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Latimer Community Weekly Newsletter

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Last Friday's day of celebration was a timely reminder of the hard work and commitment that our students have shown over this academic year. Our students may have faced challenges, but this has not held them back!

We would like to pass on our congratulations once again to all those who won a prize in our Epraise Summer Draw or who were given a prize in our Pride of Latimer Awards. We would like to give another special "well done" to our overall winners.

We hope that they have got over the shock of Ms Pankhania and Ms Hearne turning up on their doorstep to deliver their winner's speech!

Home Learning: Well Done!

We would like to say a huge well done to our students for completing their home learning over the last two terms. The best part of each week for staff was when they received fantastic pieces of work and photographs of things that students had completed.

We are very proud of all of our students who have embraced our Tassomai Science app. In total, students completed **61,430** questions last week! We would particularly like to praise our champions in each year group: Jacob Akrill, Connor Green, Tom Nixon and Euan Warner.



In order to support a positive restart, over the summer we ask for parent and carer support in reminding their children just how much they have achieved during lockdown, rather than focusing on what they may have missed out on by not being at school. It is clear that so many of our students remained committed to their studies and have worked hard.

In addition to this, many will return to school with a fantastic range of new practical skills that will serve them well for future success.

And then there is the personal development to celebrate: so many students will now be more independent, have greater resilience and be more able to organise themselves.

We must not dwell too much on what they have lost, but rather celebrate what they have gained!

And for those who have been less motivated, it is never too late! Now that they have a restart date, we would ask you to encourage your child to set aside some time over the next six weeks to perhaps tackle some of the activities they have not yet completed. This will allow them to have a positive start to the new term.

Year 10 and Year 12 Summer Revision Planning

In 'ordinary times', Year 10 and Year 12 would have sat end of year exams and be closing the gap in areas that they are less secure in over the summer holiday period. We appreciate that, whilst some of the gaps students may have will be in the learning that they have completed over terms 5 and 6, revision over the summer will still play a vital role in examination success next summer.

Therefore, staff have put together a pack of focused activities for students to complete. Students have been given very specific guidance and we would ask that parents and carers encourage completion of the packs.

A Level and GCSE and Results Publication Day

We look ahead now to the future. Firstly, arrangements have been made for the publication of examination results on Thursday 13 August for A Levels and Thursday 20 August for GCSEs. Those students who have requested to collect their results in person will be emailed their allocated time slot. Whilst we want to be able to provide our students with something that is closely akin to a 'normal' event, it is vital that they only come on site at their allocated time. We do very much look forward to celebrating with them, from a distance, on these days.

Get Set for September!

We hope that the information that we sent you by email yesterday for the September restart tells you all that you need to know at this stage. We would like to emphasise that this is an initial plan so that all students can return in the first instance. Once our students are back and learning is underway, we will look to see how we can extend the plan to address some of the areas that are not currently possible, such as practical PE lessons and extra-curricular activities. For now, we are just pleased that we can offer some routine for our students and some relief for you as parents and carers from your teaching duties!

Uniform Ordering

Please can we remind parents and carers to start to turn their attention to uniform and equipment, in preparation for September.

With regards to uniform, a reminder that blazers, ties and PE kit should be ordered through Karl Sports - either email through their [website](#) or call 01536 601731. Online orders are delivered within 48 hours. Placing orders within the next fortnight would really help.

The shop, located at Unit 7, Trafalgar Road, Kettering, Northants, NN16 8DB, is now fully operational six days a week for parents and carers to visit. Please be aware that with social distancing in place, it will take **much** longer if there is a queue.

With regards to equipment, as part of the Government guidance, sharing of equipment must be minimised and a strict cleaning regime will need to be in place. Therefore, it will be vital that students are fully equipped in September.

Should any parent or carer need financial support with the purchasing of uniform and equipment, we are able to offer this to those who are eligible for the Pupil Premium funding. Please do contact Ms Pankhania should this be the case: jpankhanian@latimer.org.uk

Our best wishes go to those students who are celebrating birthdays over the summer:



Mollie Andrews, Megan Armstrong, Aimee Ashton, Masyn Bail, Skyler Bettles, Liam Bevin, Leonie Blamire, Rhianna Bond, Emily Borrett, Owen Bosworth, Marcus Bowie, Ruby Breakell, Katy Brear, Ben Brooker, Mollie Brophy-Williams, Enrico Brown, Mollie Buck, Luke Bull, Ellie Burns, Jessie Bush, Alfie Castley, Charlie Castley, Samantha Chance, Kayla Chester, Alfie Church, Lydia Church, Jamie Cooper, Kelsey Creamer, Lewis Critchley, Albert Crockford, Bethan Cundy, Isabelle Currall, Luke Dalton-Ruark, Kally Davis, Cherise Day, Logan De Kock, Rhys Devine, Samuel Dexter, Haydn Drage, Leo Dunham, Emilia Dzidek, Ralph Eastaway, Finlay Eaton, Dexter Edwards, Ruby Edwards, Libby Eldridge,

Ashton Elmore, Jude Farren, Cavan Folwell-Vincitore, Alicia Friess, Anaise Gallagher, Akif Ghany, Kitty Goodman, Ben Gregory, Reggie Hall, Paris Hart, Rebecca Hayward, Jake Henderson, Hudson Hendry, Kayleigh Hodder, Tyler Hollyman, Liam Holyhead, Jamelle Hooper, Kacey Hull, Batuhan Hurkan, Ronnie Inglis, Emily Jellis, Aidan Jones, Jacob Jones, Sian Jones, Nathan Kenyon, Molly Kilbourn-Wagg, Leigha Knight, Lexie Knipe, Lily Lafratta, Thomas Laidlaw, Joshua Lamb, Georgia Lamy, Martyn Anthony Lane, Isabella Lee, Max Lee, Phoebe Leverett, Charlotte Lund, Isabelle Lund, James Macgregor, Archie Major, Logan McGuire, Ellie Moore, Gracie Mae Moore, Jamie Morcombe, Connor Morris, Joshua Murray, Oli O'Dell, Lana Orbell, Chloe Owen, Evie Painter, Samuel Painter, Harrison Parker, Dhiren Parmar, Leo Parsler, Millie Porter, Jude Power, Theo Price, Zachary Price, Anna Pringle, Ethan Randall, Aaron Reed, Cadiya Robinson-Evans, Ellis Schulze, Zoe Seaton, Joseph Sharman, Romeo Smedley, Imogen Smith, Jayden Spence, Emi Stambollaj, Phoebe Stanley, Abigail Stone, Tom Strudwick, Harvey Sutherland, Kai Taylor-Jacob, Sam Thomas, Connor Thompson, Portia Thompson, Bess Turnbull, Kimberly Turner, Vivek Tyagi, Oliver Urban, Harry Walker, Leon Walker, Kim Walton, Sam Ward, Aethon Watts, Benjamin Whiteman, Emmy Willson, Sophie Wilson, and Amber Wood.

And finally... as we end this academic year, we say goodbye and thank you to the following staff who are moving on to pastures new: Mrs Herbert, Miss Hings, Mrs Reynolds and Mrs Van-Hopewell.

We would like to give a special mention to Mr Yates, who is retiring after 17 years at the College and to thank him on behalf of all of the students he has inspired over the years!