



**HOLLY
LODGE**
GIRLS' COLLEGE

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March 2024

NEWS LETTER

EXPECT TO ACHIEVE



**WE HAVE HIGH EXPECTATIONS
OF OURSELVES AND THE HIGH
QUALITY EDUCATION**

WE AIM TO DELIVER.

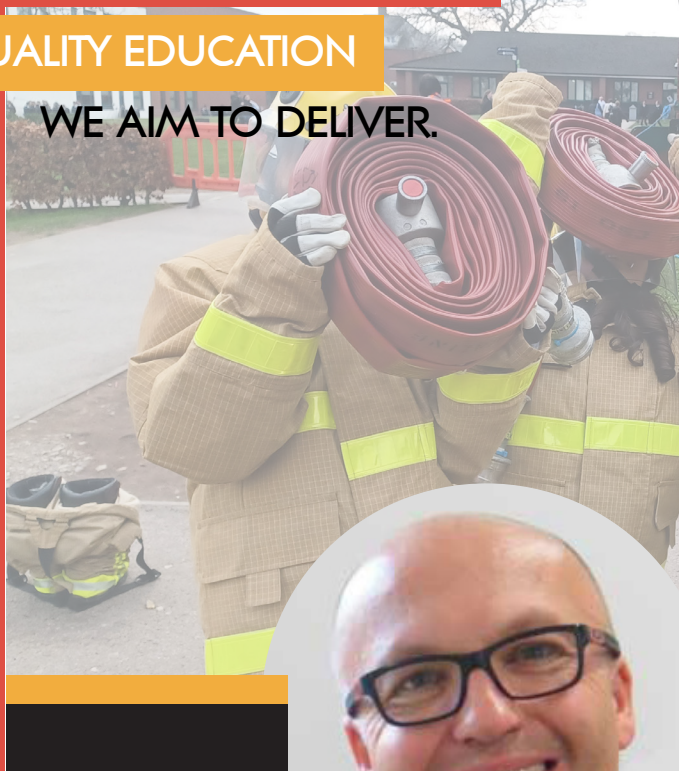


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Welcome to our Easter 2024 newsletter.

Inside you will find an update on the numerous activities, initiatives and opportunities which we are able to offer to our students, in addition to the excellent teaching they receive in their lessons.

This is now a time where we look forward – to all of our students successfully sitting their exams in the summer.

EXPECT TO ACHIEVE

To Year 9 starting their journey to exam success by completing their options and to all our other years working their way towards the summer break and the new school year that will follow.

But for now, please read and enjoy this newsletter and have an excellent Easter break.

**Andy Keen
Headteacher**

EXPECT TO ACHIEVE



POLICE ROADSHOW FOR IWD 2024

Coming up, this term..

- Culture Day
- Year 9 Options
- Year 7 Parents' evening
- D of E season begins
- Year 11 & 13 exam season



THROUGH OUR SHARED VALUES

AND ACTIONS, WE AIM TO

ENCOURAGE OUR STUDENTS TO BE

FOCUSED, ASPIRATIONAL & RESILIENT

CAREERS FAIR

YEAR 11



Y11 WELL-BEING WEEK

Thank you to all the students and staff who came to the after-school activities during well-being week.

The activities we had running were:

- Colouring in and pom pom making
- Hot chocolate and a chat
- Rounders
- Board game club
- Trampolining

It was great fun spending quality time with you all doing some fun activities. Your well-being is important to us.

YEAR 11 PROM

SAVE THE DATE!!! - Friday 28th June 2024

Year 11 Prom has been booked for all students who qualify to attend. It will be at The Royal Liver Building on the 28th June 2024 .. More details to follow...



Y11 MOCK INTERVIEWS



Y11 WELL BEING WEEK

YEAR 11

Y11 WELL-BEING WEEK



'WELL DONE, YEAR 11, KEEP UP THE

GOOD WORK AND YOU WILL

ACHIEVE GREAT RESULTS'

MRS MURPHY

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We are all so proud of how Year 11 have conducted themselves over the recent mock exam period. You have all shown determination, resilience and hard work during this time.

Well done Year 11, keep up the good work and you will achieve great results in August.

