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Lacon Childe School

...more than just a school

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12 February 2025 – Week A

Dear Parents/Carers,

House Assemblies

This week we are celebrating the achievements of our students in a variety of house challenges and competitions that have been held during spring term 1 including Uno, creation of a Safeguarding Slogan, Extreme Reading, Lip Sync Battle (Music), Science, Badminton and Table Tennis. Congratulations to all of our winners in these competitions on both individual and team levels who have been recognised in our house assemblies. In addition, we have been celebrating our 'House Heroes' who have been awarded certificates by their form tutors for their outstanding commitment during this half term. Congratulations to all of our award winners, we are very proud of you!

PSHE - Information for KS4 parents

As part of our PSHE curriculum we have an assembly for Years 10 and 11 when they return to school on Monday 24th February. This will be delivered by trainers from 'Everyone's Invited'. The trainers will be running a workshop followed by a Q&A in single sex groups. The topic is Healthy Relationships. The PSHE lesson that afternoon will build on the workshop by discussing consent in relationships. Here is a link to the organisation's website <https://www.everyonesinvited.uk/> This has been set up in conjunction with West Mercia Police, who are planning to deliver this workshop in every school in the area. Please contact Mrs Shepherd if you have any questions or queries.

Annie Jr

I have just the one word... WOW!

Annie was without doubt THE BEST school production I have seen at Lacon Childe School. A huge well done to all of our students involved in the cast and crew for bringing this to life. It was absolutely fantastic, and we are amazingly proud of each and every one of you – well done! Mr Martin, you are a true inspiration to our students, thank you for your hard work and dedication. A massive thank you also goes to Miss Lloyd and Mr Warnes for sound and lighting and to our wonderful PTA team for their support with refreshments and the raffle. If you were unable to attend, here is a taste of the of what you missed...



Homework

No homework will be set for Years 7-10 (unless assessment related) this week so that students can enjoy a well-earned rest during half term.

Collaborative Planning

On Monday 17th March, we have our first collaborative planning day. These are days that the school have run previously, to ensure staff have additional focused planning time together, to support the work they are doing on developing the school's curriculum. It does mean that school will finish at 1.30pm on this day, and that lessons are slightly shortened along with tutor time and lunch time to ensure students follow their normal timetable, but other than that normal arrangements for the day will apply. The school's bus companies have been made aware so that the students can be picked up and taken home in their usual way, but just earlier in the day. This then gives school staff time to complete essential planning and curriculum development work. Our second collaborative planning day, which will follow the same format is in the summer term is on Thursday 19th June. These days are incredibly valuable in providing vital additional time for staff to work on the further development of the curriculum. We appreciate your continued support and thank you for being understanding about any disruption these days may create. If you are worried about arrangements for your child on these days, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Chewing Gum

Please can we ask you to remind your child that Lacon Childe School is a no chewing gum school. There are several reasons why we prohibit chewing gum. Chewing gum can be distracting to both the student chewing it and their classmates, potentially affecting focus and learning. Clean up issues are also significant as gum can create a mess if not disposed of properly, it can stick to desks, floors, carpets and other surfaces, making it challenging for staff to clean and well as unhygienic. At Lacon, we aim to maintain a conducive atmosphere to learning and preparing students for life in the working world. Chewing gum can be seen as unprofessional and many workplaces do not allow their employees to chew gum. While chewing gum itself is not unhealthy, excessive consumption of sugar-laden gum can lead to dental issues. We have always been a no chewing gum school and appreciate your support in helping us to maintain a positive, focused and clean educational environment.

L@fter Transport

L@fter transport is provided for students who wish to stay for clubs/revision sessions after school and leaves at approx. 4.20pm. Students need to book on to the L@fter bus at the office by breaktime at the latest on the day they wish to use it (The buses do not run on a Friday). Please use the transport section on Arbor to add money to your child's transport account. The cost of L@fter is £2.50. Please ensure that you add funds ready as the deduction will be made that day.

Free School Meals

Spring half term free school meal vouchers for those students eligible have been ordered and should be with parents/carers today, Wednesday 12th February.

Outstanding Finance

Please could we kindly request that any outstanding finances are addressed as soon as possible. Lunch accounts, minibus fees and trip payments should be in credit at all times. Please do contact us if you require any support.

Stakeholder Voice

Thank you to those of you have completed our Parent/Carer questionnaire already. This link will be active until we break up for half term on Friday.

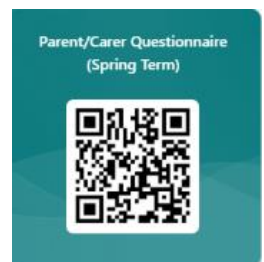
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Attachments

[Year 11 holiday revision sessions 2025](#)

[Year 9 Option letter](#)

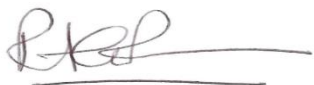
[Year 9 Exam letter](#)



Thank you for your continued support of our school.

Wishing you a fantastic half term holiday!

Yours sincerely



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Head of School




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Trips and Shop Payments

The following are available on Arbor to make payment

Item	Information	Payment Due
Year 7 KS3 Design Technology Contribution	Voluntary Contribution	
Year 7 London Trip		01/03/25
Year 8 Arthog Trip		21/03/25
Year 9 French Trip		01/03/25
Year 10 Poland Trip		03/03/25
Year 10 GCSE Fine Art Contribution	Voluntary Contribution	
Year 10 GCSE Materials Contribution	Voluntary Contribution	
Year 10 History Revision Guides		

Fixtures

 LACON CHILDE SCHOOL ...more than just a school	Date	Year	Sport	Venue & Start Date	Staff
	Wednesday 12th February	Y7 Boys	Rugby	Lacon vs Chantry 3.15 to 5.00pm (Home)	SA
	Wednesday 12th February	Y11 Boys/Y10 Girls	Basketball/Netball	Lacon vs CCS 3.15 to 5.00pm (Away)	ZT/GH

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