



Dear Parents,

Friday 6th March 2020

The Lent term is “the concrete in the middle”: this is the time for hard work and consolidation. Well done to Year 11 students as they finish their Mocks – remembering that learning from feedback is the important thing at this stage. Best wishes to the Upper Sixth as they also move into final stages of preparation.

It was lovely to receive glowing feedback on both the ski trip to Les Deux Alpes and the cricket tour to Dubai and the UAE at half term – with many thanks to staff for running such fabulous opportunities!

Coronavirus

Government advice for schools can be seen [at this link](#). As well as advising against travel to or from risk areas, we are currently:

- Asking staff and parents not to shake hands at parents’ evenings and parents’ morning
- Stressing the importance of frequent handwashing with soap, with prominent posters and instructions
- Making hand sanitiser available around school
- Speaking regularly to our cleaning company

Unfortunately two language exchange visits have been cancelled due to coronavirus. We took the very disappointing decision to cancel the Spanish exchange at short notice after cases were identified in the town in which pupils were due to stay. French students will not be visiting because the French government has cancelled school trips. Staff planning other trips are paying close attention to advice as the situation develops.

Schools here have been told that we must not close unless instructed to do so by Public Health England. A member of LRGS who was unwell has tested negative. Meanwhile the normal advice applies, that pupils or staff who are unwell must stay at home.

Friends of LRGS – Spring Festival 14th March

We look forward to seeing lots of families at the Spring Festival in the Grab and Go from midday next Saturday, with plenty of cakes and international food – and eager to have more volunteers too!

The Friends have recently funded: new **Boat Club** trailer, mobile **cricket** batting cage, support for the **Scottish Islands** Peaks Race, Sixth Form **drama** production, French **board games**, Raspberry Pi **seismometers**, **Masterchef** prizes, **art framing** for the Sixth Form centre. The Friends and the Old Lancastrian Club also paid for a panoramic viewfinder in memory of **Reece Holt**. Thank you!



LGGS and LRGS Joint Concert: Thursday 2nd April

“Heroes and Villains” at the Ashton Hall is our Spring Choral Concert and will be a musical highlight of the year! Parents are warmly welcomed to rehearse and sing with the choir – please email Mrs Emma Lamb (Director of Music) elamb@lrgs.org.uk if you would like to take part. Tickets are £8/£6: <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/KZK>.

With all best wishes ~ Dr C.J. Pyle

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