

From the Principal...

This week has marked Safer Internet Day. This year's theme was 'Create, Connect and Share Respect: A better internet starts with you' and assemblies have centred around students' digital wellbeing, how online interactions may be viewed by others and have encouraged students to reflect on how to develop healthy online relationships. The links to assembly resources for [Years 7-8](#) and [Years 9-10](#) are here for your information. There are also [parental resources](#) for you to share and discuss at home.

The Hello Yellow launch, featured below, coincides with Children's Mental Health week. I have also attached a copy of the Medical Needs Policy that has been written by the East and South Cambridgeshire Inclusion Partnership (ESCIPI) for information. This details schools' approaches and provision across the region in response to medical needs, both physical and mental. ESCIPI has been keen to develop a coherent and co-ordinated approach with parents and medical professionals.

When we return after half term there will be a new till system in place at the College. This upgrade has been necessary due to existing tills failing and a keenness to implement a more intelligent and useful system. Mrs Fenn will be reissuing sQuid cards on the first day back that will be compatible with the new tills. They will allow parents/carers to see a break down of purchases which we hope will enable a greater focus on healthy eating choices.

We wish our skiers well over the half term break and hope that everyone has a safe and enjoyable week.

Helena Marsh



Children's Mental Health Week

This week, the College launched an email address (helloyellow@lvc.org) for students, parents and carers to use for advice, guidance, support and signposting on mental health (please see attached poster). There will be two members of staff, who have just completed an intensive course in mental health by CAMH, who will manage this email account. We do not profess to be experts in mental health but do feel confident in being able to offer some initial responses to students, parents and carers about anxiety, depression, panic, sleep, stress and many other aspects of mental health and wellbeing. At LVC we are striving to educate our staff and students that it is ok to talk about mental health and wellbeing. *Mrs Matarazzo*



Ignite Dance Production

Tuesday's inaugural dance performance was an absolute triumph. The variety and volume of participants was impressive, as was the standard of the performances. Many congratulations to all involved and particular thanks to Mrs Washbrooke for organising this incredible opportunity. It was a fabulously entertaining evening. *Mrs Marsh*



Equipped to Learn

Now that we are half way through the academic school year, we have noticed that some items in students' pencil cases have become depleted. Half term is an ideal opportunity to replenish these to enable your child to be ready to learn. At LVC we expect our students to be responsible and independent learners, which includes being organised and bringing the correct equipment to every lesson. Here is a reminder that the following items are the expectation for every student. Many thanks for your continued support to help your child in their learning and education. *Miss Mayzes*

Essential	Desirable
Pencil case	English dictionary
Black pens x2	French/Spanish dictionary
HB Pencils x2	Highlighter
Purple pen	Colouring pens/ pencils
Ruler	
Glue stick	
Eraser	
Sharpener	
Maths set*	
Scientific calculator*	
*can be purchased on sQuid	

Dates for your Diary

10th Feb	Ski Trip
12th Feb	Half Term
19th Feb	Back to School
20th Feb	Year 10 Maths Feast
22nd Feb	Year 8 Parents' Meeting
1st Mar	Year 9 Parents' Evening
2nd Mar	Year 10 GCSE Science Live Trip

sQuid online payments

Payment	
18.02.18	Maths Revision Materials Years 9 –11
18.02.18	Cooking Club
28.02.18	February Bus Payment
16.03.18	Year 9 Enrichment Week
27.04.18	Year 10 Snowdon Trip
13.07.18	Year 10 Murcia Trip

Please see attached letter regarding the new catering tills.

When making payments of less than £10 for 'Trips and Offers', you must top up your online 'purse' by £10 to avoid a 25p admin fee.

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