



NEWSLETTER

Friday 12th July 2019

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

It has been another 'enriching' week at LDA. The Festival of Sport VI was, once again, a huge success. Pupils participated with real enthusiasm and the atmosphere was superb. Our annual 'House Banner' parade started off the proceedings (you can view this on Twitter@DT_LDA) and a fantastic time was had by all. Well done to Mr Parr and his teams for the impeccable organisation which went into ensuring the whole day ran smoothly.

Our 'Greatest Showcase Event' was held yesterday evening. It was rewarding to see so much talent and effort on display and I was also delighted to hear the Blacklow Brow choir singing as part of the programme. Many thanks to Miss Taylor and her teams for all their hard work.

Meanwhile, learning continues as usual and the standards are incredibly high. The Senior Team have been calling into lessons across the week and we have all commented on the excellent engagement in terms of Behaviour for Progress.

Next week is the final week of the academic year and school will be closing on Friday 19th July at 12:40 with lunch available for those who require it.

With kind regards,

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Victoria Gowan
Headteacher

ENRICHMENT DAY - Wednesday July 17th 2019

Enrichment Day at LDA forms a vital part of your child's curriculum, offering all pupils the opportunity to explore culture, activities and experiences to enhance both their academic and personal development.

Year Group	Uniform	Lunch	Times
7	Full LDA PE kit	Packed lunch only	All pupils are expected in school for the usual registration time of 8.38am.
8	Full LDA PE kit	Usual dinner arrangements available in school	
9	Full school uniform	Packed lunch only	
10	Full LDA PE kit	Usual dinner arrangements available in school	

Year 7 and Year 9 pupils have received consent forms for their off-site activities. Please return completed forms by Monday 15th July at the latest. **Attendance:** Enrichment day is a compulsory part of the school academic year and as such full attendance is expected. Any pupils absent on the day will be required to provide evidence in line with the standard school policy. **PE Kit:** LDA PE shirt and shorts. Leggings can be worn but must be **plain black**.

EN EL RESTAURANTE

On Wednesday 10th July in MFL, Year 8 pupils committedly engaged with Spanish culture. They had the opportunity to taste some Spanish food and use Spanish adjectives to describe and express their opinions to their peers. Pupils experimented with a GCSE role –play of people ordering food in a Spanish restaurant and using their speaking skills, were able to order for themselves in their own LDA Spanish Restaurant. ¡Qué rico! Well done Year 8!

STEM ENRICHMENT FUN - It's been a very busy couple of weeks here in the Science department with our pupils enjoying a wide variety of STEM activities. On 27th June we took a group of Year 9 pupils to compete in the grand final of an Aquaponics competition they have been working on for 3 months in collaboration with Farm Urban. They represented the school so well. Then on 2nd July a group of 50 pupils attended the Big Bang North West Science Fair and had a fantastic time flying drones, controlling robots, using VR headsets, presenting the weather forecast and much more. Finally we had Aquaponics workshops with over 100 year 9 pupils on 5th July. We took advantage of the lovely weather and had the workshops in our school garden.



WINNERS 1st – 5th July 2019 - Attendance – Curie, Behaviour – Einstein, House points – Einstein, Punctuality – Einstein

FESTIVAL OF SPORT VI

Our sixth annual Festival of Sport took place at Lord Derby Academy on Tuesday 9th July. It was fantastic to see all our pupils from years 7 to 10 competing all day in a variety of sport and exercise activities.

Activities included athletics, football, dance, table tennis, basketball, rounders, trampolining, archery, kinball and tennis.

This event is a competition between the five school houses in each year group. The top five pupils in each activity earned points for their house and all pupils also earned points through their attendance for the whole week. In addition, each Year 7 form had to produce their own house banner to add even more colour to the event.

Miss Chase and Mrs Greenhalgh deserve tremendous praise for all their hard work.

The banners looked amazing.

Overall, our pupils displayed fantastic attitude and teamwork throughout the day despite the weather in the afternoon. Roll on FoS VII!



SILENT DISCO REWARD

Last Friday, a surprise reward was provided for pupils in Years 7, 8 and 9 who had both positive attendance and behaviour points throughout the year.

The phenomenon of the 'Silent Disco' came to Lord Derby Academy! All pupils involved thoroughly enjoyed themselves and there were lots of very 'snappy' dance moves- and that was just from the teachers! The day was a great success and we hope to bring many surprise rewards to pupils who have excellent attendance and standards in the future.

Thank you to Mrs Cundle for overseeing the day, the staff who supported and Mr McDonnell for his excellent playlists and technical expertise!

