

From the Principal...

Safer Internet Day has been used to share important messages and advice with students about how to be responsible and stay safe online. Please see below for lots of suggested resources, links and ideas on how to reinforce online safety at home. A reminder of age limits of social media accounts is available on [Childnet](#). Thirteen is the minimum age for many media services with WhatsApp restricted to over 16s. We are aware of some Year 7 students making use of sites such as Instagram. This makes them vulnerable in terms of the '4 Cs' of online safeguarding: content, contact, conduct and commercialism. It is essential that parents/carers ensure that their children are not accessing age-inappropriate content/platforms.

Another important aspect of our safeguarding is ensuring that all employees and approved visitors are clearly distinguishable on site. We achieve this through adults wearing lanyards and staff badges. It is useful for parents/carers to understand this system too. Blue lanyards featuring the LVC logo and white ones with the CHET logo (see below) are worn by members of the College and Trust staff. **Purple lanyards** are worn by members of the safeguarding team (Mrs Matarazzo, Mrs Addley, Mr Farr and Mr Batchelor - Chair of Governors), **yellow** lanyards are worn by visitors who are permitted to be on College premises unsupervised and **pink** by visitors who require escorting by a member of staff. We encourage all members of the College community to be vigilant and to direct anyone on site without a suitable lanyard/badge to College Reception.

The Friends of LVC have been working hard to prepare for tonight's fundraising quiz night - I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Helena Marsh



Safer Internet Day 2019

The College took part in International Safer Internet Day on Tuesday. The theme of this year's campaign is: Together for a Better Internet. Throughout the week we have raised awareness with students through a range of activities during tutor time. Parents/carers often tell us that the most difficult aspect of e-safety is knowing how to start a conversation with their child that is received positively. The UK Safer Internet Centre has made a short film titled: Your Choice or Mine, that is being publicised as a "conversation starter". The link to the film is: <https://www.saferinternet.org.uk/safer-internet-day/safer-internet-day-2019/sid-tv-2019/sid-tv-2019-your-choice-or-mine-film-parents>. Underneath the link are some great questions to start conversations at home. These all begin with: Do you need to ask before you ... and then continue with ... post a location on where you and your family currently are? ... share a selfie of you with your best friend? ... upload a video of a family member doing something silly? There are many more! For more useful information on the use of the internet, the College Safeguarding Team recommends visiting Net Aware which is through the NSPCC; the link below will take you straight to a review of sites, apps and games, "the ones that kids use the most" <https://www.net-aware.org.uk/networks/?order=title>. *The Safeguarding Team*



Harry Potter Night

Tuesday evening's Harry Potter Night was a great success with our Year 7 witches, wizards and muggles using their magic to create wands, floating candles, bowtruckles and golden snitches. A Hogwarts inspired buffet was served before students took part in a very raucous house team quiz and game of Quidditch! The overall winners were Gryffindor who were presented with winning medals and everyone given a parting treat of Neville's chocolate toad and Bertie Botts every flavour beans. A big thank you to everyone who participated and helped on the evening. *Mrs Hay*



Technology Tournament

Eight LVC students took part in the Cambridge Rotary Technology Tournament on Tuesday. The students formed two groups and competed against twenty other groups from neighbouring Cambridge schools. They designed and manufactured a solution to a brief which was to engineer a vehicle to lift and transport an object using pulleys and magnets. Once again, our students came away with a trophy for excellent teamwork. Overall it was a very valuable day and we hope the students will continue to aspire to achieve in this subject. *Mr Taylor*



Dates for your Diary

8 Feb	Friends' Quiz Night
12-13 Feb	Year 11 Food Practical Exam
14-15 Feb	ABRSM Music Exams
18-22 Feb	Half Term
25 Feb	Maths Feast
27 Feb	Year 10 Mock Interviews
28 Feb	Year 9 Parents' Evening

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12.02.19	GCSE Simplified
13.02.19	Year 10 OCR Tops
25.02.19	Ski Trip
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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