



Monday 1st July 2019

Dear Parents,

We pride ourselves on being a *welcoming* school: open to visitors, open to scrutiny, and delighted when people come and see what we do. Thank you to all our pupils who were fabulous helpers and tour guides at **Open Day** last weekend.

We have enjoyed visits from all of next year's **Year 7** form groups recently, and also an afternoon tea for new external **Sixth Form girls and boys** joining us in September – also a chance to show off our new top floor café!

We are pleased with interest that we have received so far in our plans to welcome **Sixth Form girls as boarders** in September 2020. Please get in touch if this may be of interest to anyone you know – we would love to show them round.



Open Day

Ian Whitehouse

Inset Day on Friday was also an opportunity for staff tributes to **Mr Ian Whitehouse**, Deputy Head (Pastoral and Boarding) who retires this summer after 37 years at LRGS. Ian initially joined LRGS as Master in charge of Cricket, and was soon appointed Housemaster of Ashton House where the quality of his support for generations of boarders became legendary. In recent years he has led the expansion of our pastoral provision, overseen successive “Outstanding” boarding inspections, and is also a senior Geography examiner – amongst many other formal and informal roles in the school. We are very grateful indeed for all that he has done for LRGS! He will be succeeded in September by Mr James Hallsworth as Deputy Head (Pastoral) and Dr David Rowe as Head of Boarding.

Lost property

The school accumulates amazing amounts of lost property. Pupils must check their emails to see if any named items have been found and need collecting – or please go to Lee House on Wednesdays & Fridays 1.15–1.45pm to look for lost items. Unnamed lost property will be disposed of on Friday 12th July.

Road safety

We spend a lot of time in school reminding pupils to follow the safety spine and to cross our roads with care. For parents who drive their sons to school: Please help to keep our pupils safe by sticking to the 20 mph speed limits near LRGS, and do not drop children off on double yellow lines or near the any of the road crossings. We have new yellow signs outside School House and banners near some of the danger points. Best of all would be to drop children off a few streets away and avoid driving past the school at all.



Busy week

We look forward to celebrating **Founders' Day** on Saturday, and the school is busy as ever this week. We currently have both **Silver DofE** and **CCF Gold DofE** expeditions in the Lake District. A-level **Design & Technology** students are off to Italy to visit supercar factories, and GCSE **geographers** have fieldtrips to Easedale. **Open Day** season continues for many of the Lower Sixth, including a group which the school is taking to Oxford University. Very best wishes to the First XI as they defend their title in the prestigious **Royal Grammar Schools' Cricket Festival** at Worcester.

With all best wishes ~ Dr C.J. Pyle

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Inter-form volleyball



The Big Book Giveaway



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