

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 5th May 2023

### **Headteacher Message**

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope you have enjoyed your week and that you are looking forward to the additional Bank Holiday Monday – granted to mark a moment in British history, the Coronation of King Charles III.



It has been a short but productive week at LDA. Our Year 11 cohort are now just days away from their formal examinations and they are focused on their studies both in lesson time and outside of their usual school hours. As always, there is an immense amount of support for our pupils from parents and staff to ensure they are fully prepared for the intensive examination schedule ahead.

I was delighted to hear that one of our Year 9 pupils (Jessica) won a recent Liverpool City Region Business Enterprise Competition, coming first for her idea of 'A 1950s café – taking you back to the past'. Congratulations to Jessica and to our I.T. teacher Mrs Gilland for all her support.

Other areas of focus this week have been rewarding our pupils for their Behaviour for Progress and continuing our emphasis on embedding a love of reading in all areas of school and home life.

I look forward to welcoming all pupils back into school on Tuesday next week.

With best wishes for the long weekend,



Miss V. Gowan Headteacher

This week's Numeracy puzzle...

Last week's answer

Add an 'x' between 'ninety' and 'eight'.

Ninety x eight = 720

### Faculty of the Week

# Humanities



Mr Kemp Head of Department



Mr Lloyd Head of Geography



Mrs Bannon Head of



Irs Blakmore Classroom Teacher



Mr Lindsay Classroom Teacher with responsibility



Mrs O'Neill Mr Classroom Hea Teacher Yea



Mr Owen Head of Year 10

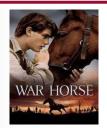


Miss Williamson Classroom Teacher

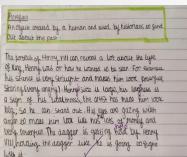


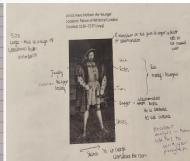
Miss Greenhalgh Classroom Teacher

History club This term the history club have been watching and analysing the film 'War Horse'. The film is based in the popular book by Michael Morpurgo and is set during the First World War. Pupils have enjoyed the dramatic storyline but have also been critiquing the film in its portrayal of World War One. Pupil comments have included "I love the way the film blends the story of the 'war horse' and its various owners with the conditions in the trenches and the death and destruction of war" and "I love the way the film shows how technology had a major impact on World War One but still shows how useful a horse could be to the British army"



Year 7 History Year 7 have recently begun their investigation into the life and reign of Henry VIII. The enquiry question is entitled "What can we learn about the power of Henry VIII from what the Tudors left behind". This question has allowed pupils to examine historical artefacts and their role in helping the historian to unearth the past. The first artefact that pupils studied was a portrait of Henry VIII by the artist Hans Holbein. The portrait is classic Tudor propaganda which shows Henry as a powerful King who dominated his subjects — every classroom has a Lifesize version of this portrait on display





#### **The Coronation**

Next week the History department will be explaining to pupils the significance of the King's Coronation and what it means for the Monarchy and the country as we move further into the 21st century. We will compare the Coronation of Charles III with that of his mother Elizabeth II and previous Monarchs such as William I and Henry VIII. By looking at the different coronations we can also show how society and the role of the Monarchy has changed over time.

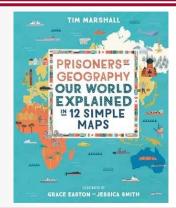


#### **Key Stage 3**

Over the next few weeks Key Stage 3 are going to be exploring variety of new and exciting landscapes.

Year 7 are going to be focusing on one of our most important Biomes, Deserts. We are going to be investigating how plants and animals have adapted to survive and how humans have utilised a range of resources to live effectively.

Year 8 are going to consider how Tsunamis are formed and how they can impacts areas of our planet that may be more vulnerable to economic development, such as Indonesia. Year 9 are beginning to explore how our planet has developed its political boundaries for a variety of reasons. We are going to utilise the excellent geography themed book by author Tim Marshall. In his 'Prisoners of Geography' we explore how the world has developed in to the map we look at today.



The dates for the GCSE Geography examination have been announced.

Paper 1: 22nd May—paper 1 physical paper Paper 2: 9th June—paper 2 human paper

Paper 3: 16th June—paper 3 Fieldwork and pre-release

To support, pupils have been invited to two revision evenings . We have focused on key areas relating to our first examination.

We have particularly looked at examination questions and revision strategies.

As you can see, the sessions have been well attended with all pupils gaining valuable revision. We also ask pupils to make sure that they have a copy of our own 'pocket revision guide' as

well as log in to the Google classroom for further resources. The code is **tx7yh2f** Lastly, please remember that our revision sessions are on a Friday from 3:10pm!







### Pupil Parliament



Pupil Parliament meetings for this term have now begun.

Members of Key stage 3 and 4 will be meeting on Friday this week to decide what the focus for this term will be.

They are hoping to launch a new imitative which links to the ethos and cultural framework at LDA.



## **Enrichment at LDA**





### Monday

Fitness, Sportshall, 3pm, Y7-11

Mathswatch Club, \$13, Lunchtime, KS3

French Club, F17, Lunchtime,



### 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



### <u>Wednesday</u>

Time travellers Club, \$41, Lunchtime, KS3

Boys Football, Astro, 3pm, Y8-10

Y9 Sport, Sportshall, 3pm, Y9

Trampolining, Sportshall, 3pm



### **Thursday**

Girls Football, Astro, 3pm, Y7-11

Mindfulness Colouring, F18B, Lunchtime.



### Friday

Y11 Staff football, 4-5pm, Y11

Dodgeball, Sportshall, 3pm, Y7

Cheerleading, G07, 3-4pm, KS3.