

From the Principal...

Thanks to all parents that responded to our parent/carer survey. The response rate has been lower than in previous years. I trust this indicates that the vast majority of parents are happy with the standard of education provided by the school and do not have particular concerns or suggestions to share. However, it is also helpful to receive validation and support from our parent community and if you haven't yet been able to complete the online questions, they have been left open for another week to enable parents/carers to engage with it.

The highlights from the responses so far include that the overwhelming majority of parents/carers are delighted with the new mobile device policy and uniform changes. Show my Homework has also proven to be useful to many.

There has been much to celebrate and be proud of at the College this week. Our Year 10 football team were victorious, maintaining the District Cup record at LVC and GCSE students have performed exceptionally well in their practical and oral exams in Drama, Languages and PE.

While accommodating exams we have silenced the lesson changeover bells at times this week to avoid disruption to students involved. This has been a good opportunity to test and consider whether or not it is necessary to use bells. There will be further trial periods before deciding whether to remove the use of lesson bells at LVC. If parents/carers have any particular views on this matter, please do share via reception or through additional comment boxes on the [parent/carer survey](#).

I know that many of our students will be revising over the Bank Holiday. I hope that the extended weekend also gives our families the chance to enjoy the sunshine and extra time together.

Helena Marsh



Year 10 football victory

The Year 10 boys followed in the footsteps of last year's Year 11s by defeating Sawston 3-2 in the final



at Cambridge United on Tuesday. The game was even throughout, with both teams very well organised. LVC kept their heads, and with 5 minutes remaining they scored the winning goal. This sent the supporting fans and home dugout into wild celebrations. LVC managed to hold on, which sparked jubilant scenes at the final whistle.

Mr Hawley

Farm to Fork

The Year 10 GCSE food students learnt about food from its source through the supply chain to the plate. As part of this, Dalehead Foods took us to one of their pig finishing farms in Ipswich to gain a greater understanding of how the farm works with animal welfare a priority on students' minds. The students felt the trip brought their classroom learning to life, and although they were unhappy with the smell, they also discovered that the pigs like to nibble knees! A great day out was enjoyed by all. *Mrs Jones*



Book bench

A book bench has kindly been donated to LVC and the donor is delighted with the illustrations that Year 9 Art students have painted on it. The donor has asked to pass on his thanks for all the hard work that the students have put in to decorating it. The book bench is now a lovely focal point as you enter the Library. *Mrs Darvill*



Leavers' 2018

To all Year 11 parents, preparation for the Leavers' Ball and Yearbook are now underway. Letters explaining how you can purchase the Yearbook and tickets for the Ball are attached. *Mrs Drennan*

Uniform Reminders

This year's uniform changes have been very successful and overall students are much smarter. Recently we have noticed that some students are wearing "ankle-grazer" trousers, often with "trainer" socks, which are not acceptable as uniform items. We would also like to highlight that shoes must be polishable and without any visible high-fashion brand logos. Thank you for your ongoing support with uniform. Further information about summer uniform will be shared next week. *Mrs Matarazzo*

Dates for your Diary

7 May	Bank Holiday—LVC Closed
8 May	Year 10 Written Exams English Revision Day
9 May	Year 10 Written Exams
14 May	GCSE Exams Begin
16 May	Year 10 Interview Day
23 May	Year 9 Vaccinations (Boys and Girls)

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04.05.18	AQA Dance
04.05.18	Final payments for Year 7 & 8 Enrichment Week
09.05.18	Year 11 Hoodies
09.05.18	Choir Trip Aldeburgh
10.05.18	Year 10 Geography Field Trip
11.05.18	Year 10 Black Jumpers
13.05.18	Years 7 and 8 Disco
25.05.18	Year 11 Leavers' Ball and Yearbook
31.05.18	Final Bus Payment
13.07.18	Year 10 Murcia Trip
17.09.18	Battlefields Trip

Please note the deadline for advising if you would like to use the school bus from Great Bradley, Haverhill or Steeple Bumpstead is Friday 11th May please see attached letter.