



NEWSLETTER

Friday 14th May 2021

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer



The LDA community has been mourning the loss of our much valued member of staff Mr Joshua Downie. Mr Downie passed away unexpectedly last week, whilst doing Something he loved – playing sport.

We have passed on our deepest condolences to his family. We will be holding a minute's silence at school on the day of Mr Downie's funeral and we will be marking his invaluable impact on our school in a variety of ways over the weeks to come. Mr Downie was a true gentleman and an exemplary role model to our pupils. He will be sadly missed and he will always be remembered.



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher

Please be aware that, in line with new government and Dean Trust guidance, LDA pupils will no longer be required to wear masks at school from Monday 17th May. Pupils can wear a mask if they choose to do so. Can I please thank pupils and parents for supporting the wearing of masks over recent months. This change will be subject to review should there be a further update in guidance at any point. Please can I remind pupils and parents that the wearing of jewellery is not permitted at LDA and that boys are expected to be clean shaven.

With best wishes for the weekend,

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LOST PROPERTY

A large number of coats and bags have been collected from around the school. Pupils should speak to their Pupil Support Manager next week to identify any lost items. Any remaining lost property will be donated to charity at the end of next week.

LITERACY



We at Lord Derby Academy are committed to creating a reading culture for all our pupils. Vocabulary is an essential part of being able to read fluently. To support our pupils' vocabulary, our pupils are provided with an account with **Bedrock Vocabulary**:

Vocabulary:

Please ensure that your child aims to complete **at least two lessons** of Bedrock every week to make good progress in extending their vocabulary knowledge.



This week pupils have been reading an article from The Day as a representation of this week's topic, The Art's :

Is ambition alone the key to success? Dua Lipa is arguably the most talented young female music star alive.

<https://theday.co.uk/stories/dua-lipa-wins-best-female-and-best-album>

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LDA World Maths Day Wednesday 5th May 2021

On Wednesday 5th May, a number of pupils in Year's **7 & 8** took part in an online maths competition competing against other students from across the world.

At one point there were **14000+** pupils competing against each other.

Our school finished **5th** in the UK and **46th** in the whole world!
A fantastic achievement and a big well done to everyone who took part.



LDA Money Matters

Money Matters Workshops for all Key Stage 3 classes will be taking place soon during Maths lesson time.

Do you have an interest in finance or business? Could you be the next entrepreneur? Do you have a keen passion for money?

Each lesson you will learn about a variety of financial skills which will help you in future life.

There will also be a chance to win House points and prizes in our Money Matters Mystery Boxes.

Week of: Monday 17th May 2021



