

Marsh Mail

There are a number of international and national days, some of which we observe and celebrate at Linton Village College.

20th March will mark French Language Day and International Day of Happiness. Fortuitously this day will be spent in France enjoying a week of immersive language speaking by a large group of our Year 10 GCSE students.

The Chateau trip has become an important experience for our students, allowing them to sample the culture and language of a foreign country to give a real life context for their academic studies. It also provides a rich programme of activities that promote team work and encourage students to venture out of their comfort zones.

Our International Schools Award recognises our commitment to international learning activities. It is important that young people have a window into different cultures and countries developing as responsible global citizens.

We are also proud of our achievements in the arts. We have been hugely successful in both ABRSM exams and Arts Award at Bronze, Silver and Gold. These are an important recognition of the College's success in delivering a broad and balanced curriculum experience. This year's school production, *Annie* will showcase the great talents and hard work of a large number of our students and the skills and hard work of our arts team at LVC. It is brilliant to see so many young people taking pride in creative ventures and performances.

The development of arts leaders amongst College staff and students has helped to extend this experience to younger students at local schools. Pupils at our Trust primary schools have benefited from enriching arts opportunities including African clay mask-making at The Meadow Primary School, the delivering of singing tuition at Howard Community Primary School, resulting in a performance in the Young Voices concert at the O2, and a growing arts partnership provision at Linton Heights Junior School.

Our team of CALSAs (cultural arts leaders in schools and academies) and Arts Cluster is currently preparing for an arts festival to take place in the summer term involving a range of students from CHET schools and across the locality.

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