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Celebration Assembly and Prom

As you receive this latest update, we will have commenced the celebrations with those Year 11 and 13 students who have been invited to take part in our leavers' events. We are delighted to be able to do so, after a two-year break. As they commence the next stage in their life's journey, we would like to take this opportunity to wish each of our students the very best. From all the staff at The Latimer Arts College, it has been a privilege and an honour to have known you all.

I take this opportunity to thank all of our parents and carers for your loyalty and support along the way. This has meant so much to us.

It is also appropriate that at this time that I publicly thank the staff team at The Latimer Arts College, who have worked tirelessly, in some very challenging circumstances, doing what they do best: placing children at the heart of all that they do. We know that you recognise that your children could not have done it without them.

Regards
Siobhan Hearne
Principal

Learning and Progress

Mock Examination Season: Year 10 and Year 12 Exams

Year 10 have made a great start to their mock exams this week. Their exams continue until Friday 1 July. A reminder that students can leave site once their afternoon exams have finished. For those students with no exams on the afternoons of Tuesday 28 June and Thursday 30 June, they are permitted to study from home during this time.

Year 12 students are expected to attend school when they have an exam or a BTEC lesson.

Sixth Form Induction Programme

We look forward to welcoming all Year 11 students who have applied to return or to join our Sixth Form Community to our Sixth Form Induction Programme from **Wednesday 29 June** to **Friday 1 July**. Students will have the opportunity to experience life as a Sixth Form student at Latimer and try some sample lessons in their chosen Level 3 options.

Next Steps: Year 6 Moving Up Day

We were delighted to meet parents and carers of current Year 6 pupils who will be joining us in September at the recent Moving Up Evening, which signalled the start of our partnership. We hope that the information shared about progress and learning, personal development and well-being and life at Latimer was useful for you.

We look forward to welcoming all our new Year 7 students to our Moving Up Day on Monday 11 July.

Safeguarding and Well-Being

Placing Well-Being at the heart of all that we do!

We are currently working in partnership with the Northamptonshire Mental Health Team and drawing on their expertise to support our students. This is particularly important as we do all that we can to mitigate any impact that the pandemic has had on individuals.

Therefore, we would be grateful if all parents and carers could complete a short survey by Monday 7 July: [School Wellbeing and Mental Health Needs](#). The survey assesses your understanding of the current mental health needs within the College and your responses will provide an important insight into shaping our future priorities.

Aiming High: Raising Aspirations and Expectations

Introducing T Levels

T Levels are high quality new qualifications that follow on from GCSEs and enable 16–19 year olds to move onto a job, a higher apprenticeship or further study at university. Included with this newsletter is a letter from the Secretary of State for Education about this qualification.

Enriching the Educational Experience and Celebrating Success



Marvellous Millionaires: We are delighted to announce Antoni Granosik has now joined the club, having read over 1 million words in Accelerated Reader!



The Epraise Summer Prize Draw is live on the website and we have had huge interest already - with prizes such as tickets to a West End show and a tour of Wembley, it is hardly a surprise!

This draw gives our students an opportunity to spend any points they have accumulated this year so far before the draw on Monday 11 July so please encourage them to enter to be in with a chance to win.

The next fortnight also sees the awarding of our LORIC subject awards, which gives staff an opportunity to recognise those students who have excelled in individual subjects with their effort, engagement and progress.

Summer Showcases

Term 6 is a busy one for the Performing Arts! Students are busy rehearsing at lunch and after school every day to prepare for several rehearsal and performance opportunities:

- Final touches are being added to the pieces for our Summer Music Concert on Thursday 30 June
- The Junior Dance Company are preparing for a mini showcase after school on Wednesday 6 July
- Year 7 Drama club are meeting every Thursday lunchtime to build their Drama skills and after their audition process, the 'Romeo and Juliet' group and the Musical Theatre Club rehearsals are in full swing!

Our students are right on track!

After an amazing afternoon with so many successes, we are very proud of our Year 8 Boys' team who won the District Athletics Championships and to our Year 8 Girls who secured third place (only missing out the win by 2 points!) Once again, the students were a credit to the College.



We would like to pass on our congratulations to Jack Moreton, who was part of our winning athletics team, and has been awarded a scholarship at the Stowe School in Buckingham in recognition of his prowess in sport. Jack will be focussing on developing his potential as a rugby player. Whilst we will miss his contributions to the College, we are delighted that he has been given this opportunity.



Well done to our Year 10 Boys' Softball team who came runners up in the District Softball Tournament.

In a spectacular achievement, Leo Dunham, bowling for Burton Latimer Under-15 side, recently got his first ever 'fifer'. He bowled 4 overs for 19 runs and got 5 wickets!



NMPAT News – Saturday Music Schools are coming back!

Following a successful year of face-to-face activities, NMPAT are excited to be launching the Saturday Centre registration in preparation for September 2022. Click [here](#) for registration details.

Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust provide a wide range of music and artistic opportunities for children and young people from age 3 and upwards, with no experience necessary.

With 12 Centres across the county there will be a venue local to you, where you can discover open access activities, first experiences of music and the arts as well as classes and ensembles for those already having lessons. Find your nearest Centre at www.nmpat.co.uk/centres.

Would your child love to learn a musical instrument?

There are many benefits to learning a musical instrument, including stimulating the brain and improving memory, stress relief, boosting confidence, improving patience and developing creativity and social skills.

Therefore, we are delighted to be able to offer the opportunity for students to book musical instrument lessons with NMPAT (Northamptonshire Music and Performing Arts Trust) for the next academic year. We have visiting teachers come to the College every week to teach woodwind (flute, oboe, clarinet, saxophone and bassoon), brass (trumpet, tenor horn, French horn, baritone/euphonium, trombone and tuba), strings (violin, viola, cello and double bass), piano and keyboard, drums and guitar (acoustic, electric or bass).

If you are interested in your child learning one of these instruments, please email Ms Winfield, Student Services Administrative Assistant: bwinfield@latimer.org.uk for more information or to book a lesson for next year.

Lessons cost £14.00 per 20 min session each week, for 11 lessons per term (total per term of £154.00) with 3 terms per year. We may be able to offer financial support for those students who are eligible for the Pupil Premium funding. Please contact Ms Pankhania, Assistant Principal: jpankhanian@latimer.org.uk for more information.

Other News

Come and Join our Team: Check Out our Current Vacancies

Are you, or someone you know, interested in working at Latimer? We currently have [vacancies](#) for Lunchtime Supervisors, Learning Support Assistants and Cover Supervisors. If you are interested, we would love to hear from you!

Dates for your Diary

Please take the time to view our [calendar](#) and ensure that you are aware of all of the key dates for the year.

Tuesday 28 June	Year 12 UCAS Exhibition Trip
Wed 29 June – Friday 1 July	Sixth Form Induction Programme
Thursday 30 June	Summer Music Concert, 7.00pm
Wednesday 6 July	Junior Dance Company Showcase
Thursday 7 July	Year 10 Geography Field Trip 1
Friday 8 July	Year 10 Geography Field Trip 2
Monday 11 July	Year 6 Moving Up Day
Tuesday 12 July	Sports Day
Tuesday 19 July	End of Term 6
Wednesday 20 July	Training Day: College closed to students

Other key dates:

Year 13 Results Day:

Thursday 18 August

Year 11 Results Day and Sixth Form Registration:

Thursday 25 August