

WHOLE SCHOOL

Updated Attendance and Behaviour Policies

Please [click here](#) to read Mrs Jennings' letter about Lymm High's updated attendance and behaviour policies. In addition, [click here](#) to read a message regarding checking your child's attendance.

If you require any support with your child's attendance at school, please do not hesitate to contact us, we are always here to help.

Mrs Jennings

Parent Forum

We will be holding a Parent Forum event on **Tuesday 19th November**, starting at 5.30pm and finishing no later than 7pm. This is an ideal chance for parents to come along and provide us with your feedback on the school, as well as to meet other parents. The headteacher and members of the senior leadership team will be there, along with school governors and they are keen to hear what you have to say. These are informal events and have always proved to be very constructive in the past.

If you are thinking of coming along, please let Mrs Headon know (hheadon@lymmhigh.org.uk) so that we can plan the appropriate amount of refreshments.

Pre-loved uniform outlet

Lymm High's second-hand uniform outlet is now available and can be accessed from the Reception area of main school. Parents can select pre-loved items at their leisure after signing in at the Reception desk. All items are available free of charge.

In addition, donations of good quality, clean, LHS-branded uniform and PE kit can be dropped off at Main Reception.

Scholars lectures volunteers

As part of the Scholars programme we organise lunchtime lectures for all students. For this academic year, we are looking for volunteers to come and give a 20–30-minute presentation on a given subject. The aim of these lectures is to expose students to careers/areas they may not have considered before and encourage curiosity.

If you, or someone you know, would be interested in coming into school during a lunchtime to speak to our students about a topic/career, please email adockerill@lymmhigh.org.uk.

We really appreciate the support and help of parents and friends of Lymm High School, and it would be wonderful if you could help out.

PE updates

PE topics do not change until **Monday 11th November**. All PE sports and dates can be found on [our website here](#). In addition, students are encouraged to bring in layers, hats and gloves for PE as the colder/wet weather begins.

Remembrance Day

Year 7 Form Captains will be selling poppies during Form time in the first week back after the half-term break. Please send students in with spare change if they would like to buy a poppy in support of the Royal British Legion. Card payments can also be taken at the Finance & MIS office (old school shop).

Derelict buildings

Warrington's Community Safety team have an issue around vulnerable children gaining access to derelict buildings, and the numerous risks associated with this. These buildings are an accident waiting to happen. Please talk to your children about the potential danger they are putting themselves in. In addition, if you have any details of buildings that need securing, please contact communitysafetywbc@warrington.gov.uk.

Pink for Peace

On **Thursday 7th November**, we will be inviting main school students to wear 'Pink for Peace' in memory of Brianna Ghey. Thursday would have been Brianna's 18th birthday so we're coming together to raise funds for Peace & Mind UK, a non-profit charity that provides essential mental health support through mindfulness (planting seeds of resilience, empathy and unity in our schools and communities). Students are invited to swap one item of their uniform for something pink and to make a donation of £1, if able to, in school to support this campaign. Online donations can also be made via ParentPay. In addition, students can purchase pink wristbands for £1 on the day if they would rather show their support in this way.

History of Oughtrington Hall

The fascinating back story of Lymm High's Oughtrington Hall is unveiled in a new book released this month. In *Oughtrington Hall and its People*, Roger Hannam includes this poignant story of the building's role as a haven for refugees during World War I, how the building became the fourth home of Lymm Grammar School and its subsequent transition into the high school we know today. The book can be bought from the Lymm Heritage Centre or online via lymmhic.co.uk.

Cashless catering

Please remember to top up your child's cashless catering account via Parent Pay to ensure your child is able to purchase food at break and during lunchtimes. You can [click here](#) to view the lunch menu, which changes each day. The price list can be [viewed here](#).

Raise funds for PTA while shopping at ASDA

ASDA shoppers can raise money for Lymm High by choosing the school to receive a percentage of their spend via the Rewards app. Up until **Saturday 30th November**, every time customers shop at ASDA using their Rewards app, the supermarket will donate 0.5% of the value of their shop to their chosen school.

Easy Fundraising

You can help us raise money for Lymm High's PTA while online shopping at no extra cost to yourselves. All you need to do is go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> and select Lymm High School as your cause, school will then receive a percentage donation. Last year, we raised over £700 just by shopping! As always, thank you for your support.

