

7 June 2019

Dear Parents,

75 years ago our nation embarked on an 'all or nothing' strategy to commence the liberation of Europe. Never in the history of humankind had so many endeavours been employed to defeat the Nazi Empire. The largest fleet ever assembled approached the Normandy beaches on the morning of the 6<sup>th</sup> June. By early evening we had established a foothold in this corner of Europe that would mark the beginning of the end of the Nazi hegemony of Europe. This was at a very heavy cost. Five thousand had lost their lives on the very first day of the 'Debarquement'. Many OLs fought in Europe during the war and their names appear in the Chapel Role of Honour, many of whom fought on D Day. A new statue was unveiled by Prime Minister May and President Macron in Arromanches Sur Mer to remember the dead.

It was said to me recently by a friend visiting from overseas why so much of our national narrative is focused on the sacrifice and war and those who fought. I reminded him what Sir William Ewart Gladstone (founding father of Liverpool College) said about death.

"Show me the manner in which a nation cares for its dead and I will measure with mathematical exactness the tender mercies of its people, their respect for the laws of the land, and their loyalty to high ideals."

I hope that you all had a pleasant May break. I know that the 'Red' element of the city had a phenomenal time. A lasting moment for me was when the whistle finally sounded and Mr Klopp sought out his father and the two embraced; a boy receiving praise from his father. Despite the material rewards we so often think will give us happiness the reality is that greater happiness is developed through approval, praise and collegiality.

I have heard many stories and discussions about the weekend from Liverpool fans and the odd Spurs fan (Mr Bartlett). However one devoted LFC family got themselves pictured with the legend that is Mr Dalglish and the trophy that Mr Klopp and his band of brothers sought. See below a photograph of the Calvey boys with Champions League trophy.



### **Gladstone Scholars**

Our prefectures have embarked on their duties as Scholars and have already proven to be dedicated and focused on their assigned roles. On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June we will travel to Gladstone's library in Flintshire leaving at 8.00am and returning by 5.00pm. I will write to those invited next week.

### **UCAS**

The UCAS Liverpool event commences on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June. Mr Leeder has attached a letter setting out the enrolment procedures. In addition we have decided to hold a UCAS information event and this will take place in the MV Hall Friday 14<sup>th</sup> June at 5.00pm.

### **Leavers' Dinner – Year 13**

Please pay as soon as possible as I need to confirm numbers. Our Head Boy and Head Girl will then organise the seating plan and dietary requests.

### **Extended Project Qualification: Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> July**

After registration the morning session will be spent setting up the EPQs for all in Godwyn House. The EPQ will be open from 12.00 - 3.30pm. This will provide time for EPQ Mentors to visit their students. Students must hand their mentor a project. This can be the last draft enabling students to have the summer to add or alter elements of their project. Students are not to pack away as we will invite selected students from throughout the school to view the displays and projects. Students may pack their project away at 3.30pm. They are then free to go home.

### **Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July**

School as normal, however students will complete the Reflection elements of their work experience in their journals. This will be collated by the House Mentor and then forwarded to Dr McNamara.

### **Work Experience: Another reminder from Dr McNamara:**

Please ensure all the Work Experience forms are completed. There are a number of students yet to complete the forms and it may result in missing out on this valuable opportunity. If students are struggling to find a placement they must discuss it with a member of the Sixth Form team.

Kind regards,

Stephen Brady  
**Head of Sixth Form**



7<sup>th</sup> June 2019

Dear Parent/Guardian,

### **Merseyside Higher Education Convention**

I am writing to provide you with more information about an activity planned to help introduce the Year 12 students to the University application process (UCAS) which will become their main focus once their examinations are over.

On Friday 14 June, the Merseyside Higher Education Convention takes place at the ACC, Liverpool (Kings Dock). This is a very useful opportunity for students to speak to a huge variety of universities. There are also a series of seminars taking place about student life.

It often helps to clarify or even to introduce, thoughts on what and where to study. This Convention takes place from 09:30 until 15:30 and I will register all students at 13:00 outside the entrance to the ACC. This is because our allocated visit to the Conference Centre is 13:30-15:30. On that day, Year 12 have permission to leave school at morning break so they can travel to the ACC in time to register. They will need to make their own travel arrangements to and from the Conference.

If there are any issues with this, please let me know via the e-mail address below.

Please use this link to download all the information:

<https://www.ucas.com/node/339486/view/exhibit>

If you have any questions about the day or indeed any questions about UCAS in general, please do not hesitate to contact me at [cleeder@liverpoolcollege.org.uk](mailto:cleeder@liverpoolcollege.org.uk)

Yours faithfully,

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