



Dear Parents,

Wednesday 14th July 2021

Thank you to all our families for your wonderful support, and well done to our pupils who have much to be proud of from this eventful year. Diamonds form under conditions of great heat and pressure! Thank you.

Staff farewells

We are very grateful to staff who have served the school brilliantly and been such important members of our community. Huge best wishes to colleagues who are retiring (early or otherwise!) for their 75 years of combined service to LRGS: **Brian Armstrong** (Games and Learning mentor), **Ian Balshaw** (Head of Biology), **Judith Denwood** (Librarian & Assistant Housemistress), **Sue Knight** (Head's PA), and **Christine Walker** (Biology).

Best wishes also to **Stuart Clarke** (Director of Sport) on his promotion at Bury Grammar School; to **Jenna Doswell** (Graduate Sports Coach) and **Amy Glass** (Learning Support Assistant) who leave for teacher training; and to **Charlie Wilkinson** (Gap Sports Coach). Thank you, good luck and keep in touch!

Friends of LRGS – School shop

We have been asked to supervise lateral flow tests for all pupils on site at the start of term. We need to do two tests 3 to 5 days apart before pupils return to lessons if possible. We will ask pupils to come in just before the start of term, and **we will be in touch in mid-August with dates and times** for each form. We will make separate arrangements for boarders as they return. We realise that some families may be away just before the start of term.

Video showcase We would love you to watch the following excellent videos if you have not yet seen them!

Open Day: We are delighted to launch our video: <https://www.lrgs.org.uk/virtualopenday> The script was inspired by the words of recent Heads of School at Speech Day. It is a powerful tribute to our values and has been well received!

Virtual Big Band: Well done to pupils from Year 7 to the Lower Sixth involved in this fabulous piece, and thank you to Mr Adrian Boardman. It is a taste (we hope!) of the return of live music in September: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fYkt9JJ1Zlc>



Dates for diaries

Testing dates and timings for the first day of term will be sent in August

Tuesday 10 th August	A-level results
Thursday 12 th August	GCSE results
Friday 27 th August (2:30pm – 4:30pm)	Friends of LRGS School Shop open – Upper Site
Saturday 28 th August (10am – noon)	Friends of LRGS School Shop open – Upper Site
Thursday 2 nd September	Staff inset day
Friday 3 rd September	Year 7 and Lower Sixth induction
Monday 6 th September	All pupils return

Thank you for your encouragement and support! Very best summer wishes ~ Dr C.J. Pyle

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Strolling with Shakespeare



Royal Grammar Schools festival



Bunting!