

## WHOLE SCHOOL

### Lymm High tops the table (again)

The latest Department for Education (DfE) performance data again places Lymm High as the top performing school in Warrington. Please <u>click here</u> to view the table. Well done to all the students for achieving such high levels of success and to those friends and family members who supported them so well through their exams. Whilst we have become used to being at the top of these kinds of tables in recent years, we certainly don't take it for granted and are still working very hard to make sure this year's cohort can do just as well.

# **Hall Together Raffle**

Thank you to those parents and carers who have already purchased tickets in our Hall Together online raffle. So far, we've had 285 entrants. There are some fantastic prizes up for grabs, including £1000 cash and a hot air balloon ride. All the funds generated will go towards the transformation of our Main Hall. For full details, please <u>click here</u> to read the letter sent home. To buy tickets, please <u>click here</u>.

### **Free School Meals**

The Government is expanding the Free School Meal (FSM) system from September 2026, meaning that all households receiving Universal Credit will qualify for FSMs but parents and carers will still need to apply for FSMs to Warrington Borough Council. If you receive Universal Credit, but your children (Years 7–12) do not receive FSMs, please complete this <u>short survey</u> and read <u>this article</u> about the changes. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Mogey (Student Services) or Ms Dixon (Pupil Premium lead).

### **Sixth Form entrance**

Parents and carers are requested <u>not</u> to use the Sixth Form entrance as a turning circle. Not only does this block other cars coming into the entrance, but this is also where students cross the road from the bridle path. In addition, this area is getting very busy now with more Sixth Form students driving. We appreciate your support on this.

## **Building awareness around substance misuse**

On **Monday 17th November**, students will take part in a dedicated Form Time session focusing on The Ways Warrington, a local service that provides support for young people around health, wellbeing and making positive choices. During the session, students will learn who The Ways are, the support they offer, how to access their services, and why these resources are important for young people as they navigate challenges related to substance use, emotional health and decision-making.

Following the morning session, visitors from The Ways team will be available on-site at lunchtime. They will offer additional information, guidance, and the opportunity for students to ask questions in a relaxed, informal setting.

To help deepen understanding, students will also be able to take part in interactive activities, including the use of 'drunk goggles' — a safe simulation tool that demonstrates how alcohol impairs coordination and reaction times. These activities aim to encourage safer decision-making and raise awareness of the real-world consequences of risky behaviours.

We believe this visit will be a valuable opportunity for our students to build awareness, gain reliable information, and engage in meaningful conversations about their wellbeing. For more information about the service, please visit The Ways Warrington website.

#### We will Rock You

Tickets are now on sale for the Lymm High production of *We will rock you*. Staff and students have been rehearsing in earnest for what promises to be another excellent show. Tickets are now on sale from the school Finance & MIS office. The show runs from **25–28**<sup>th</sup> **November**.

### **Inter-Hall Just Dance**

To raise funds for our Afritwin partnership, we are holding an Inter-Hall Just Dance competition in the Main Hall at lunchtime on **Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November**. Students can pay £1 at the door to enter the competition. There will be lots of prizes up for grabs!

### **Cashless catering**

Please remember to top up your child's cashless catering account via ParentPay to ensure your child is able to purchase food at break and during lunchtimes. You can <u>click here</u> to view the lunch menu, which changes each day. The price list can be <u>viewed here</u>.

## **Lymm High Coffee Shack**

Please note that if you're attending sports fixtures at Lymm High on Saturday mornings, our Coffee Shack is now open on the English yard from 9.15–12.15pm serving tea, coffee, toast, snacks and cold drinks. Cash or card payments can be accepted to help raise funds for our Afritwin partnership.

## **Easy Fundraising**

You can help us raise money for Lymm High's PTA while online shopping at no extra cost to yourselves. All you need to do is <u>click here</u> and select Lymm High School as your cause, and school will then receive a percentage donation. Last year, we raised £586 just by shopping! As always, thank you for your support.

### **LHS Lottery**

Congratulations to this week's school lottery winner, Ms Owens, who won £63! You could be a winner too! If you have not signed up for our lottery yet, please head to our dedicated lottery website <a href="here">here</a>. If you want to find out how the school lottery works, please <a href="click here">click here</a>. Tickets are only £1 each week and your support would be hugely appreciated.

# LOWER SCHOOL

#### **Barcelona Football Tour**

Students in current Years 7 and 8 are invited to express their interest in a Lymm High football tour to Barcelona, which will take place in 2027. Please note there will be two separate trips: a Girls tour and a Boys tour. To express your interest in attending either of these tours, please complete the form using this link.

## **Life Programme**

On **Wednesday 26th November**, students will be engaging with key topics as part of the *Life Programme* during Form time. These discussions are designed to help students develop essential life skills, raise awareness of important social issues, and equip them with the knowledge to make informed choices. Below is an overview of the KS3 topics:

## • Year 7: Multiculturalism and Racism

Students will explore the value of diversity and the importance of inclusivity. The focus will be on understanding racism, its impact, and how to challenge prejudices in everyday life, promoting respect for people from all backgrounds (as required under the Equality Act 2010).

