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THE WORD

Light Hall School

The best from everyone, all of the time.

HEADTEACHER'S ROUNDUP

The Christmas trees are up and are beautifully decorated. The countdown to the festive holiday has begun. Despite the growing excitement, our students have continued to work very hard.

We have been very busy this week preparing for our sixth form open evening. We are excited to share the wonderful new spaces with everyone and for staff to have the opportunity to talk to our students about their choices for A-Levels next year.

We have also had some external visitors from other schools on site this week to help us evaluate our provision and to see some of our best practice. This has been a thoroughly enjoyable experience, and as always our students played a fundamental part in showcasing the school. They were greatly complimented for their behaviour and attitudes.

Yesterday saw our years 10 and 11 playing rugby matches against Alderbrook. Tonight we have our year 7 in the ESFA fourth round, they will be playing against Gospel Oak.

Our school is starting to look very festive and we have seen a flurry of Christmas activities. Our annual collection for the food bank has started this week and we have our House food donation boxes available in the main reception, any donations are gratefully received. We are again collecting food for the Trussell Trust this year and further details are in The Word.

Just a reminder that School is closed tomorrow.

We hope everyone enjoys the long weekend.

Annette Kraublin

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WORD OF THE WEEK

UNDERSTATEMENT

Noun: A statement that represents something as smaller or less intense, or less important that it really is.

When the weather is below freezing, an **understatement** might be made by saying 'it's a little nippy today.'

HOUSE POINTS



23418



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DIARY REMINDERS

ALL YEARS:

Friday 1st December - INSET Day
Thursday 7th December - Prize Giving
Thursday 14th December - School closes at 2pm - Year 11 Parents' Evening
Thursday 21st December - Christmas Concert
Friday 22nd December - Term Ends

YEAR 7:

Monday 4th December - Y7 Netball vs Tudor Grange (B Teams)
Tuesday 5th December - Y7 Netball Skills Day 1.30pm - 3.45pm - Tudor Grange Leisure Centre
Thursday 7th December - Y7 Table Tennis @ John Henry Newman
Monday 11th December - Friday 15th December - Year 7 Assessment Week

YEAR 8:

Monday 4th December - Y8 Netball vs Tudor Grange (B Teams)
Thursday 7th December - Y8 Table Tennis @ John Henry Newman

YEAR 9:

Monday 4th December - Y9 Netball vs Tudor Grange (B Teams)
Wednesday 6th December - Y8 Netball vs Alderbrook (A)
Wednesday 13th December - Year 9 PSHEC Day

YEAR 10:

Wednesday 20th December - Year 10 PSHEC Day

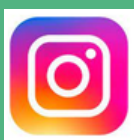
YEAR 11:

Wednesday 6th December - Y11 Netball vs Alderbrook (A)
Friday 8th December - Year 11 reports to parents
Monday 11th December - U16 Girls Football Satellite Tournament @ Tudor Grange 3.45pm - 5.15pm
Thursday 14th December - Year 11 Parents' Evening

SOCIAL MEDIA

Don't forget to like our Facebook and Instagram pages 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/>
<https://www.facebook.com/lhs6thform/>
<https://www.instagram.com/lhs6thform/>
<https://twitter.com/lighthallschool/>





Light Hall School Sixth Form

We are looking forward to our wonderful Open Evening tonight and we wanted to remind you that Light Hall School Sixth Form will give all students the opportunity to become part of the Light Hall community and leave as well-rounded, emotionally intelligent adults, who are resilient, reflective, resourceful and ready to fulfil their potential in the next stage of their lives.

At Light Hall, Sixth Form students will have the opportunity to experience a broad and demanding curriculum, rich in experiences and personalised care and guidance, so that they are able to contribute actively to society and be curious, ambitious and courageous in their futures.

Mrs A Kimblin said: "Our Sixth Form is a testament to our commitment to providing the best possible education and support for our students."

Light Hall School is proud and excited to mark this significant milestone in its ongoing mission to live up to its motto, the best from everyone, all of the time.

Sense of community

The Light Hall community is what truly sets it apart. The school fosters a caring and supportive environment for all students.

All students are welcomed, valued and celebrated, ensuring a true sense of belonging and allowing the best from everyone, all of the time.



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

International Volunteers Day 5th December

What is International Volunteers Day 2023?

