



NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th February 2019

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

We have been celebrating sporting success this week with our Year 7 and 8 girls winning at the Knowsley Indoor Athletics Championships. The teams now move forward to the Merseyside Championships in March and we wish them every success.



Mrs Holme is currently leading the Year 10 and Year 11 language visit to France. This trip will enable our pupils to sample French culture and, of course, to practise their French speaking skills in preparation for the GCSE Oral Exams. We hope everyone has a fantastic time.

I am really looking forward to next week when we will be launching our new Pupil Parliament during an official ceremony, attended by prestigious guests. Pupil Parliament meetings will be taking place over the coming weeks and I am keen to hear the voice of our pupils through feedback from our Headboy and Headgirl.

Thank you to all Year 9 parents who attended the Options Evening last night, there was such a lot of key information on offer, Mrs Ellis and Mrs Bannon can be contacted at the school if you require any further details.

You might like to have a look at our new LDA website which launched last week. The address is www.lordderbyacademy.co.uk

Yours sincerely

V. Gowan V Gowan, Headteacher



Miss Gowan
Headteacher

ATHLETICS SUCCESS

Congratulations to the Year 7 and 8 girls who are now the Knowsley Indoor Athletics Champions. MVP goes to M. Lawless who won her individual 6 lap race.

Year 8 - B. Greavey, B. Wallace, M. Lawless, S. Coward, E. Hannon,

Year 7 - L. Leavey, A. Crabb, J. Sadler, P. Collins

Weekly Mathematics Challenge

Collect entry slips from HB1 outside S17 and all entries to be handed to Miss Arends by end of the day Thursday 14th February.



How much is it all worth?

 +  +  = 30
 +  +  = 20
 +  = 13
 +  x  = ?

Your mission:

1. Find out how much each item is worth?
2. What is the overall answer to the calculation?

Year 10 and 11 Mock Examinations – Good Luck!

YEAR 11		
DATE	SESSION	EXAM
Tue 12th Feb	1, 2 & 3	English Literature 1
Wed 13th Feb	3&4	English Literature 2
YEAR 10		
DATE	SESSION	EXAM
Wed 13th Feb	1&2	Maths 2
Thurs 14th Feb	1&2	Maths 3

FEBRUARY HALF TERM 2019—Year 11 Study Support Timetable

	Monday 18 th February	Tuesday 19 th February	Wednesday 20 th February	Thursday 21 st February
9.30-12.00	French Mrs Jamieson	Design Technology Mr Blake	Maths Mr Starkey Science Mrs Fitzsimon	Art Miss Chase Miss Greenhalgh
12.30-3.00				Art Miss Chase Miss Greenhalgh

Revision is temporary, results are forever - Make the days count!

WINNERS 28th January – 1st February 2019

Attendance – **Curie**
Behaviour – **Curie**
House points – **Einstein**
Punctuality – **King**



SCIENCE IN THE NEWS

Science in the News – DNA from extinct red wolves lives on in some mysterious Texas coyotes Mysterious red-coated canids in Texas are stirring debate over how genetic diversity should be preserved.

“I thought they were some strange looking coyotes,”

wildlife biologist Ron Wooten says of the canids on Galveston Island, where Wooten works. But DNA evidence suggests the large canids might be descendants of red wolves, a species declared in 1980 to be extinct in the wild. A small population of red wolves from a captive breeding program lives in a carefully monitored conservation area in North Carolina. But those wolves have had no contact with other canids, including those in Texas. So maybe, Wooten thought, red wolves never actually went extinct in the wild. He made it his mission to find out. “There was no way I could let this go,” he says.

Find out more:

<https://www.sciencenews.org/article/dna-extinct-red-wolves-lives-some-mysterious-texas-coyotes?tgt=nr>



Mr Hambleton
Head of Department



Ms Lancelott
Acting Deputy Head of Department



Mrs Fitzsimon
Classroom Teacher with Responsibility



Miss Smart
Classroom Teacher



Mr Kidd
Classroom Teacher



Mr Chapman
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Meldrum
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Pugh
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Hughes
Transition Tutor

SCIENCE STARS

With pupils gathering house points across the school, this week sees the launch of the Science star Certificate! Well done to our first recipients: Kaitlyn S, Martina M, Grace G, Natalie D, Mollie C, Frankie B, Ben A, Morgan W, Emma W, Jake W, Keli W, Eliza S, Emily S and Sarah S. They have been awarded a certificate for displaying consistent committed and outstanding behaviour for progress and achieving the highest positive rewards points on classcharts for last week in science.



CREST CHAMPIONS IN KEY STAGE 3

Our Year 7, 8 and 9 pupils have had the opportunity to work towards a prestigious Bronze CREST Award in after school sessions with Mrs. Fitzsimon. CREST is a scheme that inspires young people to think and behave like scientists and engineers and is a nationally recognised scheme for student-led project work in the STEM subjects (science, technology, engineering and maths).

Pupils have been attending every Wednesday since before Christmas and have carried out an investigation into what nutrients are found in baby food! Here they are discussing their findings:



MAKE IT WORK: Schools Robotics Challenge

Eight of our Year 8 and 9 pupils recently took part in this ‘all about STEM’ workshop.

They had a fantastic day experiencing the world of robotics and learning about their uses in medicine and industry. Miss Lancelott lost to a computer when trying to complete the Rubik’s cube but the pupils excelled in their challenges!

They had to build a complex robot that was fully functioning and designed to be able to compete in a challenge to basket tennis balls in a robot arena.

One LDA team managed to beat the apprentice engineers whilst our other team narrowly missed being crowned champions in a nail biting final.

Throughout the day, our LDA pupils stood out by their determination, resilience and excellent teamwork. They were methodical and encouraging of one another in the difficult task of building their robots. Well done teams!