LHS Lottery

Congratulations to this week's school lottery winner, Mrs Yellen, who won £74.70! You could be a winner too! If you have not signed up for our lottery yet, please head to our dedicated lottery website [here](#). If you want to find out how the school lottery works, please [click here](#). Tickets are only £1 each week and your support would be hugely appreciated.

LOWER SCHOOL

Year 9 'Take my child to work' day – Wednesday 4th December

As mentioned at the Year 9 Information, Advice and Guidance Evening, all Year 9 students have the opportunity for parents/carers or close family friends to take them to work with them for a day. Please [click here](#) to read the letter sent home about this scheme, which is a hugely successful activity that we run each year. Please note that the deadline to inform us of the plans for your child is **Wednesday 20th November**.

Life Programme

Our next extended Life Programme is on **Tuesday 12th November**. Key Stage 3 students will study the following topics.

- **Year 7:** As part of their unit on puberty, Year 7 students will be doing a session on menstruation and menstrual wellbeing. They will look at the variety of sanitary products and how to help be supportive peers to each other
- **Year 8:** Students will be exploring the law around consent. This is an introduction to this topic as we begin to develop on it in the later years. They will explore the wording of the law and how it can apply to our everyday lives and the way we behave around and to each other.
- **Year 9:** Having looked at contraception last time, Year 9 will be looking at sexual health and STIs in this session. Students will consider the risks of not using contraception and the impact it can have on our health both in the short and long term.

For further information regarding our Life Programme curriculum, please visit our [page on the website](#). In addition, parents/carers may find this [NSPCC webpage](#) useful for advice on how to talk to your child about relationships, sex and consent.

UPPER SCHOOL

Year 11 Revision support

We would like to thank our Year 11 parents and carers for their continued support over the first half term. Our Year 11 students have made a remarkably positive start to the year and have enjoyed a week of treats with our 'pop up rewards' focus, which has been exclusively just for them in recognising how hard they are working. When we return after the half-term break, we will have approximately 4 weeks of lessons before the mock exams begin.

There are lots of revision opportunities on offer for Year 11 and we are encouraging them to aim to attend at least three of these a week, as well as incorporating roughly 2 x 45-minute revision sessions each evening at home (homework dependent). We have reminded students of the importance to get organised over the half-term break (i.e., make sure they have all of the resources they will need, make sure they know where their Year 10 books are, make sure they have completed a revision timetable, etc) so that they can hit the ground running on their return. With this in mind, it is important that they get some well-earned rest over the half term and spend time doing something they enjoy with friends and family. This will allow them to return with lots of energy, ready to achieve their best in half-term two.

For details of revision advice, revision sessions on offer and the mock exam timetable, please see the school website: [KS4 Revision – Make It Stick! – Lymm High School](#).

Huge congratulations to Year 10!

They have made a great start to their GCSE journey. They continue to impress us daily. Keep up the hard work Year 10, we are very proud!

Mrs Wagstaff and Miss McMullen

Life Programme

Our next extended Life Programme is on **Tuesday 12th November**. Key Stage 4 students will study the following topics.

- **Year 10** will be focusing on ideas around pressure, persuasion and coercion in relationships. It will explore how we can spot these behaviours and how we can avoid them in order to form long lasting positive relationships.
- **Year 11** will be looking at how unwanted attention can impact on our own perception but also on our relationships. We will also begin to explore how we can recognise abusive relationships and how we can report these and gain support.

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Sixth Form Open Evening

The reservation form is now available for our Sixth Form Open Evening, which will be held 5–8pm on **Thursday 14th November**. We highly recommend Year 11 students only and their parents/carers join us for what will be a fantastic opportunity to explore our Sixth Form, see our facilities, listen to a talk from the Head of Sixth Form, find out more about all the courses on offer and how to apply.

Please click on [this link](#) to register your place. If you have any questions or queries regarding Sixth Form in the meantime, please contact Mrs Hughes on lhughes@lymmhigh.org.uk.

SIXTH FORM

Year 13 Parents' Evening

Year 13 students have been given appointment cards to arrange meetings with their subject teachers for the upcoming Parents' Evening on **Thursday 7th November**. [Click here](#) to read the letter sent out to parents and carers via Class Charts.