



SUMMER

Term Highlights

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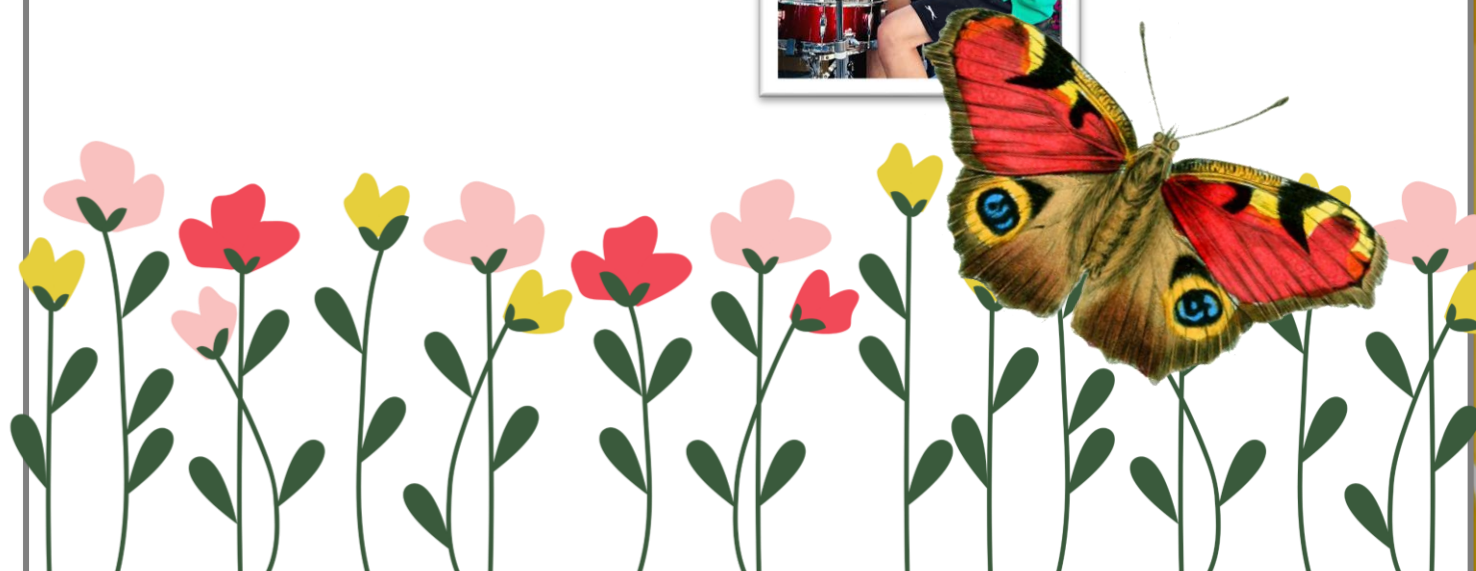
Our students have embraced every opportunity with enthusiasm, demonstrating our core values of being caring, independent learners both within school and across the wider community. Here are just a few of the highlights.



Musical Highlights

It has been a fantastic term for music at LVC, with students showcasing their talents both at home and abroad. Thirty musicians and singers from Years 7 to 11 recently embarked on a concert tour of Belgium as members of the Linton Symphonic Wind Orchestra and Linton Voices Choir. Following more than 30 hours of rehearsal, students performed in De Panne and Ostend, presenting a varied programme of classical, popular and film music. The tour provided a wonderful opportunity for students to perform to international audiences and develop their musical skills.. A particular highlight was the performance of an original choral composition by Year 11 student Mia, demonstrating the creativity and talent of our young musicians.

The term also saw the spectacular Midsummer Concert, which celebrated the breadth and quality of musical talent across the school. Audiences were treated to an impressive range of performances, spanning everything from Mozart to Muse, with ensembles and soloists performing to an exceptionally high standard. The event was further enhanced by the school's new audio-visual equipment, funded by the Friends of LVC and the Parish Council, which made a significant difference to the quality of the performances.





Sports Leaders

Our Sports Leaders have been outstanding this term, demonstrating maturity, initiative and a commitment to supporting both the school and wider community. Following a competitive application process, around 40 Year 10 students have taken on Sports Leader roles, developing valuable leadership skills while helping to inspire younger pupils through sport.

