LIFS NEWSLETTER

HOUSE COMPETITION

The week comencing the 3rd April 2017, we held the first ever house competition in school. This included a 'photography challenge' and a 'twisted sports day'.



The houses participated all day and showed some brilliant team spirit and sportsmanship throughout.



We are looking into getting a house trophy which will be held with the house captains form until the next competition.





A big Mazal-Tov for Jacob Walker on his Bar-Mitzvah. It was a day enjoyed by all and Jacob did a fantastic job on his call up. We hope all the Year 8 students enjoyed the breakfast on offer





A big Mazal-Tov on your Bat-Mitzvahs Olivia
Plainer and Leanna
Cohen. Hope you had a fantastic time and you were brilliant in delivering your
Dvar-Torah. The breakfast looked like it went down well with your fellow students.



Holocaust Memorial

On the 27th January 2017, LJFS paid respects to those fallen and the survivors of the Holocaust. It was a fitting tribute marking the day with a live stream connected to a survivors speech (Mala Tribich).

The students and staff both thoroughly enjoyed the privledge of hearing the life story of such a significant figure.



Student Council

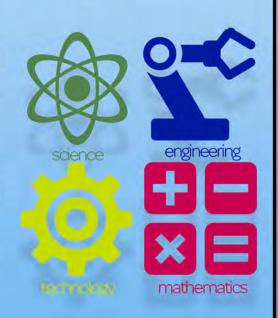
The student council at LJFS has been re-elected and the students are keen to express their feelings and ideas on how to make the school day a more exciting and academic environment.

Congratualtions to all of those students who have been selected to represent their year.



SIEMDay

Zak, Or-el, Ashton, Louis, Jacob, Riley Kofi and Marc won through to the regional semi-finals of a national competition to present a unique idea to help with sustainability and the environment. Business leaders and academics judged our presentations in a fantastic auditorium at the University of Leeds. Congratulations again to our teams for excellent presentations.



Italy2017

26 LJFS students visited Rome in June and had an amazing time with some amazing memories that they will have forever, Each student was given a USB stick with all the images from the trip on to keep.Rome is a city like no other. I've visited my share of European capitals and had the chance to explore various interesting places, you truly can't beat the rich history and friendly culture you find in the Eternal City.



Shakespeare Visit

Year 10 visited Stratford-Upon-Avon as part of their study of The Tempest at GCSE. A visit to Shakespeare's birthplace and a drama workshop was included in the full and challenging day. It was a ground breaking production that included CGI, operatics and a fantastic set.





Our new LJFS LEADERSHIP TEAM

We would like to congratulate Elisha, Mark and Sara on their new senior positions as Head Boys and Head Girl.
Congratulations also to Josef Rogers on being appointed Deputy Head boy and Deputy Head girls, Abigail and Paramveer,

Well done to Zack and Reece who are now our Senior Prefects. Congratulations also to Zohar and Lisa who are now a prefect as well.

We would also like to welcome our team of Year 10 prefects. These students applied for their roles at the end of year 9 and have were selected on the basis of their application. As a prefect, they carry out a vital role in the day to day life of the school. Their work across the school is very much appreciated, both by the younger students and the staff. In addition to their main responsibilities at break time the prefects also act as good role models for the younger students. Congratulations, Jayden, Liam, Vince, Natasha, Gaia, Ella and Ellie.

Amouncements

Academic Year 2017-2018

Monday 4th September: INSET Day (School closed to students)

Tuesday 5th September:

Year 7, 10 and 11 should come into school on time at 8:10

Year 8, and 9 should arrive at school by 10.30am

Parents/ Carers Forum

This year we implemented the parent forum meetings. Many thanks to those who attended and have contributed to our school improvement plans. Due to their success we will now continue to hold three/ four focused meetings with parent/carers during the year. The next meeting dates will follow in September.

We welcome all parents/carers to attend these meetings as your views are important to the school.

Staff

I would also like to inform you of some staff changes that will occur in September Mr Steven Semmens will be joining us for the position of Science teacher. Mr Aaron Mendell will also be sporting all year groups and accross the curriculum. However Mrs Engle is leaving LJFS and we all wish her the best in the future.

End Of Year

What an amazing year we have had at LJFS. As we come to the last newsletter of the academic year, it is worth reflecting on some of our successes over the last few months.

We came back from the summer to our new bubbly year 7s who settled quickly and have become an valuable addition to the school community Through our students continued their hard work and determination most have made great progress both academically and socially.

We have been fortunate to be visited by STEM They spent time in school, met senior staff and our students and Year 7 and 8s did fantastically well to reach the STEM national semi - final with their ideas to save the planet Well done to year 9 and 10s for the grit and no nonsense attitude to completion their Bronze expedition in atrocious conditions. They will be officially tested some time in September. (dates will follow)



End Of Year

You will be aware, no doubt, that in education, as in most other public services, spending cuts are providing school leaders with real challenges in providing a quality education with ever dwindling resources. You may also be aware that a school in one local authority can receive quite different levels of per pupil funding than a similar school elsewhere in the country. Furthermore, we continue to see year-on-year real terms cuts to our already limited budget. I am, therefore, extremely grateful to all those of you who have contributed time and resources this year towards the school's work.

Next year will see the continuation of a great many curriculum changes, with new GCSEs in English and mathematics for our Year 11 students and GCSEs being taught for the first time in a number of subjects. Our teachers have been very thorough preparing for these changes over recent months and we will provide more information about the progress of Year 11 more frequently. I am also looking forward to seeing students taking up the new opportunity to get involved in some form of community service, which we will be promoting next year.

End Of Vear

Once again this term staff and students alike have been extremely busy outside the classroom, getting involved in a huge range of activities, clubs and trips. Thank you to all staff for the Rome trip, STEM day, extra curricular activities and the Jewish Studies department for organising festivals and extra curricular provision. I am very grateful to those staff who have worked so hard to organise these opportunities and have given up some of their own holiday time to enable them to take place.

I wish you all a very restful and relaxing summer. Please remember that we finish the year on Friday. Students return to school on Tuesday 5th September. Mr Dhaliwal



WorkExperience

Work experience is a way of introducing students to the world of work and providing them with an opportunity to demonstrate or develop a whole range of skills that prospective employers and educational institutions value. It is also an ideal opportunity for students to gain an insight into a particular line of work, so that they can add to making informed choices about their future learning or career pathway.

Well done to all our year 10 students on their work placements. We received fantastic references from all employers. Congratulations to Reece Biller for being awarded Endeavour Award for his diligence at his work experience at a flight school. He was lucky enough to fly!

Visitors

Special thanks to JLGB for arranging special talks.

Many thanks to Alexa Harris for arranging a fascinating talk from Micha Feldman. His interesting talk was about his work with Ethiopian Jews and how he helped them settle in Israel.

We also had Prof Mary Rudolph and Jumanah Essa Haddad showcasing the work of UJIA in the Galil region. It was really heartwarming to hear Mary and Jumanah talk about how the Jewish and Arab communities work together.

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