

3rd May 2019

Dear Parents,

On Sunday we watched as thousands descended on London to embark on the greatest of our modern marathons. Our Year 13 are on the verge of completing their two year marathon with the sprint finish in sight, we can only hope that their endeavours will mean that they won't stumble on the finish line.

It is one of the most disappointing elements of recent times that sport in the summer term diminishes as our students have to take on the ardour of public examinations. So, unfortunately Senior Cricket and Senior Rounders will not be reported on during the Summer term.

Whilst team activities are not as evident as we enjoy during the Michaelmas and Easter term we are still running Games on a Wednesday afternoon. This is a great time to 'let off steam' and undertake much needed exercise to ensure that we are as fit as our London Marathon runners to have success in the summer.

Gladstone Scholars

I was hoping to report on who the successful Gladstone Scholars are in this Newsletter but we are still awaiting the final decisions from Mr Ridley and Mrs Hall.

Liverpool Mathematical Society Award

Congratulations to Gabriel E who has won a certificate and a voucher in the Maths Challenge Competition organised by the Liverpool Mathematical Society which he completed over February half-term.

Gabriel will be presented with his award at their Prize Giving and Mathematical Recreation evening at the University of Liverpool on 8th May from 7.00pm - 8.45pm.

<http://www.livmathsoc.org.uk/cgi-bin/sews.py?FrontPage>

Leavers' Service

Reminder that the Leavers' Service will take place on Friday, 17th May 2019 in the School Chapel with a Reception in the Mossley Vale Hall.

Leavers' Dinner

Students are now able to pay for the Leavers' Dinner on Parent Pay. The cost is £62.50

Leavers' Book

Olivia M has organised the Leavers' Book and payment can be made through the following website:

<https://allyearbooks.co.uk/buy/10663>

BTEC Leadership Course

Mr Ridley has organised a BTEC Leadership course for our Year 12 which will take place over the weekend.

DoE

I am delighted to announce that Elliot W has received his DoE Gold. Congratulations to him for achieving this award.

PTA

Our sincerest thanks to the PTA who have kindly approved a significant sum of money to improve our outdoor space. We will begin work on that in earnest.

Student Skydive for Charity: Love Jasmine: <https://www.lovejasmine.org.uk/>

Bethany B is undertaking a skydive for charity and would really appreciate your support. Please view her explanation and the worthy cause that she is supporting:

On the 29th June I will be undergoing a skydive for the charity of my choice, Love Jasmine which was established by Rob and Kathy Lapsley in 2016 to support other families who had lost a child.

Jasmine's tragic death meant that the family experienced first-hand what support services were and were not available. They then set out to improve the support that was available to bereaved families in the Merseyside area.

Love Jasmine charity provide support to families who have a lost a child of any age from 24 weeks gestation. They take a holistic approach to the support that they provide as they understand that everyone deals with the grief and trauma in their own way.

I have set a target of raising the minimum amount of £450. This can be donated through the Go Fund Me page I set up and I can also collect cash donations that will be noted down on my sponsor sheet, any donation no matter how big or small goes a long way. Thank You!

https://www.gofundme.com/6wnpkqw?utm_medium=copy_link&utm_source=customer&utm_campaign=pna+share-sheet&rcid=2709f73bd0be46ebb79ab8a8ea4b17a5

Attendance

Please continue to encourage regular, punctual attendance. Students should be in school by 8.20am, registering at 8.25am. Parents must telephone or e-mail the **House Administrators** directly regarding the rationale behind any absence. Please use the College telephone number 0151 724 4000 then key in the appropriate extension number for your son/daughter's **House**:

Butler's & Selwyn's (ext 3232)
Brook's Howson's (ext 3247)
School & Howard's (ext 3280)

Sixth Form Dining

The upgraded dining space in our Sixth Form home has seen a real improvement in what is served and the environment it is served in.



I wish you all a very pleasant extended weekend.

Kind regards,

Stephen Brady
Head of Sixth Form