

From the Principal...

It is hard to believe that we have only been back at school for just over a week! Students have settled into the new term brilliantly, including our newest additions to the school community.

As routines become established, I wanted to take this opportunity to share our [home-school communications](#) policy. As a school that places a great value on relationships, we are keen to make sure that we optimise home-school communication to support our young people to thrive and flourish. The expectations set out in our policy clarifies the responsibilities of the school, parents/carers and students to develop and sustain a positive home-school partnership. It also recognises that the majority of staff members' time is engaged in teaching and learning and providing direct support and care to benefit students, rather than responding to correspondence. Please do engage with this important document to understand how you can most effectively communicate with staff at LVC.

Next week's newsletter will include further reminders about the main tools and systems used at LVC to enable you to best support your children to succeed and make excellent progress at the College.

I look forward to seeing families at Sunday's 80th anniversary celebrations (see details below). I also hope that a number of parents/carers are able to support the Friends of LVC in order to safeguard the future of this important fundraising and community group. Friends generates significant funds each year to support the College. We require a new Chair to be nominated at an EGM on 9th October (see attached), otherwise the Friends will need to be disbanded.



Helena Marsh

International Schools Award

LVC have been awarded the British Council's prestigious International Schools Award in recognition of our work to bring the world into the classroom. The Award celebrates the achievement of schools that do exceptional work in international education. Our international work includes the innovative Language Futures programme, cultural exchange opportunities and a variety of trips to Europe and beyond with emphasis on History, Geography, Philosophy and Ethics and Modern Foreign Languages. We are thrilled with this acknowledgement of our work and excited by the prospect of developing further links with schools in other countries thus enabling our students to increase their knowledge and understanding of global issues and the world beyond the classroom.

Mrs Keen



CAMPS International trip

In August, twenty students from Year 11 accompanied by Mr Clarke and Miss Mayzes travelled to Cambodia for a month as part of CAMPS International. While we were there we helped out on community projects such as digging wells for fresh water, building toilets for sanitation, teaching local children English, horticulture and tree planting. We also had

the opportunity to visit cultural sites such as the UNESCO World Heritage site Angkor Wat and learn about Cambodian history and the Khmer

Rouge. This was a life changing experience for many of the students involved and it has inspired them to travel further in the future. *Miss Mayzes*



Governor Vacancies

We are currently recruiting for new members of the school's governing body. Governors play a crucial role in the school's continued success by providing an important critical friendship through challenge and support. We are keen to attract members of the school community to add to the team's skills and expertise. The role requires attendance at around 7 evening meetings a year with additional preparation and involvement in school life. If you wish to express an interest and/or find out more information about what being a governor entails, please contact the Clerk to the Governing Body, tracy.coston@lvc.org.

Dates for your Diary

20th Sept	Year 11 Blood Brothers Trip
21st Sept	Year 11 Post 16 Evening
24th Sept	Year 11 Spanish Trip
28th Sept	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening
5th Oct	Open Evening 5.30pm-8.30pm
9th Oct	Friends EGM 7.00pm

sQuid online payments

Overdue	School Bus Instalment
31.08.17	September 5 Month Bus Payment Plan
10.09.17	
Payment	Art Portfolio
15.09.17	Cooking Club
22.09.17	GCSE Revision Food Tech
25.09.17	Year 10 Snowdon Trip
29.09.17	Year 10 Chateau Trip
29.09.17	September 10 Month Bus payment plan
30.09.17	Final payment for Ski
15.12.17	

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.

You are all warmly invited to attend LVC's **80th anniversary celebrations** at 2pm this Sunday



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