



NEWSLETTER

Friday 27th October 2023

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents/Carers

The past eight weeks have gone by so quickly since we returned in early September and I am really pleased with the start we have made to the academic year 2023-2024.

Looking back, we have welcomed our new Year 7 pupils and a number of new staff into our school community. We have launched our new strategies of 'Ready to Learn', 'Ready to Leave' and 'Ready to Read'. We have embedded our ambitious curriculum even more deeply. We have also, of course, celebrated LDA being graded as Good by Ofsted for the first time in our history.

In the coming weeks we have a lot to look forward to, with a number of activities and enrichment events taking place, including a Careers Fair and a Year 7 Christmas trip.

Finally, this week it was an honour to welcome former LFC and England goalkeeper Chris Kirkland into school. Chris was open and honest about the challenges he has faced since leaving football and pupils and staff were truly inspired by his story.

We have given pupils a lot of advice and guidance about staying safe over the half term break, including over the Halloween and Bonfire Night period. Please reinforce our messages at home and I hope you all enjoy the celebrations safely.

With best wishes for a restful break ahead,

V. Gowan
Miss V. Gowan
Headteacher



Victoria Gowan
Headteacher



This
week's
numeracy
puzzle

Select 3 balls and put them into the circles below such that the sum of the numbers should be 30.

$$\text{○} + \text{○} + \text{○} = 30$$

1	3	5	7
9	11	13	15



Mrs Speer
Head of
Department



Mr Starkey
Deputy Head of
Department



Miss Pope
Assistant
Headteacher



Mrs Arends
Leader of
Numeracy



Mr Panther
Classroom
Teacher with
Responsibility



Mrs Capewell
Classroom Teacher



Miss Fowler
Classroom Teacher



Miss Kenworthy
Classroom Teacher



Mrs Thomas
Transition Tutor



Miss Coyle
Classroom teacher



Mr Whitby
Classroom teacher



Miss Stout
Classroom teacher

Halloween puzzle

CAN YOU SOLVE IT?

+ + = 24
 + + = 18
 + + = 11
 + + × = ?

Job of the week

Software Developer

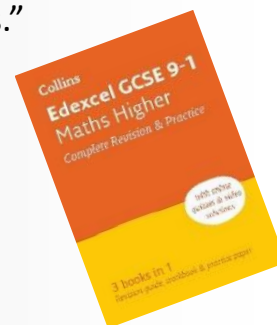
Software developers are vital as our reliance on digital software increases. They solve problems, converting ideas into functional products, applicable in various industries.

Annual Salary - £45,000

How to help kids with 'maths anxiety'

There are many ways parents and carers can help pupils who struggle to overcome maths 'anxiety'. We CAN all do Maths. By including maths in every day life at home and changing our own attitude towards the subject, we can all have a positive effect on our pupils. No more "I am no good at Maths."

All Year 10 and 11 pupils have been issued a complete revision guide to take home with them. This is to be used for revision with worked examples and questions for pupils to complete. KS3 pupils will also receive their guides shortly.



PGL Revision weekend

February 2024 - Year 11
watch this space!



Year 7 Merry Mathsmas event will be taking place early December

Maths Enrichment Clubs

We have many different clubs in Maths to suit every pupil
See maths staff for more details.



Enrichment

2023-24 Autumn Term: Extra-curricular enrichment timetable



Club	Member of Staff	Time	Venue	Year Group					
				7	8	9	10	11	
Monday					7	8	9	10	11
Time Travellers Club	ISW	12:50	S41						
Textiles Club	RAG	12:50	Art						
Art Club (Invite only)	NAC	12:50	Art						
Year 7 Boys Football	RP	15:10	Astroturf						
Tuesday					7	8	9	10	11
Basketball	RP	07:45	Sportshall						
Art Club (Invite only)	NAC	12:50	Art						
Badminton	RP	15:10	Sportshall						
Table Tennis	RP	15:10	Sportshall						
Year 8 Boys Football	SEP	15:10	Astroturf						
Year 11 Maths	GRW	15:10	S25						
Drama Club	TAH	15:15	G10						
Wednesday					7	8	9	10	11
Basketball	RP	07:45	Sportshall						
BSL club	OLC	12:50	F15						
Chamber Choir	ALM	12:50	Music						
Art Club (Invite only)	NAC	12:50	Art						
Interhouse Football	RP	15:10	Astroturf						
Trampoline	RP	15:10	Sportshall						
Year 10 Maths	NIS/ABK/GRW	15:10	HB1						
Well-being Group	OLF	15:10	F17						
Science and Engineering Club	RAF/DAA	15:10	G44D						
Thursday					7	8	9	10	11
Basketball	RP	07:45	Sportshall						
Maths Ambassadors Club	KAA	12:50	S12						
Mathswatch Club	GIC	12:50	S13/S21						
Art Club (Invite only)	NAC	12:50	Art						
Chess Club	DAL	12:50	S46						
Non-com Football	ISW	15:10	Astroturf						
Girls Football	ISW	15:10	Astroturf						
Friday					7	8	9	10	11
Basketball	RP	07:45	Sportshall						
Dodgeball	LID	15:10	Sportshall						
Art Club (Invite only)	NAC	12:50	Art						
Year 11 Pupil/Staff football	JAS	16:00	Astroturf						

Careers

Thinking about their FUTURE?

Post pandemic and at a time of uncertainty in our economy, has there ever been a more important time to showcase the opportunities that are available to our young people about the leave full time education?

The National Apprenticeship Show - North West is the perfect event for School and College leavers, as well as young adults, to discover more about Apprenticeships, from entry level to higher and degree.



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Bring your young person along to our dedicated parent/carer/individual evening opening:

Thursday 23 November 2023 at 15:30-18:00.

Over 50 participating apprenticeship providers and Universities including:



Register for FREE tickets: <https://nationalapprenticeshipshow.org/north-west/north-west-registration/>

Y11 Half Term Study

October Half Term 2023 Study Support Sessions

Wednesday 1 st November 9.30am-12pm	Mathematics Mr Starkey
Wednesday 1 st November 9.30am -2.30pm	Art Ms Chase/Ms Greenhalgh
Thursday 2 nd November 9.30am -2.30pm	Dance Miss Sunderland

After school Study Support Sessions (3.10pm – 4pm)

Tuesday	English / Mathematics / Science
Wednesday	Option Subjects
Friday	History / Geography / PE / Sport Studies