

An ambitious curriculum and high expectations

LVC NEWS

School Improvement Update



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This newsletter captures progress made against our school improvement objectives over the course of the autumn term. It also captures some enriching learning activities.



Ofsted monitoring report

The findings from the Ofsted inspection that took place at the end of July were published in September. [The report](#) highlights a number of areas of school improvement, noting progress made in developing SEND provision, embedding our behaviour policy and curriculum offer. The inspectors also confirmed strong safeguarding processes. Recommendations included greater communication with parents/carers regarding school improvement and further establishing consistency in practices.



Governor update

Clare Gorman has joined the Local Governing Body as a Trust-appointed member. Clare has experience of governance through her role as Chair of the Governing Body at the Meadow Primary School in Balsham. She has become a member of the Standards Committee and has also taken on responsibility as the Pupil Premium Link governor. Clare is a Marketing Communications and Strategy Consultant within the technology sector. She will also play a strategic role in strengthening community relations and communications. Clare has two daughters that attend LVC.



College aims

All students benefit from an ambitious, inclusive and enriching education, enabling them to flourish and succeed as Linton Learners.

Our current school improvement priorities are listed below.

- 1) Strong leadership at every level drives school improvement.
- 2) All students benefit from an ambitious, inclusive and enriching curriculum experience.
- 3) SEND students are effectively supported to achieve success.
- 4) Effective and behaviour for learning approaches are used consistently.
- 5) Healthy, respectful relationships are developed across the school community.

Parent Forum

A Parent Forum took place in October to provide an update on school improvement and discussion regarding home-school communication. Ideas gathered from the event have led to annual 'year ahead' letters containing key dates, events and information, including trips and setting arrangements. Our new website being launched in the New Year contains more detailed curriculum information and should be easier to navigate. We've also developed our social media feeds to include more regular celebration of learning outcomes and student achievements. The next Parent Forum will take place in January and will focus on curriculum and assessment.

Curriculum development

Teachers have spent time this term involved in joint planning. This has helped to improve the standard and consistency of teaching resources. There has been a focus on high quality modelling this term with teachers sharing how they introduce and explain effectively to support all students to access challenging lesson content. A Teaching and Learning working party has been established to share, develop and embed a consistently high quality learning experience across the curriculum.

Behaviour for Learning

Climate walks have been introduced to take place every lesson. Senior and middle leaders visit classrooms to monitor the standard of behaviour learning and identify where targeted support is needed. The Behaviour for Learning working party's focus is to embed effective behaviour management approaches to achieve greater consistency in approach and communication and higher standards.

An inclusive teaching and learning environment

SEND provision

A monitoring visit has taken place with the Local Authority to review the progress that we have made against our SEND improvement plan. The SEND working party has started to compile and share strategies that support learning in different subject areas.

Healthy relationships

The new Relationships, Sex and Education curriculum is being delivered through dedicated PSHE lessons as well as the tutor time programme.

A staff working party has been established to focus on healthy relationships. Initial stakeholder surveys have captured information to inform the group's action plan to address sexual harassment and educate children in how to develop and sustain healthy relationships. All staff have engaged in training in this subject matter to build knowledge, awareness and confidence in this topic.

An enriching educational experience

Practical learning

Students have enjoyed returning to subject bases and specialist teaching rooms this academic year. This has enabled more practical science and technology lessons to take place.



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Lots of excellent outcomes this fortnight in Food Preparation and Nutrition. Just a snapshot of some KS4 Mille Feuille and Gnocchi. Delicious!



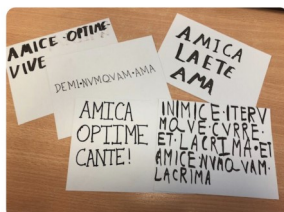
Clubs re-launch

After pausing extra-curricular activities in 2021/22, lunchtime and after school clubs have restarted this term. New activities such as Latin club, paper craft club and Musical Theatre have been added to the extra-curricular programme.



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In Latin club this week, students have created curse and benediction tablets.



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Some lovely creations at this afternoon's paper craft club led by Mrs Hay in the library. Meet Hector the hedgehog and his friend... 🦔 🦋



Linton Learner successes

Over 29,000 House points have already been issued this term with an average of 35 points per student. Cash-ins have restarted this term, allowing students to trade their House points for treats such as a free cookie or booking the Astro turf to use with their friends.



Year 11 Ball

We enjoyed celebrating with the Class of 2021 with a belated Prom Awards Evening on 1st October, complete with red carpet arrivals. Ex-students were presented with prizes to celebrate their achievements at LVC followed by a disco.



Mock exams

Our Year 11 students demonstrated great maturity during the mock examination series. There was a week's delay due to the Covid-19 vaccinations. Exams took place in the sports hall plus practical mocks in Food, Art and Drama. Results will be released to students before the end of term. Estimated grades will inform post-16 applications.

Sponsored Walk

Our sponsored walk took place on 22nd October. Over £7000 was raised by students for the Friends of



Extra-curricular activities



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There were some amazing entries in the Art department's Tim Burton-themed Halloween competition. 🎃 Here are first prize winners from each House. 🍂



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Our students thoroughly enjoyed the @Panathlon Xtend Challenge Event 🏃🏃🏃 yesterday. Thanks you to @ImpingtonPE @SouthCamsSSP for hosting.



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Outstanding evening of netball 🏐 during the 1st round of the @SouthCamsSSP Bee 🐝 Netball League! Well done to our sports leaders for running the event and congratulations to winners @LintonHeights A



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Year 11 went on a geography trip this week to Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park, to study the impacts of redevelopment in this part of London.



Linton Village College - 21/10/2021
We were delighted to welcome @HbFeshtoday. The dancers worked on choreographic skills in addition to teaching students repertoire from their current show. Well done to the Year 10 students who worked incredibly hard to learn the professional routine!

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Great to see students working on musical theatre workshops benefiting from alumni and West End theatre star Richard Woodford. #enriching

