

## From the Principal...

Being curious is a fundamental aspect of learning that enhanced curriculum experiences are particularly well placed to provide. The recent science week programme, arts and enterprise enrichment activities have offered rich learning opportunities. It is great to see students genuinely fascinated, excited and fully absorbed in learning, rather than exhibiting mere compliance and consumption of lesson content.

Year 7 Parents' Evening was a great opportunity to reflect on our youngest students' achievements and progress since joining LVC. There was a real buzz amongst the conversations and it was great to see such positive and productive interactions between teachers and parents/carers.

Parental engagement and support of the College is a crucial factor in students' success. Over the years we have worked on different ways to develop effective home-school relationships and communication. We recognise that the current Parents' Evening booking system has its limitations. We are keen to address this by reviewing the organisation of Parents' Evenings with parents/carers and teaching staff. We welcome all parents/carers to attend a Parent Forum on Wednesday 25th April to share their experiences and suggestions regarding Parents' Evenings. The evening will also enable you to learn more about proposed changes to pastoral structures and responsibilities from September 2018 and consult you on tweaks to the school uniform that have been suggested by the Junior Leadership Team (namely the introduction of shorts in the summer uniform and a change to some of the material of the existing SWI uniform items). Please confirm your attendance by contacting [reception@lvc.org](mailto:reception@lvc.org). Information from the evening will be shared via the newsletter for those unable to attend. Our annual parent survey also will be issued at the end of term and provide further opportunity for feedback.



*Helena Marsh*

## Dalehead Food Challenge

The thirty students who took part in the finals of the Dalehead Food Challenge in November were invited to visit the Dalehead Foods site before half term. The Dalehead team provided them with an insight into both the day to day running of a large food business and a tour of the factory itself. The students also engaged in different activities; sausage testing and the Health and Safety team tested their hand washing skills! My thanks to Dalehead Foods for once again providing great hospitality and support for LVC students. *Mr Simmons*



## Woman in Black

On Thursday evening, Year 11 GCSE drama students made their way to London's West End to see a spine-chilling production of 'The Woman in Black'. With a sense of foreboding, they watched as Arthur Kipps made his way to Eel March House and the horrors that awaited him. As promised, it was an intense two-man performance which saw the whole audience jumping out of their seats at every jolt, teachers included! *Mrs Mann*



## Science Week

2018 science week kicked off with our Year 7 murder mystery 'The Head is Dead!'. Students used their scientific and analytical skills to identify suspects from a range of experimental evidence. Our Year 8 students spent three lessons researching and preparing projects based around the themes of technology and detective work. On Monday lunchtime, the KS3 science club continued to enjoy an excellent attendance whilst students were treated on Tuesday to a fascinating rat dissection performed by Mrs Dawson. Mr Barton wowed students on Thursday lunchtime with his annual bangs and smells event, always an exciting way to end the science week events. Students particularly enjoyed the vigorous reaction and its effects on Mr Barton! In a week where the world lost the incredible scientific mind of Stephen Hawking, it was wonderful to see so many young scientists having fun and enjoying the subject. *Dr Marston*



## ABRSM Exams

We are delighted with the ABRSM exam results (music). LVC students achieved 7 distinctions and 4 merits. *Mrs Jukes*

## sQuid online payments

Overdue	Payment
05.03.18	DoE Expedition
16.03.18	Year 9 Enrichment Week
28.03.18	Years 7 & 8 Enrichment Week Deposits
28.03.18	Author Visit Year 7 (offer finishes at 9am)
31.03.18	March Bus Payment
27.04.18	Year 10 Snowdon Trip
30.04.18	April Bus Payment
04.05.18	Final payments for Year 7 & 8 Enrichment Week
25.05.18	Year 11 Leavers' Ball and Yearbook
31.05.18	Final Bus Payment
13.07.18	Year 10 Murcia Trip

If you would like your child's spending capped at a daily amount please contact Mrs Fenn via email [helen.fenn@lvc.org](mailto:helen.fenn@lvc.org).

## Dates for your Diary

19 March	Year 9 Netball Tournament @ Impington
20 March	Year 7 Football @ Chesterton
21 March	Football (7A & B/8A & B) @ Coleridge Netball (7A & B/TBC) @ Trumpington
22 March	Year 11 Revision Evening Year 10 Girl's Football @ LVC
26 March	Year 11 Literature Exam