

# NEWSLETTER

Friday 26th February 2021

#### **Headteacher Message**

Dear Parent/Carer

I hope that you and your families are safe and well.

Following on from the Prime Minister's announcement on Monday, I am now in the process of planning for the full re-opening of our school from Monday 8th March 2021. I am so looking forward to welcoming our school community back on site.



I will be in touch on Wednesday next week with the precise details of how this return to school will operate at LDA but please be aware at this stage:

- The return for pupils will be **staggered** across the week of 8<sup>th</sup> March.
- All pupils will not be back on site straight away.
- Pupils will continue to receive remote learning that week if their year group has not yet returned to school.
- The reason for this staggered return is so that, in line with government expectations, we can test pupils for COVID-19 at our school testing centre if we have **consent** from the parent/carer or from the pupil if he/she is 16 years of age.
- Please be aware, you can now read a letter from me about the testing and sign the LDA COVID-19 testing consent form by visiting the school website and clicking on the COVID-19 testing link.
- The current deadline for the school to receive this information is **Monday 1**st **March 4pm**.
- There will be more information about the pupils' return to school to follow from me and from The Dean Trust CEO Mr Kapur CBE next week.

I truly thank you for your understanding and support in this matter. This is a big challenge for the school but I know that, by working in partnership with families and through our organised approach, our pupils will enjoy a safe and reassuring return to their on-site education.

With best wishes for the weekend.



Miss V. Gowan, Headteacher

#### Literacy – Competition Time

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The Form class that successfully completes the most Bedrock lessons across this half term will win a book of their choice! That's right, every member of your Form will get to choose a book of their choice for FREE! Remember, the minimum expectation is that you complete at least two lessons of Bedrock each week. However, imagine completing one Bedrock lesson every day? Improve your vocabulary, reading age and be in for the chance of winning a free book? It's a win/win situation! Competition closes: March 25th 3pm



https://www.ncw2021.co.uk/

Pupils can find a range of resources to support their Careers education in the LDA Careers Hub Google Classroom - code bwv43rx.

Year 9 pupils can access links to presentations from local post-16 providers under the Year 9 Options tab.



Parents and carers can access a guide to National Careers week on the LDA website https://www.lordderbyacademy.co.uk/par ents-pupils/careers-educationinformation-advice-and-guidance/



### LDA Maths Globe Trotter Challenge

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Have you ever wondered how many steps it is to Spain? How about Mexico, America, anywhere?





Following on from the success of the LDA Step It Up, the maths department want to keep our pupils active. Our Challenge is called The Globe Trotter Challenge, we encourage both staff and pupils to get involved.

Each half term Mr Panther will post a location in the UK and the number of miles it is from LDA.

> All you need to do is join the following Google classroom: 3a75plg

- The competition begins Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2021,
- Pupils need to log on to the Google classroom to fill out a Google Form and post their steps each week
  - This half-term's location is Blackpool
  - Our top 3 pupils will win a £10 voucher and a stick of rock each!







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### Year 9 Maths Enrichment Event

Well done to all the Year 9 pupils who took part in the Higher Achievers Mathematics enrichment session delivered by Shaping Futures and Building Motivation and Attainment in Mathematics (BMAM) on Wednesday 24th February 2021.

The session focused on investigating properties of shapes using paper folding. Feedback from Staff at Shaping Futures and BMAM was extremely positive and praise was given to all pupils who engaged.

They look forward to future sessions with you! You are amazing!

Drama Workshop



Dance Workshop



### **Professional West End Dance & Drama Workshops**

Task: Take part in a West End Dance and/or Drama online workshop with a West End Performer, Suzie McAdam.

You can take part in one or both workshops. Each workshop will provide you with the opportunity of being crowned West End Workshop Winner!

Join the Expressive Arts Inspiration Station Google Classroom to register your interest for the workshops.

All participants will be awarded 10 House points.

Expressive Arts Inspiration Station Google Classroom : dfrakd5

The winners (1 dance & 1 drama) will be announced on Monday 8th March 2021.

> Deadline to join the Google Classroom: Monday 1st March 2021 by 3pm

Prize: Both winning participants will be awarded a £20 voucher

OWMAN LDA Workshops: DRAMA: 3rd March 2:45 - 3:45pm

DANCE: 4th March 2:30pm - 3:30pm

LDA Modern Language Department World Monuments Competition

LDA pupils have been virtually exploring world monuments. We are really impressed with the fantastic entries we have had so far. Here are just a few of some of the amazing creations! Can you name them all?

Watch out for the winners in next week's newsletter!







Our LDA community are global citizens.

### ord Derby Academy Presents. THE EXPRESSIVE ARTS ONLINE ENRICHMENT CLASSROOM

IS OPEN TO EVERYONE!

This classroom offers all LDA pupil many opportunities to get involved in activities, quizzes &

Escape Room Challenges: Can you unlock the rooms to reveal the codes and complete the challenge?

