



NEWSLETTER

Friday 10th February 2023

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you are well and that you are looking forward to the Half Term break.

We have been recognising National Apprenticeship Week in school this week. Pupils have been hearing all about the range of apprenticeships available to them Post-16. This information has been particularly useful for our Year 9 pupils as they start to make their options choices for Key Stage 4 following the Options Evening expertly led by Deputy Headteacher Mrs Ellis and Head of Year 9 Mrs Blackmore yesterday.

We have also been reflecting on how we can support the mental health of our pupils during Children's Mental Health Week. We were delighted and honoured to welcome former Liverpool FC Goalkeeper Chris Kirkland into school this week. He talked to our pupils about his own challenges with mental health and on how they can support and look after their own mental health and well-being.

As we approach the half term holiday, can I remind parents of our Year 11 pupils that we have a number of additional sessions running across the week (see timetable on page 3) for pupils to make further progress in the lead up to their GCSE examinations. I thank staff in advance for willingly giving their time to support our pupils during the their break.

Enjoy the holiday and I look forward to seeing all pupils back in school on Monday 20th February 2023.

V. Gowan

Miss V. Gowan
Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher

This week's
Numeracy
puzzle...

Find the value of the
missing numbers:

$$\begin{array}{r} \square 2 4 \\ - 1 5 \square \\ \hline 6 \square 9 \end{array}$$



Last week's answer...



$$4 + 3 \times 12 = 4 + 36 = 40$$



Mrs Ferns
Head of
Department



Mr Blake
Deputy
Leader of
Technology



Mrs Hampson
Assistant
Headteacher
Parent & Pupil
Support



Miss Brown
Classroom
Teacher



Mrs Blackmore
Head of
Year 9



John Smith
Classroom
Teacher



Gemma Buxton
Hair &
Beauty

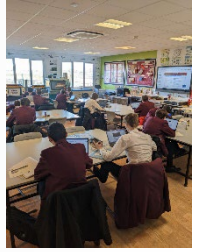


Maria Bowden
Food
Technician



National Apprenticeship Week

This week is National Apprenticeship Week. During their lesson, Year 10 have been looking for information on the types of apprenticeship that may suit them. They have used national websites to take quizzes and look for opportunities in the local area. Pupils enjoyed the opportunity to discuss career choices with staff.



GCSE Food and Nutrition

This half term Year 10 pupils have had the opportunity to take part in a visit to Riverside College. They enjoyed a practical workshop in their Hospitality and Catering Department to experience the courses on offer for them Post 16. Pupils spoke to students and staff about the courses and had a tour of the facilities at the College.



Mrs Hampson would like to congratulate all Year 11 GCSE Food, Preparation and Nutrition pupils.

The theme this year includes designing a menu for a café. Pupils have included seasonal produce and looked at ways home-made food can be innovative.

All pupils have been working hard over the past few months; researching, planning and preparing for their practical food examination.

Well done year 11 – keep up the hard work!



Spring Snacks Competition

Create a seasonal healthy snack for a teenager using 5 ingredients or fewer

Task: Using a maximum of five seasonal ingredients, prepare, cook and serve a healthy snack for a teenager.

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

Google Classroom Code: czymq3y

All entries will be awarded Enrichment House Points

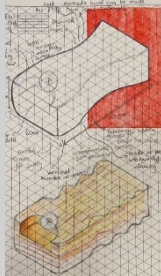
Deadline: Sunday 26th March 2023 by 3pm

Prize: Our LDA Spring Snacks Champion will win a £20 Voucher.

2 Runners up prizes of a chocolate egg
Good Luck Everyone!



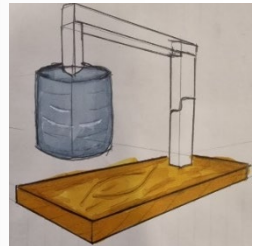
Year 9 pupils have been focusing on user centred design focussing on ergonomics. Pupils have been developing their designing skill using isometric projection.



