



# The Word

THE BEST FROM EVERYONE, ALL OF THE TIME

16<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2021

## Headteacher's Roundup

It's great to be back. We have had a really positive start to the new academic year. Smiling faces, smart uniform, superstars across the board! We are delighted to welcome our new year 7 students to our Light Hall family and extend this welcome to you, their parents and carers. Summer school, for those who participated, was a huge success. My thanks to Miss Matthews for organising this introduction to secondary school life. We also offer a warm welcome to our new staff team members, including our new members of the pastoral team. Further details about them are later in this edition of the Word. Finally, we welcome Mrs James, our new EWO and Family Liaison Officer. We are delighted that these people are joining our great staff.

We are so proud of the way our students have settled back down into routines, quickly and studiously. Our site and ICT team have worked miracles over the summer holidays to install brand new smart screens, in every classroom, for

the benefit of our students' learning. They have also transformed the whole of the ground floor in Einstein Rooms, to create our wonderful new Learning Hive which is already providing a calm and supportive environment for our students with additional needs.

Thank you again for your continued support in ensuring that we can all stay safe in these ever changing times. A further thank you for continuing to test twice weekly at home. In school, we are maintaining our hygiene and distancing measures to mitigate the ever present risk of COVID. As you are aware, all year groups have their own zones for break and lunch, with dedicated toilets and food distribution points. The one-way system is working very well and students are asked to sanitise their hands at the start of every lesson. We are monitoring ventilation in all the buildings and classrooms and we have continued to employ our additional daily cleaning staff.

Our Open Evening is next week. Further details of what this means are later in the Word but I must draw your attention to

## Welcome Back

the later start on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September for all students, to enable a deep clean to be undertaken before we return to classrooms on that day. Students need to be in school for 9.30am. We apologise for any convenience this causes, but we must take every precaution to keep everyone safe. Should this change in start time cause you difficulty, please get in touch. [office@lighthall.co.uk](mailto:office@lighthall.co.uk)

Finally, a huge shout out to our year 10 peer mentors who came into school on Tuesday, to support the new year 7s. They continue to do so and are doing an outstanding job.

My best wishes for a relaxing and peaceful weekend. Good luck to Emma Raducanu in the Open Finals this weekend.

*Annette Kumbler*

### Word of the Week

#### INFLUENCE

Verb: To affect or alter by indirect means.

The media has a powerful influence on public opinion.

Noun: One that exerts influence.

Their English Teacher had great influence over their love of reading.

### House Points Totals

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

			
<b>713</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>744</b>	<b>784</b>

### Year 9 2<sup>nd</sup> HPV Vaccination

Year 9 2<sup>nd</sup> HPV Vaccinations will take place on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September and Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September. For any students that have missed vaccinations this year, they will be invited to catch up on these dates



### Year 7 photos

Year 7 photos will be held on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2021.

### Diary Reminders

#### All Years:

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September – Open Evening – School closes at 1.30pm

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September – School opens at 9.30am – No Period 1 – Tutor Time until 10.05am

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September – Macmillan Bake Sale

#### Year 7:

Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September – Year 7 Photographs

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> October – PSHEC Day

#### Year 8:

Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October – PSHEC Day

#### Year 9:

15<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> September – 2<sup>nd</sup> HPV Vaccinations

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October – PSHEC Day

#### Year 10:

Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October – PSHEC Day

#### Year 11:

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> October – Careers Day

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## Meet our new Pastoral Managers



**Miss Evans**

I'm Miss Evans and I am taking over as Pastoral Manager for Year 11. I have a background in Special Educational Needs at a younger age and for the Past 8 Years I have worked as a Registered Nurse, mainly in Accident and Emergency. I am passionate about Wellbeing and Mental health and I am really looking forward to supporting our students in this crucial Year 11 to achieve their goals.



**Miss Morgan**

I have been a pastoral manager for some years at a school in Coventry and I'm looking forward to starting my first year at Light Hall. I'm a great believer in supporting mental health and working with all my students as individuals to help them all reach their goals.



**Miss Heal**

I have had 20 years of experience in Education supporting young people and families. I am looking forward to being a part of the team at Light Hall School and supporting my Year 10 students.

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## Open Evening

### **Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> September - 4.30pm to 7.30pm.**

School closes at 1.30pm to students. We have asked National Express to provide buses at this time. Students who are taking part in Open Evening must have parental consent. A copy of the form is attached at the back of the Word. This should be returned to Miss Powell in reception.

Participating students should be in school by 4.15pm, at the latest. They must be in full school uniform, in the school areas, where they are helping.

Students will be available for collection at 7.30pm.

If you have a child in year 5 or 6 and wish to attend, please book your tour online through our website. To keep everyone safe, numbers are limited.

School will open on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September at 9.30am for students. There will be no Period 1 on this day. Any queries or questions please contact the office. [office@lighthall.co.uk](mailto:office@lighthall.co.uk)



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## Morning Break Pre-Orders

From Monday 13th September we are re-introducing food at first break. This is a pre-order service only, so if the students don't order any food/drink they will need to wait until lunch time to purchase anything.

