



NEWSLETTER

Thursday 20th December 2018

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

Christmas is a time to reflect and I look back on the autumn term with immense pride for our entire school community. We welcomed a superb new Year 7 cohort and a fantastic new team of staff to the school at the start of the term. We recognised pupil success in September at the Celebration of Achievement Evening and our guest speaker Action Jackson inspired us all.

In October we held our first Mental Health and Well-being event. Our feeder primary schools came to visit and we received excellent feedback from our Open Morning and Evening.

November saw a real focus on our high standards of Teaching and Learning and inclusion and December has been a month of generosity and enrichment with our Christmas Hamper appeal and our food bank collections being so well received and appreciated and the performance of Matilda bringing the term to a celebratory close.

Can I remind you that school closes to pupils at 12:40 tomorrow – with lunch being available at that time to those who require it. School re-opens at normal time on Monday 7th January 2019.

Finally can I thank you as parents for all your support for our school. It is truly appreciated by the staff and governors at Lord Derby Academy.

I wish you all a very safe and happy Christmas and I look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

Yours sincerely

V Gowan
Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher

MATHS ENRICHMENT

Thursday 13th December, a group of Year 10 pupils attended a Maths Enrichment day at University of Liverpool. The event, hosted by Shaping Futures, aimed to raise aspirations and inspire the pupils to take Mathematics further into Higher Education and employment. The pupils took part in two university style taster sessions and also had a tour of the campus, covering all areas of studies related to Mathematics.

The pupils were a credit to themselves and the school, and feedback from

Shaping Futures was overwhelmingly positive. They all showed great enthusiasm and engagement within the sessions, and they received a lot of information about Mathematics in further education.



ALL PUPILS RETURN TO SCHOOL MONDAY 7TH JANUARY 2019

High Achievers

On Wednesday 12th December, 14 of our Higher Achieving pupils in Year 9 were invited to attend a prestigious University morning at Cronton College.

Our pupils could choose between a variety of sessions ranging from law to social sciences, it was a privilege to accompany the trip and observe our talented pupils thrive in the workshops.

"Our aspirations are our possibilities" Robert Browning

WINNERS 10th – 14th Dec 2018

Attendance - **Einstein**
Behaviour - **Curie**
House points - **Einstein**
Punctuality - **Curie**



LDA PRODUCTION – WORKS OF ROALD DAHL AND MATILDA

This week LDA pupils from years 7, 8, 9 and 10 have put on a fabulous showcase of talent centred around the fictional works of Roald Dahl. Willy Wonka, the Oompa Loompas, The Twits and many more including a musical production of Matilda. This was a fantastic showcase of the Expressive Arts Faculty who, alongside the pupils, have worked tirelessly to design, stage, and rehearse the show. The pupils hard work and dedication is to be commended as without this the performance would not have been a success. This marks a massive milestone for the Expressive Arts Faculty, as the first full musical production to be presented in LDA history. We hope that the pupils who have been involved will have made memories, and learned new skills that will stay with them for life.

Well done to all the cast and crew

Alanah Dick
Alicia Hopwood
Amelia Jones
Bailey Cahill
Brogan Wallace
Casey Freeney
Celine Halewood
Daisy Jarman
Emily Hannon
Emily McDonnell
Ethan Ferrigan
Freya Law
Jack Smith
Jake McMullen
James Patterson
Joel Wood
Joshua Benson
Katie Johnson
Kiearah Petersen
Lauren Freeney
Lily Hardy
Lottie Embleton
Louie Snell
Louis Cogley
Luke Spencer
Lydia O'Brien
Mae Lawless
Martina Monday
Matthew Newby
Robyn Patterson
Sian Kemp
Sophie Cave
Sophie Rogerson
Tia Draycott
Tiffany Purwanti
Tom Savage
Yvonne Russell

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Lord Derby Academy Senior Leadership team and Governors for their support and attendance.
The Expressive Arts Faculty for their dedication and commitment to the performance.
Technology team, in particular, Mr Armstrong for the creation of props and set design.