International Volunteers Day (IVD) is an annual event that honors the invaluable work of volunteers and volunteer organisations. It aims to inspire more people to engage in volunteer activities and promote the idea that volunteering contributes to building a better and more inclusive world.

How to Participate in International Volunteers Day 2023?

Participating in International Volunteers Day is an excellent way to recognise and support the efforts of volunteers in your community. Here are some ways to get involved:

- **Volunteer Your Time:** Consider volunteering for a cause or organization that aligns with your interests and skills. Your contribution, no matter how small, can make a significant difference.
- **Thank a Volunteer:** Take the time to express gratitude to volunteers you know personally or within your community. A simple “thank you” can go a long way in acknowledging their efforts.
- **Attend Volunteer Events:** Many communities organize events and activities on International Volunteers Day to showcase volunteer work. Attend these events to show your support.
- **Donate to Volunteer Organisations:** Financial contributions to volunteer organisations can help support their programs and initiatives. Even a modest donation can have a positive impact.
- **Share Volunteer Stories:** Use social media and other platforms to share inspiring stories of volunteers making a difference in your community. Encourage others to join the volunteer movement.

History of International Volunteers Day

International Volunteers Day was established by the United Nations General Assembly in 1985 to recognise and celebrate the contributions of volunteers worldwide. It was first observed in 1986. The day also serves as an opportunity to highlight the importance of volunteerism in achieving sustainable development goals.

IVD celebrates the spirit of volunteerism and the power of individuals to create positive change in their communities and the world.

Year 7 Assessment Schedule

English		Maths		Science		L&M		Drama	
H1	12/12/23	H1	13/12/23	H1	11/12/23	H1	13/12/23 P1	H1	11/12/2023 P2
HE	12/12/23	H2	13/12/23	H2	12/12/23	H2	14/12/23 P4	HE	14/12/2023 P4
HN	12/12/23	H3	13/12/23	HE	12/12/23	HE	11/12/23 P4	H2	13/12/2023 P1
HG	12/12/23	H4	13/12/23	HN	11/12/23	HN	11/12/23 P4	HN	14/12/2023 P1
L1	11/12/23	L1	13/12/23	L1	11/12/23	L1	12/12/23 P1	L1	11/12/2023 P4
LE	12/12/23	L2	12/12/23	L2	12/12/23	L2	14/21/23 P2	LE	11/12/2023 P5
LN	12/12/23	L3	13/12/23	LE	13/12/23	LE	12/12/23 P2	L2	14/12/2023 P1
LG	12/12/23	L4	13/12/23	LN	12/12/23	LN	11/12/23 P4	LN	13/12/2023 P5

History		Geography		IT		Music		Design Tech	
H1	12/12/23 P1	H1	13/12/23 P2	H1	11/12/23 P3	H1	14/12/23 P3	H1	13/12/23 P4
H2	11/12/23 P5	H2	13/12/23 P2	H2	11/12/23 P3	H2	12/12/23 P4	H2	13/12/23 P4
HE	15/12/23 P3	HM	15/12/23 P4	HA	11/12/23 P3	HE	13/12/23 P1	H3	13/12/23 P4
HN	15/12/23 P1	HA	15/12/23 P4	HM	13/12/23 P3	HN	12/12/23 P1	H4	13/12/23 P4
L1	15/12/23 P1	L1	12/12/23 P4	L1	15/12/23 P2	L1	14/12/23 P4	H5	13/12/23 P4
L2	14/12/23 P4	L2	13/12/23 P1	L2	13/12/23 P3	L2	13/12/23 P4	L1	14/12/23 P3
LE	12/12/23 P1	LM	15/12/23 P2	LA	12/12/23 P3	LE	15/12/23 P5	L2	14/12/23 P3
LN	11/12/23 P3	LA	13/23/23 P3	LM	12/12/23 P4	LN	15/12/23 P1	L3	14/12/23 P3
								L4	14/12/23 P3
								L5	14/12/23 P3

French		Spanish		Art and D		Art and Design	
L1	14/12/23 P4 & 15/12/23 P5	HE	12/12/23 P1	L1	11/12/23 P2	H1	15/12/23 P4 & 13/12/23 P3
L2	11/12/23 P5 & 12/12/23 P5	H1	12/12/23 P4	LA	11/12/23 P2	H2	15/12/23 P4
LE	11/11/23 P4 & 14/12/23 P1	HN	13/12/23 P1	LM	14/12/23 P5	HM	11/12/23 P1
LN	12/12/23 P5 & 14/12/23 P4	H2	11/12/23 P4	L2	14/12/23 P5	HA	13/12/23 P3

MFL visit to Normandy France

The MFL department are excited to inform you about our upcoming proposed trip to Normandy. We are delighted to offer the opportunity for Year 10 French, and Year 9 set 1 French and Spanish students to experience at first hand the rich cultural heritage of Normandy and being immersed in a foreign Latin culture.

