

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our first Speech Day since 2019 was an excellent and extremely enjoyable celebration of school life. Thank you to everyone who was able to come on Saturday, and well done to our prize-winners and the brilliant Big Band! I am grateful to our guest speaker, Paddy Earnshaw (OL 1991-98) whose themes included having fun, being authentic and showing vulnerability. *Failure is not final*, he told pupils, with stories of some mistakes he made along the way!

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Friday 18th November 2022

Speech Day

Updates and achievements

Well done to Year 11 pupils who have now completed most of their **Prelim** exams. Prelims are intended to help pupils to identify and target gaps in their knowledge. Use them a springboard and motivation for the next stages!

Best wishes to all pupils playing sport this weekend: ten **Rugby** fixtures, plus **Swimming**, British Schools **Orienteering**, and **Rowing** head races on the River Lune. Good luck to the **LRGS Choir** in the Lancashire Choir of the Year final next week. Please note that we have a new and improved **school events calendar** which is accessed via the Parents and Carers tab on our website or at this link: **calendar.lrgs.org.uk**

GCSE and A-level exam certificate collection

All examination certificates are now available for collection at any time during school hours from Lee House. This is an important note particularly for all Lower Sixth form students who sat their GCSEs at LRGS.

Easyfundraising for the Friends of LRGS: www.easyfundraising.org.uk

Please will you sign up with www.easyfundraising.org.uk to support the Friends of LRGS when you are shopping online? It is very simple and is completely free. Easyfundraising gives money to charity from online purchases made via its website. They do not send spam or store card details. Over 7000 retailers are part of the scheme, including Amazon, ebay, Tesco, John Lewis and many others.

The Friends use all their funds to enhance the school and provide extras for LRGS pupils. Parents have raised over £3000 through easyfundraising. Please go to the website, search for "Friends of Lancaster Royal Grammar School" and try it out – whether for an online supermarket shop or Christmas shopping.

Burns Night – Saturday 21st January

Tickets are on sale now on Wisepay for the Friends' Burns Night celebration, a Scottish themed gathering in the grand setting of the Ashton Hall in Dalton Square. The evening includes a Scottish piper, "Address to a Haggis," and a three course dinner, with a live ceilidh band and dancing. Tickets cost £50 per head. All proceeds go directly to the Friends of LRGS to support the school.



With all best wishes ~ Dr C.J. Pyle







Lancaster fireworks Music and Drama in London