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Lacon Childe School

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10 September 2025 (Week B)

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a great first week back, despite the weather definitely reminding us that it was the end of summer. I was pleased to see all the students returning to school looking smart and ready to learn, there was a calm and purposeful atmosphere around the school.

During the first assembly of this year, I discussed the importance of high expectations and the impact that these can have on success. I talked to the students about their learning behaviours and the expectations that they should have of themselves. Of course, this means good behaviour in lessons, but equally important are the behaviours that mean students get the most out of their learning, such as being prepared to continue to try hard, even when the work gets tough and completing all the homework that has been set by members of staff. We will be continuing to concentrate on the best learning behaviours for success during the coming year.

Year 10 GCSE Information Evening

Our Year 10 GCSE Information evening is being held in school on Thursday 25 September 2024. The evening will be an opportunity to listen to valuable information about the start of the GCSE courses, I will provide more detail about the specific arrangements for the evening next week.

School Photographs

As you know we have had school photographs today for Year 7, 9 and 11, including friendship groups and family photographs. Your child will be given a card tomorrow containing information on how to order your photographs. Please be advised that if you order within 14 days you will receive free of charge delivery to the school. If after this date, you will need to pay a postage charge, and they will be delivered to your home address.

Castle Trip

We are always keen for our students to have new experiences that enrich their curriculum. Year 7 will be visiting Goodrich Castle in Herefordshire next month. Here they will be able to see an excellent and impressive example of a castle that has changed significantly over time and understand how it can be used as evidence as well as appreciating the nation's history. A letter will follow shortly with more information about the trip.

Poland Trip

We are planning our trip to Krakow in Poland for our Year 10 History students. This is a memorable and inspirational trip that provides an opportunity for our students to develop their understanding of key topics in the GCSE curriculum. A letter will follow shortly with more information about the trip.

Nasal Flu Vaccinations

A reminder that the closing date for the nasal flu vaccinations is 9am on Monday 15 September.

Rags2Richies

Our next Rags2Riches collection is Wednesday 01 October. We need as many bags of good, quality unwanted clothes as possible please to raise funds for our school! Adults and children's clothing, paired footwear, jewellery and accessories, belts and handbags are all accepted, but please no uniform, workwear, ripped or soiled clothing, pillows, duvets, curtains, books, CDs as we will be

charged for disposal of these items. Please drop your bags at school reception during opening hours from Monday 29 September until 9am on Wednesday 01 October. Thanks for your support!

Support through Shropshire Council

A number of flyers have been attached detailing some support offered through Shropshire Council. These services provide impartial advice and are free to parents/carers.

'Tales for Transition' evening

The English department is very excited to announce that Annie Muscutt, a local storyteller, will be hosting an evening of mythical tales on September 25th 6.30pm - 8pm at Lacon Childe. Her event has been especially tailored to go hand in hand with this term's English topic 'What makes words stand the test of time?' through which we explore ancient myths and intriguing characters. Annie will be performing some classic myths through storytelling and song and helping students to immerse themselves in this fantasy world. It is £7 for a ticket (accompanying adult goes free) which will be available through Arbor next week. Please have a look at the attached flyer and we look forward to seeing lots of Year 7s and their parents at this event.

L@fter transport

L@fter transport is provided for students who wish to stay for clubs/revision sessions after school and leaves at approx. 4.20pm. Students need to book on to the L@fter bus at the office by the end of breaktime at the latest on the day they wish to use it (The buses do not run on a Friday). Please use the transport section on Arbor to add money to your child's transport account. The cost of L@fter is £2.50. Please ensure that you add funds ready as the deduction will be made that day.

Head of Year welcome letters

You will shortly receive welcome letters from heads of years.

Attachments

[Feedback Letter](#)

[Netball Training](#)

[Tales for transition](#)

Parenting Flyers [1](#), [2](#), [3](#)

[Rags2Richies](#)

Your sincerely



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Dates to remember:

Monday 22 September:

Flu Vaccinations – all years

Friday 24 October:

Last day of term

Monday 3 November:

Return to school

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