All pre-orders need to be in by 9am every Monday for that week (a new link will be sent every Monday afternoon for the following week) and they will be charged for the whole week, so can you please ensure they have sufficient funds on their lunch cards. Students will not be given pre-ordered items if the kitchen have been unable to take payments. They will be able to collect their pre-ordered items from their bubbles at break time.

Please see below a price list:

**Chicken Baguette - £1.85**

**Tuna Baguette - £1.65**

**Cheese Baguette - £1.55**

**Waffle - £0.90**

**Flavoured Water - £0.75**

**Tray Bakes - £0.75**

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## Breakfast

Students are now able to purchase breakfast items from 8.25am – 8.40am at the POD every morning.

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## What we are doing to address Climate Change

With the whole world now waking up to the wastefulness of modern society in the western world and the impact it is having on our planet, it's more important than ever to embed a different mindset into our children and young people.

Children grow fast and although the odd holey knee and stained white polo shirt will inevitably mean the item can't be worn again, there will be many items that are in excellent condition, even after several wears. School branded Blazers and jumpers are more than fit for use long after the original owner has grown out of them.

Rather than second hand uniform being something to be ashamed of, we should bring our children up to be proud that they are part of the re-use generation.

With this in mind, we are now asking for your generous donations to be sent into school and at the end of each term we will be doing a school uniform sale, in which half of the money raised will be donated to a chosen charity and the other half will be used to purchase resources for our students. Please can you ensure that items are washed before being sent in to the Main Office.



If there are any parents out there who would like to be involved and help out with this please contact us at [office@lighthall.co.uk](mailto:office@lighthall.co.uk).



## Parking around school

Please be reminded to park within the law and be considerate to our neighbours when dropping off and collecting your children. Please do not park over residential drives as this causes great inconvenience to local residents. We would be grateful if you could switch off your engines when parking outside school, to keep our air clean for our children. Thank you for your understanding and support in this.

## Thought of the Week

### How do you demonstrate British Values?

International Day of Democracy 15<sup>th</sup> September

- It is a United Nations, (UN), day of observation, the purpose of the day is to review the state of democracy in the world and uphold and promote democracy and its principles.

- On the day, individuals and organizations of all kinds work together for democracy and hold events to raise awareness of democracy, including conferences, discussions and debates, as well as press conferences and publicity campaigns though distribution of leaflets, posters and flyers, often with the UN logo on them



## Extra-curricular Activities

Light Hall Extra Curricular Autumn 2021												
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday								
<b>After school</b>		<b>After school</b>	<b>After school</b>	<b>After school</b>								
<b>Football Y9-11</b> Mr Churchill*Mr Nicholls Field		<b>Netball Y9-11</b> Mrs Burnham*Miss Johnson Netball Court/Sports Hall	<b>Science Club Y7</b> Miss Dhanjal Room D3	<b>Basketball Y8</b> Mr Nicholls Gym								
<b>Netball Y7-8</b> Miss Durrant*Mrs Burnham Netball Court/Sports Hall		<b>Girls' Football Y7-11</b> Miss Durrant Field/Astro	<b>Basketball Y9-10</b> Mr Churchill Sports Hall	<b>Dance Y7-11</b> Mrs Burnham Lower School Hall								
<b>Rugby Y7-11</b> External Rugby Coach Field		<b>Fitness Y9-11</b> Mr Nicholls Fitness Suite	<b>Fitness Y9-11</b> Mrs Burnham Fitness Suite	<b>Fitness Y9-11</b> Mr Churchill Fitness Suite								
<b>Music Production Y7-11</b> Mr Homer MR2		<b>Basketball Y7</b> Mr Churchill Gym	<b>Football Y7-8</b> Mr Nicholls & Miss Durrant Field	<b>Multi-Sports Y7-11</b> Miss Durrant Sports Hall								
<b>Art Open Studio/1-1 Tutorials Y10-11</b> Art Staff A3, A5, A6		<b>Guitar Club Y7-11</b> Mr Homer MR1	<b>Rock and Pop Band Y7-11</b> Mr Sanson MR2 <small>Please see Mr Hackett or Mr Homer in advance if you would like to sign up</small>	<b>Musical Theatre Y7-11</b> Mr Hackett MR2								
<b>Art Club Y7-9</b> Mr Marsh A6		<b>Orchestra Y7-11</b> Mr Hackett MR2	<b>Art Open Studio/1-1 Tutorials Y10-11</b> Art Staff A3, A5, A6									
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<p>After school clubs are 3pm – 4pm unless stated. Please inform parents/carers that you will be attending.            PE Clubs – Students must ensure they bring the correct kit for their activity.            Students for PE clubs to meet outside Gym changing rooms for all</p>												
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## Welcome to the World's Biggest Coffee Morning!

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September**



Help support the great work that Macmillan Cancer Support provides, and encourage your child to bring in a baked good from home on Friday 24<sup>th</sup> September!

**Cakes will be on sale in each year group's zone at first break on Friday.**



The theme for this year is rainbows! So we will be looking forward to seeing an array of multi-coloured cakes!

Join the world's biggest coffee morning and help raise funds for this charity which is close to Light Hall's heart.

