



## Unlocking Potential – Inspiring Excellence Latimer Latest Updates: 21 July 2023



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### Principal's Post

What a fantastic end to an incredible term. So much to celebrate and be proud of. With trips to Hunstanton, Woburn Safari Park and Wimbledon, Sports Leaders supporting local primary schools, Pride of Latimer, Community Sports Day and so much more. But we end the academic year today, with students from the winning house **TULL**, enjoying a film afternoon to celebrate their success.



We wish you all a safe and happy summer.



### House Logos – Final Designs

Our brand new House logos, originally designed by Karolina Jarzemska, have now been digitalised by a graphic designer. These logos will go forward to represent each house for years to come and will become the symbol for what each house represents. We cannot wait to see them in action next year!

### Spotlight on Enrichment

Our enrichment programme this year has been bigger and better than ever! We are proud to have offered over forty clubs every single term to enrich the lives of our students beyond the classroom. We look forward to sharing our clubs list for Term 1 with you in September and hope to get as many students involved as possible.

This year has seen the successful return of our House System, bringing back friendly competition, as well as a sense of belonging and community to our school. We are proud of the sportsmanship and team spirit shown by students in our many house competitions throughout the year, which have ranged from Softball to Escape Rooms, Deck the Doors for World Book Day to our Year 7 Game show, The Great Royal Bake Off for the King's Coronation and more! This culminated in our popular Community Games Day last Tuesday, which saw Tull House take the trophy! We really have had something for everyone to get involved in!

Our final house scores for this academic year are...

### Final House Totals for 2022/23

4<sup>th</sup> place – Gilbert House [230 points]

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Kahlo House [380 points]

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Attenborough House [385 points]

1<sup>st</sup> place and winner of our House Cup for 2023 is TULL HOUSE! [460 points]

As a reward, Tull House will have a film afternoon in the Masque Theatre with drinks and snacks, to end the school year. Well done to their House Leader Mrs Al-Noah-Ponder and to all tutors and tutees from Tull House!

## September 2023 Being Ready to Learn: *'Failing to prepare, is preparing to fail'*

### Academic Year 2023 – 2024

The College opens to students on Tuesday 5 September  
Years 7-12 should arrive in College before 8.20am ready for a prompt start  
Year 13 should arrive for assembly in the Masque at 10.20am  
**PE kit will not be needed on the first day**

In order to be fully prepared for the start of the new academic year, please find included with the newsletter our updated [College Information Pack for Parents and Carers](#), which can be viewed on our website, along with all of our [Policies](#).

The new academic year will be up and running very promptly, with events to enrich the experience for students getting underway. With this in mind, please be aware of the following dates with more specific details to follow:

**Year 11 Ace Your Exams Evening:** For those students who will be in Year 11 and their parents and carers on Tuesday 19 September

**Year 10 Ace Your Exams Evening:** For those students who will be in Year 10 and their parents and carers on Wednesday 20 September

**Year 12 Ace Level 3 Evening:** For those students who will be in Year 12 and their parents and carers on Thursday 21 September

Through a carousel of fast-paced and interactive sessions, we aim to equip parents and carers with vital information and strategies that can be used to support their child's learning and progress at these vital stages of their academic journey.

### A Night with the 'Stars'



It has been three years since we last held a Pride of Latimer Awards evening, and what a memorable evening it was! The theme of the evening was 'stars' and we certainly saw some star performances by our student performers, and our guest speaker Siobhan Hearne, as well as those star students who achieved awards.



We offer our congratulations to all of our winners, but special mention must go to Lucas Farren, Maisie Morris, Wiktoria Gawlak, Ashley Willie, Dylan Jackson and Jack Golding for winning the coveted Pride of Latimer Award.

### Community Games Day

Well done to Tull House who won the overall Community Games Day. It was a great day with students, and staff, showing great enthusiasm and team spirit – even the weather was perfect. A big shout out to the Sixth Form student officials who were outstanding.

