The Dean Trust
Lord Derby Academy

## NEWSLETTER

## Friday 14 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ October 2022

## Headteacher Message

## Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you are well. We have been focusing on mental well-being this week in recognition of World Mental Health Day on Monday. Our former pupil Lily Spendlove has been delivering assemblies to our year groups about how they can look after their own mental health and also
 signposting them to other support on offer. Lily set up the Lee Cooper Foundation in memory of our former Head Boy Lee, who sadly took his own life at the age of 17 in 2018.

I have been visiting lessons across the week. It was a pleasure to spend some time in a Year 8 science lesson yesterday as they carried out experiments and discussed the importance of DNA and I also particularly enjoyed visiting a Spanish lesson where pupils were explaining in Spanish the aspects they like best about being at LDA.

We have been talking to our pupils this week about how they represent themselves, their families and our school in the local community. I feel this is especially important in the lead up to Halloween and Bonfire Night. The vast majority of our pupils do themselves proud every day.

I hope you have a restful weekend,

Miss V. Gowan
Headteacher

## This week's

 Numeracy puzzle...

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## KS4 French Breakfast

Year 10 and 11 pupils were invited to a French breakfast where they enjoyed a range of authentic French treats such as pain au chocolat and crêpes.
Mrs Jamieson's classroom was transformed into a Parisian café so pupils could have a relaxing, sociable and enjoyable start to their school day.


Over the past few weeks, both pupils and staff at Lord Derby Academy have embraced the celebration of European Languages. The Languages team skilfully put together a marvellous play for all pupils during assemblies. The team successfully highlighted both the importance and purpose of learning additional Languages whilst linking it to future careers. Pupils engaged with the Language rock competition, winners and prizes will be announced in assembly.

The Languages Department would like to thank all pupils for their engagement and positivity displayed across the week.

"Hello. Hola. Bonjour. Guten Tag. Salut!
Did you know? There are over 4000 different ways to say 'hello'. Around the world, there are approximately 7000 languages spoken and 700 of these languages are spoken in India alone! Roughly $40 \%$ of languages around the world are now endangered (becoming totally non existent or with fewer than 1000 speakers).

On the other hand, 23 of the world's languages actually account for more than HALF of the entire world population.

One of those top spoken languages is Spanish. In the world, there are approximately 550 MILLION speakers of Spanish - think about all of the people you could commute with using your own Spanish knowledge!

Can you solve this riddle?
I speak without a mouth, I hear without ears,
I have no body but I come alive with the wind. What am I?"

Entries to Miss Creely in F15 by $14^{\text {th }}$ October


Mrs Greaves Classroom Teacher


Mrs Ellis
Deputy Headteacher


Miss Creely
Classroom Teacher


## Year 9 food tasting

Year 9 pupils enjoyed the opportunity to sample the cuisine of a variety of European countries during a lunchtime tasting session, with foods ranging from Spanish omelettes to French 'madeleines'. Pupils even had the chance to taste some French cheese! The modern languages staff were very impressed by pupils' inquisitiveness and willingness to try new foods. iMuy impresionante, Año Nueve!

On Monday $26^{\text {th }}$ September and Wednesday $28^{\text {th }}$ September, Year 7 and 8 pupils participated in an interactive European Week of Languages Escape Room.

The Escape Room consisted of a languages-based investigation, discovering vocabulary in various languages and identifying meanings of idioms. Upon completion of all tasks, pupils received a code for them to 'break out' of the Escape Room!

Well done to the winning teams, and all pupils involved who demonstrated fantastic enthusiasm and engagement!

## European Day of Languages

26th September
 European languages and many more spoken by citizens whose family origin is from other continents. This is an imp
and cherished

Language learning brings beneflts to everyone Even if you only know a few words of the language of the country that you visit (for example on holiday), this
enables you to make new friends and contacts. English alone is not enoughl'

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ESCAPE ROOM 18

## Monday

Girls Fitness, Sportshall, 3pm, Y7-11 Mathswatch Club, S13, Lunchtime, KS3

French Club, F17, Lunchtime, KS3

## Wednesday

Time travellers Club, S41 Lunchtime, KS3

Boys Football, Astro, 3pm, Y8-10
Y9 Sport, Sportshall, 3pm, Y9
Trampolining, Sportshall, 3pm

## Friday

Y11 Staff football, 4-5pm, Y11
Dodgeball, Sportshall, 3pm, Y7

GIRLS ONLY SPORT (Years 7 11)

> Fitness - Every Monday @ 3PM Football-Every Thursday@3PM


Netball, Muga, 3pm, Y7-10
Boys Football, Astro, 3pm, Y7
Table Tennis, Atrium, 3pm, Y8-10
Eco Club, HB2, Lunchtime, KS3

## Thursday

Girls Football, Astro, 3pm, Y7-11
Mathswatch Club, S13, Lunchtime, KS3

Mindfulness Colouring, F18B, Lunchtime.

## Coming Soon

Food competitions in Technology. L

|  | Study Support Timetable |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Y11 Study Support Timetable September - October 2022 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/c |  | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday |
| 17/10 | 8.10am |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Lunch | Option Y |  | Option Y | Hair and Beauty |  |
|  | After school 33.50pm | Science | English V / maths Z | Option C | SCHOOL EVENT | Hist/Geog /PE |
|  | 4pm + |  |  |  |  |  |

## Pupil Parliament

This week the LDA games group was launched for over in the HUB.

Pupil Parliament members decided which games would be on offer and this even included a giant Jenga tower!

Years 7 to 9 can attend the group on a Monday to Wednesday.


## Medical appointments

Please ensure that all medical appointments for pupils are arranged outside of school hours.
Medical appointments will not be authorised unless a hospital appointment letter has been seen by the Attendance Administrator prior to the appointment date.

## Working together to improve school attendance

Guidance for maintained schools, academies, independent schools, and local authorities

## Bromcom

Bromcom is now live and pupils have been given log ins in school. Parents who haven't received a log in code via email should contact the school reception to provide an email address.
Please be aware that all communication will go through the app.