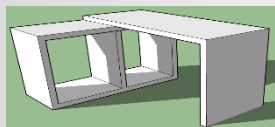
Year 10 Engineering pupils have made applying their design and Computer Aided Design skills. preparation for their first unit of Non-Exam Assessment.



Year 10 Design and Technology pupils have been busy design and manufacturing angle poise lamps.



Year 11 Design and Technology pupils have been busy developing prototypes in preparation for manufacture.



February Half Term 2023– Y11 Study Support Timetable

Year 11 February Half Term Study Support					
	Monday 13th February	Tuesday 14th February	Wednesday 15th February	Thursday 16th February	Friday 17th February
9.30- 12.00		English -all pupils Drama Miss Holland Art Miss Chase Business Mrs Gilland	Music - appointments Miss Boag- Munroe	Dance Miss Taylor GCSE PE / Sports studies Mrs Mills	
12.30- 2.30		Drama Miss Holland Art Miss Chase	Music - appointments Miss Boag- Munroe		

Revision is temporary, results are forever.
Make the days count!

Pupil Parliament

Congratulations to the following pupils who were successfully appointed to the following positions:

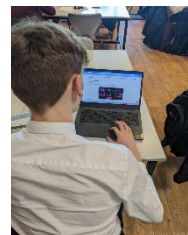
Head Pupil: Neveah M

Head Pupil: Ava O'S

Deputy Head Pupil: Louie M

Deputy Head Pupil: Mae R

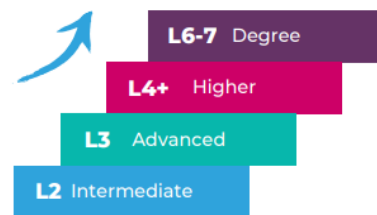
Ambassador for Pupil Well Being: Louie T



This week at Lord Derby Academy we have celebrated 'National Apprenticeship Week' with pupils taking part in a range of activities to raise awareness. This included watching a variety of videos linking apprenticeships to different subject areas.

Pupils looked at the varying levels of apprenticeship as part of their PSHE and Personal Development Curriculum (PDC) and each level was explained with details of how to find such opportunities and when and where to apply.

Pupils completed the **Apprenticeship Quiz** – a fun quiz that provided information and responses to frequently asked questions.



Questions included (TRUE or FALSE):

An apprenticeship is a real job, and you get paid.

Answer: TRUE – An apprenticeship is real job where you learn at the same time, and you are paid.

You can do an apprenticeship while you're still in full-time education.

Answer: FALSE – You cannot be in full-time education and do an apprenticeship.

You can still get a degree whilst doing an apprenticeship.

Answer: TRUE – Yes, degree apprenticeships allow you to work and study for a degree at the same time.

You can start an apprenticeship at any point in your life, from the age of 16.

Answer: TRUE – You can do an apprenticeship from the age of 16. There is no upper age limit for doing an apprenticeship.

Your off-the-job training is in a school while doing an apprenticeship.

Answer: FALSE – You study at a college, university, or training provider. This could be classroom based, online, or a mix of both.

All apprenticeships take two years to complete.

Answer: FALSE – An apprenticeship can take anywhere between 1 year up to 6 years, depending on the role and apprenticeship level. All apprenticeships are a minimum of 1 year.

Apprentices have to pay tuition fees for their apprenticeship.

Answer: FALSE - The apprenticeship will be paid for by the employer and the government.

You are entitled to holiday leave and other benefits as an apprentice.

Answer: TRUE – An apprentice gets the same benefits as any other employee.

Pupils were also directed to [Find an apprenticeship \(findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk\)](https://findapprenticeship.service.gov.uk) where they could complete a search of local and national apprenticeship opportunities. Many enjoyed completing the '[Which Apprenticeship Am I? Quiz - Amazing Apprenticeships](#)' with some surprising results!

Did you know... There are nearly 600 different apprenticeship standards across England, which cover more than 1700 different job roles!

Further information is available by visiting the Careers information, Education, Advice and Guidance section of the school website: [Careers Information Education Advice and Guidance - Lord Derby Academy](#)