The year group winners were: **Year 10 - T8, Year 9 - K5, Year 8 - A4, Year 7 - T2**

The Community Games Day rounded off a busy year for staff and students in PE, with a great number of successes and achievements:

- Athletics – Year 7 Boys Gold and Girls Bronze. Year 8 Boys Silver and Girls Silver. Year 9 Boys Bronze and Girls Silver. All athletics teams finished on the podium out of 12 schools!
- Sports Leaders – assisted at Meadowside, Hayfield Cross and Barton Seagrave. Fantastic feedback was received from staff and parents of the primary schools.
- Wins in cricket, rounders and softball matches with a high participation rates at our summer sports lunchtime clubs.
- Superb Wimbledon trip/Tottenham hotspur stadium visit – our students were a credit to the College.
- Sports Tour 2023 Cornwall – this was a superb trip when, once again, the students were a credit to the College. They participated in many exciting activities including aquapark, go-karting, waterpark, zip lining and sports fixtures.



## Fundraising Mission

Sebastian Nunney, son of Mr Nunney, a member of staff at The Latimer Arts College, has been successfully battling Neuroblastoma, a childhood cancer of the nerve tissue, for several years now, but has sadly had a relapse.

As a community, we want to raise awareness and money to fund treatment for Sebastian. Your support in helping us to raise funds would be greatly appreciated, either financially or by sharing this with local businesses or larger companies who may be able to support or match fund.

To kick off our fundraising efforts, today our students are wearing non-uniform, house colours or PE kit in a bid to raise funds, with a voluntary contribution of £1 being collected from students and staff. They are also able to watch the staff v students rounders match at lunchtime – good luck to all involved!

There will also be a Summer Showcase on Thursday 27 July to raise money for Team Sebastian – details below:

**Please note: there won't be a card machine available to pay for refreshments, the bake sale or the tombola so please ensure you bring cash with you on the evening.**

**the Latimer Arts College**

On Thursday 27th July you will have the chance to see some of The Latimer Arts College's best performances of the year from the music concert and musical theatre production, all in support of TEAM SEBASTIAN.

Tickets are £5 each and the event will be held in the Masque Theatre from 6pm. Please arrive early from 5:30pm to enjoy refreshments, a bake sale and tombola in the foyer organised by the Y10 students.

**TEAM Latimer Supports TEAM Sebastian!**



After an incredible year of work by students, they have received 825,000 Epraise points since September – a fantastic effort from them all! This enabled us to end the year with a spectacular Summer Epraise Prize Draw, with some incredible rewards for students and the hard work they have put in this year. We would like to congratulate our winners:

Air Pods – Cory Ives Y12

Sweet Hampers – Joel Smith Y8, Erin Smith Y9, Summer Elston Y10, John Bergan Y12

Odeon Vouchers – Bradley Jones Y7, Harry Lewis Y8, Erin Smith Y9, Aman Beri Y10, Cory Ives Y12

Board Game Bundle – Morgan Bennell Y8

ASOS £50 Vouchers – Matilda Bailey Y9, Mollie Brophy-Williams Y10

The highest earner of Epraise points was Gemma Cox in Year 9, earning a fabulous 1,612 points over the year. Well done Gemma!

Next year, rewards will be issued through Satchel:one – details to follow.



### Careers Guidance for Parents and Carers

Success at School has created a free range of advice and resources to help you provide careers advice to your child, which comes straight to your inbox. You can sign up [here](#) to access these resources

### Summer Support and Activities

We are pleased to offer all students access to free online books this summer, thanks to Renaissance, our Accelerated Reader provider. All you need to do is visit: <https://www.myon.co.uk> and enter the following login information:

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1. **School Name:** Summer Reads
2. **Username:** SUM
3. **Password:** SUMR123!

Click the 'Sign In' button, select a book, and start reading!

The selection includes both fiction and non-fiction myON books with audio narration as well as language collections and daily news articles.

**Sign up for a FREE Summer Maths Lesson:** Our trusted online tuition partner, Purple Ruler, is offering every student a FREE summer lesson! Don't miss this incredible opportunity for your child to learn and grow during the break. Sign up now at <https://enrol.purpleruler.com/> and let the educational adventure continue!

Should students require support with technical issues, please contact: [support@purpleruler.zohodesk.eu](mailto:support@purpleruler.zohodesk.eu)

#SummerLearning #FreeLesson #PurpleRuler



**Don't forget! Mrs Murphy's summer reading challenge:** What is the most unusual place you will be found reading? Take a picture and send it to [mail@latimer.org.uk](mailto:mail@latimer.org.uk) with the title Reading Challenge and your name. We can't wait to see what you are reading and where!

#wehearttoread #latimerlovesliteracy

**Kids Eat for Free:** We would like to draw your attention to the range of organisations below that are offering 'kids eat free' or for £1, over the summer.



