

Good Morning, thank you all for joining us this morning as we recognize and celebrate the exceptional success, diligence, and hard work of our prize-winners.

I would like to thank John / Mr. Gleasure for his inspirational speech and taking the time to share with us some of his memories of his time at LRGS, and some of the lessons which he has learnt throughout his professional career.

John's / Mr. Gleasure's reflection on the staff from his time at LRGS, reminds me of a phrase I once read which I don't think could be more suited for this morning.

It goes, 'You can make more friends in two months by becoming interested in other people than you can in two years by trying to get other people interested in you.'

Whilst it refers specifically to making friends, it is also a reflection on the way in which we all communicate and work with each other.

LRGS has so many successful students because, the teachers and the staff have a genuine interest in the individual pupils and their successes.

As we celebrate our prize-winners this morning, we are not only celebrating their hard work and achievements but also the work of those who have supported them in that journey.

Today's achievements are a snapshot of what the future of our ever changing world may look like and it is one of optimism and success.

It now falls to me, in line with school tradition, to ask Dr Pyle for an extra half days holiday for the students and maybe the staff in return for our attendance this morning.

I would like to thank John / Mr. Gleasure again for his inspiring speech – his successes are a testament to what determination and hard-work can achieve.

On behalf of the school, I would like to present him with a small gift as token of our appreciation for his time and wisdom this morning.

Thank you.