



The Word

THE BEST FROM EVERYONE, ALL OF THE TIME

23RD APRIL 2021

Headteacher's Roundup

Welcome back everyone – sunny days, sunny smiles. Attendance has been good this week. We are looking forward to having a full term of school!

On my visits around school this week I have been pleased to see that everyone has immediately settled back in to working hard. There's a gentle hum of industry, enquiry and challenge as I walk past the classroom doors.

The site continues to improve. The refurbishment to Churchill House continued over the Easter break. The new exit and entrance doors to this building have really smartened up the corridors. Thank you to the site team who have been working all Easter to complete this.

As the government guidance hasn't changed, the children are still having to wear their face coverings indoors. However, they are coping very well and applying themselves to their lessons with diligence. I am very proud of the way in which they have settled back down.

It's been great to see the numbers increasing for our extra-curricular activities, please do encourage your children to take part. The schedules can be found here: <https://www.lighthall.co.uk/extra-curricular-activities/>.

Let's hope the sun keeps shining, it really does make everything feel that much brighter. We are looking forward to the further easing of restrictions. We really would like the last part of summer term to return to the "old" normal! #TeamLightHall

Have a lovely weekend

Annette Kramlin

Word of the Week

BUILDS

Verb: Construct (something) by putting parts or material together. Robins will **build** nests almost anywhere.

Make stronger or more intense. Celebrating the small victories in life is a great way to **build** confidence and start feeling better about yourself.

House Points Totals

The running totals for number of house points so far are:

			
23789	24453	24713	25301

Diary Reminders

All Years:

Monday 3rd May – Bank Holiday

Year 7:

Friday 21st May – Full reports to parents

Tuesday 25th May – PSHEC Day

Thursday 27th May – Parents' Evening – Virtual

Year 8:

Friday 7th May – Full reports to parents

Thursday 13th May – Parents' Evening – Virtual

Wednesday 19 May – PHSEC Day

Year 9:

Thursday 27th May – PSHEC Day

Year 10:

Friday 28th May – PSHEC Day

Year 11:

10th – 28th May – Year 11 Assessments

Year 8 Parents' Evening

Parents' evening will take place on Thursday 13th May. The booking system for appointments opened today. Any queries or issues please contact Mrs Regan. kregan@lighthall.co.uk



Facebook

Don't forget to like our Facebook page where you can see snippets of school life and interesting facts, which give you another dimension of what's going on in school.
<https://www.facebook.com/LightHallAcademy>



Thought of the week

Is patriotism and British values the same thing?

St George's Day – 23rd April

St George's Day in England remembers St George, England's patron saint. The anniversary of his death, which is on April 23, is seen as England's national day. According to legend, he was a soldier in the Roman army who killed a dragon and saved a princess.

About St George's Day

St George was born sometime around the year 280 in what is now Turkey. He was a soldier and rose up through the ranks of the Roman army, eventually becoming a personal guard to the Emperor Diocletian. He was executed for being a Christian on April 23, 303, and is buried in the town of Lod in Israel.

St George is most widely known for slaying a dragon. According to legend, the only well in the town of Silene was guarded by a dragon. In order to get water, the inhabitants of the town had to offer a human sacrifice every day to the dragon. The person to be sacrificed was chosen by lots. On the day that St George was visiting, a princess had been selected to be sacrificed. However, he



killed the dragon, saved the princess and gave the people of Silene access to water. In gratitude, they converted to Christianity. It is thought that the dragon represents a certain type of pagan belief that included the sacrifice of human beings.

St George's Day was once celebrated as widely as Christmas. But the celebrations waned by the end of the 18th century after England had united with Scotland on May 1, 1707. In recent times, there has been a push, involving campaigns and petitions, to make the day a public holiday in England.

St George is the patron saint of a number of other places, such as Bulgaria, Ethiopia, Georgia, Greece, Portugal and Russia. He is also remembered in some regional holidays, such as in the province of Newfoundland and Labrador in Canada and among the Gorani people who live in a mountainous area in the Balkans and were converted to Islam many centuries ago, but still observe St George's Day. Around the world, a number of days are devoted to St George, including April 23 and dates in November and December of the Gregorian calendar.

Royal Mail Stamp Competition

For more than 50 years Royal Mail's Special Stamp programme has commemorated British history and achievement. Stamps have also been issued to honour the achievements of many British people. Often, the people who appear on stamps are already famous. They include scientists and explorers, writers, artists, musicians, athletes, and Prime Ministers.

