

From the Principal...

This week's assemblies have focused on Road Safety. This is an important topic, especially given that many students navigate busy roads on their journeys to and from school and at social times as they grow in independence. We continue to receive reports from the school community of children crossing roads without paying due regard to road users, particularly by the school kitchens and on Linton High Street, without looking properly and/or with headphones on. Please do reinforce the importance of safe and responsible use of roads with your children at home.

Friday's school closure is a disaggregated training day. This is in lieu of the training sessions that teachers have attended throughout the term in place of a regular whole-school INSET day. In the past we have had queries from families that have spotted LVC staff in Cambridge on the December training day, concerned that they should be at school. I just wanted to clarify this to avoid any confusion. The next training day is on Monday 29th January, the focus of which is on the science of memory and strategies for revision. This is particularly pertinent for the curriculum given the move to linear assessment and more knowledge in new GCSE specifications that requires learning and recall.

We know that this time of year is particularly rife with illness. We have already seen a spike in staff and student absence due to viruses and bugs. I hope that the extended weekend helps to alleviate this and look forward to the remaining weeks of the term, including planned festivities. Tickets for the Carol Concert have already sold out and I hope that there will be a good response to the Friends' raffle— there are some excellent prizes this year.

Light snow showers are forecast on Thursday afternoon. While this is unlikely to cause any issues for school this week, please do familiarise yourself with the school closure plan in case it is needed later on in the term.

Helena Marsh



Year 11 Mock Results

This morning Year 11 students received their mock exam grades in the East Common Room. This dry run experience always provides students with the chance to reflect on their current progress, the revision strategies employed and what is needed in order to achieve the grades they have targeted. Students have five months before the exams start, so please take this opportunity to discuss your child's grades and how they can continue to improve and be ready for the start of the written exams in May 2018. Please do remember these grades are only based on the examinations that were taken during the mock period. The estimated grades which will be on post-16 applications are based on a wider range of information from the last two years and can be found on Go4schools. *Mr Darby*

Philosophy Conference

On Wednesday a range of students from years 7 -11 went to Linton Heights Primary School to facilitate a philosophy workshop. Our students engaged the primary students in six very thought provoking questions throughout the morning. This was a great experience and enjoyed by all, we are very much looking forward to the next one! *Miss Lewis*



Christmas Raffle

All students have been sent home today with some Christmas raffle tickets. As this is one of only four fundraising events we do every year it is vital that we raise as much as possible to enrich your children's school environment and experiences. Please sell to your family, friends, work colleagues and return all ticket stubs/ monies/unsold tickets by Monday 11th December. There are some amazing prizes this year including £100 of John Lewis vouchers, £100 of Amazon vouchers and many other fabulous prizes and experiences. Please look at the Friends of LVC [Facebook page](#) for full details and updates. *Nicola Tudge (Chair of LVC Friends)*



Maths Challenge

Congratulations to all students who took part in the UKMT Senior Maths challenge. Rollo Dicks, Kieran Chapman, Bethany Layton, George Crooks, Paul Herobholtz and Lauren Barry achieved Bronze certificates. James Goodwin, Torin Reedman, Adam Tempest and Izzy Wilson achieved Silver certificates. Izzy also qualified for the next round. Well done to all that took part! *Mr Scheilling*



sQuid online payments

Overdue
29.11.17

Year 10 French Chateau Trip 2018

Payment

30.11.17
30.11.17
04.12.17
12.12.17
15.12.17
15.12.17
16.03.18
27.04.18

November 10 Month Bus Payment Plan
Years 7 & 8 Bronze/Silver Arts Award
Christmas Lunch
Carol Concert—**SOLD OUT**
Year 9 Eyes on the Prize
Final Payment for Ski 2018
Year 9 Enrichment Week
Year 10 Snowdon Trip

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.

Dates for your Diary

30th Nov	Year 11 Mock Results Day
1st Dec	Disaggregated Training Day — School Closed
5th Dec	OAP Coffee & Carols Kings College Trip
6th Dec	Linton Basketball vs Parkside
7th Dec	GCSE Drama Exam Year 10 Print Making
8th Dec	GCSE Drama Exam

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