



Principal's Welcome

Another positive term with lots to celebrate! We are proud of all of our students and have all voted for everyone's best "attribute for learning" in recognition of personal achievements this term. All students can use their certificates as a reminder that they are all achievers.

We look forward to better weather and more time outdoors, as well as the Saturday trips and house team challenges that will be scheduled around the exam periods to accommodate the Year 11 and Year 13 students' needs. We are all here to support the students during the exam period and look forward to the celebrations to come. All the other students will complete end of year assessments, which will help teachers to identify strengths and weaknesses and to tailor next year's curriculum. Please remember to plan ahead and give yourself breaks and short term goals in your revision so that you can remain positive, and always ask us for help when you need it.

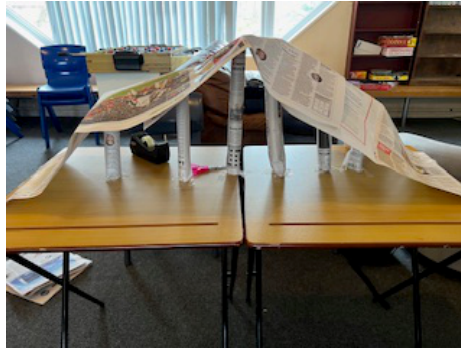
Mrs Becky.



Congratulations
to Pop, who
won second
place in the
national
Independent
Schools
Association Art
Competition for
Digital Drawing
(KS3)

Winter School

We welcomed ten Korean students as part of the Winter School programme. Here are just a few of the many highlights within school!



House Team Challenges

This term's overall winner was **Cranmer**.

Cranmer won the scavenger hunt with Mrs Joanna, everyone had a great time!

Cranmer also won the party games challenges with Mrs Jackie – penny on the chin, golf hole in one, chocolate bar challenge, quiz – it was mayhem!

Latimer won the sports challenge with Mr Guy, winning 5 challenges, against Cranmer's 2.

1) Becky static long jump:

Latimer total 2087 (1st Seonghun 238)
Cranmer total 1965 (1st Enoch 255)

2) Erin burpees:

Latimer 215 (1st Jun 31)
Cranmer 240 (1st Enoch 27)

3) Will crossbar challenge:

Latimer 11 (Grant 6)
Cranmer 5 (Amy 3)

4) Sophie power strength:

Latimer 606.4 (1st Theo Y12, 112.8 lb)
Cranmer 707.9 (1st Enoch 93.2 lb)

5) Agility run:

Latimer total 218.1 (Jun 15.4)
Cranmer total 221.4 (Enoch 15.6)

6) Handball game:

1st game: **Latimer** 5 – Cranmer 3
2nd game: Latimer 6 – Cranmer 6

7) Basketball - Latimer wins

Latimer 34 (1st Grant and Jun 6)
Cranmer 18 (1st Enoch and Jenny 4)

Duke of Edinburgh Awards

FIC is delighted to be able to offer the Duke of Edinburgh award scheme from September.

As the D of E website www.dofe.org says, taking part is: "A life-changing experience; a fun time with friends; an opportunity to discover new interests and talents; a tool to develop essential skills for life and work; and a recognised mark of achievement, respected by employers" (and universities!).

Working towards an Award will give you skills and confidence, and help build your character for life ahead – including communication, commitment, leadership and teamwork. A DofE Award is a fantastic way to demonstrate and evidence these skills in practice, whilst making a positive difference to other people's lives and your community.

Open to students aged 13+, with a minimum of 8 students to run the awards.

Summer Term Activities

Three more house team challenges will take place in the last week of term (from Monday 24th June, avoiding exams).

Two Saturday trips out are currently being organised, details to follow.

A whole school leavers' celebration is being arranged by Years 11 and 13 during the last week of term. School leavers and all school staff and students will be welcome.

Creative Writing

Inspired by the nonsense word, narrative poem, 'The Jabberwocky' by Lewis Carroll
By Eden B, KS3-2

The noise hail from behind the curtain of fog,
Furrificigally the townspeople escaped the grasp of the brute,
White, heavy clouds hung in the sky giving a sense of fozzokleog,
Trees watched and bushes bunlute.

"Beware the creature my child,
The dress that tricks, the eyes that deceive,
Beware the doll with it, and run milde,
Your soul it will retrieve."

She took her spwionk in hand,
A lifetime she waited for the creature,
Resting on the Bam Bam strand,
And looked a while at the features.

As she suddenly had a burst of energy,
The alicodd, with eyes of innocence,
Came jimbing across the memory,
And clambered over the fence.

One, two. One two! Up and down,
The spwoink went slam - bam,
She left it dead, and it looked like a clown,
He went down, wham.

"Here ye, here ye
I have slain the Alicodd,
Hooray we won't need to flee,
We are safe from the clod."

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Report from Dubai

NEW YEAR IN DUBAI HAS GONE BIGGER THAN EVER BEFORE!

By Katy, KS4

Around 500,000 fireworks were set off with 400 different firing locations, all coordinated by 100 computers with the technicians spending 10 months to plan it all.

As the countdown began, millions of people gathered around the Burj Khalifa, the world's tallest tower, waiting anxiously for the fireworks to begin.

As they were set off, there were so many different ways to look and so much to see, soon the building lit up and went from a black to a sparkling shimmer of lights!

Gazing upon the beautiful lights, the building transformed into many fun and exciting things; for example, a huge pine tree that was the size of the whole building! Then it turned into a castle firing arrows of fire to the orchid of trees below. Next was a dandelion head, swaying in the breeze, and as it did so, all the seeds fell off the dandelion and flew away. This huge masterpiece was all done in 6 minutes!

The Audience's View

We asked a couple of people their views on the spectacle: "Oh my, that was the best thing of my life! There was so much going on and I didn't miss a bit of it." – Megan, 36

We asked a little girl about her views on it: "I really enjoyed the show! All the bright colours of the fireworks and all the pictures on the screen were very pretty."

Remember to go visit Dubai at the end of this year and watch this amazing show, because it will blow your mind like never before!



New Year fireworks display, Dubai, UAE
by Thomas Nilsson

Online Safety

We welcomed a Police Education Officer in February to raise awareness about keeping safe online, as part of Internet Safety Week.



British Science Week

Lessons celebrating British Science Week included:

- A rain experiment in Geography.
- GCSE Physics – watching an online presentation by Brian Cox on the Wonders of the Universe.
- GCSE Biology – the circulatory system and respiration.
- KS3 – how paint is made.
- And an assembly looking at 40 careers in the world of science.

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Coming Up ...

Friday 14th June: Last GCSE exam

Thursday 20th June: Last A Level exam

Weds 26th June: End of Year Achievement Assembly, St Peter & St Paul Church, 10:30am

Friday 28th June: End of Term, and School Summer Fair

Monday 9th September: Teacher Training

Wednesday 11th September: Autumn Term starts

Saturday 26th October – Sunday 3rd November: Half Term holiday

Friday 6th December: End of Term

Keeping Safe

If you have any safeguarding concerns about a child at our school, you can talk to the Designated Safeguarding Lead, Miss Chaerin Lee, or the Alternate DSL, Joyce Jennings.

Our Governor responsible for Safeguarding is Katherine Murphy who can be contacted through the school office (tel: 01394 282388).