**PLACES WHERE KIDS EAT FREE (OR FOR £1)  
DURING THE 6 WEEKS SUMMER HOLIDAYS 2023**  
COURTESY OF MONEY SAVING CENTRAL

**ASDA**  
Kids eat for £1 All Day, Every Day at Asda cafes, with no adult spend required.

**TESCO**  
Kids eat free with a purchase of 60p+ from Mon 24th July - Fri 1st September 2023

**SAINSBURYS CAFES**  
Kids eat for £1 with the purchase of an adult hot main. From 11:30am every day.

**BEEFEATER & BREWERS FAYRE**  
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

**THE REAL GREEK**  
Kids under 12 eat FREE every Sunday for every £10 spent by an adult

**TABLE TABLE**  
Two children under 16 can get a free breakfast every day with one paying adult!

**TRAVELODGE**  
Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

**HUNGRY HORSE**  
Kids eat for £1 on Mondays & up to 2 Kids get free breakfast with 1 adult breakfast

**PREMIER INN**  
Buy 1 Adult Breakfast from just £8.99 & up to two kids eat breakfast for free

**SIZZLING PUBS**  
Every Monday to Friday, 3 - 7pm, kids' mains are £1 with every adult meal.

**IKEA**  
Kids get a meal from 95p daily from 11am

**MORRISONS**  
Spend £4.49 & get one free kids meal all day, every day.

**GORDON RAMSEY RESTAURANTS**  
Kids under 8 eat FREE all day, every day at selected Gordon Ramsay restaurants

**PRETO**  
Kids up to age 10 eat free all day, every day with paying adults at Preto in Half Terms

**BILLS**  
2 kids eat FREE all day, every day from Monday 24th July - Friday 1st Sept 2023

**BELLA ITALIA**  
Children eat for £1 with any adult main. The offer is valid 4-6pm Mon to Thurs.

**WHITBREAD INNS**  
Two kids under 16 eat for FREE with every adult breakfast purchased

**SA BRAINS PUBS**  
Children can eat for £1 with any adult main. Valid All Day Wednesdays

**FUTURE INNS**  
Under 12's eat for free with any adult meal. During the school holidays

**PAUSA CAFE @ DUNELM**  
Kids get 1 mini main, 2 snacks & a drink FREE with every £4 spend after 3pm

**YO! SUSHI**  
From Mon 17th of July until Fri 11th of Aug kids eat free with every £10 adult spend

**TO BE CONFIRMED...**  
M&S and Farmhouse Inns

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Also, just a reminder that the Holiday Activities and Food programme (HAF) provides **free** activities and food to children in receipt of free school meals through holiday periods (vouchers have been sent to parents/carers). There are two opportunities running over the summer holidays:

- **Athena Activities** has an outstanding Young Leaders Programme that they will be running in the Summer Holidays from 24 July through to 1 September. This is an experience all about learning leadership skills, working as a team, and taking responsibility. You can relax knowing that your teenager is safe and having fun.
- **Marvellous Minds Tuition** is an education organisation that will be running their annual Summer Club on weekdays throughout the summer holidays for students aged 4 to 16. The summer club offers individually tailored tuition in the core subjects as well as fun activities including creative writing, quizzes, brain teasers, arts and crafts and much more. It is a perfect opportunity for children to continue their academic development and keep their minds engaged while school is closed.

Details of both activities are included with this newsletter. Should you need any support with accessing places, please contact Jyoti Pankhania, Assistant Principal: [jpankhania@latimer.org.uk](mailto:jpankhania@latimer.org.uk)

## Dates for your Diary

### GCSE and A Level Results Days

A reminder that results will be available to students from the Masque:

Year 13 Results Day: Thursday 17 August from 8.00 – 10.00am

Year 11 Results Day and Sixth Form Registration: Thursday 24 August 8.00 – 10.00am

External candidate registration: 10.30 – 11.30am

Please note that, results will only be given to **students** unless we have had prior permission from them to allow their results to be collected by an appropriate adult. Results cannot be given over the telephone.

Results can be emailed if the student contacts us: [tlevick@latimer.org.uk](mailto:tlevick@latimer.org.uk)

Throughout the summer, the National Careers Service is running a series of [webinars](#) for parents and carers of young people who are expecting their exam results this August, to learn more about how to support your children with advice about choices and careers, including useful information sources, advice for results day, and a Q&A with a panel of experts.