



LRGS Alumni Newsletter

July 2023

A warm welcome to you from LRGS. It has been a very busy term which has included a number of trips and events, many thanks to all those who have supported these activities and made them possible.

The latest Headmaster's letter to parents can be found [here](#).

As always, we love to hear from our LRGS community so get in touch with [your news](#) and be sure to update us of any [change of details](#)



With best wishes,

Lorna and the Development team

LRGS Updates

Thank you for giving

Thank you to everyone who supported our Giving Day which was to fund the refurbishment and transformation of the Upper Courts. We are delighted to announce that, due to the generosity of the whole of the LRGS community, we have now reached the £75,000 target.



We are very much looking forward to the new facility being available soon, we will of course keep you posted!



Quiz success

Congratulations to our senior quiz team who made it through to the finals of the National Senior Schools' Challenge Quiz to compete against seven other finalists at The Hall School, London, at the end of June. We were the only state school in England to qualify for the final, having beaten four other schools to get there. Well done team!

Year 7 residential trip

All Year 7s took part in their residential trip during June. Despite a couple of soggy sessions, everyone had lots of fun whilst learning new skills outside the class room.



Sixth Form council meeting

The end of June saw the inaugural meeting of the Sixth Form Council, students were discussing everything from wellbeing to dress codes.

Talkin Tarn Regatta

Well done to all our crews who raced at Talkin Tarn Regatta. Superb performances all round. A great win for the J18 quad at the end of the day. A perfect way for captain Fred to sign off by steering them to victory.



Victory for school netball team

Congratulations to our Lower Sixth netball team, winners of the recent match against the Leavers / OL team.

A great end to the season after winning the Lancaster & Morecambe Ladies League & winning every game this year!

Moving on

Thank you to Mr Viney for the surprise pizza party for our current Y9 boarders who will be moving on to the senior house in September.





Lenten Charities update

We were delighted to welcome the organisations benefitting from our Lenten charity fundraising efforts into school to receive their share of the fantastic £25,961 raised.

First XI cricket team news

A very busy year began in the UAE & finished in Colchester with our hands on the RGS Festival Trophy for the 4th time in 5 attempts. Many thanks to all those who helped behind the scenes this season including teaching Staff, OLs, sponsors, parents or players. It's been a fantastic year and we are truly grateful for your ongoing support.



Goodbye and good luck

We would like to say thank you, goodbye and good luck to Hugh Castle, Steve Foy, Robin Walkden, Cath Mossop, Emma Lamb and Patri Penarrocha, who are all leaving us to go on to pastures new this summer. You will all be missed but we wish you all the best for your next chapter.

Alumni News

Sad News

Rennie Proctor

We were saddened to learn that OL Rennie Proctor (51-57) passed away in Maryborough, Queensland on 6th June at the age of 83. Rennie played rugby for both school and for the Vale of Lune and will be remembered for his fearless tackling.

Rennie is survived by two daughters and our thoughts are with them at this sad time.



OL Golf Day

Many thanks to the 23 golfers who braved the weather and joined us for the OL Golf Day on 30th June. Special thanks to Luke Kettlewell and Andrew Jarman for organising another fantastic event and congratulations to the winners! Overall champion for 2023 was Nick Rafferty (96-03). A detailed account of the day will feature in the next edition of the OL Club newsletter. We look forward to next year's event which will take place on Friday 28th June 2024.

Founders' celebrations

Thank you to everyone who joined us either at The Priory on Founders' Day or for the OL Club Founders' Dinner at Lancaster Golf Club on 7th July. Special thanks to OL Club Chairman, Professor Martin Alexander, for organising a fantastic dinner and to OL Stephen Clarke for the wonderful photographs which will be available to view on our website soon.



Down with skool

"I'm not opposed to education per se ..." writes OL Prof Lincoln Allison (57-64). We were slightly nervous to read his comments but no need to worry and we are grateful for

his continued support for the school! You can read the full article, published in The Critic, [here](#).

Countess Eleanor Peel Awards

Postgraduate study awards – Dowager Countess Eleanor Peel Trust

Former students of LRGS who are considering postgraduate study are entitled to apply for financial assistance from the Dowager Countess Eleanor Peel Trust. This trust exists to help fund the costs of postgraduate study in the UK or abroad, including costs of study and travel, art or music scholarships. It makes grants of up to £600 per year per student. Please see the details on our [website](#).

Old Lancastrian Club News



Event updates

[OL Cotswolds Dinner](#) - Friday 1 September 2023 at the Royal Agricultural University, Cirencester

Leeds Dinner on Friday 22 September 2023 at Castle Grove Masonic Lodge, Headingley

Manchester Dinner on Friday 13 October 2023 at Hotel Football - by MUFC, Old Trafford

London Dinner on Thursday 2 November 2023 at the RAF Club, Piccadilly

Durham Dinner on Friday 24 November 2023 at the Honest Lawyer Hotel, Durham

OL Golf Day on Friday 28 June 2024 at Lancaster Golf Club

Links to book a place at the dinners will become available nearer the time.

Please continue to check our website and social media pages to keep up with the latest news.

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