



NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th September 2021

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to my first Newsletter of the new academic year. I hope you and your families are safe and well and that you enjoyed a relaxing summer break.

I am truly delighted with the start we have made to the autumn term at LDA. Our pupils arrived on site looking immaculate in their uniforms and their attitudes have been absolutely exemplary.

Our new Year 7 cohort are settling in well and they have been a complete credit to their families and to their primary schools.

We are now able to hold whole year group assemblies once again. Me and Assistant Headteacher Miss Pope led standards assemblies on the pupils' first day back and Deputy Headteacher Mrs Ellis has been leading assemblies based on mental well-being through our Dean Trust Curriculum Values and Pathways across this week.

Finally, we hosted our first on-site Open Event since this pandemic last night and it was a pleasure to meet so many Year 6 parents and children who are considering LDA for September 2022.

I am really looking forward to the academic year ahead and to working in partnership with you as parents to ensure the best possible educational experience for your child.

I hope you enjoy a restful weekend,

Yours sincerely

V Gowan
Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher

CLASS OF 2021 RESULTS

It was a pleasure to welcome our Class of 2021 back on site on the 12th August to collect their GCSE and vocational results. We are incredibly proud of the manner in which this cohort coped with the challenges they faced. There were some outstanding individual results and a collective sense of achievement. We wish our Class of 2021 the best of luck as they move on to the next step of their education or training.



Y11 Study Support Timetable September – October 2021

w/c		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
6/9	8.10am			Maths		
	Lunch			Option B		PE Practical
	After school 3-3.50pm	STAFF MEETING	English V / maths Z	Option C	Science (OPEN EVENING)	Hist/Geog/PE
13/9	8.10am			Maths		
	Lunch	Option B		Option B		PE Practical
	After school 3-3.50pm	STAFF MEETING	English Z / maths V	Option D	Science	Hist/Geog/PE
20/9	8.10am			Maths		
	Lunch	Option B		Option B		PE Practical
	After school 3-3.50pm	STAFF MEETING	English V / maths Z	Option C	Science	Hist/Geog/PE
Thursday 23rd September 6-7pm Y11 Welcome Evening for pupils, parents and carers						
27/9	8.10am			Maths		
	Lunch	Option B		Option B		PE Practical
	After school 3-3.50pm	Science	English Z / maths V	Option D	STAFF MEETING	Hist/Geog/PE
4/10	8.10am			Maths		
	Lunch	Option B		Option B		PE Practical
	After school 3-3.50pm	Science	English V / maths Z	Option C	STAFF MEETING	Hist/Geog/PE
11/10	8.10am			Maths		
	Lunch	Option B		Option B		PE Practical
	After school 3-3.50pm	Science	English Z / maths V	Option D	Twilight (subjects t.b.c)	Hist/Geog/PE
18/10	8.10am			Maths		
	Lunch	Option B		Option B		PE Practical
	After school 3-3.50pm	Science	English V / maths Z	Option C	AWARDS EVENING	Hist/Geog/PE

Year 11 pupils can access the study base in HB1 / 2 until 5pm after extra lessons.

Spanish will be delivered to small groups – pupils will be told in advance.

Spanish appointments take place before school, at lunchtime and after school.

Pupils can add their own breakfast/lunch appointments.

LDA Summer School 2021



During the summer break we held our traditional LDA two week Summer School. This is always a great opportunity to welcome our new pupils into the LDA community. A wide range of activities were on offer including taster lessons in a variety of subjects, sessions delivered by the LFC Foundation and an action packed Vibe Outdoors day at Lord Derby's Estate.

92% of the Year 7 cohort attended Summer School this year. Pupils enjoyed time getting to know members of their new forms, making new friendships, finding their way around the building, meeting the LDA staff and getting used to the differences that secondary school brings.

The pupils experienced how lessons are structured at LDA and shared their learning with visitors. They were extremely well-behaved and really showed their love of learning. Pupils had lots of opportunities to build and develop their confidence in many different situations and enjoyed a smooth transition from primary school to LDA.

Pupils were a credit to themselves, their parents, their former primary schools and to Lord Derby Academy. Thank you to the LDA staff for proving such a positive experience for our pupils.

Quotes from parents:

'My son absolutely loved it, it changed his whole mindset about going up to high school and now he is really loving his first week.. so as a mum I would also like to say thanks.'

'Brilliant.so happy my child got a place at Lord Derby'

'The summer school was a brilliant way of engaging my children back into fun, educational activities, and ensuring they felt comfortable being back in the school environment. The Vibe Outdoors trip was really enjoyed and they would like to do more if possible ! Thank you to all involved!'