOT

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OPEN WATER SWIMMING IN CHINA

Year 13 student Ben Ross crossed the Yangtze River.

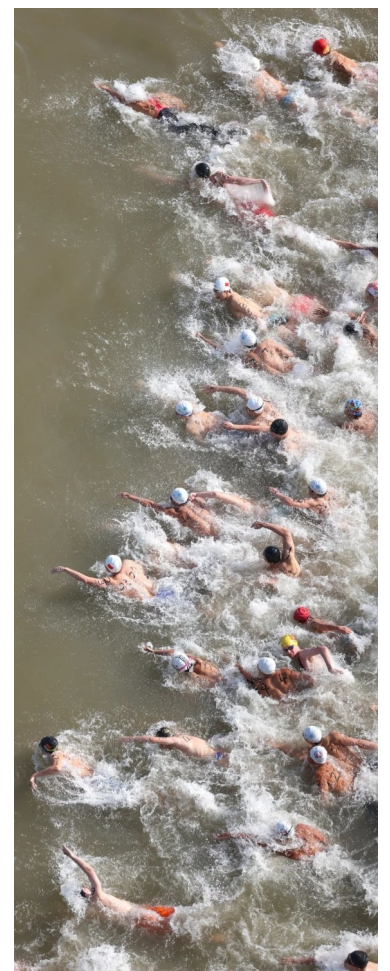
Following a very long flight to China, and still feeling the effects of jet lag, there was very little rest for the Sixth Form student before all contenders had to compete in the qualifying event. Only the top 40 males (and 30 females for the women's race) were then eligible to tackle the swim.

Fortunately, Ben made the cut so could relax for a day, be taken on a river cruise to see the course, see some sights and

have a short practice swim before the main race.

On the day of the race, there was an opening ceremony, followed by press photos and interviews.

Up against Olympians and World Medalists, 37.6°C heat at 7am, strong, unpredictable currents, Ben put in a strong performance to cross the river (approximately 1800m). He made it in 13 minutes, finishing 19th, which was within prize-money rankings. Many





competitors failed to cross as the current pulls them down the river and they are then collected by boats waiting vigilantly.



This was a phenomenal experience and a tremendous achievement. Very well done, Ben!

GIRLS RUGBY LEAGUE

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WE HAVE THE FOLLOWING AGE GROUPS:

Under 12s- Year 7
Under 13s - Year 8
Under 14s - Year 9
Under 15s - Year 10
Under 16s - Year 11
Under 18s - Years 12 & 13

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MONDAY & WEDNESDAY



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SPORTS DAY

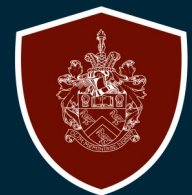
Sports Day at Lymm High School is a highly anticipated event each year, offering students the opportunity to showcase their athletic talents and engage in friendly competition.

This year's Sports Day took place on Tuesday 15th July and was a fantastic success despite staff and students battling against changeable weather conditions.

As well as highlighting the physical talents of our students and fostering a sense of camaraderie and community, two school records were broken:

- Leah Poole broke the Year 8 girls Long Jump record (4m 43cm)
- Louis Green broke the Year 8 boys High Jump record (1m 56cm)

A special thank you to everyone who helped run an event and contributed to the success of Sports Day. Your hard work and dedication made this event possible and enjoyable for everyone involved.





CHAMPION ROWERS



Photo credit: Benedict Tufnell for British Rowing.

Lymm High has been rooting for two of its ex-students at the World Rowing Championships.



Lucy Glover and Cam Nyland represented Great Britain in Shanghai, China, at the World Rowing Championships in the women's double sculls. Featuring almost 900 athletes from 56 nations, the championships included 23 boat classes over 8 days of action from 21–28th September.

In the second heat of the women's double sculls on Monday 22nd September, Lucy and

Cam finished 5th. They then went on to compete in the event's B final on Friday 26th September, finishing 11th overall.

As well as both attending Lymm High School (1 year apart), Lucy and Cam both started their international careers at Warrington Rowing Club.

We are very proud of their accomplishments to date.

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AHEAD OF THE GAME

Warrington Wolves are working with Year 10 boys to explore the importance of mental fitness.

Warrington Wolves Foundation 'Ahead of the Game – help out a mate' programme visited our Year 10 boys in July to explore the importance of mental health and checking in with a friend.

The aim of the workshop was to help students recognise the signs and symptoms of anxiety and depression in young people and their friends.

“A massive thank you to the young people who engaged so well in the workshop and seemed to really take on board the messages delivered by the team”, said Paul Leighton from the Foundation.

Paul and the Warrington Wolves team will be working with other year groups in the future to continue to raise awareness of 'mental health and our mates.'



For further information, [click here](#).

UPCOMING IMPORTANT DATES

Friday 3rd October

INSET Day

Wednesday 8th October

Wellbeing Workshop,

6pm, Main Hall

(see p.7)

Thursday 16th October

Year 11 'How to revise'

evening for parents,

6pm, Main Hall

24th October to 3rd

November

Half-term break

Tuesday 4th November

School reopens

Thursday 13th November

Sixth Form

Open Evening

(see p.4)

w/c Monday 24th

November

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