

From the Principal...

Further to my School Comms message earlier in the week, please find below clarification regarding expectations for pencil case equipment that students are required to bring into College. Thank you to parents/carers for your support in this matter.

Following last week's focus on e-safety, we continue to have concerns about under-age use of social media sites, including Instagram. We have addressed this with a number of students and their families in younger year groups this week. Please do enforce age limits and responsible and safe online behaviours at home. However grown up students feel, they make themselves incredibly vulnerable by publically posting pictures of themselves and connecting with strangers in this way. Spending a disproportionate amount of time taking and sharing selfies is also not a good idea for students' wellbeing and self-esteem.

It is great to celebrate the sporting successes of our young people. It is important that they lead an active and healthy lifestyle, a key aspect of this being exercise. Our Community Sports Centre has seen a surge in older students using the fitness suite after school. They have created new membership packages, including one for families and another for clubs and racquet sports. Please see further details on the Sports Centre [website](#). We are [currently recruiting](#) for a Leisure Officer for evening and weekend shifts, as well as a HR role at LVC.

Wishing everyone in the school community a safe, enjoyable and restful half term break. When we return on Monday 25th February it will be a week 2 on the College calendar.

Helena Marsh



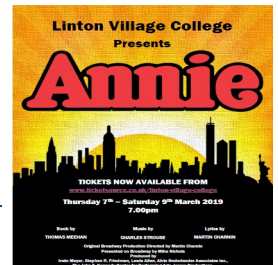
Sports news

The Under 14 and Under 16 Girl's Basketball Teams were in action this week at the District Finals held at Long Road. After a slow start to the tournament for the Under 14s, the girls battled back well to secure third spot by beating Impington 22-18 in overtime. The Under 16 girls retained their District title on Wednesday evening. After a controlled performance in their first game, where they won 20-2 against Cottenham, the girls showed excellent character and resilience in their next game against St Bedes winning 16-10. Well done to the girls, who all played their part and battled well. *Mr Kerley*



Annie

We are excited to announce that the tickets for the school production of Annie are now on sale. You can get them by going to www.ticketsource.co.uk/linton-village-college. We look forward to seeing you there! *Mrs Tod*



Equipment clarification

Pairs of compasses should be stored in a geometry set or in pencil cases within bags and only used when required in lessons. If students choose to have a small pair of stationery scissors in school they should have a rounded end and be kept in their pencil case. Students must not carry such items on their person or in their pockets. Unsafe items will be confiscated and necessary action taken. *Mr Darby*

County Lines concerns

You may have seen the 'significant national threat' of the County Lines issue with 'drug gangs exploiting children as young as 11' in the news recently. Please see the related article on the BBC website: <https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-47043251>. If you would like to discuss this with a member of the College Safeguarding Team, please email THINKPINK@lvc.org. *Mrs Matarazzo*



Quiz Night success

Thank you to everyone that attended and supported last Friday's Quiz Night. The total raised is around £1500. A special thank you to the Friends volunteers, Chris and Alan for hosting the event and the catering team at LVC for making it such a success. Congratulations to The Batchelor Party who were the winning team. *Nicola Tudge*



Dates for your Diary

18-22 Feb	Half Term
25 Feb	Maths Feast
27 Feb	Year 10 Mock Interviews
28 Feb	Year 9 Parents' Evening
1 March	Year 10 GCSE Science Live
6 March	Year 8 Parents' Options Evening Year 9 and 10 STEM Visit

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Payment	
25.02.19	Ski Trip
25.02.19	KS3 Cooking Club
26.02.19	Revision Materials
04.03.19	DofE Final Payment
15.03.19	Year 9 Enrichment Week Trips
28.03.19	Lake Garda Windband Trip
31.03.19	Black Jumpers (Year 11s Only)
26.04.19	Snowdon 2019
30.04.19	Final Payment for School Bus



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