Throughout the term, Sports Leaders have supported a variety of events. They played a key role in our Year 6 Induction Day, helping to run a mini athletics competition for pupils from our feeder primary schools and providing an opportunity for students to get to know one another before joining LVC. They have also assisted at a number of primary school sports days, including Great Abington, where our students were praised for their enthusiasm, initiative and leadership.

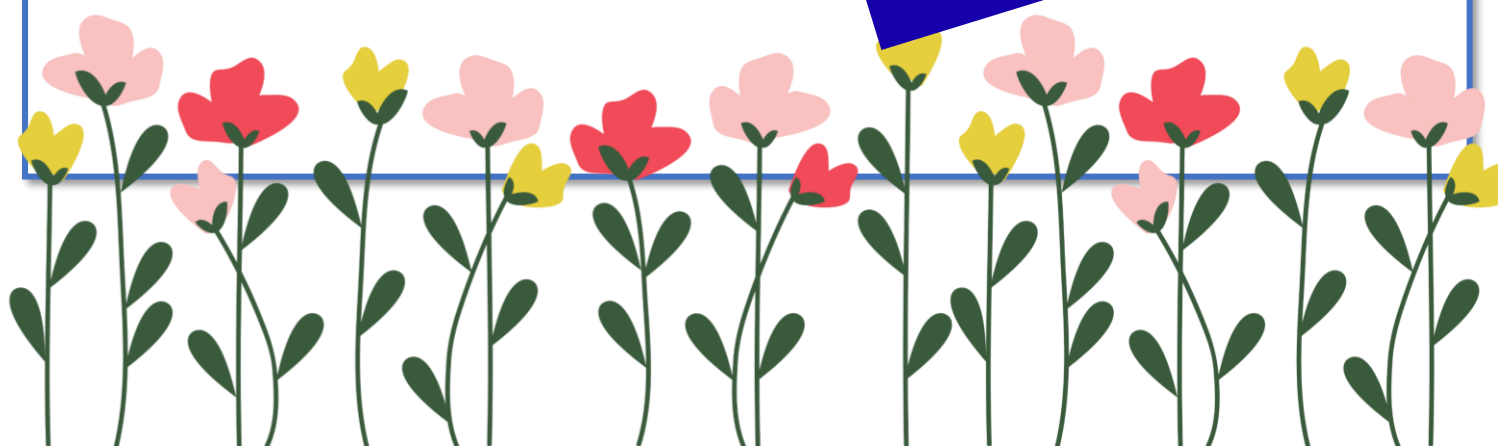
In addition, our Sports Leaders helped deliver a tennis festival involving ten primary schools, encouraging participation and building confidence among younger pupils through fun and inclusive activities. Closer to home, they were instrumental in the success of LVC Sports Day, helping to organise events, support competitors and ensure the day ran smoothly.

The positive impact of our Sports Leaders has been recognised across the wider community, with many schools and event organisers commending their caring approach, professionalism and willingness to take responsibility. We are incredibly proud of the way they have represented LVC and the excellent example they continue to set for younger students.



Sports Day '26

Sports Day was once again a fantastic occasion and a real highlight of the term. With high temperatures forecast, the PE department made the decision to change the usual format and hold the track events first, allowing students to compete in cooler conditions. Fortunately, we were treated to an overcast morning before the heat took hold, creating excellent conditions for competition. Congratulations to all students and staff who took part, and a special well done to Endeavour House, who were crowned Sports Day champions with an impressive 647 points. Sports Day once again showcased the enthusiasm, resilience and community spirit that make LVC such a special place.





