



NEWSLETTER

Friday 25th September 2020

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

I would like to thank you and your child for your support this week. Our pupils have continued to respect all the Health and Safety measures in place at the school and I have been particularly impressed with how readily the pupils have responded to the wearing of face coverings in communal areas.

We have had three confirmed cases of COVID-19 at LDA (each in a separate 'bubble') since the start of the academic year. As a result, identified groups of pupils within these bubbles have been asked to isolate at home. We were delighted to welcome our group of Year 7 pupils back on site on Wednesday.

We are also developing our 'Remote Learning' offer and I am confident that any pupil who has to isolate at home can continue their learning and avoid missing out. Our key strands to remote learning are through paper based work (pupils will also be receiving work booklets created by staff next week), Google Classroom and Class Charts. Senior staff are liaising with families to ensure all pupils will be able to access internet- based work from home.

School life continues and the atmosphere around the building is warm, positive and focused.

Our Open Events programme for Year 6 prospective children and families to LDA launches next week and you can find more information from Mrs Ellis below.

With kind regards,

 V Gowan, Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher

Lord Derby Academy Open Events 2020

Phase 1 release:

Online or telephone Q&A Session with a key member of LDA staff

Headteacher
Miss Gowan

**Assistant
Headteacher**
Mrs Ellis

SENDCO
Miss Thwaite

**Higher
Achiever Lead**
Mrs Holme

A prospectus and video will be available soon. However, if you have a child in Year 6 and would like to speak to one of the Key Staff above to receive key information / ask any questions about Lord Derby Academy, please copy the link below to complete an online registration form:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfhyCUB0D1NKVFIRcb5FCeCkFEWF4Kju-wDSKgHirYUsPtJTvw/viewform>

COMPLAINT

Lord Derby
Academy's
Chamber Choir

- ◆ Auditions for the Chamber Choir will be held online in the
- ◆ Google Classroom (3pre3yv)
- ◆ Auditions will close on 09.10.2020 and are open to all pupils



- ◆ Our online Virtual Choir is relaunching on September 28th in the Google Classroom (pq2jnfi)
- ◆ We will be undertaking one project each half term with Project 1 being Blinding Lights by The Weeknd
- ◆ You can take part singing and/or with body percussion.

Keep warm in PE

Base layer - £2.49 Gloves £2.99 per pair



How to buy...

Parent / carer can pay for these items on Parent Pay. The pupil can then collect their item from Mr Parr or Mrs Mills in the PE office.

Helping all pupils 'catch up' in maths

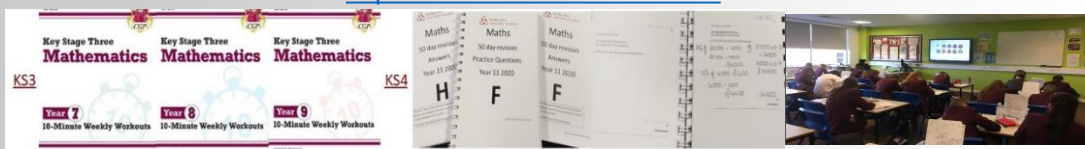
I would like to thank all KS3 and KS4 pupils who have been fully committed to their maths learning this week. It has been fantastic to see pupils focused and really actively engaged with their learning in all lessons I have visited.

To support all pupils to 'catch up' we have planned lessons that include a recall task, key vocabulary, worked out examples and problem solving. The feedback from pupils and maths teachers has been very positive.

We have also given every KS3 pupil a CGP 10 minute weekly workout booklet that will support each pupil on exam technique and bridging any knowledge gaps.

KS4 pupils will be receiving bespoke EDEXCEL exam question practice and answer booklets shortly.

Year 10 and 11 will be sitting a baseline test in maths the week beginning the 28th of September. All pupils should continue to access <https://vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle> as a revision tool.



Mrs Speer
+Head of Department



Mr Starkey
Deputy Head of Department



Miss Pope
Associate Assistant
Headteacher
Director of Maths



Miss Arends
Leader of Numeracy



Mr Panther
Classroom Teacher with Responsibility



Miss Ashby
Classroom Teacher with Responsibility



Ms Geddes
Classroom Teacher



Mr Hart
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Zhang
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Capewell
Classroom Teacher



Mr Downie
Classroom Teacher



Mr Fieldhouse
Classroom Teacher

Behaviour for Progress in Maths

All pupils have been given a description of how to be a committed and outstanding mathematician. We will continue to award praise points on classcharts furthermore, I will be looking for pupils who are consistently working hard in lessons. There will be prizes and awards before the end of term. The awards will be as follow:

"Amazing Mathematician"

For most improved work in lessons and book presentation.

"Committed Mathematician"

For learning from own mistakes.

"Outstanding Mathematician"

For going the extra mile and finding many different ways of solving a problem.

"Most Driven Mathematician"

For completing extra learning outside the classroom.

"Most Ambitious Mathematician"

For completing all work set in lessons and homework to a good standard.

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"Error is normal, and making mistakes is a necessary part of learning...think of "wrong" as a first, positive, and often critical step to getting it." - Chinese proverb

Remote Learning


If your child or children are self-isolating and working from home he/she can access the following resources:

- For Fluency Skills: Watch Countdown on Channel 4 Monday to Friday at 2.10 pm and attempt the numeracy questions. 
- Oak National Academy: Offers a collection of online lessons for each year group. This includes questions and answers. 

<https://www.thenational.academy>


- MathsWatch: Homework and Self-Help Videos. 

<https://www.vle.mathswatch.co.uk/vle>

- Collins Connect | Digital resources for schools: Class text books that can be accessed online. 

<https://connect.collins.co.uk>

Google Class: Teachers will post the work covered in lessons in your child's virtual google class. All codes can be found on classcharts.

<https://classroom.google.com> 

Year 11 Past Exam Papers

Year 11 can access copies of past papers from the white cabinet in HB1. For further assistance, ask Mr Starkey in S10.

Online Textbooks



Parents, we need you!

Parents' Numeracy Question 4



Thank you to all the parents who have taken part in the parents' numeracy questions on the back of KS3 pupils' homework sheets. Please continue to participate, as this will help us towards gaining the Liverpool Counts Quality Mark.

Please try our Parents' Numeracy Question below:

20% of all the children in a class are left-handed.

6 children are left handed.

How many children are there in the class altogether?

Year 10 and 11 Maths Higher Achievers



<http://www.maths.liv.ac.uk/~mathsclub/>

The University of Liverpool Maths Club is aimed at school and college students, from Year 10 up to Year 13, who are keen to experience challenging and enriching mathematics from beyond the school curriculum, and meet others with a similar interest. Younger students with Year 10 knowledge may also be considered for membership. It is free of charge to attend. It starts tomorrow so be quick to apply!