Expressive Arts Subject Specific Activities:

There are lots of different tasks and activities that will be revealed for you to complete for fun at

Cross Curricular Activities:

See how the different Expressive Arts subjects have creative links with other subjects such as THE DEAN TRUST English, Maths, Geography, MFL and many more.

Lord Derby Academy Sign up: 1985404 Sign up : rvx54o4

Lots of Lord Derby Academy pupils have taken this great opportunity to join the online Google Classroom that supports the Expressive Arts enrichment programme remotely.



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different Arts courses

ou are in at school or college it is never 'too early' to start thinking about your future, in particular, your career goals. With so many resources and possibilities out there, it can feel overwhelming when thinking about where to start.
The Expressive Arts
Enrichment Classroom

provides links and resources supporting careers in the Arts from LIPA

### Faculty of the Week

## Expressive Arts



Miss Taylor Head of Department



Ms Chase Classroom Teacher with Responsibility



Miss Boag-Munroe Lead Teacher of Music



Mr Proctor Classroom



Mrs Greenhalgh Classroom Teacher



Miss Pickering Classroom



Mr Torod

ART - The Art department are extremely proud of all our artists working so hard in this difficult times. We want to say a big thank you to all those engaging in lessons and submitting work, it makes a massive difference to see the results of your efforts and really does make our day. Keep up the hard work and not long to go till we can see you all in person, we honestly cannot wait.

Miss Chase's Stars of Lockdown 3 - Y7 Joe R, Y8 Emily W, Y9 Erin , Y10 Bianca P, Y11 Emilija B Mrs Greenhalgh's Stars of Lockdown 3 - Y7 - Ava B, Y8 - Olivia M, Y9 - Harry P, Y10 - Elizabeth D, Y11 - Faye D

**Year 7** have been really enjoying a project of Doodling, looking at and working in the style of the artist Jon Bergerman. You can see from the results that it has been a lot of fun.

**Year 8** have been looking at Op Art, as you can see they have enjoyed creating illusions with their drawing and shading skills.

Year 9 have been revisiting Portrait Drawing skills. They have been getting to grips with how to draw a face in proportion using guidelines and focusing on drawing individual features realistically. They have then moved on to creating double exposure images using portraits as a starting point.



**Year 10** have been working in their sketchbooks and continuing with their Twisted Fairy Tales coursework project. They have been developing a range of skills including how to produce an Artists Research page and practising different drawing techniques. They have also learnt how to create a digital collage using popular editing apps. As you can see, with great success.

**Year 11** have also been continuing work in their sketchbooks working on their 'Art of the 60's' coursework project. They have completed a Mind Map setting the context, looked at the work of the popular 60's artist Peter Max and the different genres of the decade.

Some have even started work on a 3D outcome, making letters or words popular at the time.



#### DRAMA

National Theatre: In response to the school closures the <u>National Theatre</u> is offering username and password access to the National Theatre Collection. For a temporary period, some of the best plays can be accessed remotely ensuring pupils studying from home can still watch them.

<u>https://www.dramaonlinelibrary.com</u> Log in details can be obtained from your drama teacher.

Response to a Stimulus in Drama: In drama pupils have just completed lessons on responding to a stimulus. Well done to Jacob B who was given a picture and asked to write a script based upon it. He wrote and outstanding piece which stood out for it's originality, interpretation of stimuli, use of metaphor, creative language and use of dramatic techniques to create meaning. It also connects with LDA's well being theme for this week of 'Bereavement & Loss' which we will explore further during Friday's form time.

#### Music

Using Chrome Piano for Practical Music - Pupils have been continuing to engage with practical work in Music during our remote provision. We have been really impressed with the resilience shown by pupils in developing their performance skills in different ways. This half term our Year 7 and Year 8 pupils are learning to play melodies on the keyboard with some pupils learning how to use an online instrument called the Chrome Music Lab Shared Piano. This website lets pupils perform using their computer as well as record it within the website so that they can share their work with others. There is even an option to collaborate with others to create duets! Try it out at <a href="https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/Shared-Piano/">https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/Shared-Piano/</a>

Instruments of the Orchestra - Last half term, Year 7 and Year 8 explored the instruments of the orchestra. This involved pupils learning which instruments make up the different orchestral families and how to recognise them by sight and sound. Pupils also had the opportunity to design their own string instrument and create their own percussion performance using items they had at home. These are some examples of the string instruments that Year 7 pupils created.



#### **Expressive Arts Stars**

Art - Lillie C, Isabella R, Erin A, Livia G, Emilija B, Faye D, Reece P, Photography, Abi Mc Drama - Emmeline H, James A, Frankie D, Jacob B, Annabel C, Andrew B, Abbie N, Luke S Dance - Robyn P, Lauren C / Film Studies - Elsie S

Music - Eleanor C, Phoebe D, Ava Grace C, Daniel H-R, Frankie D, Erin A, Lauren F, Bianca P, Lauren H, Jaymie S