

Principal's Newsletter

5 June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week GCSE, BTEC and A Level exams continued apace for our Chapter 11 and Chapter 13 students. Staff remain impressed with the way that our pupils have calmly and maturely approached the exam season, demonstrating the Liverpoolian traits of resilience, determination and strength of character to perform to the very best of their abilities.

Well done to Chapter 3 and 4 for their enthusiasm and participation at their Sports Day yesterday while Ch12 geographers are busy out on field work today in London with Mr Griffith. This week I appreciated the opportunity to spend the day with our Senior Leadership Teams in primary and secondary at an Away Day. We discussed a wide variety of data and evidence for the College as a whole, from absence figures and behavioural patterns to admission numbers and outcomes, all set within the local and national context. A key part of the day was spent reflecting, both collectively and individually, on the school's many areas of success and ensuring that these strengths continue, and importantly identifying areas for further development. Thank you to those staff who stepped up in their leaders' absence to ensure a seamless continuation of calm learning, particularly during unstructured time.

I was delighted to receive a report from Mrs Worrall about our pupil's successes in a recent Science competition:

Congratulations to Ishal A and Joseph D, in Chapter 10 for achieving a prestigious gold award in this year's British Biology Challenge. Congratulations also to Orla D and Myles Mc-M on achieving a silver award; a brilliant accomplishment that reflects exceptional knowledge, and passion for biology.

The British Biology Challenge is a challenging national competition led by UKBC online, that tests students on biological concepts, problem-solving skills, and the ability to apply knowledge in unfamiliar contexts. Open to Chapter 9 and 10 students across the UK, it goes beyond the standard curriculum and encourages deeper scientific thinking.

Achieving a Gold Award is particularly rare and impressive as only a 5% of participants reach this level – well done to you all!

Our **artist of the week** this week is Ginger U (Ch7) - *Still Life in Fauvism style*.



Chapter 8 pupils have been composing original music, choosing from one of three set briefs, a skill they will need should they opt for music at GCSE in a year's time. This week's **Musician of the Week** is Jack L who chose the following brief:

Develop and extend a melodic theme of your own choice (either composed by yourself or from an existing source) to create suspense and tension.

Compose for a solo instrument and accompaniment.

- *The piece should exploit the potential of the solo instrument and accompaniment.*
- *The accompaniment may be for one or more instrument(s).*
- *You can compose for any instruments in any style.*

Jack's composition fits every part of this brief and it certainly creates an atmosphere of suspense, leaving the listener wanting more. Well done Jack!

You can listen to Jack's composition here: <https://youtu.be/aB6RaOII0OY>



The **Chamber Choir** added to their list of engagements over the half term break as they sang for Miss Humes' wedding. Alongside leading the hymn singing, they performed Kylie Minogue's 'Love at First Sight' and John Rutter's Gaelic Blessing'.

Their dedication to music and top-quality performance both inside and outside the College are a testament to them and the hard work they put in during rehearsals. Well done! Their first engagement next term will be their (now annual) visit to Liverpool Cathedral to sing **Choral Evensong** with the cathedral choir on **Thursday 5th November** at 5.30pm - a date for your diary!



Some lucky primary pupils (and staff!) enjoyed a visit to Anfield this week as part of the LFC Foundation programme and they even got to play on the pitch!

Following our uniform review and consultation with parents, pupils and staff earlier in the academic year, the **uniform list for 2026-27** has been finalised. Please [click here](#) to access the list.

Parents and carers will note that our uniform expectations are largely unchanged but some items which were previously compulsory are now optional or items that previously had to have the school crest on (branded) have now been replaced with generic options that can be purchased from many different providers.

There are no new items added to the list except for pupils in Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 who will now wear the Formal Uniform following the outcome of the consultation process. In the academic year 2026-27, pupils in Chapter 2 can choose to continue to only wear the Field Uniform.

As parents begin to look at uniform for next year, it is also a good opportunity to highlight the PTA's excellent **LC Pre-Loved Outlet**, our on-site facility where nearly new uniform is available. Contact the PTA to find out more (PTA@liverpoolcollege.org.uk) or look out for information in the PTA newsletter which is circulated via MCAS.

An important reminder of the **PTA's LC Fest** on 20 June in the MV Hall and a date for your diary:



LC Fest is upon us! With small businesses and food vendors from all over Merseyside joining us Saturday 20th June from 12 noon, it's going to be a summer come just in time! Tickets are on sale

(<https://www.ticketsource.com/liverpool-college-pta/t-kddermz>)

.We're after as many volunteers from adults through to ch9-13 students to help us achieve the event at its best.

Please email pta@liverpoolcollege.org.uk if to can spare even an hour- free event ticket for all our volunteers!

Save the date:

It's true that the year is nearly coming to an end - which means fireworks event is only coming closer! Save the date in your diaries for the most sought event in our school calendar on Friday 6th November from 5pm. Early bird Tickets go on sale in July.

Thank you for your patience and support during the ongoing road improvement works taking place near the school site. A reminder that the Beechlands staff car park should not be used by parents as a turning circle for cars.

May I wish you a dry and pleasant weekend.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Haynes." The signature is written in a cursive style.

Mrs A Haynes
Principal