As ever, attendance to school is key for you to be successful, but this will particularly be the case between now and your exams. Make sure you attend school every day and make the most of all the opportunities you will be provided with. ”

**MRS MURPHY
YEAR 11 YEAR LEADER**



EXPECT TO ACHIEVE

#WE'VE GOT THIS

YEAR 11

YEAR 10

"YEAR 10 HAVE HAD

A GREAT HALF TERM

MRS I



Y10 ELEVATE SESSIONS



"Year 10 have had a great half term including a very inspiring visit from Merseyside Police.

This coincided with International Women's Day and the students had the opportunity to hear about the careers within the Police from serving female professionals.

The feedback from students was fantastic and I know they found this visit really interesting.

We have also had a 'Meet The Professionals' career event which again gave students the opportunity to consider a wide range of professions.

Also this half-term, I was really privileged to be able to watch our Year 10 Drama students record performances as part of their assessment. The performances were fantastic, the students involved should be really proud of themselves. Not only were the performances great, the camaraderie with the group was really lovely to see."



**MRS DOOLAN,
YEAR 10 YEAR LEADER**

MERSEYSIDE POLICE VISIT

YEAR 10



LFC FOUNDATION - CREATIVE WORKS

The purpose of the trip was to meet the professionals event, following on from a 6 week programme provided by LFC Foundation called Creative Works, which has a focus on using creative skills in industry.

The pupils met various people with various roles throughout the day including Technical Manager, Director of Youth and Lead on Admin. They got a tour of the theatre, including the costume department and also took part in a technical lighting workshop.

The purpose was to showcase the various different careers within the creative industry, aside from those well known jobs such as acting.

It was a positive visit over all with almost all girls gaining insight into some career they might wish to pursue.



YEAR 9



YEAR 9 JAGUAR LAND ROVER

A group of Year 9 pupils attended a launch event, exclusively for JLR Partner Schools.

The aim of the day was to celebrate International Women's Day and showcase the inspiring women that make up JLR and shine a light on how the industry is for everyone, not just for the few.

Students heard from a range of women at JLR about their career journeys and hope to bust myths and tackle stereotypes to provide opportunities for everyone to see themselves in our future.



YEAR 9 JAGUAR LAND ROVER

YEAR 9



MERSEYSIDE FIRE SERVICE

The fire service joined us as part of their International Women's Day roadshow, to work with a group of year 9 pupils showing them what it takes to join the service.

This was an all female staffed truck to inspire the pupils to show they can be anything they want to be.

The pupils got to try on the uniform, look around the truck and run some drills. The pupils were able to ask questions and get a feel for what it takes to be a firefighter.

Lots of fun was had by all, and the pupils went away at the end of the day with a goodie bag and cake to celebrate their achievements!



MERSEYSIDE FIRE SERVICE

YEAR 9 OPTIONS EVENING

We were delighted with the way Year 9 have approached their option choices.

This is the first chance students get to have a say in what they will study and they have made excellent use of their booklets, options evening and our staff in helping them decide.

All option forms need to be returned to Mrs Smyth by Thursday 28th March 2024.



YEAR 8



KPMG WORK READY VISIT

"I cannot believe we are 2/3s of the way through the year. Time flies when you are having fun!"

One of the highlights for me this term was the Careers Fair. Watching year 8 students engage with the employers, ask questions and think about their futures was really refreshing.

The employers mentioned year 8 in particular as being exemplary which made me feel so proud and should make you feel proud of yourselves.

I hope you all have a lovely, well deserved Easter break. "

**MRS EDWARDS
YEAR 8 YEAR LEADER**



CAREERS FAIR



YEAR 7

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YEAR 7 SILVER STORIES

Mrs Scott and our Silver Stories readers have been doing some fantastic work with a local retirement home.

Our amazing readers have read a range of texts such as stories, extracts, interviews, poems and recipes to a captive audience.

The residents were so delighted, they even delivered us a thank you gift!

The readers are having a well-deserved break for a few weeks, but will return very soon with more reading treats to another lucky home.