Date: Friday 12th July –
Sunday 14th July 2024
Cost: **£400.00** total cost to
be paid via ParentPay

Deposit due by **5th January**
2024: £100
Interim payment due by **16th**
February 2024 : £150
Final payment due by **Monday**
8th April 2024: £150

This trip has a limited number of **40 spaces**, it will be dealt with on a 'first come, first serve basis'. Please note your child's space is not guaranteed until the deposit has been made and all spaces may be filled before the deposit deadline.


















All parents of invited students have been emailed with further information.

PE Extra-Curricular Timetable

We have lots going on next week with our clubs and fixtures.

Please ensure students bring the appropriate PE kit for the activity they are attending. Shin pads should be worn for football and gum shields for rugby.

All students should go to the appropriate changing room for their activity and get changed as quickly as possible so that clubs can start on time.

Monday 4 th December	Tuesday 5 th December	Wednesday 6 th December	Thursday 7 th December	Friday 8 th December
 Dance All Years Mrs Pemberton Gym	 U12 Netball Skills Event Year 7 Mrs White Tudor Grange LC 1.30-3.45pm	 Basketball Year 7 & 8 Mr Yates Sports Hall	 Netball All Years Mrs Pemberton Sports Hall/Courts	 Girls Football All Years Mrs Pemberton Astro
OCR Sport Science Year 11  Mr Yates E3		Table Tennis Cancelled due to meeting 	Rugby  All Years Mr Cole Field	Badminton  9-11 Mr Yates Sports Hall
 Boys Football Academy Invitation Only Year 7 & 8 Mr Grasso Astro		 Basketball Year 9-11 Mr Yates Sports Hall	 Netball Academy Invitation Only Mrs Pemberton Courts Outside/Gym After Netball Club	
Badminton  Year 7 & 8 Mr Cole Sports Hall		Netball Fixture  Year 9 & 11 vs Alderbrook AWAY Mrs White	Boys Football  Year 8 & 9 Mr Yates Field (Boots needed)	
 Netball Fixture Year 7, 8 & 9 vs Tudor Grange @ HOME Mrs White/Mrs Pemberton Sports Hall/Courts			 Boys Football Year 7 Mr Grasso Astro	

Woods Farm Christmas Trees

We would like to say a huge thank you to Woods Farm Christmas Trees, located on Bills Lane in Shirley, for donating this beautiful Christmas Tree for our Sixth Form Centre open evening tonight.





♥ FOOD ♥ DONATION

If you would like to donate non-perishable items, there will be a collection box in reception until Wednesday 20th December

URGENTLY NEEDED FOOD ITEMS

UHT/POWDERED MILK

RICE PUDDING

TINNED FRUIT & FRUIT JUICE

TINNED VEGETABLES, TOMATOES & SOUP

TINNED MEAT

BISCUITS

PASTA SAUCE, PASTA

COOKING OIL

OTHER ITEMS NEEDED

SHOWER GEL

SHAMPOO/CONDITIONER

LAUNDRY DETERGENT PODS

TOILET ROLL

WASHING UP LIQUID



Elevate Education's Autumn Term Parent Webinar Series

Elevate Education delivers high-impact workshops to our students that help to develop their study skills, motivation, and exam preparation. Over the next term, you're invited to join their parent webinar series, where you can help support your child at home by reinforcing the skills they're learning at school.

Register today at: <https://go.elevateeducation.com/ukschoolwebinar>

How to Get (And Keep) Your Child Motivated - 19th September 6:00pm

How You Can Help Your Child Manage Their Time - 3rd October 6:00pm

How You Can Help Your Child Prepare for Exams - 17th October 6:00pm

How You Can Help Improve Your Child's Memory - 14th November 6:00pm

How You Can Build Resilience in Your Child - 28th November 6:00pm

How to Help Your Child Alleviate Stress - 12th December 6:00pm