

From the Principal...

The publication of the provisional school performance tables by the government this week confirm that our student progress score for the outgoing Year 11 cohort was well above the national average, with all students achieving more than half a grade above expected across all subjects. We are proud of their achievements and recognise the great deal of hard work and commitment from students and staff that led to such outstanding outcomes. There have been a significant number of changes to GCSE results through remarks; finalised performance data will be published in January.

It was great to welcome prospective parents on our open mornings this week and meet with Year 11 parents for important learning conversations. This week has also seen the launch of this year's Dalehead Foods project, as detailed below. We are very grateful for Dalehead's support of our business and enterprise and careers curriculum.

Providing a rich and holistic education is an integral part of learning at LVC. Our inaugural Freshers' Fair on Monday will encourage students to make the most of the enriching opportunities available to them at the College.

The final week of half term sees the run up to the sponsored walk. The total raised at the moment is in the £100s with Nightingale House at the top of the fundraising leader board. Please do pledge your support using the just giving links to tutor groups on our website. As my recent correspondence regarding school funding illustrated, we continue to receive insufficient funding to maintain the standard of provision and facilities that our children deserve. I am grateful to parents for [raising this concern directly with their local MP](#) and by supporting the College. I hope that we have a successor for the position of Chair of Friends at the EGM at 7pm on Monday evening.

Helena Marsh



Freshers' Fair

National research published this week indicates that 2 in 5 secondary students do not partake in any extra-curricular enrichment activities at school. At LVC we are keen to buck that trend. On Monday lunchtime, clubs will be represented and publicised at our Freshers' Fair in the East Common Room. The event will encourage students to sign up to one or more of the wealth of extra-curricular activities on offer at the College. *Miss Gelder*



Dalehead Foods Challenge

The School has worked closely with Dalehead Foods over the last 6 years and the food challenge continues to be a really successful part of this collaboration. Year 9 students this year have a brief to design and market an innovative World Cup themed sausage. The students spent Wednesday morning in teams being introduced to Dalehead and working on their designs. The finalist will be announced after half-term. *Mr Simmons*

Sports Fixtures

There was a hive of participation for LVC Sport last week. Hockey, rugby and netball have kept the students busy with a mixed bag of results. The Year 10 netball team once again played Hedingham School and recorded another victory. The Year 7 boy's Rugby team unfortunately conceded their first defeat of this year, losing 4-2 to a very well organised Sawston side. The Year 8 boy's Rugby team started well, but eventually went down 6-4. The Year 9 girl's hockey team recorded their first 1-0 win of the year over Sawston. This week the Year 9 boys played their second round game in the National Schools F.A. Cup against King Edward's. The boys were by far the more dominant side throughout the game, playing some excellent football by keeping possession and probing for the right time to play the killer pass. LVC ended up winning on penalties 4-3. *Mr Kerley*



Dates for your Diary

16th Oct	Friends EGM 7pm
19th Oct	Year 11 Parents' Evening 2
20th Oct	Sponsored Walk
23rd Oct	Half Term
30th Oct	School Re-opens
1st Nov	Year 11 Olympic Park Trip
2nd Nov	Year 7 Go4Schools Information Evening

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Overdue
30.09.17 September 10 Month Bus Payment Plan

Payment
13.10.17 Year 9 Enrichment Trips
13.10.17 GCSE Computing Revision Guide
15.10.17 Sponsored Walk Snacks
16.10.17 GCSE Music Revision Guide
18.10.17 GCSE PE Revision Guide
19.10.17 Year 11 Olympia Trip
22.10.17 Christmas Pudding Last Order & Payment Date
30.10.17 October 10 Month Bus Payment Plan
29.11.17 Chateau 2018 Year 10 French Trip
15.12.17 Final Payment for Ski 2018

When making payments of less than £10 for 'Trips and Offers', you must top up your online 'purse' by £10 to avoid a 25p admin fee.