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# LIVERPOOL COLLEGE

A School of Character

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## Principal's Newsletter

7 February 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

In the spirit of constantly learning, I discovered this week that at this point in the year we gain an extra four minutes of daylight every day – a positive benefit for those who delight in apricity! (Apricity = another learning this week!).



This week during my primary learning walks I have seen some amazing lessons in the primary phase, including T-shirt designing today in support of the NSPCC's "Number Day" initiative, phonics group work for early reading, maths skills and even a dancing dragon holding a whole class of children as part of Chinese New Year celebrations.



But the highlight of the week has to be without doubt the impressive '**School of Rock**' senior production. Congratulations to all involved for a truly outstanding show; the energy,



## THE NEXT GENERATION SCHOOL of ROCK THE MUSICAL



enthusiasm and talent shown by all involved was remarkable and thank you to all that came to support the hard work that goes into a school production.

Work doesn't stop though for our musical staff and performers! Preparations and rehearsals are well underway for the next production, the Key Stage 2-Key Stage 3 production *Charlie and the Chocolate Factory* at the end of this term.

Unsurprisingly Mr Bishop has also recognised our school production in this week's **musician of the week** award:

*Following on from such a successful run of 'School of Rock', it's impossible to single out one or even a group of pupils for Musician of the Week. The production required two bands - a pit band and the on-stage Kids' band - playing both independently and at times together. All the pupils who sang and played deserve the*

*Musician of the Week award due to the time and effort that they put in during the rehearsal process and the productions. Astrid H (Ch 10) as Principal Mullins gave stunning, emotional performances of 'Where did the Rock go?', Valentin B (Ch 9) as Dewey Finn with a highly entertaining rendition of 'In the End of Time' along with leading the show throughout, the Kids*

*of Horace Green with their performances of 'Stick it to the man', No Vacancy with 'I'm too hot for you' - I could go on.*

*On a more technical note, we must mention Lucas D (Ch 8) and Sam A (Ch9). Lucas ran the lighting for the production and, at times, had to follow the music to activate specific lighting cues at specific times during the songs -*



something which he accomplished fully. Sam ran the sound desk, activating mics and monitoring levels throughout. It takes pupils with musicality for these roles and both boys didn't let us down. Well done to all involved and here's to the next production!

Next week as part of our careers programme, pupils in Chapters 9, 11 and 12 will have the opportunity to speak to a variety of different professionals about a range of career and educational opportunities at our Careers Fair here at school. Thank you to Mrs Drew and Mrs Doran for all their hard work in organising this opportunity for our pupils. You can find out more about our careers provision on our website [here](#) and can access copies of Mrs Drew's careers newsletters [here](#).



I was very pleased to receive a message from Mr Turbitt (Dean of Chapter 7) this week that highlighted the excellent efforts of our Chapter 7 pupils: *"I am delighted to have sent Postcards home for two pupils who have received 100+ PPC Points already in this academic year. The two pupils are Elana E and Aidyn R. Congratulations to both. It marks consistent high quality behaviour and learning in Chapter 7. Well done."*

Congratulations to our U18 netball team. Mrs Achilleos reports that they enjoyed a brilliant morning of high-quality netball at the Liverpool Schools tournament, ending up placing a fantastic 3<sup>rd</sup> in the competition beating Range, Formby, Merchant Taylor's and St. Mary's along the way. Mrs Achilleos paid tribute to the whole team: *"The girls are a credit to Liverpool College for their level of commitment to Netball and their respective teams outside of school"* with a special mention as well for Thalia R, Millie M (Captain) and Demi A as this was their last tournament representing the school.



Well done to the whole team: Amelia (Millie) M (Captain), Demi A, Thalia R, Aurelie O, Maisie-Merle H (Vice Captain), Avah O'K, Eve M, Lena A, Lucy D and Summer B (Ch11).



Congratulations also to Beau R (Ch8) for her performance for the Liverpool Harriers at the Northern cross country championships last week. She was the first runner from Liverpool Harriers to cross the finish line in 10th place (out of 125 runners), and their performance as a team won them the gold medal. They are now the U13 Cross-Country Champions of the North of England!

Our **artist of the week** this week is Alexandra F (Ch9)



*John Lennon*

Thank you to all the families who come along to support our sports fixtures particularly on a Saturday morning. Our estates team have asked me though to include a reminder in the newsletter that dogs are not allowed on the school fields.

Our pupil groups and societies do lots of work to support our school and wider community. Miss Watson reports this week on our Eco Committee's work:

*Members of the ECO Committee were involved in a workshop with Liverpool World Centre this week. The aim of the workshop was to prepare for the climate assembly taking place in St Georges hall later this month.*

*The aim of the workshop was to choose an issue to bring to the climate assembly. Pupils chose textile waste and began to identify the impact this has on climate change and prioritised textile recycling as a focus.*



*Pupils even had the opportunity to talk to past Liverpool College student Paul Roberts from Roberts Recycling who are a family-run local textile recycling company that's all about making a positive impact. Their top priority is keeping textiles out of landfill. They are proud that they can reduce the carbon footprint of unwanted textiles by keeping them in circulation for longer and recycling them ethically when they come to the end of their useful life.*

*Pupils found this question-and-answer session both engaging and inspiring, hearing the solutions the company have successfully implemented to move textile waste on and away from landfill.*

*The ECO committee will now begin to look further into textile recycling, develop some research for the climate assembly and implement some solutions within their own local community.*

May I wish you and yours a dry and warm weekend.

**Yours sincerely,**

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Haynes". The signature is written in a cursive style with a period at the end.

**Mrs A Haynes**  
**Principal**