



NEWSLETTER

Friday 4th November 2022

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

It has been an exciting week at LDA. We have enjoyed hosting our Spanish exchange pupils throughout the week thanks to our Modern Languages Department who work closely with our partners in Zaragoza. This has been an excellent opportunity for all our pupils to experience an authentic conversation with Spanish nationals and to learn more about Spanish culture. Our visitors were extremely positive about their time at LDA and they have thoroughly enjoyed learning alongside LDA pupils in lessons and talking to staff and pupils during break and lunchtime.

Mr Hart, our Enrichment Lead, took 25 Year 11 pupils along to the Liverpool University Maths School to engage in a range of mathematics workshops on Wednesday. I received some glowing feedback following the visit about our pupils' mathematical knowledge and their exemplary conduct. Well done to all involved.

Pupil Voice has been a sharp focus at LDA this week. Mrs Hampson delivered assemblies to launch the Pupil Return Questionnaire which every pupil has the opportunity to complete. We look forward to hearing our pupil views and making further improvements based on pupil feedback. Mr Kemp, our Head of Humanities also delivered assemblies on the theme of Remembrance this week followed by a respectful silence taking place across LDA on Friday to remember the fallen.

Finally, I had the privilege of attending the Knowsley Education Awards at the prestigious Shakespeare North Playhouse on Tuesday evening accompanied by our Head Pupils and our LDA Award Nominees. During the evening, we saw some exceptional performances and had the opportunity to hear about the admirable achievements of staff and pupils across Knowsley. We were delighted to receive the Knowsley Education Award in both our nominated categories. First, our Supporting Vulnerable Pupils Team picked up the award for Team of the Year. Congratulations to Assistant Headteacher Mrs Sergison, the LDA Safeguarding Team and the wider staff who work extremely hard to support pupils on a daily basis. Our Chair of Governors, Ian Marshall, was also successful and won the Governor of the Year Award; well-deserved recognition of the relentless commitment that Ian has shown to the children and staff of Knowsley over the past 20 years.

With best wishes for a restful weekend,

V. Gowan

Miss V. Gowan
Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher



This week's
Numeracy
puzzle...

Use the numbers
1-9 one each
only to complete
the multiplication
problem

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Last
weeks
answer...

20 cubes
were needed



Mrs Ferns
Head of
Department



Mr Blake
Deputy
Leader of
Technology



Mrs Hampson
Assistant
Headteacher
Parent & Pupil
Support



Mrs Barnes
Classroom
Teacher



Miss Brown
Classroom
Teacher



Mrs
Blackmore
Head of
Year 11

Child Development

Year 10 have made an excellent start to their course. They have been learning about child safety and applying their knowledge to select suitable equipment for a nursery and to design a safe play room for 3-4 year old children. Deadlines for each coursework task are shared on the Google Classroom.



Year 7 Food

Year 7 have been gaining knowledge of food safety and hygiene. They are learning how to use equipment safely to be able to make a variety of healthy dishes. They have been able to demonstrate the safe use of knives to make fruit salad and have applied their maths skills to using mechanical scales. Pupils have learned what 'tare weight' is and practised weighing out ingredients.



Year 11 have been investigating nutrition for babies and 0-5 year old children. They have chosen either to plan and make a two-course meal for 4 year old children in a nursery, or safely and hygienically prepare a bottle for a baby under 6 months old. Pupils have worked independently and showed off their culinary skills during their practical task. Coursework tasks 1, 2 and 3 are due in on 29th November.



Chocolate Log Competition

Create a chocolate log masterpiece

Task: Decorate a Swiss roll to create your own chocolate log dessert. The Swiss roll can be home made or shop bought.

Submit a photograph of your creation to our LDA Food & Nutrition Competition Google Classroom:

Google Classroom Code: czymq3y
All entries will be awarded 5 Enrichment House Points

Deadline: Friday 9th December 2022 by 3pm

Prize: Our LDA Chocolate Log Champion will win a large selection box
2 Runners up prizes of a small selection box
Good Luck Everyone!



Hair and Beauty

The Year 10s have been learning about how to manage a busy salon and keep it safe for both the staff and the public. Miss Barnes left the salon in an absolute mess! The Year 10's completed risk assessments, highlighting all the risks and things wrong in the salon. They then made suggestions to make the salon safer for everyone.

Year 11s are at the end of their research project. They have been researching the sustainability of hair and beauty products. They have identified that you can get dry shampoo that is not in an aerosol with only natural ingredients and many companies do not test on animals. Lots of companies no longer use palm oil in face and body creams, which is taken from cutting down trees in the rain forests. Did you know that the rain forest is the natural habitat for Orangutans and if we cut down the trees, we take their habitat away, leaving them without a home?



Year 7 lunch club

Year 7 quiet lunch club members have been doing step by step drawings everyday with teaching assistant Mrs Kelly, we have had lots of fun creating lots of artwork together!



Pupil Parliament



This week a group of our Pupil Parliament members met to develop the new Golden Ticket which is going to be introduced at LDA.

The ticket will be worth 10 points which can be used in the Reward Shop and will be rewarded to those with excellent Behaviour For Progress and Attendance.

LDA CHEERLEADING CLUB!



Enrichment activity	Cheerleading:
Where and when is it?	Fridays: 3:15pm – 4pm, G07. PE kit required.
What is it?	Cheerleading is the fastest growing sport in the UK, and is being taught at schools across the country. Cheerleading for LDA pupils is a great option, as it allows pupils to try a brand-new sport, encouraging regular exercise and even a new hobby!
Why choose to take part in this enrichment activity?	Pupils will work on their physical endurance as Cheerleading is a great cardio workout. Stretching exercises in the sessions will support in developing flexibility and increase the pupil's range of movement. Cheer not only teaches athletic discipline, but also helps improve pupil's confidence and team-working skills. Cheerleading club will always have a chance to perform in the school talents shows, building confidence.
Who can sign up and who do you contact?	Pupils in KS3 can express an interest with Miss Taylor.



Enrichment at LDA

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

Tuesday

Stem Club, G44D, 3 - 4pm, KS3.

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.



Friday

Y11 Staff football, 4-5pm, Y11

Dodgeball, Sportshall, 3pm, Y7

DANCE CLUBS

The dance department currently offer the following clubs for pupils to attend:

CHEERLEADING – Thursday's, 3:00pm – 4:00pm – Miss Taylor– G07

GCSE DANCE – Wednesday's, 3:00pm – 4:00pm – Miss Taylor – G07

DRAMA CLUB

The drama department currently offer the following club for pupils to attend:

DRAMA CLUB – Tuesday's, 3:00pm – 4:00pm – Miss Holland – G06