YEAR 7 SILVER STORIES



YEAR 7 SNACK BITE READING

YEAR 12 & 13

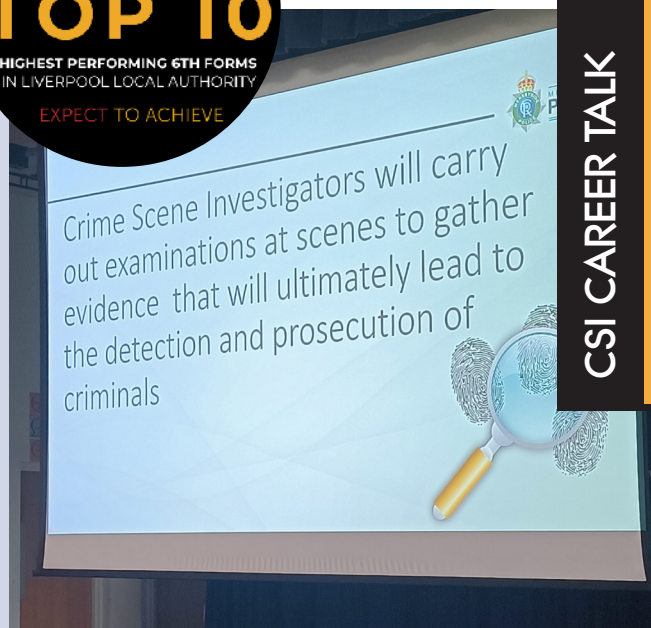


Year 12 & 13 Social Sciences Students

Year 12 and 13 social sciences were fortunate to be able to attend a talk from a crime scene investigator to support their understanding of the role.

She explained some of the many cases she has investigated and the key evidence that led to convictions.

It was very interesting and inspired many students to find out more about Careers as a CSI.



CSI CAREER TALK

YEAR 12 WORK EXPERIENCE

Year 12 attended a range of work experience placements the W/C 18th of March.

These included solicitors, accountancy, labs, pharmacies, Alder Hey children's hospital, primary schools and the office of Ian Byrne MP, amongst many others.

The feedback from employers was our students conducted themselves very professionally and were a credit to themselves.

This will help students decide on their next steps and ultimately what careers to pursue in the future.



Alder Hey
Children's Hospital

ASPIRE LIVERPOOL OXFORD RESIDENTIAL



Three of our year 12 students were fortunate to gain places on the Liverpool Aspire Programmes Oxford residential.

They stayed in rooms at St Peters College, were able to join lectures, tour the city, and visit the Ashmolean Museum.

They were able to speak to academics directly and most importantly get help and advice to support their applications to Oxford and Cambridge in the summer.

For more information on the Aspire programme, visit their website:

<https://aspireliverpool.org.uk/>



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HOLLY LODGE 6TH FORM

YEAR 10 MVP MENTORS

We have now moved on to the selected topics from our year 7 students.

It's important that you make sure to attend the training sessions so that you are feeling confident delivering these next three sessions.

MVP PROGRAMME

Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP)

Mentors in Violence Prevention (MVP) is a peer mentor programme where our year 10 students work closely with our Year 7 students.

MYA run the programme across Liverpool high schools where they help young people to understand ways to prevent violence whilst remaining safe.

MVP has been delivered in Holly Lodge for the past 3 years and is very successful.

This year we have 40 year 10 mentors supporting our younger pupils.

In order for us to support our young people properly, year 7 students can complete a survey that was sent to parents/carers earlier this year highlighting the areas they may be struggling to understand or manage. This helps us to ensure that these areas are tackled during the sessions.

Further information can be found on their website - <https://educationmvp.co.uk/>



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD



Coming to a student near you!

Our DofE families are invited to join the DofE team in a training day held on Saturday 13th April and Saturday 24th April 2024.

These are compulsory to secure your place on the Duke of Edinburgh.

Payments for this year's programme will be accepted between 15th April '24 - 19th April 24.

Our team are looking forward to meeting the families of those involved!



BRONZE D OF E EXPEDITION '22-'23



DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD

WORLD BOOK DAY 2024

WORLD
BOOK
DAY



DECORATED CLASSROOM DOORS

World Book Day on 7th March this year went off with a bang!

