

From the Principal...

The Linton Learner attributes are equally relevant to staff members of the school community as well as students. Friday's training day provides important time for teachers to be reflective and curious. The programme focuses on curriculum developments and provides time for colleagues to engage in collaborative professional learning. The day is well-placed to support planning for the next academic year and will provide teachers with the opportunity to engage in important aspects of their subject knowledge and pedagogy to enhance their knowledge and skills.

Another key aspect of our planning for September involves preparing changes to pastoral leadership and student support at LVC. Feedback from staff, students, parents and carers during the pastoral review and through our parent survey has highlighted the excellent standard of care provided by staff at LVC. However, there has also been consensus that our current systems and structures contain an inherent level of confusion and inconsistency of experience.

As explained below, we are in the lead-in period for a new house structure. We are introducing four new houses distinct from subject areas. The change will create clear and distinct responsibilities including four Heads of House that will have oversight of the academic progress and welfare of students in their House, replacing current Heads of Faculty/Lead Tutor arrangements. They will be supported by a team of pastoral colleagues with refined responsibilities to provide targeted support. Further details will be shared in the coming weeks. Vacancies for two new roles are on our [website](#).

I look forward to seeing you at our Year 11 Ball next Friday—I hope that a number of you can volunteer to help on the night (please see Friends' plea below).



Swimming success

Charlotte White was West Suffolk's most highly decorated swimmer coming away with four Medals in the recent Regional Age Championships. Charlotte took a clean sweep of gold medals in the Breaststroke events. She swam brilliantly on day one in the 100m Breaststroke winning the final by over four seconds. She was also in solid form on day two where she won the 200m by over six seconds. The third gold came on day three where a determined Charlotte powered through in the final to claim victory. Charlotte also came away with a bronze medal in the 400m IM on day two. Furthermore, Charlotte has made it into the finals of the Cambridge News Young Sports Person of the Year Award. Well done and good luck! *Miss Cox*



New house design

This week's assemblies have introduced the new house structure to students. We have explained the move to four new houses from September and how this will enable smaller tutor groups to be established from Year 7, to support tutor relationships and provide additional capacity. While existing tutor groups will remain the same, students will be involved in designing and branding the new houses to shape their identity. The process of naming the new houses will start in tutor time next week with voting and the allocation of tutor groups taking place in July. We are keen for this to be an opportunity to grow the profile of house identity and create more inter-house events and competitions. We look forward to seeing the ideas generated by students. *Mrs Matarazzo and Miss Gelder*



Help needed!

LVC Friends need your help! The Year 11 Leavers' Ball is on Friday 29th June and we need help with setting up and serving drinks. If you can spare any time on this day please email me: nicolatudge@gmail.com. Any help will be greatly appreciated. *Nicola Tudge*



Paris trip

During Enrichment Week some students chose to visit Paris and witness first-hand the beautiful architecture and café lifestyle of this cosmopolitan city. We took in panoramic views of the city from the Eiffel Tower and then relaxed on our boat ride down the Seine. Other highlights of the week were a trip to Versailles and a magical day at Disneyland. The week was truly enriching with opportunities to taste 'la vie parisienne' and to build new relationships. *Mrs Keen*



Dates for your Diary

21 June	Summer Soirée
22 June	Staff Training Day — LVC Closed
26 June	PSHE Day
28 June	Year 8 Parents' Evening
27 June	Jubilee Cup Athletics Final
29 June	Year 11 Leavers' Ball Year 11 Hills Road Taster Day

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Payment	
29.06.18	Deposit for Out of Catchment Bus Service
29.06.18	Outstanding Bus Payments for 2017-2018
03.07.18	GCSE English London Trip
13.07.18	Year 10 Murcia Trip
23.07.18	Jump Rope Sponsorship
17.09.18	Battlefields Trip

Please see letter attached regarding refillable water bottles that can now be purchased.



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