

NEWSLETTER

Friday 8th September 2023

Headteacher Message

Dear Parent/Carer

Welcome to my first Newsletter of the academic year 2023-2024. I hope you had an enjoyable summer with friends and family. We celebrated GCSE results Day on 24th August with our previous Year 11 cohort. It was so rewarding to see how pleased the majority of pupils were with their results and to find out about their future career plans.



We have enjoyed a superb start to the term ahead. We welcomed a range of new staff during Monday's INSET Day, including our new Deputy Headteacher Mr Wallace. Mr Wallace will work alongside me and Senior Deputy Headteacher Mrs Ellis to drive school development across the academic year and beyond.

On Tuesday our pupils returned. They looked immaculate in their uniforms and they were polite and respectful during their first assemblies of the year. We were thrilled to have guest speaker James Ketchell share his inspirational experiences such as climbing Mount Everest with us. I would like to officially welcome our new Year 7 cohort into LDA. They have made an excellent start and we look forward to working partnership with their families for the next 5 years.

We have launched the Dean Trust Behaviour Hub programme this week. A key strategy is 'Ready to Learn/Ready to Leave' and it has been exciting to see our staff and pupils embracing this across the school at the start and end of every lesson.

We are looking forward to the week ahead and to seeing the families of our Year 11 pupils on Thursday evening.

With best wishes for the weekend.



Miss V. Gowan Headteacher







Numeracy Puzzle

LDA Summer School 2023

'This summer we hosted another successful summer school at LDA for our new Year 7 cohort. We were joined b 148 of our new Year 7 pupils across the week and they enjoyed a range of activities from gardening, wellbeing, sessions run by LFC and a number of curriculum based sessions. At the end of the week the pupils and their families celebrated with our first LDA 'picnic'. The pupils themselves were an absolute credit and we know that they will fit in with our school ethos. Thank you to all staff who dedicated time to run sessions for our pupils.'





GCSE Results Day 2023

Congratulations to the Class of 2023

It was a pleasure to welcome back our Class of 2023 to receive their examination results and share their individual successes.

We send them our best wishes as they move on to their next phase of education, employment or training.









