



Dear Parents and Carers,

Friday 8th March 2024

“Nothing is so beautiful as Spring”, wrote Gerard Manley Hopkins. The arrival of spring at LRGS is marked by the end of GCSE Mocks and the first sightings of huge cricket bags in school. It is an important time of year, as pupils start to prepare in earnest for opportunities and challenges ahead after Easter. Pulses also quicken ahead of the **Set Run** - both a sporting contest and part of our charity fundraising.

It has been excellent to welcome **French exchange** partners to LRGS this week. Well done to **Sixth Form geographers** on their residential fieldwork in the Lake District. Thank you to all the Lower Sixth students who have submitted **prefect applications** – it is brilliant to see their enthusiasm and commitment to the school.



Poetry by Heart finalists

Pupil achievements



Well done to our technologists who won Best Designed Robot and other awards at the regional **Lego League** finals; and to senior **rugby players** for success in the Austin Friars Sevens Tournament. It was fabulous to see that some of our CCF cadets found a gap in the weather to **fly with the RAF**. Well done to **Biology Olympiad** competitors, including Gold Awards for Jad Ghazal and Lewis Taylor (U6). Congratulations to our Sixth Form **debating team**: Alice Chapman, Oskar Smale and Sandy George are North West champions and progress to the final rounds in London.

Lenten Charities Support for local, national and global charities is a great part of our ethos: Praesis ut Prosis. Thank you to pupils and staff who have participated in charity events so far this term – from football, cakes and the stocks (!) to auctions, raffles, Quiz Night on March 19th and plenty more. Our 2024 Lenten Charities are:

North West Children's Support Group

nwscg.co.uk/

Money for Madagascar

moneyformadagascar.org/

Team Reece

teamreece.org.uk/

Cancer Research UK

www.cancerresearchuk.org/

Red Cross / Red Crescent Israel & Palestinian territories donate.redcross.org.uk/



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Young Musician of the Year

Young Musician of the Year has been a wonderful new addition to the term. Congratulations to everyone who has played or sung in lunchtime heats so far. Tickets are [on sale on Wisepay](#) for the YMOTY final in the Assembly Hall on Thursday 21st March, with proceeds to Lenten Charities. It promises to be an excellent celebration event.

With all best wishes, especially to our boarders for exeat weekend ~ Dr C.J. Pyle

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Swimming success – Blackburn



U15s at the North West time trials