



Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Parents and Carers,

“Cricket is naturally the first word that comes into the mind apropos the summer term,” wrote the editor of our school magazine in 1887. The weather hasn’t quite risen to the occasion yet but we will get there!

Thank you for your support for Lenten Charities. After counting every penny, the grand total is a fabulous **£24,055.76**. This will make a huge difference to the local, national and global charities we support.

External exams have started already with the **modern language** orals. Best wishes to students with **Art & Photography** A-level and GCSE exams next week – and to all the Upper Sixth and Year 11 as revision continues.



Blue skies over the Douthwaite

### Student leadership teams

Very many thanks to all our Upper Sixth formers in leadership roles as they prepare to hand over to the next generation! Particular thanks to the current Head of School team for their dedication, energy and example to the school: **Ishmael Wadee, Marnie Lusardi, Joe Pearson, Matt Whittle.**

Congratulations to incoming prefects as they take on their new roles, and to the Head of School team for 2024-25: **Tom Prince (Head of School), James Boak, Alice Chapman, Imogen Hutchins and Rory Tomlinson.**

### Extended Project Qualification

Well done to Lower Sixth formers who have completed Extended Project Qualifications! The best EPQ reports and presentations demonstrate mastery, autonomy and purpose in abundance. They require considerable drive and initiative to complete alongside students’ other A-levels. They are hard work but often immensely rewarding.

A flavour of this year’s topics: *Brutalism • Feminism 1960 to 2021 • Genetic editing and engineering • Type 1 Diabetes • Type 2 Diabetes • Depression in care settings • Hitler and the 1936 Olympics • Cockney culture and identity • Factors in reoffending • Sickle cell trait • Net zero by 2050 • Environmental impacts of aviation • Music and neuro-rehabilitation • Prefabricated homes • Education policy and law • Housing energy efficiency • Saudi Arabia and Sports washing • Ethics of AI in medicine • Pastoral farming methods • Rwanda and Burundi •*



### LRGS ♥ reading!

The school has launched this year’s **LRGS Book Awards** with Years 7, 8 and 9. This was very popular last year. This year’s titles – all published in the last 12 months – are Tyger, Skandar and the Unicorn Thief, City of Stolen Magic, Scareground and Impossible Creatures. The process will culminate in book discussions and decisions at the start of June. Get reading!

### Coming soon ...

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup> May	Big Band Rush hour concert 5:30pm	Tickets £4 on Wisepay or at the Assembly Hall door
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May	Inset Day – Staff training	School is closed to pupils
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> June	Gin tasting with the Friends of LRGS	Grab & Go 7:30–11pm. £28 per person
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June	Open Day – all pupils required (except Year 11 and Upper Sixth)	

With all best wishes ~ Dr C.J. Pyle

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