

Marsh Mail

The last month has included lots of events for LVC students to raise awareness of important issues and funds for those in need.

On the 1st November we marked the end of 'GloWeek' with members of the College community wearing bright items of clothing as part of the charity's national autumn road safety campaign 'Be Seen Not Hurt'. Assemblies focused on important aspects of road safety given that nights are drawing in during the winter months. The initiative also involved us raising money for the Childhood Brain Injury Trust.

This charitable event was particularly poignant as it coincided with the return of one of our Year 11 students, Sam Norris, after a serious motorbike accident in a British Youth Championships race in Glasgow in June that caused him to be on life support and resulted in an acquired brain injury. We are proud of the progress that Sam has made through his intensive rehabilitation and are thrilled to have him back within the LVC community.

We marked Remembrance Day with the wearing of poppies, two minutes' silence across the school and one of our students playing The Last Post. This has become an important and moving tradition at LVC to remember and pay our respects to those that have given their lives in war and conflicts.

Children in Need day was celebrated with a variety of fundraising activities including a non-uniform day and pennies for Pudsey collection. It is easy to make assumptions that children in Linton and surrounding villages are not touched by the hardship and deprivation in the same way as students attending city schools. However, LVC's community serves a range of diverse families in very different personal circumstances and a large proportion of our students benefit from accessing specialist support services provided by childhood charities.

I begin my maternity leave at the start of December. My colleague, Doug Brechin, Assistant Principal at the College, will take over the writing of the LVC news column for community newsletters in my absence. I would like to take this opportunity to wish all readers a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.