



Dear Parents,

Wednesday 17th July 2019

Best wishes to all whose children are away or just returning from school trips: **Rugby** tour in South Africa; **Gold Duke of Edinburgh** expeditions in Scotland; **CCF Army & RAF** camps; and the **Year 8 Normandy** Experience. Best wishes also to boarding parents around the world as your sons return home, and to Upper Sixth parents for our children's next steps!

Thank you

Thank you very much for your support during the year. We are very grateful to parents who contribute to the **Annual Fund** which sustains our clubs and extra-curricular activities; to all the fabulous team of **Friends volunteers**; our parent **governors**; those who help with **Music, Drama, Rowing, Cricket, Rugby**, the **CCF** and elsewhere, whether practically, through fundraising or in 1001 other ways. It is hugely appreciated!



*In memory of
Reece Holt 2005-2019*

Pupil achievements

Many congratulations to our First XI cricketers who won the **Royal Grammar Schools' Festival** in Worcester. This is a superb achievement and the first time that a state school has retained this prestigious trophy. Congratulations also to Upper Sixth Design & Technology students on outstanding performances in the **Triumph Design Awards** – in particular to Henry Jackson and Rowan Myall who were respectively Overall and Innovation winners.


Staff farewells

Farewell and very best wishes to colleagues who are moving on from LRGS this summer. The school is very grateful indeed to **Ian Whitehouse** for his work over many years in vital roles including Housemaster, Head of Boarding and Deputy Head; to **Dr Chris Ellwood** who has taught Physics here with great expertise and skill since 2005; to **Elizabeth Hodgkinson** for her excellent teaching in Design and Technology this year; and to **Graeme Thompson**, our Deputy Network Manager who has looked after our IT systems since 2008. We wish them all well in their next steps.

<p>L lang. and lit. R ex-R-cise G go green S social & service</p> 	<p>Summer Challenge 2019</p> <p>This year we are asking all our pupils to set themselves a summer challenge in four areas. This isn't a box-ticking exercise – it is about learning without limits beyond the confines of the classroom! It does not <i>need</i> to be very time-consuming, but it should mean that pupils push themselves to try something they might not otherwise have attempted. There will be awards for creativity and imagination, as well as for effort!</p>
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Dates

We will be in school for **A-level results** day on Thursday 15th August and **GCSE results** on Thursday 22nd August. **Enrolment morning** for Lower Sixth girls and boys new to the school is on Friday 23rd August. **Term starts** for the Lower Sixth and new Year 7 pupils on Tuesday 3rd September, and for the rest of the school on Wednesday 4th September. Don't forget to enter the **Friends' Supper Run** on Wednesday 18th September!

Best wishes for the summer, especially to those waiting for public exam results ~ Dr C.J. Pyle  @LRGSLancaster



RGS Festival Champions



South Africa tour