

THE DEAN TRUST

Lord Derby Academy

Friday 6th March 2020

NEWSLETTER



Miss Gowan
Headteacher

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer,

We celebrated our love for reading at LDA yesterday during World Book Day. All KS3 pupils received a free book and also read Lord of the Flies by William Golding chapter by chapter across their six lessons. Many thanks to our Head of Literacy Miss Morris for organising a superb day. Miss Morris also led a trip for our Year 9 pupils to Liverpool John Moores University for World Book Day this week and we received some fantastic feedback from the university staff:

*'the pupils were an absolute delight and a real pleasure to work with.
Every single member of staff involved has nothing but positive things to say about Lord Derby pupils and they really did themselves proud. I was so impressed with how well they engaged with the session I delivered and gave well thought out responses above and beyond what we would usually get from pupils in the same year group'.*

All staff at school posted some of their favourite reading materials on their doors this week. Here are mine:

Yours sincerely,

V. Gowan V Gowan, Headteacher



World Book Day

Miss Gowan – Headteacher- Lord Derby Academy

My Favourite Children's Book is:

'The tiger who came for tea' by Judith Kerr

My 'One-that-everyone-should-read' is:

'To kill a mockingbird' by Harper Lee

My All-Time Favourite is:

'Tess of the D'Urbervilles' by Thomas Hardy



607 LDA parents are currently following their child's Behaviour for Progress on the Class Charts app. **Are you?**

Call reception today for your login details.

WINNERS 24th – 28th February Attendance – Einstein, Lates – King , House Points– King , Behaviour – Curie



HYGIENE IN SCHOOL

Good standards of personal hygiene is a great way of reducing the spread of infections in school. Please can you take the time with your child to review and discuss the information on our website about hygiene in school.

To access this information go to the Parents section, Information, Advice and Guidance.

Thank you for your continued support.

Will be celebrating **British Science Week** next week. We have organised a number of fun activities for you: On **Monday** our Astronomy pupils and some other classes will be enjoying a session in an **INFLATABLE PLANETARIUM!** On **Tuesday** come to G44d from 3-4pm and make slime and do some amazing tricks with coins (bring three 2p pieces to the session). On **Wednesday** there will be a science treasure hunt around school. On **Thursday** there is a science show with Miss Fitzsimon in G44d at lunchtime (yes, there will be some explosions!) and on **Friday** we have the University of Manchester in to deliver a session to some Year 10 pupils on catching drug cheats in sport using spectroscopy. We hope you enjoy the week!

6-15 March
British Science Week 2020

HISTORY 'TALKING HEADS' -

As part of the curriculum in Year 8 we study life in Victorian Times. Part of our topic includes crime. Each pupil has to take on the role of a criminal or a policeman. Having created a 'Head' they have to teach another pupil about what life was like for that person in Victorian Times. This lesson was created by Mrs. Bannon who plans and oversees the Year 8 history curriculum.



NUMERACY PUZZLE

Can you find the missing number?



2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9
22	32	?	52
4	5	6	7

COLOMENDY

A group of Year 11 pupils visited Colomendy in Wales last weekend and completed 8 hours of intense maths revision as well as taking part in very challenging activities. Some of the fun activates included Jacob's ladder, 3D swing, caving and building a buggy. The activities helped pupils to develop resilience and courage. Pupils were a credit to their families and school.



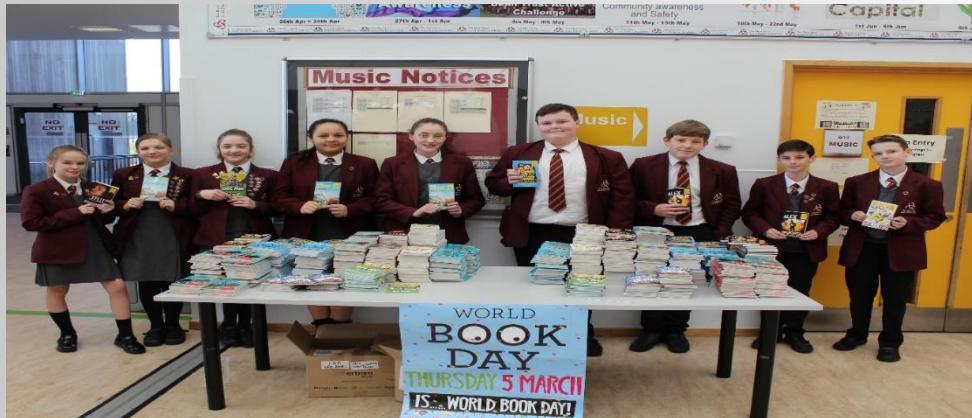
GCSE Maths exams will be 19th May, 4th June and 8th June.

WORLD BOOK DAY

Thursday March 5th was World book Day which is celebrated in over 100 countries across the World and all pupils in Key Stage 3 and Year 10 have had the opportunity to take part in a range of reading activities.

This year a KS3 book was chosen so that pupils began a reading journey of 'Lord of the Flies.' Each lesson of the day began with a chapter from the book and should pupils can continue the journey either as a Form during their reading time or by borrowing the book themselves from the Library.

Over 600 pupils took home a free book in our 'Read to Succeed' giveaway at break in the Atrium. Books were selected from this year's World Book Day recommendations. 'News From Nowhere' based in Bold Street in Liverpool, very kindly supplied the books taken home by pupils and are great supporters of the school.



LDA WELCOMED KIRK FRANCIS!

As part of our World Book Day celebrations, Kirk Francis, a Storyteller for young people and adults alike, came to visit Lord Derby Academy to help us celebrate World Book Day.

He entertained pupils from Year 7 to Year 9 with his stories from Greek Mythology. KS4 also had the opportunity to speak to Kirk as part of an extra exam support session. Kirk was an excellent source of knowledge, helping pupils to understand the context of Macbeth linking it to our English Literature GCSE.



VISIT TO JOHN MOORES UNIVERSITY

As part of the celebrations leading up to World Book Day. A group of Year 9 pupils were invited to Liverpool John Moore's University to complete several workshops about Literature and how to become great story writers.

Our pupils really enjoyed the day and gained experience of what it would be like to be a university student.

"It helped me understand why we learn the context and all about Shakespeare's plays because it builds our foundation for university." Alicia Peters 9N1.