#### Year 8: Mental Health

This unit will help students recognise the importance of mental wellbeing and how to take care of their mental health. It includes understanding common mental health challenges, recognising signs of distress in themselves and others, and knowing where to seek help and support.

## Year 9: Dangers of Cannabis, Alcohol and Vaping

In this topic, students will learn about the risks associated with substances like cannabis, alcohol and vaping. The focus will be on understanding the physical, emotional and legal consequences of misuse, and empowering students to make healthy, informed decisions.

We encourage parents to discuss these topics with their child to reinforce the lessons and foster open communication. If students need additional information or support, they will be signposted to the appropriate resources.

### **Manchester Street Angels Shoebox Appeal**

The deadline for shoeboxes, gifts and £1 donations for the shoebox appeal is **Monday 17th November**. Shoeboxes can be filled with items for the homeless, elderly people, children, teenagers, adults or even dogs. Please ensure all donations are brought to Form Tutors. Thank you for your generosity and support!

## UPPER SCHOOL

### Year 11 revision and mock exam preparation

Year 11 have made a fantastic start to their revision and mock preparation with large numbers at revision sessions and working independently in the revision room too. A reminder that all revision support and mock exam information can be found on our school website here. The mock exams begin on Monday 1st December and will run until Thursday 18th December. The timetable can be found here.

Next week we will be launching our <u>'Year 11 Focused Fortnight'</u>. During the next 2 weeks, the Senior Leadership Team will be dropping into Year 11 lessons to spread a little positivity by rewarding best efforts and commitment to revision. Students will be encouraged to attend school and all lessons on time, each day for the next fortnight, and also attend a minimum of six revision sessions over the next 2 weeks. There will be daily prizes on offer through lesson drop-ins and also bigger weekly prizes up for grabs! We know that some students may be feeling a little nervous and so we want to do all we can to encourage, motivate and support them in the final stages of their preparation.

In addition, during our 'Help your Child to Revise' evening, we asked our Year 11 parents and carers to consider writing a short message of encouragement and motivation to their child, which we would place in mock results envelopes. Whilst you won't know the results of your child at the time of writing, we have found that students have really appreciated the 'hug in an envelope' from someone at home on mocks

results day – just a few short words of encouragement to keep them feeling positive and motivated. If you would like to participate, please use <u>this link</u> to submit your message.

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## Year 10: Abuse in Relationships

Students will examine what constitutes a healthy relationship, how to recognise the signs of abuse, and the importance of setting boundaries. The discussion will also cover the need for respect, consent, and seeking help in situations of unhealthy or abusive relationships.

## • Year 10: Citizenship and Rights

This topic will encourage students to explore their rights and responsibilities as citizens. Discussions will include understanding democracy, equality, human rights and the legal system, helping students appreciate their role in society and the importance of being informed and engaged citizens.

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#### **Sixth Form Prospectus**

Thank you to everyone who attended our Sixth Form Open Evening last night. Applications for admission to Sixth Form for entry in September 2026 are now OPEN. Please <u>click here</u> to apply. The deadline to apply is **Friday 19th December**. If you have any questions or queries, please email Mrs Hughes in the first instance <a href="mailto:lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk">lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk</a>

Personal Development Mpdate

Our personal development focus this term is **Kindness**. Students should look out for various kindness activities and challenges that will be shared over the next few weeks.

In addition to our regular <u>extra-curricular activities</u> shown below, here are some other events which students can enjoy over the next fortnight.

WEEK A: 17–21 <sup>st</sup> November	WEEK B: 24–28 <sup>th</sup> November					
Assembly theme: Hall (Monday: Tatton; Tuesday: Arley; Wednesday: Moreton; Thursday: Dunham; Friday: Walton)	Assembly theme: Kindness and celebrating difference					
<ul> <li>Applications are now being accepted for the Stranger Sagas creative writing competition.</li> <li>For ideas and inspiration, students can attend a lunch-time session on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup></li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Year 11 Silent Revision takes place each Monday and Friday in B205 at 1.30pm. Computers are available to use.</li> </ul>					

- **November** at 1.20pm in A121. The deadline for submissions is **Friday 12**<sup>th</sup> **December**.
- Inter-Hall Just Dance competition will take place on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November at lunchtime in the Main Hall. It is £1 to enter and all funds raised will go towards the Afritwin project.
- This year's Chess Tournament starts on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> November at lunchtime in S107. To enter, please see Mr Soykir.
- Year 11 Silent Revision takes place each Monday and Friday in B205 at 1.30pm.
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- GCSE Business Studies Intervention (Theme 1) will take place on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November.
  The subject will be Business aims and objectives.
- St Rocco's Hospice have asked us to enter a competition to a design a new mascot for them. Mr Beardsall will be running this until the end of the year. See Mr Beardsall for an entry form.
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• In addition, <u>click here</u> for the latest sports timetable.