Dance Highlights

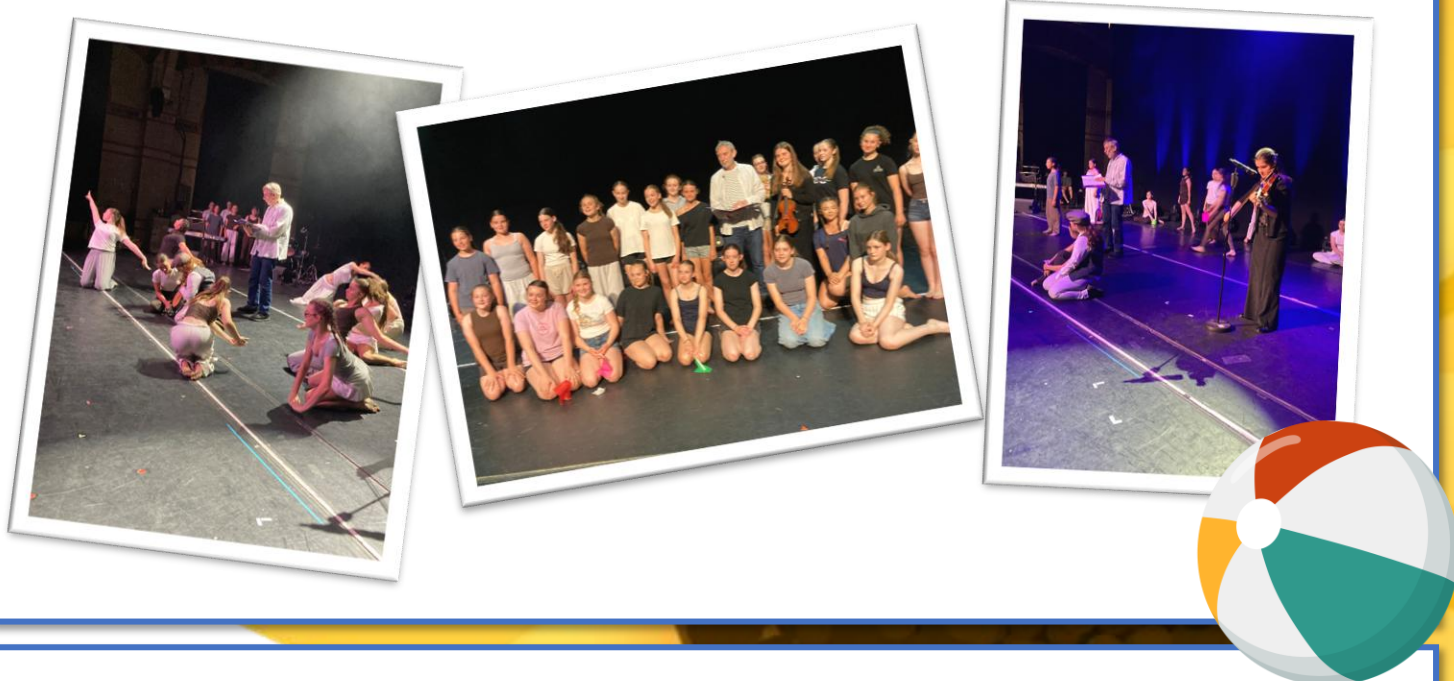
This year has been another exciting and successful one for Dance at LVC, with students showcasing their creativity, talent and commitment, both within school and across the wider community.

One of the standout events was Voices of Hope and Compassion at the Cambridge Corn Exchange, a powerful concert celebrating the 80th birthday of acclaimed poet and author Michael Rosen while shining a light on the experiences of refugees and displaced people around the world. Students from both the Lower and Upper School Dance Companies were honoured to perform as part of this significant event. Drawing inspiration from one of Rosen's poems, they created a moving and thought-provoking piece that explored the tragic story of two of his relatives during the Second World War. Through expressive choreography and powerful storytelling, the dancers brought history and emotion to life, captivating the audience and contributing to an evening filled with reflection, hope and compassion.

The performance was made even more special by an original musical composition written and performed by Year 11 student Mia. Her sensitive and evocative accompaniment perfectly complemented the choreography and was met with considerable praise from Michael Rosen himself, making it a memorable moment for everyone involved.

Dance students have also played an important role in inspiring younger pupils and supporting transition activities throughout the year. During the Year 6 induction day, Year 7 students confidently took to the stage to perform a dance showcase, giving incoming students a taste of the vibrant performing arts opportunities available at LVC. Their enthusiasm and professionalism helped to create a welcoming atmosphere and demonstrated the confidence that students can develop through participation in dance.

In addition, five talented Year 8 dancers worked with Year 5 pupils from Linton Heights as part of Creativity Week. Leading workshops and sharing their skills, they encouraged younger students to explore movement, creativity and self-expression. The sessions were a great success, providing valuable leadership opportunities for our Year 8 students while helping to build excitement and confidence among pupils preparing for the next stage of their educational journey.



World Challenge to Norway

In August, 15 of our Year 11 students will embark on an unforgettable Challenge Led Expedition to Norway. This exciting outdoor adventure will take students into the heart of the stunning Setesdal Valley, where they will develop confidence, resilience and independence through a range of demanding and rewarding activities.

