

LRGS Alumni Newsletter

December 2023

A warm welcome and Season's Greetings to you from LRGS.

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

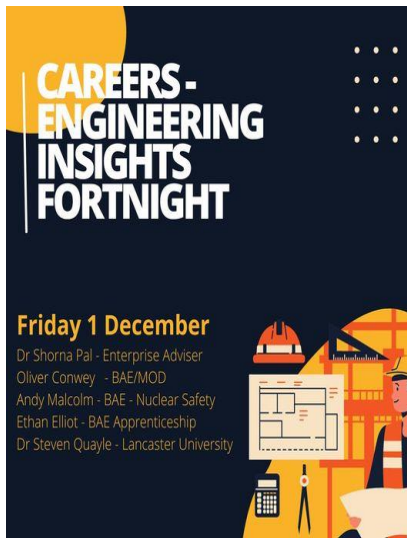
As always, we love to hear from our LRGS community so get in touch with [your news](#) and be sure to update us of any [change of details](#)

With best wishes,

Lorna and the Development team



LRGS Updates



Careers programme

December 1st saw the launch day for Engineering Insights fortnight.

As part of the careers programme, we are dedicating time each half-term to a different career sector, starting with Engineering.

All events take place at lunchtime with a panel presentation followed by Q&A from 5 guest speakers.

We are very lucky to have been able to attract so many interesting guest speakers to support our careers programme this year. All events are open to all year groups.

Congratulations

Congratulations to James, Henry, Zain, Adair & Nathaniel who progressed through to the 2nd round of the NW English Speaking Union Churchill Public Speaking Competition.

They join the Bay Leadership Academy along with Balshaw's A & B teams in the next round Jan/ Feb.



Christmas cheer Y7 style!



It was Christmas Cheer competition time for our Y7s and they did not disappoint! Very well done to all involved, you were fantastic!

Round 2 for the LRGS CyberCenturion team

Our CyberCenturion team, Eric, Idris, Arwen and Henry are participating in a series of three online rounds in pursuit of a place in the National Finals, attempting to discover all the security vulnerabilities within various operating systems. Securing systems equals high scores, but ill-fated changes or reduction in security can result in the undesired loss of points. Students who take part benefit from a unique chance to develop their technical expertise as well as soft skills such as communication, teamwork and leadership – essential to succeeding in any role in cyber security today.





Mo bros

Well done to our amazing Mo Bros who have raised nearly £1000 between them!

Here are a few of the impressive moustaches that our staff nurtured throughout November.

Well done Storey House too for their mammoth climb!

Burns Night celebrations

We hope you can join the Friends of LRGS in celebrating Burns Night in January. Please buy your tickets early to avoid disappointment!



Burns NIGHT

Join us for an amazing

BURNS NIGHT CELEBRATION

Saturday 27th January 2024

7 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Lancaster Town Hall - The Ashton Hall

Dance to Ceilidh Band
Three course meal and bar
Whisky tasting
Address to the Haggis
Scottish Pipes
Raffle

Tickets **£55** per head

Available on LRGS Wiscpay or
email to lrgsburnsnight2024@gmail.com

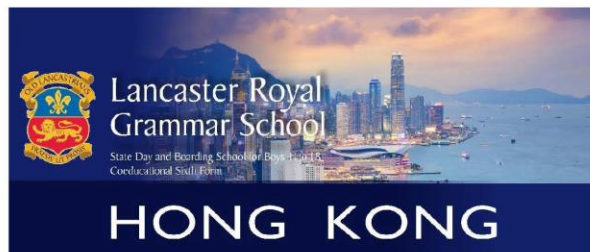


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Alumni News

OL Dinner in Hong Kong

Many thanks to OL Patrick Dransfield for organising the upcoming Hong Kong Dinner. We're delighted to confirm that, Mr Samuel Tang, a prominent Private Equity Investor, will be guest speaker. Please contact [Patrick](#) to book your place at what promises to be a fantastic evening!



