

25th Jan 2019

From the Principal...

PSHE day provided students with varied and rich learning opportunities. Experiencing topics ranging from consent to citizenship are an important part of our holistic education.

Being responsible for themselves and others was an important theme of the PSHE day. We continue to reinforce this message through reminders of our behavioural expectations. LVC has experienced a spate of vandalism in corridors and social areas and in the sports centre outside of school hours recently. This criminal damage has been reported to the police. Damaging property is anti-social behaviour and a sign of students struggling to manage their emotions. Your support in encouraging your children not to be bystanders and to report damage is welcomed. As previously mentioned, please do contact us to report any issues affecting students' welfare and safeguarding: thinkpink@lvc.org.

It was great to have such a positive turn out at the Year 9 Options evening and to witness such engaged and purposeful conversations about students' choices, their studies and future education and employment. The Options evening coincided with the publication of the government's school performance tables yesterday. While it is pleasing to have formal acknowledgement that our Progress 8 score of 0.3+ places last year's GCSE cohort above national average, it is also important to appreciate that this is just one measure of a school's success and is largely dependent on the demographic of a specific year group. Progress 8 scores, whilst a broad measure of all students' results, are affected by curriculum decisions, as does being an inclusive school with a proportion of students on modified timetables and

Please don't forget that the school is closed to students on Monday for a teacher training day. The term time dates for 2019/2020 will be published on the College website next week.

Helena Marsh

receiving alternative provision.

Eyes on the Prize

Year 9 students attended 'Eyes on the Prize' at Anglia Ruskin University on Thursday 17 January. The event organised by the University Schools Engagement Team helps young people with their options choices and encourages



them to research their education and career goals. The Year 9 students were provided with an opportunity to talk with a range of sixth forms, colleges and employers in the careers fair, followed by a tour of the university campus by current ARU students who provided an insight into life at university. Finally, students were given a talk by an ARU student on working, studying and broadening their skills at university. *Mr Simmons*

House badges

Our new House badges are being distributed to students this week. Badges need to be sewn onto the front of the blazer, underneath the College logo on the pocket. You will notice that there is a stitched outline on blazers to assist with the positioning. We would very much appreciate this being done as soon as possible to further promote House identity and ethos across the College.

Mrs Matarazzo

PSHE Day

LVC was full of excitement and activity as students took part in their second PSHE day of the year. Year 7 began the day speaking with employers from a range



of different companies and organisations about their jobs and what they involve. Year 8 reflected on their physical and mental health, spending time evaluating how the media can present a distorted and unhealthy view of what we should look like. Year 9 spent some time learning about the Options process and some vital life saving skills: CPR and the recovery position. Year 10 wrestled with some challenging questions about healthy relationships and making responsible choices with alcohol and drugs. Year 11 planned for the future, hearing about their next steps now their UCAS applications are in, and trying out some new revision strategies for the upcoming exams. *Miss Payne*

School of Rock and Pop

There are still spaces available at the School of Rock and Pop, run at LVC by Cambridgeshire Music on Tuesdays 3.15-4.45pm. See the poster attached for further details. *Mrs Juckes*

Dates for your Diary

28 Jan	Staff training Day - LVC Closed
29-31 Jan	Year 9 Core Exams
31 Jan	Year 11 Poetry Live
1 Feb	Year 11 H&SC Exam
5 Feb	Year 9 Technology Tournament
7 Feb	Intermediate Maths Challenge

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Payment		
31.01.19	School Bus	
31.01.19	Chateau Trip	
31.01.19	Year 11 Black Jumpers	
04.03.19	DofE Final Payment	
15.03.19	Year 9 Enrichment Week Trips	
28.03.19	Lake Garda Windband Trip	
26.04.19	Snowdon 2019	
30.04.19	Final payment for School Bus	
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Year 10 Parents' Evening