

MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Farewell to Year 11 and Year 13

On Friday we said an emotional farewell to Year 11 and Year 13 students. They have all grown as students and individuals in their time at Latimer.

We hope that we have sent them on to new adventures with the skills and qualifications to fulfil their dreams, and that they have happy memories of the enriching experiences they shared here.

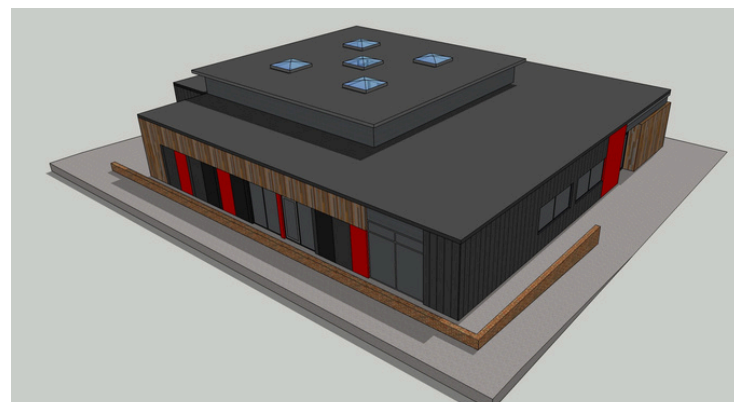
We know they will continue to demonstrate the Latimer core values in all that they do in the future, as they are not just values for school but for life.

- Honesty is vital in building relationships, both personal and professional.
- Excellence should be strived for in all aspects of life.
- Ambition means believing you can do it!
- Resilience will be necessary to see you through life's ups and downs.
- Teamwork will make you happier and more successful in your job.

Thank you to those parents and carers who have been on the journey with us. We wish you all well.

Sixth Form Centre

We are thrilled to announce that work on redevelopment of the old community centre into a sixth form centre will begin soon, and be ready before Christmas. This dedicated space will allow us to grow the sixth form and offer them study and social spaces to rival any in the local area.



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Summer Weather

Now that we actually have the lovely summer weather, students do not need to be wearing their blazers to school but ties do need to be worn and shirts must be tucked in. Messages regarding uniform adjustments will always come to you and not via students to avoid any miscommunication.

Thank you for your support with maintaining our high standards.

Bikes

We understand that there has been some damage to bike tyres happen in the local community. Please be reassured that your bikes are safe on site as we have CCTV on our bike sheds and around school so we would be able to identify and sanction any damage to property.

Community Sports Day

Exciting news, we have won the 'Sure' Breaking Limits competition. This was a competition run by the brand to win an Olympian or Paralympian for a day. An outstanding video submission from Indie Cale (Year 7) was the winning entry and we are very much looking forward to having an inspirational performer with us on the Community Games Day.

On that note....just a reminder that the 'Latimer Community Games' will take place on Friday 12 July. Students should arrive as normal, and go to their form room at 8:25am. Your son/daughter will need to come to school in their PE kit for the day (red t-shirt and shorts / skort/ jogging bottoms, hot pants are not permitted). Please prepare for the weather and bring layers for colder weather or hat and sun cream for warmer weather. Please ensure students have water bottles with them to stay hydrated throughout the sessions. Students are allowed to wear face paint / body glitter in their House colour. They do not need their pencil cases or books on this day.

Inspection Success

Following an inspection on Thursday 20 June by the Environmental Health Officer, abm Catering at The Latimer Arts College have been given a 5-star hygiene rating.

A 5-star hygiene rating is at the top of the scale, and it is the highest a business can achieve. Obtaining this rating demonstrates full compliance with food hygiene and safety laws.

The rating is given under the food hygiene rating scheme (FHRS).



Who will win the House Competition this year?

Only a few more weeks until the winning House is revealed... good luck to all!

ATTENBOROUGH

?? Points

GILBERT

?? Points

KAHLO

?? Points

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?? Points

LATIMER LOVES READING!

#WEHEARTTOREAD

On Thursday 20 June seven students from Years 8 and 9 were lucky enough to visit Bishop Stopford School as part of the Latimer Shadowing Group taking part in this year's Yoto Carnegie Awards, demonstrating our values of excellence, respect and teamwork in abundance! Our dedicated students have read the eight books that were shortlisted for the award of 'YOTO Carnegie Medal for Writing' and have taken part in discussions and submitted reviews as part of the Shadowing Group process.



During their visit to Bishop Stopford School, alongside other secondary schools from Kettering and Wellingborough, they contributed their reviews and thoughts to discussions before voting for the 'Shadowers Choice Award'. All local schools taking part voted 'The Boy Lost in the Maze' by Joseph Coelho as their winner. Taking into account votes from the multiple shadow groups across the country, the YOTO Carnegie Award for Writing was awarded to 'Crossing the Line' by Tia Fisher, which is available in our Latimer Library.

Huge thanks to Mrs Brooking for organising this opportunity for our young readers and well done to: Doris Garrod; Ella Fairbairn; Ruby Milson; Luca Lupici; Kaiya Tyagi; Samuel Wright; Jude Roberts and Jemima Agyemang for their commitment and participation.

Review of 'Steady for This' by Nathanael Lessore written by Samuel Wright, Year 9:

The variety of layers in this book and the actual content itself really took me off guard - I didn't expect to have enjoyed it as much as I did! Throughout the entirety of the story, even the chapter names are full of jokes that play on words extremely effectively, and even the lyricism in the rapping aspect of the book is quite surprising with its complexity. From the main character's perspective of not entirely understanding words and their meaning, with a lot of misinterpretations and not much academic knowledge, it emphasises other talents that are less appreciated by others that he excels in. Throughout the book, stereotypes are constantly being rewritten by providing a sense of insight into the character's thoughts that would usually be seen differently by others societally. This was a great read - the type of book I would definitely come back to from time to time, just to see the interesting smaller aspects that I'd missed last time I read it. Highly recommend for any level of reader.



