



LRGS Alumni Newsletter

February 2026

A very warm welcome 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

CCF Annual Sword Parade



The CCF Annual Sword Parade took place on Tuesday 10 February. Professor Oglesby and Mr Wellings travelled from Sheffield to present the Oglesby-Wellings sword in memory of their son, OL Giles Oglesby-Wellings (94-01), to our top CCF cadet. We thank them for their continued support of the LRGS CCF.

Further chess success

Congratulations to our chess team for winning their match on 10 February at the English Schools Chess Championships. They are now through to the regional finals!



Congratulations



Congratulations to ten of our Sixth Form students who have received offers from the University of Oxford and the University of Cambridge. They are off to study Medicine, Biology, Natural Sciences, History and Politics, Classics, Biochemistry, and Law.

Alumni News

Sad News

Alan J Westall

We were sad to learn that OL Alan Westall (49-52) passed away earlier this month.

Upon leaving school, Alan qualified as a Chartered Accountant and practised in Lancaster for many years before moving to take up a position in Plymouth. Alan remembered school with great fondness and we are grateful for his support over the years, he was also a regular attendee at the Cornwall OL dinner.

Our thoughts are with Alan's daughter, Caroline, and family at this sad time.

George (Barrie) Roberts

We were saddened to learn that OL George (Barrie) Roberts (49-56) passed away on 19 February, aged 87. Upon leaving school, Barrie studied at Durham university before undertaking a career in banking, until his retirement in 1991. Barrie remembered his time at school with fondness and was a regular attendee at the London OL dinner, until ill health meant that he was no longer able to travel. Our thoughts are with Barrie's wife, Sarah and family at this sad time.

Barrie's funeral will take place in Amersham on Tuesday 10 March. If you would like to attend the funeral, please contact the [Development Office](#) for further details.

Alumni updates

Debut album release

Local band, Morton Betts, are releasing their debut album on 7 March and are celebrating with a sell out launch party at The Storey on release day. OL Jack Taylor (10-17), is one of the band's front men.

As part of the pre-release, BBC Introducing at Radio Lancashire and Radio Cumbria invited Jack to co-host the radio show on Thursday 26th February from 8-10pm. If you didn't catch the show live, you can listen [here](#)

You can keep up to date with the band's news via their facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/share/p/1CUprfB8Qa/>

Thank you

Thank you to OL Lord Don Foster of Bath (58-65), for taking the time to meet our A-level Politics students during their visit to London. Pupils also spent an afternoon in the Supreme Court.



Thank you very much to OL Peter Dyer OBE (68-75) for coming into school to share his knowledge and experience about his career in oral and maxillofacial surgery with our MedSoc students recently. It was a fantastic session providing lots of information and advice.

It was lovely to welcome OL Tom Johnson (22-24) back to school on Monday 9 February to talk to MedSoc about his experiences of studying medicine at University of Leeds.



Thank you

We would like to say a huge thank you to all alums who have facilitated work experience visits for our pupils, your support is very much appreciated!

Then and now

OL get together

Thanks to OL Barry Lupton for the fantastic photographs of himself and fellow OL Laurie Davies, going all the way from primary school through to a recent get together.

Barry writes, "*LRGS alumni (1955–62) Barry Lupton (left), formerly of Carnforth, and Laurie Davies (right), formerly of Over Kellet, met again in August 2025 and are shown here at Schloss Charlottenburg in Berlin. Barry enjoyed a varied career, working for organisations including British Railways and Deloitte Consulting (among others), while Laurie pursued his passion for academic study. Laurie is now Emeritus Professor of Statistical Mathematics at the University of Duisburg-Essen. He continues to be active in lively debates on data analysis and is resident in Berlin.*"

If you have a get together with OLs, please let us know via the [Development Office](#) , we'd love to hear about it!



Just for fun

"Brave Ashton House boarders risking CCF firing squad if caught having midnight feast"

We had a great response to the fabulous midnight feast photograph in the last newsletter, thank you to everyone who got in touch to name those involved. Shown in the photograph are Andrew Curry, Nigel Gallagher, David Christie, Michael Hart and Francis Buttle.



Future Event updates

[Manchester](#) OL Dinner on Friday 6 March at Lancashire CC

[Cambridge](#) OL Dinner on Friday 20 March at the Hawk's Club

[Oxford](#) OL Dinner on Wednesday 29 April at Vincent's Club

East Lancs OL Dinner on Friday 1 May (TBC)

Founders' Dinner on Friday 3 July at Lancaster Golf Club

Cotswolds OL Dinner on Friday 11 September at The Colesbourne Inn

Leeds OL Dinner on Friday 2 October at Masonic Hall, Castle Grove

London OL Dinner on Thursday 5 November at RAF Club Piccadilly

Links to book a place at the above dinners will become available as soon as the details have been confirmed.

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