Throughout the expedition, students will trek through breathtaking wilderness, wild camp under the Scandinavian sky, canoe along the River Otra and experience the thrill of white-water rafting. Along the way, they will learn valuable expedition skills, including navigation, campcraft, teamwork and leadership, all while challenging themselves in a truly unique environment.

The expedition is designed to push students beyond their comfort zones, encouraging them to work together, solve problems and take responsibility for themselves and others. By sharing leadership roles and supporting one another through each challenge, they will gain lifelong skills that extend far beyond the classroom.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks in advance to the staff who are giving their time and expertise to make this incredible opportunity possible. We look forward to hearing about the experiences, achievements and memories that our students will bring back from what promises to be a remarkable expedition.



Enrichment week

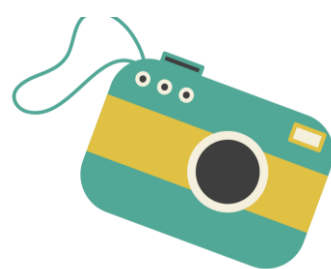
As we look back on the term, one of the highlights was another successful Enrichment Week, a valued part of the LVC calendar that encourages students to develop independence, confidence and new skills beyond the classroom.

Students took part in a wide range of experiences, with Years 7 and 8 enjoying activities and local visits, Year 10 completing work experience placements, and Year 9 travelling on residential trips across the UK and Europe.

This year, students explored destinations including Cornwall, Scotland, Iceland and southern Italy. In Cornwall, they visited attractions such as the Eden Project, Tintagel Castle and the Minack Theatre, while the Scotland group embraced a range of outdoor challenges including abseiling, bushcraft and water sports. Students travelling to Iceland experienced spectacular geothermal landscapes, waterfalls and glaciers, bringing their geography learning to life. Meanwhile, in Italy, students explored Pompeii, Naples and the Amalfi Coast, as well as enjoying a memorable pizza-making experience.

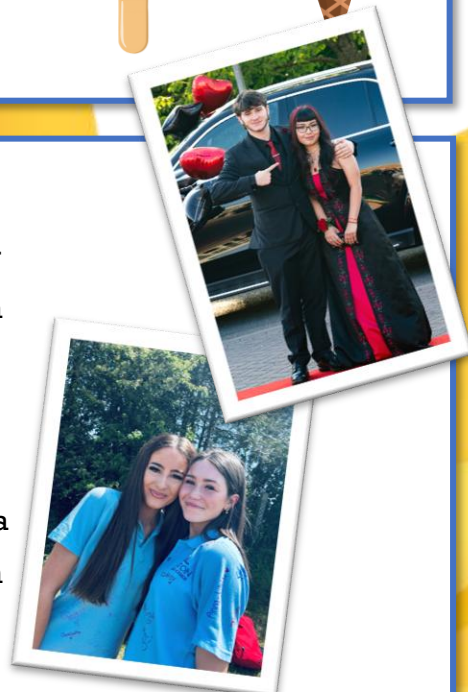
Across all trips and activities, students embraced new challenges, developed resilience and teamwork and created lasting memories with their peers. For many, Enrichment Week was a truly unforgettable experience and a highlight of the school year.

The success of the week is thanks to the tremendous planning, organisation and dedication of our staff. We are incredibly grateful for their commitment in providing such enriching opportunities for our students.



Year 11 Leavers & Prom

We said goodbye to the Class of 2026 this term as they completed their examinations and prepared for the next stage of their journeys. It was a pleasure to welcome them back for their Prom, an evening filled with celebration, friendship and plenty of memorable moments. As always, students arrived in style, with an incredible variety of vehicles ranging from classic cars to tractors and everything in between. The Prom was a fitting send-off for a year group that has made a significant contribution to LVC, and we wish them every success for the future.



Duke of Edinburgh

On a scorching July weekend, 70 Year 10 students completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh expedition in the Peak District. The Bronze Award, open to young people aged 14+, takes at least six months to complete and involves volunteering, physical activity, skill development and an expedition.

LVC has run the programme for 15 years under Mr Barton, with nearly a half of Year 10s currently enrolled. The scheme promotes personal growth and community involvement. Volunteering includes local charity work and conservation, while the physical and skills sections help students explore interests from fitness to cooking or coding.

The expedition is a highlight; students plan and complete two day-long hikes, camp overnight and cook their own meals, building resilience and teamwork.