CLUB	NOTES	LOCATION	TIME	STAFF	YEAR GROUP						
MONDAY CLUBS											
Club name	Any additional info	Room	Time	Teacher	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Maths games & puzzles		E211	1:30-2:00pm	Miss Bolland	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Arts and Crafts Club		A214	1:15-2:00pm		Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Chess Club		TBC	1:15-1.45pm	Mr Soykir	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Lego Club		E214	1:30-2:00pm	Mrs Rose	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Year 7 Quiet Room		Downstairs hub	1:30-2:00pm		Y7	Y8	Y9				
DT Makers Club	To be confirmed in bulletin the week before. 1st project will be Halloween decorations, 2nd project will be Christmas themed!	E106	1:30-2:00pm	Euan Hacker & Mr Beardsall	Y7	Y8	Y9				
Coding Club		B205	1:30-2:00pm	Miss Peacock	Y7	Y8	Y9				
Junior Strings Ensemble		D109	1.25 – 2.00pm	Mrs Leighton-Jones	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Composition Clinic		D203	1:30	Mr Starkey				Y10			
Pride Club		A210	Lunch	Miss Tunstall					Y11	Y12	Y13
Our Space		A215	1:30-2:00pm	Miss Walker	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13

		7	TUESDAY CLUB	S							
Arts and Crafts Club		A214	1:15-2:00pm		Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Choir	All welcome	D104	1.15-2.00	Mrs Swift Ms Lyons Mr Starkey	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Chat n' Chill	Come after your lunch.	A121	1:15-2:00pm	Mrs Lofthouse	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Chess Club	,	ТВС	1:15-1.45pm	Mr Soykir	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Lego Club		E214	1:30-2:00pm	Mrs Rose	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Year 7 Quiet Room		Downstairs hub	1:30-2:00pm		Y7						
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Dungeons and Dragons	Veterans club- Beginners club on Wednesday	A113		Mr Dobson & Mr Barratt			Y9	Y10			
Production Rehearsal		Hall	3.15 - 4.30pm	Miss Finigan			Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
(Dance) Art Ambassadors		E206	1:30-2:00pm	Miss Simms	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
				Mrs Culver and Mrs	17	10	13	110	111		
Book Club	Once every half term	A114	Lunch	Lorenzelli						Y12	Y13
Our Space		A215	1:30-2:00pm	Miss Walker	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Rock School		D203	3.15 – 4.15pm	Mr Gornall	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Brass Band		D109	1.15 – 2.00pm	Mr Wyss	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Debate Club		N206	1.20 – 2.00pm	Mr Culver	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
History Club		A202			Y7	Y8	Y9				
Dungeons and Dragons		A211	3.15 – 4.15pm	Mr Culver, Mr Dobson and Mr Barratt	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Duke of Edinburgh Drop in		Library	3.15 – 4.15pm	Mr Greenwood			Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	
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Arts and Crafts Club		A214	1:15-2:00pm		Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Woodwind Ensemble		D109	1.15-2.00	Ms Lyons	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Chess Club		TBC	1:15-1.45pm	Mr Soykir	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Lego Club		E214	1:30-2:00pm	Mrs Rose	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Year 7 Quiet Room		Downstairs hub	1:30-2:00pm		Y7						
Politics club		A201	1;30-2:00pm	Mr Wilde						Y12	Y13
Dungeons and Dragons	Beginner club	A113	Lunch time	Mr Dobson & Mr Barratt	Y7	Y8	Y9				
Production Rehearsal (Singing)		Hall	3.15 - 4.30pm	Miss Swift			Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Set Design Club		E208-9	1:40-2:10	Ms Waheed, Miss Massey and Miss Simms	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
STEM Club		E306	1:35-2:00pm	Miss Farmer	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Politics club		A201	Lunch	Mr Wilde						Y12	Y13
Our Space		A215	1:30-2:00pm	Miss Walker	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Geography Club		A217	1.25 – 2.00pm	Mrs Rigby	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Synthesiser Club		D203	10.45 – 11.15am	Mr Gornall	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
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Lego Club		E214	1:30-2:00pm	Mrs Rose	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Year 7 Quiet Room		Downstairs hub	1:30-2:00pm		Y7						
VEX Robotics Team		E306	1:30-2:00pm	Miss Farmer	Y7	Y8					
Production Rehearsals (Blocking)		Hall	3.15 - 4.30pm	Ms Richards/Miss Packman			Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Mahjong Club	Bring your lunch	S202	1:30pm	Miss Tasker	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Senior Strings Ensemble		D109	1.15 – 2.00pm	Mrs Leighton Jones	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
DofE Drop-in Workshop	For Bronze, Silver and Gold	HUB/Library	3:15-4:00	Mr Greenwood			Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	Y13
Darts Club		STUDIO	1:15-2.00pm	Mr Gornall	Y7	Y8	Y9	Y10	Y11		
Computer Science intervention/revision	For GCSE students only (Y11)	B205	1:30-2.00pm	Miss Peacock (Component 2)					Y11		
Duke of Edinburgh Drop in		Library	3.15 – 4.15pm	Mr Greenwood			Y9	Y10	Y11	Y12	
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Year 7 Quiet Room		Downstairs hub	1:30-2:00pm		Y7						
	Beginners welcome	S106	Lunch	Ms Hill						Y12	Y13
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