



As we reach the end of a short but busy term, our Year 11's are well into their exam season and are coping brilliantly with the pressure and revision workload. I look back with fondness at their leavers day. It is slightly surreal trying to deliver an assembly to an assorted audience of dinosaurs, superheroes and other random characters but the weather was on our side and the students were amazing throughout.

We also held the delayed Presentation evening for the Class of 2021. It was lovely to see so many of our former students, hear numerous successes and celebrate all their achievements. We were lucky enough to welcome Miriam Luke (Olympic Silver Medallist and World Champion Rower) who shared 3 lessons for success with the Class of 2021: Curiosity, Motivation and Perseverance. Miriam was able to tell the students from first hand experience that even people as successful as she has been have had to overcome failure and disappointment on the way to achievement and success.

This term we have been able to hold more in person events including music concerts and the talent show. Rehearsals for the school production of Pan! are in full swing and we are really looking forward to the performances on 4th, 5th and 6th July.

On the sports field Langtree continues to excel. The under 14 girls football team came 3rd in their recent tournament. The Year 9 girls won the Area Rounders tournament. Our cricket team competed in a Super 6 competition and Langtree athletes from all year groups took part in the area athletics competition at Tilsey Park.

Langtree School KS3 pupils were among almost 200,000 people across the country who, took part in the biggest plastic investigation to ever take place in the UK. Charlotte Binns (9HQu) made us aware of the initiative and with the support of Mrs Belcher and Mrs Godfrey many KS3 students were involved. The results and how we can further support the Greenpeace campaign will follow next term.

I am looking forward to next term with hopefully warm sunny weather, the completion of a successful GCSE season for our Year 11 students and of course the return of activities week.

Wishing you all a restful half term

Simon Bamford

Headteacher

Artwork: Year 8 Self Portraits

The Class of 2021—Presentation Evening



Pan! The preparations for the school production of Pan are well under way. With students taking the lead with costume and set design, Megan Antonio created this mood board as part of the costume design process.



YEAR 10 VISIT TO ORATORY SCHOOL MAY 2022



Music Department

On Monday 23rd May, the Piano/Keyboard group gave a fantastic concert to parents and relatives. The students performed solo items and then an ensemble piece involving all of them - The Model by Kraftwerk.

The impressive performers were Josh Clark, Gabriel Lord, Josie Hurst, Melissa Loyd, Lucy Parkins, Bea Cusack, Florrie Clark, Aaliya Van Walwyk and Emily Miller.

Well done everybody.

Mr Henderson

Piano Group Concert - May 2022

Two Year 10 music students along with Mr Henderson enjoyed a trip to The Oratory School. Where they had the chance to play the Oratory School's spinet harpsichord.

Thanks to Mr Stephen Burrows,
Head of Music and the Oratory
School.



You don't stop playing games because you get old.

You get old because you stop playing games.

Pan!

'Pan' rehearsals are well under way and our cast are flexing their creative muscles, and producing some really impressive performances already! The Pan-band are busy learning and composing original music for our production, too! And we've had meetings with our lead designers in year 9 and 10, and are excited about pulling in our 25 student strong backstage team after half term to help create the world of our play.

We can't wait to welcome you on 5th-7th July.

Tickets on sale soon



Pan! PanBand in rehearsal



How would you fly?

English Department

In March we welcomed R E Lewin to Year 7 and Year 9 classes during their library lessons. She talked about her new book, *The Children of the Pisces*, read an extract from the book, and answered a variety of questions from the pupils.

Book review: *The Children of Pisces, The Two Pendants*

I have just finished a new book called "The Children of Pisces The Two Pendants". I was lucky enough to meet the author in a library lesson. She shared a chapter with us called "Crocodile River" and it was thrilling and it made me want to read more. I have really enjoyed this book and I'm excitedly waiting for the next in the series.

The book is set in the year 2070 and tells the story about two siblings Tammy and Mikie with their special powers, their journey to reunite with each other and find their other siblings. There are Seekers (aliens) who have spread a deadly virus on Earth. In the book the Seekers are trying to capture Tammy and Mikie but we don't know why.

The prologue is very secretive and leaves you with lots of questions. Some of these questions are answered in the book but the rest remains a mystery only to be revealed in the next book.

The book is very descriptive which helps you imagine what the characters look and act like.

My favourite chapter of the book was definitely "A Clever Plan in Japan" because not only is it really entertaining, it's relatable to current environmental issues affecting our planet. Overall I would definitely recommend this book, it's my new favourite.

Aaliya Van-Walwyk



Reading Buddies—We had a fantastic first reading buddies session this term, Year 10 students were buddied up with Year 8's to help and encourage them with their reading.



Liz's Jubilee!

Children cried, "hooray!"
as it's Liz's jubilee today
the elderly with their teas
and toddlers with their pleas'
dads with their beers
and mums with their cheers

And no dismay
as it's Liz's jubilee today
bunting flapping in the summer air
little girls plaiting each other's hair
dogs panting in the heat
and teenage boys barbecuing meat
and brain filled with beloved memories to takeaway
as it's Liz's jubilee today!

By Joy Cleverly 9RJO



Diamond Jubilee Rap

The longest reigning monarch is our Queen Liz,
which really just proves she's the best in the biz.
With 70 years reigning on the throne,
the British people have no reason to moan.
I really don't know how she's still alive,
but she's our queen bee in the hive.
With her in our pocket we're going to succeed,
because she's the queen we all love and need.
From us to her and the Royal Family,
We all wish them a happy jubilee!