Staff and students worked really hard decorating doors to represent their favourite books.

It was a tough competition, but the winning door was awarded to Miss Birch and the French department with *La Belle et la Bête* (Beauty and the Beast).

We had a great day. Discussing books, reading the *Snack Bites* in the canteen and working out who the *Masked Readers* were.



SNACK BITE READINGS

WORLD BOK DAY

DECORATED CLASSROOM DOORS



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WORLD BOOK DAY 2024

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SUPPORT FOR PARENTS

We offer a range of services that can help support parents/ carers of our pupils in various ways.

Whether this be support with food due to the cost of living crisis, financial hardship or support with uniform.

If you require any type of support, please do not hesitate to contact our family support officers:

Angie Martin
Faye McDermott

Alternatively, you can seek support via your daughter's Year Leader.

Any queries will be dealt with on a confidential basis.



FOOD FOR THOUGHT - HOLLY LODGE FOOD DIGNITY PANTRY

National data on food insecurity shows that 9.3 million adults (17.7% of households) experienced food insecurity in January 2023, and with one in four households with children, that's around four million children experiencing food insecurity in that same month.

The Trussell Trust states, that the London regions had the highest distribution of Trussell Trust food parcels in 2021 /22, closely followed by the North -West.

Holly Lodge have been working with MCKS Charitable Foundation for 3 years so far and have provided families and the community with dignity hampers and toiletries.

In total Holly Lodge have provided over 400 dignity hampers to families within our community so far.

At Christmas, Holly Lodge staff work alongside MCKS making donations so that we are able to put Christmas Hampers together with some festive treats in each hamper!

This year we are hoping to help around 30 families with our festive dignity hampers.

Dignity hampers can be requested via Angie Martin at Holly Lodge.

Tel: 0151 228 3772

E-mail: a.martin@hollylodge.liverpool.sch.uk



YPAS - YOUNG PERSON'S ADVISORY SERVICE



Open Access Drop-In Coffee Morning



Grab a hot drink and join us for a chat. Theme to be confirmed.

To book a place please visit:
www.ypas.org.uk/whats-on/

DAY	TIME	LOCATION
17TH, APR	10AM - 12:00PM	SOUTH HUB

CRISIS DROP-IN'S

Across 3 Community Hubs

YPAS North Hub
Croxdale Road West
L14 8YA

Monday: 9am - 8pm
Tuesday: 9am - 8pm
Wednesday: 9am - 8pm
Thursday: 9am - 8pm

YPAS South Hub
Lyndene Road
L25 1NG

Monday: 9am - 8pm
Tuesday: 9am - 8pm
Wednesday: 9am - 8pm
Thursday: 9am - 8pm

YPAS Central Hub
36 Bolton Street
L3 5LX

Monday: 9am - 8pm
Tuesday: 9am - 8pm
Wednesday: 9am - 8pm
Thursday: 9am - 8pm
Friday: 9am - 8pm
Saturday: 1pm - 6pm



Please see our website for the latest times.

KOOTH



Kooth is a free online service offering emotional and mental health support for children and young people

www.kooth.com

The Kooth team are here to provide free, safe and anonymous online support and counselling.

The whole team are made up of friendly and experienced individuals who want to help you: www.kooth.com



Young Person's Advisory Service

YPAS Parenting Groups

Our colleagues at YPAS have informed us that they have three up and coming parenting groups available for Parents of secondary aged children:

- **Parent Talk** – Held at North YPAS hub starting 22/04.
- **You and Me Mum** – Held at South YPAS hub starting 14/05.
- **Nurture** – Held at South YPAS hub starting 01/05.

Referrals for all of these are via school referral, self-referral or via the YPAS Drop In Hubs.

For further information regarding Parenting Support please go to YPAS' website www.ypas.org.uk or you can contact them on 0151 707 1025.



If you are a parent or carer of a young person aged under 18 please click on the following link to access emergency advice [Emergency advice - Liverpool CAMHS.](#)

If you are 18+ and in distress or crisis please call Mersey Care Urgent mental health support contact number:

0151 296 7200 or access support through the following website [Merseycare Urgent Mental Health Support.](#)



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