

Principal's Newsletter

12 June 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

The focus of pupils and staff has firmly been on external exams and assessments this week in both the primary and secondary phases of the College. Not only have Chapter 13 and Chapter 11 finished another busy week of A Level and GCSE exams, but Chapter 4 have completed their statutory multiplication tables check (used to see whether pupils can recall their times tables fluently up to 12). Chapter 12s meanwhile prepare for their internal assessments next week and Chapters 7-10 pupils look ahead to their progress point assessments the following week.

I must say a particular well done to our Chapter 1 pupils who were also taking part in external assessments this week as they completed their phonics check – a special thank you to Mr Chalmers and all the Chapter 1 team for their hard work in ensuring our youngest pupils make excellent progress in their phonics. Phonics assessment is an essential foundation for reading as it verifies whether pupils have secured the fundamental decoding skills. Secure phonics underpins fluency in reading thus enabling access to the whole LCA+ curriculum for their many years of exciting learning ahead.

This week was also our admission appeal hearings for entry into Chapter 7. We remain one of the most oversubscribed schools in the country, with over 1700 preference received for the 177 places available for September. It has been very affirming to hear how much our unique educational offer is valued by parents and pupils and we are grateful to the whole school community for their continued support and hard work in ensuring that the College remains the setting of choice for so many families in the City.

There are plenty of events to look forward to before the end of term including the annual music Summertime Soiree (see details on the next page), Pre Prep and secondary sports days, Primary Prize Giving as well as our wonderful **Arts Celebration Evening** which will be taking place on **Tuesday 7 July** in the **Palm House**:

The Arts Celebration Evening showcases the expressive arts across the whole school.

Tickets for the event can be purchased here; <https://www.trybooking.com/uk/GLHD>.

The musicians of the week award from Mr Bishop:



This week's **Musicians of the week** are Paolo C, Valentin B, Ruaridh M, Max M (Ch 10) & Maria B (Ch 9) who ran sectional rehearsals for BPM over the past few weeks enabling each section of the orchestra to focus on music specific to them. We look forward to next week's rehearsal where everyone comes together in preparation for this year's Summertime Soiree.

Summertime Soiree - Monday 6th July - 7.00pm, MV Theatre

Join us for the annual Soiree - a celebration of music from across the College.

Tickets will go on sale via [this link](#) & adjacent QR code on Sunday at 10am.



Another event to support is the **PTA's LC Fest** on **Saturday 20 June**:



LC Fest is next weekend, Saturday 20th June 12-4, with activities, food and performances for all the family to enjoy, Inc our very own LC Bands and LC Prepling Choir.

Tickets can be bought on <https://www.ticketsource.com/liverpool-college-pta/t-kddermz>

Please note if enough tickets aren't sold by Monday close of business, the event will unfortunately be cancelled.

Please support our PTA.

Our **artist of the week** this week is Roxana T (Chapter 7) - *Local landscape inspired by Tula Moon*:



Mrs Crook (SENCO) has received information from Liverpool's secondary SENISS team about an upcoming **Project Teens** event aimed specifically at neurodivergent teenagers:



This event, happening at Central Library on Friday 26th and Saturday 27th June brings together all of the most accessible extra-curricular provision for neurodivergent teens in one place to offer 2 days of free workshops which young people can sign up to.

The event includes comic book making/illustration, performance, music, comedy, 3D printing and much more. In order to sign up to any of the free workshops, young people just need to visit the event webpage below and complete the form at the bottom, selecting between 1-4 workshops they would like to attend. Places are limited, so signing up early is recommended.

<https://www.thebraincharity.org.uk/project-teens/>

May I wish you and yours a 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**