



Dear Parents,

Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October 2019

Thank you to Year 7 parents who came to Welcome Evenings this week. It was great to see pupils showcasing our many opportunities to get involved in Drama and Music – not to mention the prefects and the Bad Boyz Bakers!

Thank you also to parents who gave feedback for our boarding inspection last week, and to your sons who met the inspectors. We expect to receive Ofsted's report in the next fortnight, and will circulate this as soon as it arrives.

Don't miss out on your chance to buy tickets to see Eddie the Eagle on Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November! This will be one of the highlights of the term, and tickets are still [available on Wisepay](#).

### Nobel Laureate – Sir Peter Ratcliffe

We were thrilled this week to hear that former LRGS pupil Sir Peter Ratcliffe has been awarded the Nobel Prize for Physiology or Medicine for 2019. Sir Peter is Director of the Francis Crick Institute in Oxford, and his Prize is for research into the effect of oxygen levels on cells in the body. Please see the links below to read more about this remarkable achievement:

- [LRGS news story](#)
- [BBC article](#)
- [Nobel Prize citation](#)

Sir Peter studied at LRGS from 1965 to 1972 and went on to win a scholarship to study Medicine at Cambridge University. We expect his success to inspire the next generation!



### Sixth Form Open Evening – Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October

[www.lrgs.org.uk/sfopenevening](http://www.lrgs.org.uk/sfopenevening)

We are looking forward to welcoming Year 11 students and parents next Tuesday evening. Start times are from 5:30pm (externals) and 5:45pm (current LRGS students). Teachers and Sixth Formers will be on hand to talk about A-level and Pre-U options, about opportunities to get involved and lead activities beyond the classroom, and to talk about Sixth Form boarding. Please invite lots of friends from other schools to come along!

Our key advice when considering A-level subjects is to choose:

- **Subjects you enjoy** – they will be a big part of your life!
- **Subjects you are good at** – not necessarily the ones you think you “should” do.
- **A combination that makes sense** – especially looking ahead to university applications.

### Focus on GCSEs

I hope that many Year 11 students and parents will be able to come to Tim Milner's excellent revision sessions next week. The foundations for GCSE success are laid with consistent work throughout the years: keeping on top of **homework**; being **organised**; revising for **tests**; meeting **coursework** deadlines. Year 10 pupils should now be fully into GCSE mode and enjoying the challenge. **Prelims** at the end of November should be high on the Year 11 radar.

With best wishes for the final week of the half term ~ Dr C.J. Pyle

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Sir Peter Ratcliffe OL - Nobel Laureate



Memorial Fields



Bulb planting!