The Annual OL Hong Kong & Asia Dinner 2023 **Updated:**

All OLs welcome!

Time: 6pm – 10pm
Date: Tuesday, 19th December
Locations: Drinks, the Gunners Bar: Dinner, Poolside Pavilion,
United Services Recreation Club
<https://www.usrc.org.hk/about-us.html>

Special Guest Speaker: Mr Samuel Tang, Founding Partner, Pembroke Partners*

Cost is HK\$600, inclusive of unlimited wine and 2 beers and a 5 course Curry Buffet, sumptuously prepared by the former Head Chef of world-famous Chaiwala Hong Kong!

Dress code is Smart – ideally with OL or School Tie.

*Mr Samuel Tang will address the gathering with a short speech regarding the importance of social networks in life and in business. Mr Tang is a graduate of Diocesan Boys' School (DBS) Hong Kong: he earned his Bachelor and Master degrees from the University of Cambridge, a Master degree from Nihon University Tokyo and an executive diploma from Beijing University. Samuel has over 18 years of experience in Private Equity, with a key focus on sustainable technology, renewable energy, energy transition and advanced manufacturing sectors.

Please register to Patrick Dransfield OL at: email:
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Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read 'Patrick Dransfield'.

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OL 12 Pubs of Christmas event



Old Lancastrian's 12 Pubs of Christmas!

We welcome all OL's to join us for the 2023 12 pubs of Christmas gathering.

Dress Code: Christmas jumpers

22/12/2023

Pub 0 - 16.00
Beer Hall Galgate
Pub 1 - 17.00
Pendle Witch
Pub 2 - 17.30
The Royal
Pub 3 - 18.00
White Cross
Pub 4 - 18.30
Borough (Tipi Bar)
Carol 1 - 19.15
Town Hall Steps
Pub 5 - 19.30
Hogarth's
Pub 6 - 20.15
Wetherspoons
Pub 7 - 21.00
Staggered Inn
Pub 8 - 21.45
Bier & Twist
Pub 9 - 22.30
Greens
Pub 10 - 23.15
Mint / Study Rooms
Pub 11 - 00.00
Crafty Scholar
Pub 12 - 01.00
Vibe / Generation

The route for the OL 12 Pubs of Christmas tour has been finalised, thank you to OLs Damon Hall (10-12) and Olly Jacques (06-13) for organising the event and creating the route map.

The event will take place on Friday 22 December, starting at around 4pm in the Beer Hall, Galgate.

It's a great opportunity for OLs from all generations to come and have a social drink with old friends over the festive period. There is no pressure to come for the full event, feel free to drop in anywhere along the route, the poster below provides rough timings for where the group expects to be throughout the night.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Drinks in Dubai

The first UAE OL event took place on 12 December in Dubai, thank you to everyone who joined us for drinks and special thanks to OL Patrick Dransfield (75-80) for organising a fantastic evening, here's to next year's event!



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](#).

Sad News

David Charles Whitehead

We were sad to learn that OL David Whitehead (58-64) passed away in October. Upon leaving LRGS, David won a scholarship to Cambridge, graduating from Queens College in 1969.

Prior to his retirement David was Chief Executive of Warrington Borough Council.

David leaves many happy memories and is missed with affection by his wife, Lesley, their family and many friends and our thoughts are with them at this sad time.

Old Lancastrian Club News



Event updates

Hong Kong Dinner on Tuesday 19 December at United Services Recreation Club, please contact OL [Patrick Dransfield](#) for more details.

12 pubs of Christmas tour on Friday 22 December in **Lancaster**

Durham drinks on Monday 6 February 2024 at the renowned Victoria Inn on Hallgarth Street

Leeds OL Dinner on Friday 9 February 2024 at Castle Grove, Headingley

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

Cotswolds OL Dinner on Friday 13 September 2024 at the Royal Agricultural University, Cirencester

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.



The lovely tree decorated by Frankland House boarders

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