All students are invited to take part in the Royal Mail heroes stamp competition.

Please speak to your art teacher for more details on how to enter.

Deadline for entries is 5pm 28th May.

Please see the below link for more information.

<https://www.stampcompetition.ichild.co.uk/>



Year 11 Leavers' Hoodies

A Year 11 parent has very kindly designed and organised a leavers' hoody for the current Year 11 students to have as a memento of their time at Light Hall. Please use the link below to order a hoody for your child. Ordering will close at 11.59pm on Monday 3rd May 2021.

<https://www.leavershoodies.com/shop/light-hall-school-2021>

A Facebook group has been set up, Light Hall Leavers 2021 – Leavers' Hoodies, where you will be able to find more information, alternatively you can email beansprout175@gmail.com.

Other colour options are available



Extra-Curricular Activities

Light Hall Extra Curricular Spring 2021 – Week 1

Monday

After school

Dodgeball
Year 7* Mr Churchill and
Mr Nicholls* Gym/Sports
Hall
Collection room USH
2:40 – 3:40 p.m.

Hockey
Year 8* Mr Cleland & Miss
Durrant* Astro
Collection room G03
Kit: shin pads, gum shield
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Rounders
Year 10* Mrs Burnham*
Field
Collection room LSH
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Tuesday

Wednesday

After school

Rounders
Year 7* Miss Johnson &
Miss Durrant* Field
Collection room USH
2:40 – 3:40 p.m.

Softball
Year 9* Mr Churchill* Field
Collection room D2
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Dodgeball
Year 8* Mr Nicholls* Gym
Collection room G04
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Rounders
Year 9* Mrs Burnham* Field
Collection room D1
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Thursday

After school

Cricket
Year 7* Mr Williams* Astro
Collection Room USH
2:40 – 3:40 p.m.

Rounders
Year 8* Miss Durrant* Field
Collection room G03
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Cricket
Year 8* Mr Nicholls* Astro
Collection room G04
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Dodgeball
Year 9* Mrs Burnham*
Sports Hall
Collection room D3
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Dodgeball
Year 10* Mr Churchill* Gym
Collection room LSH
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Ukulele
Year 7* Mr Hackett* MR1
Collection room G04
3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

Band
Year 10* Mr Homer* MR2
Collection room C14
3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

Friday

After school

Ukulele
Year 8* Mr Hackett* MR1
Collection room G04
3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

Band
Year 11* Mr Homer*
MR2
Collection room –
canopy on playground
3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

Students must sign up to clubs in advance as numbers are limited.
All students are to wait in the allocated collection room to be escorted to the club location.
Students attending PE clubs need to arrive in the appropriate PE kit.

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Music

PE



Light Hall Extra Curricular Spring 2021 – Week 2

Monday

After school

Dodgeball
Year 7* Mr Churchill and
Mr Nicholls* Gym/Sports
Hall
Collection room G01 &
G02
2:40 – 3:40 p.m.

Hockey
Year 8* Mr Cleland & Miss
Durrant* Astro
Collection room USH
Kit: shin pads, gum shield
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Rounders
Year 10* Mrs Burnham*
Field
Collection room LSH
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Tuesday

Wednesday

After school

Rounders
Year 7* Miss Johnson &
Miss Durrant* Field
Collection room 101
2:40 – 3:40 p.m.

Softball
Year 9* Mr Churchill* Field
Collection room D2
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Dodgeball
Year 8* Mr Nicholls* Gym
Collection room G04
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Rounders
Year 9* Mrs Burnham* Field
Collection room D1
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Thursday

After school

Cricket
Year 7* Mr Williams* Astro
Collection Room G02
2:40 – 3:40 p.m.

Rounders
Year 8* Miss Durrant* Field
Collection room G03
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Cricket
Year 8* Mr Nicholls* Astro
Collection room G04
2:45 – 3:45 p.m.

Dodgeball
Year 9* Mrs Burnham*
Sports Hall
Collection room D3
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Dodgeball
Year 10* Mr Churchill*
Gym
Collection room LSH
2:50 – 3:50 p.m.

Music Tech
Year 9* Mr Hackett &
Mr Homer* MR2
Collection room C3
3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

Friday

After school

Music Tech
Year 7* Mr Hackett &
Mr Homer* MR2
Collection room C3
3:00 – 3:40 p.m.

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