CAREERS



Year 10 in Term 6

By now the vast majority of Year 10 students have been seen by one of our independent careers advisers for an individual careers appointment. An action plan based on the appointment has been added to their Unifrog accounts.

This term we will be welcoming speakers to present a series of assemblies to remind the students of all the options available to them after Year 11: Sixth Form, College or Apprenticeships. We have already had assemblies from the Careers Adviser (overview), Sixth Form and Moulton College.

Year 11 and 13 Leavers

By now all GCSE, BTEC and A level exams have been completed. If your young person now needs further advice about their next steps, our careers advisers are available for consultation. If parents/students would like a phone call, Teams call or a face-to-face appointment with a careers adviser before the end of term, please email careers@latimer.org.uk

The Apprenticeship Guide 2024

[The Apprenticeship Guide 2024](#) has now been published.

If an apprenticeship is an option your child is considering after school, look through this guide which has articles about how to apply for apprenticeships, a list of the Top 100 Apprenticeship Employers as well as lists of different types of apprenticeship within the job sectors.



BBC Bitesize have a [Careers section](#) which has many useful articles. A highlight is the job case studies videos. The dozens of case-studies listed range from how to be an aircraft engineer to how to be an apprentice zookeeper and all the letters in between!

If your child would like support from the Careers department, please email careers@latimer.org.uk

If you feel you can support us here at Latimer by coming in or welcoming students to your workplace, please fill in your details [here](#)

SIXTH FORM NEWS

There is always so much to talk about in Sixth Form!

Year 12 students have been diving into some engaging and important topics during their Personal Development Time in recent weeks. These topics are designed to help our students grow into well-rounded, empathetic, and informed individuals. Here is a snapshot of what they have been discussing:

Diversity & Equality:

Focus: Appreciating different cultures and perspectives, and promoting respect and fairness for all.

Knife Crime:

Focus: Understanding the serious impact of knife crime and learning how to make safe, responsible choices.

Managing Frustration:

Focus: Developing healthy coping strategies for stress and frustration to support mental well-being.

Medical Ethics & Changing Lives:

Focus: Exploring the moral dilemmas in healthcare and the impact of medical advancements on society.

Masculinity and Men:

Focus: Challenging stereotypes and fostering a modern understanding of masculinity for better mental health.

University Applications and Personal Statements

With guidance and support, all Year 12 students have now initiated their online UCAS applications and are currently focusing on their personal statements this term.

Year 12 - Work Experience Week 15-19 July

We are really pleased that the majority of our students have now sourced themselves a placement, however, we do still have a small number that have not yet found a suitable opportunity so, we would like to reach out to ask for your help.

Maybe you know of someone who may be able to offer a work experience placement that could enhance university and job applications, while also helping students determine what aspects of their chosen career they do and don't enjoy.

We are specifically looking placements in the following areas:

Ideal Placement:

Humanitarian Aid
Law/Legal System
Music Recording Studios
Quantity Surveying
Social Care Sector

Could Consider:

Charity Shop/ Helping people in need
Solicitors/Estate Agents/Recruitment Consultants
Something in the Music Industry
Civils/Estimating/Costing
Something with lots of interactions with people

If you can help please, email smagee@latimer.org.uk who will be happy to answer any questions you may have.

OTHER NEWS



Thank you!

We raised an incredible £1120 on Kettering goes ORANGE day. Thank you to our fabulous Latimer community for once again showing real HEART.

On Saturday 16 June, Violet Draper placed 7th in the British Gymnastics Rhythmic Finals competition in Newcastle - her first ever national competition. So far this year she has become both the East Midlands and County Champion for her age group.

Also well done to Zac Scott, Abina Gama, Harry Smith, Oliver Smith, George Clark, Kellan Bail, Annabelle Storer and Alicia Hyde for representing North Northants in the County Athletics Competition last weekend. A fantastic achievement by all to have been selected.



Abina has managed to go one step further and will now be representing Northamptonshire County in the next round after finishing 2nd in the girls 100m! Good luck Abina!

Catering News

The catering team will be embracing summer with their ice cream day and also celebrating National Hot Dog Day. Please see details below.



DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 24 June	Sixth Form Induction Programme (until 26 June)
Wednesday 26 June	Year 8 HPV Vaccinations
Friday 28 June	Summer Music Concert, 7pm
w/c 1 July	Year 8 Normandy Trip
4-5 July 2024	Yr 12 Geography Field Trip
Monday 8 July	Year 6 Move Up Day
Wednesday 10 July	Pride of Latimer Awards Evening, 6pm
Friday 12 July	Community Games Day
15-19 July 2024	Year 12 Work Experience Week
Friday 19 July	End of Term 6
15 August 2024	A Level Results Day, 8.00-11.00 am
22 August 2024	GCSE Results Day & 6th Form Enrolment, 8.00-11.00 am



More dates are available on our website

EXTENDED LEARNING FACILITIES

A reminder of our Aspire Homework Club, designed to support your child's academic success.

In the mornings from 8.00-8.20am, and after school on Mondays to Thursdays from 3.00-4.00 pm, we provide dedicated homework facilities in the Library staffed with trained professionals to assist students in completing their extended learning. Additionally, during the lunch period, students are welcome to go to the Library.