



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2019

## Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer,

I have really enjoyed the start to Half Term 2. Standards across the school are very high and I have seen engaging Teaching and Learning when visiting a range of lessons each day this week.

Mr Kemp has been leading assemblies to all Year groups to commemorate 75 years since the D Day Landings in France during World War 2 and the school will hold a minute's silence on Monday 11th November in remembrance.

We have much to look forward to this Half Term. The next phase of our Pupil Parliament will be launched by Mrs Sergison shortly and we will also be focusing on Careers events and supporting those less fortunate than ourselves through our House System charity work.

Our drive to encourage our pupils to be flourishing and committed learners continues through our Behaviour for Learning strategy and we will be placing a particular emphasis on standards of literacy and numeracy.

The school is continuing to go from strength to strength and I was so delighted when a visitor stated recently 'Young people are smiling at LDA, as indeed are their teachers'.

Wishing you a safe weekend.

Yours sincerely,

V Gowan, Headteacher



Miss Gowan  
Headteacher

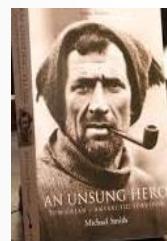
## LITERACY

### Literacy Word of the Week: Interpretation

Somebody's view of the past who was not present during the events that they describe. The action of explaining the meaning of something.

### Book Recommendation:

This is the story of the remarkable Tom Crean who ran away to sea aged fifteen and played a memorable role in Antarctic exploration. He spent more time in the unexplored Antarctic than Scott or Shackleton, and was one of the few to serve and outlive both. An unforgettable story of triumph over unparalleled hardship and deprivation does justice to this enigmatic figure.



This week, LDA pupils enjoyed 'Movie Night' in the Expressive Arts department. They watched the Annie movie to inspire them for their upcoming auditions for LDA's musical production of Annie.



Auditions will take place on the following dates:

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> November. 3-4:30pm in G06

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November. 3-4:30pm in G06

Pupils must sign up in G06 with Ms Pickering for their audition place.

### YEAR 10 MOCK EXAMS

DATE	SESSION	EXAM
Wed 13th Nov	5&6	Maths
Fri 15th Nov	1&2	English

### YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMS

Mon 18th Nov	1&2 5&6	English 1 Maths
Wed 20th Nov	1-3 5&6	English 2 MFL Listening
Thurs 21st Nov	1&2 5&6	History/Geography 1 Dual Linguists Writing
Fri 22nd Nov	All day 3&4	Art—Option D Option D
Mon 25th Nov	1&2 5&6	Geography 2 Science Biology
Tues 26th Nov	1&2 3&4	Maths 2 Option B
Wed 27th Nov	1&2 5&6	Science Chemistry MFL reading / writing
Thurs 28th Nov	All Day 5&6	Art—Option C Option C
Fri 29th Nov	1&2 3&4 5&6	Option C for selected Art Option D / Group 2 Dual Humanities - Geography paper 2 MFL Writing
Mon 2nd Dec	1 & 2	Art - Option D Group 1
Tues 3rd Dec	1 & 2	Art - Option C Group 2
Wed 4th Dec	1 & 2 5&6	Maths 3 Science Physics

## NUMERACY PUZZLE

$$\begin{array}{l} \text{Blue Balloon} = 10 \\ \text{Green Balloon} = 12 \\ \text{Blue Balloon} + \text{Green Balloon} = 22 \\ \text{Blue Balloon} + \text{Blue Balloon} = 30 \\ \text{Blue Balloon} + \text{Green Balloon} + \text{Blue Balloon} = 32 \\ \text{Blue Balloon} + \text{Green Balloon} + \text{Blue Balloon} = ? \end{array}$$

Last weeks answer:

$$\begin{array}{rcl} \text{House} + \text{School} \times \text{Building} & = ? \\ 10 + 6 \times 4 & = 10 + 24 & = 34 \end{array}$$

## YEAR 7 SCIENCE

Miss Hardman would like to thank her Year 7 classes for their fantastic effort with creating models specialised cells.



## WINNERS 21<sup>st</sup> -25<sup>th</sup> October

Attendance – Einstein, Punctuality – Einstein & King, House Points – King, Behaviour – Einstein



## Year 9 Blue Peris Rewards Trip

From 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> October, a group of pupils from Year 9 attended a residential weekend in North Wales. This was a reward for excellent attendance and conduct throughout their time in Year 8.

The weekend saw pupils (and staff) challenge their comfort zones by climbing up waterfalls, sliding into deep pools in rivers, mountain walking, rock climbing and exploring local slate quarries.

The pupils were exceptional and demonstrated the outstanding behaviour and effort that we see on a daily basis at Lord Derby Academy.



## London Science Trip 24-26<sup>th</sup> October

Mr. Wheeler and Mrs. Fitzsimon took twenty Year 10 pupils on a wonderful, cultural, science trip to the London. The unfortunate torrential rain thankfully stopped when they were at the top of The London Eye for some awesome views.

They then had a very informative and fun cruise along the River Thames.

Whilst at dinner at Frankie and Benny's, Mr. Wheeler had the fantastic idea for the pupils to have no phones at the table and it was great to see them chatting, building friendships and generally having a great time.

The next day was full of science. All had an incredible time at the Natural History Museum – seeing the skeleton of a Blue Whale, some amazing rocks and minerals and even a piece of moon rock. Mrs. Fitzsimon was particularly excited to see a first edition copy of 'On the Origin of Species' by Charles Darwin.

Then it was onto the Science Museum where some pupils enjoyed a virtual reality lunar ride which 'landed' in the sea on its return from space. However, some of the girls decided that a game of Dinosaur Monopoly was much more interesting and Mr. Wheeler didn't let them forget that he won!

The evening allowed time for some shopping at London Designer Outlet, just a short walk from the hotel.

On the last morning the group enjoyed the Tower of London and the pupils really engaged with the history with a talk from a Beefeater. Did you know that all the Beefeaters are ex-army personnel with over 22 years of unblemished service? Nor did we!

Overall, the trip was fantastic. The pupils were perfectly behaved from the moment they stepped on the coach until they arrived back. They were a credit to their parents and really represented the school well. We are very proud to have these pupils as part of our school community: Maisie B, Jessica B, Dylan B, Leah C, Louis C, Dylan D, Arsons, Tinashe S, Luke S, Amy W, Millie C.

Pupils who are currently in Year 9 – look out for information soon about another Science Trip for when you are in Year 10.

