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THE WORD

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HEADTEACHER'S ROUND-UP

As we approach the festive break school life has continued to flourish. Students and staff have been very busy.

Very well done to Year 7 who have tackled the first assessment week. They have taken the week seriously and worked well.

Last week, the Christmas card competition saw some wonderful designs. The winning entries are shown a little later in the Word, please take a look. Well done to those students. The cards will be sent out this year by email to assist with our climate change pledges.

Thank you to Mr Abbas for arranging the chess challenge on Thursday lunch time. It was so well attended and students and staff thoroughly enjoyed the experience.

Year 9 students have had their PSHEC lessons this week. There was some excellent participation and discussions from all involved.

We are so proud of Mia H, she has been appointed as Solihull Mayors Cadet. This is a fantastic achievement. Well done to Mia.

I have had the pleasure of meeting a number of students this week to sign the Golden book for their excellent work and effort. Well done to Issac D, Jude C, Jasmine W, Jayden M, Janiece N, Finlay L, Charlie L, Millie Y, Ryley W, Enzo S and Molly S.

As a reward for everyone's hard work this term, there will be a non-uniform day on Friday 22 December. Parents and carers please be reminded that school finishes at 12.30pm on this day too.

Annette Kumbin

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WORD OF THE WEEK

PREDOMINATE

Verb: To be the largest in number or the most important.

Pine trees **predominate** in this area of the forest.

Red and gold colours

predominated in the Christmas table display.

HOUSE POINTS



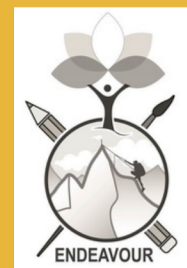
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DIARY REMINDERS

ALL YEARS:

Thursday 21st December - Christmas Concert
Friday 22nd December - Term Ends - 12.30pm - Non-Uniform Day

YEAR 7:

Tuesday 19th December - Year 7 PSHEC Day

YEAR 8:

Thursday 21st December - Year 8 PSHEC Day

YEAR 9:

YEAR 10:

Wednesday 20th December - Year 10 PSHEC Day

YEAR 11:

Thursday 11th January - Year 11 Photos

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

Sixth Form

Light Hall Sixth Form – Applications now open!

As you will know by now, next academic year sees us open our brand new Sixth Form. We are really looking forward to this exciting new step and being able to continue the Light Hall Community into Years 12 and 13!

It has been great seeing applications to our Sixth Form start to come in, and to see the various courses that students are opting for. We really appreciate that there is a lot to consider. So we would encourage all Year 11 students to take a look at the subject information pages on the website (<https://www.lighthall.co.uk/sixth-form/>) and if you do have any questions, then please do get in touch (sixthform@lighthall.co.uk).

A reminder that for all Year 11 students, applications are now open and Year 11 students can apply by following the link which has been sent to their school email address. The deadline is Friday 19th January!

Light Hall Sixth Form

Applications are now open!



Need more
information?



Need to ask?



Ready to apply?

FOLLOW US: [@LHS6thFORM](https://twitter.com/LHS6thFORM)
Email: sixthform@lighthall.co.uk
<https://www.lighthall.co.uk/sixth-form/>



THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

International Human Solidarity Day 20th December

International Human Solidarity Day is:

- a day to celebrate our unity in diversity;
- a day to remind governments to respect their commitments to international agreements;
- a day to raise public awareness of the importance of solidarity;
- a day to encourage debate on the ways to promote solidarity for the achievement of the Sustainable Development Goals including poverty eradication;
- a day of action to encourage new initiatives for poverty eradication.

Background

Solidarity is identified in the [Millennium Declaration](#) as one of the fundamental values of international relations in the 21st Century, wherein those, who either suffer or benefit least deserve help from those who benefit most. Consequently, in the context of globalization and the challenge of growing inequality, strengthening of international solidarity is indispensable.

Therefore, the UN General Assembly, convinced that the promotion of the culture of solidarity and the spirit of sharing is important for combating poverty, proclaimed 20 of December as International Human Solidarity Day.

Through initiatives such as the establishment of the World Solidarity Fund to eradicate poverty and the proclamation of International Human Solidarity Day, the concept of solidarity was promoted as crucial in the fight against poverty and in the involvement of all relevant stakeholders.

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 foreign language and culture 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.

Light Halls Got Talent Results

Thank you to those involved in the delivery our Light Hall's Got Talent event and thank you to all students who invested their time in showcasing their talents!

Congratulations to Renee S in Discovery who won first place, Manu D in Discovery who came 2nd and Jasmine W in Endeavour and Xander E in Discovery for coming joint 3rd!



Christmas Card Competition

1st Place



2nd Place



3rd Place



ATLANTIS



CHALLENGER



DISCOVERY



ENDEAVOUR

Achievements

Mia H in Year 11 had the honour of being appointed as the Solihull Mayors Cadet 23/24.

Mia will be invited to accompany the Mayor Councillor Diana Holl-Allen MBE at ceremonial events.

Her first event was on Remembrance Sunday but she was formally invested on 11 December at Shirley Cadets where she was congratulated by the Mayor and awarded a Badge to wear on her uniform in-front of her fellow cadets.

We are all extremely proud of Mia. She has had some amazing opportunities with Shirley Sea Cadets, but her hard work and commitment to the Unit has resulted in her receiving the honour of this award.




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 18 th December	Tuesday 19 th December	Wednesday 20 th December	Thursday 21 st December	Friday 22 nd December
 Dance All Years Mrs Pemberton Gym		 Basketball Year 7 & 8 Mr Cole & Mr Bate Gym	 Netball All Years Mrs Pemberton & White Sports Hall	<p style="text-align: center;">No Clubs</p> <p style="text-align: center;">School closes at 12.30pm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!</p> 
OCR Sport Science Year 11  Mr Yates E7		Table Tennis  All Years Mr Grasso Churchill Hall	Rugby  All Years Mr Cole Field	
Boys EFSA Football Fixture Year 7 Mr Grasso & Mr Cole @ Thomas Telford		 Basketball Year 9-11 Mr Yates Sports Hall	 Netball Academy Invitation Only Mrs Pemberton Sports Hall After Netball Club	
Badminton  Year 7 & 8 Mrs White Sports Hall			Boys Football  Year 8 & 9 Mr Yates Field (Boots needed)	
			Boys Football Year 7 Mr Grasso Astro	



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Christmas Concert

Date: Thursday 21st December 2023

Time: 6.00pm - 7.00pm

Free Admission

We would love for you to join us for an evening of festive fun and an opportunity to enjoy our students' musical talents!

Please email office@lighthall.co.uk if you would like to attend along with the number of attendees.



♥ 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