By Evie Morel (Year 9)



You may remember that last year we launched our Wish List website after collaborating with staff, parents, pupils and others to enable us to provide much needed equipment.

We are thrilled to share with you that this is proving to be a great success and as a result of your fantastic efforts to date, we have been able to buy some hugely useful items, some of which are shown here.

We have had lots of positive feedback and additional input over the last couple of months and have now updated the website to reflect some new and indeed some of the items we use the most. This truly reflects what we would like to provide as a school for our pupils and your ongoing support is sincerely valued.

In addition, as the school is a registered charity, we are able to claim for Gift Aid. If you are happy to consider this, there is a convenient form embedded into the website that you can sign at the point of checkout.

The Design Technology department would like to say a big thank you for the donations towards our 'List wish'. So far we have been able to purchase a finishing sander and 3 ratchet belt clamps. The Science department have been able to purchase Bunsen burners and other equipment, the PE department have new starting blocks for the athletics season and other pieces of equipment. Across the school your generosity is in evidence, thank you.

Thank you so much for all of your ongoing and continuous support of Langtree School, you have donated nearly £3000 towards the Langtree School listwish. The website is easy to browse and payment is secure. If you don't see anything you'd prefer to buy, there is also a 'Donate Now' option.

If you would like to donate in this way please take a look at Langtree's ListWish
www.langtreelw.co.uk



Sports Results Term 5

Year 9 Area Rounders Tournament v Local Schools

Well done to all of the girls for winning their first rounders tournament

U14s Girls County football Tournament v Local Schools at The Oxford Academy

Well done to all of the girls for coming 3rd against 9 other top teams in the district

Tilsley Park Athletics Competition v Local Schools

Individual races and events were won by many Langtree students

Year 7 Girls squad won their category.
U15 Girls came 3rd in their category.

U15 Boys Cricket v Icknield and St Birinus

St B. won by 47 runs
Icknield won by 5 wickets

Joe Woodall - Top Scorer

Year 9 Girls County Football Semi Final v Burford

Sadly the girls lost 6—5 in a hard fought game

POM: Aoife Murphy

Year 10 Area Rounders Tournament v Local Schools at Gillotts

Joint 2nd overall.

Year 7 Netball—won the league!







Class of 2022



Parenting Special Children

Samuel Redman (Year 11) is a member of the PSC's new Children and Young People's Neurodiversity Advisory Board, he also volunteers as a playworker/mentor at a group for autistic children and their families called The Raft Club (no connection to Parenting Special Children). Samuel was at the 15th anniversary event and met HRH The Countess of Wessex

Parenting Special Children were delighted to host a special event on the 2nd March to celebrate the 15th anniversary of the charity that was attended by HRH The Countess of Wessex. The guests included: Parenting Special Children past and present staff team, trustees, children, parent carers, volunteers and supporters including the Reading Borough Mayor, Cllr Rachel Eden and Deputy Mayor, Cllr Ayo Sokale. Ruth Pearce, Parenting Special Children's founder and CEO said, "Thank you to HRH The Countess of Wessex for joining us to celebrate our 15th anniversary. It was an honour and privilege to welcome you to meet our families. Our parents and carers appreciated your insight into the challenges and joys that they faced being parents of children with Special Educational Needs and/or disabilities (SEND). I know that everyone appreciated the time, attention and kindness shown to them. I will remember the pure delight on the children's faces for a long time to come, especially my daughter presenting your gift. Special memories to treasure forever."

Tess Eagles, Parenting Special Children's Partnership Manager and Neurodiverse Children/Young Peoples Lead said "This will be a highlight of the year. It was amazing to see the children overcome their anxieties to talk with HRH The Countess of Wessex. They enjoyed colouring activities, making a mosaic and playing Uno with the Countess. The event was a wonderful opportunity to highlight the fantastic work undertaken by the charity in the last 15 years supporting over 10,000 families, and also to look forward to the next 15 years, made more memorable by a Royal Visit. We are proud and honoured to have had this opportunity. Thank you to the Countess for attending and Reading Borough Council, the Mayoral office and Reading Museum for your support in helping us to create a long-lasting memory for Parenting Special Children".

(HRH photograph by Stewart Turkington: www.stphotos.co.uk).



Samuel with our CEO and Founder Ruth Pearce



HRH Sophie, Countess of Wessex and Samuel

UK Junior Mathematics Challenge – 2022

Some of our top mathematics students in Years 7 and 8 entered the national Junior Maths Challenge competition this April, with some outstanding results.

The Challenges are run annually by the University of Leeds and over 200,000 students across the United Kingdom participated, with the top 6% receiving a gold award, the next 13% receiving silver, and the next 21% bronze.

Overall there were five Gold Awards, for Dominic Joyce, Josie Hurst, Aidan Watkins, Hannah Towers in Year 8 and Joseph McEwan in Year 7. A further 18 silver awards and 21 bronze awards were achieved. Congratulations to all who participated! Mr Jones

Results

Dominic	Gold Best in School	Year 8	Amelie	Bronze	Year 8
Josephine	Gold	Year 8	Leonardo	Bronze	Year 8
Aidan	Gold	Year 8	Oliver	Bronze	Year 8
Hannah	Gold	Year 8	Massimo	Bronze	Year 8
Joseph	Gold Best in Year	Year 7	Melissa	Bronze	Year 8
Laurence	Silver	Year 8	Sienna	Bronze	Year 8
Gabriel	Silver	Year 8	Dylan	Bronze	Year 8
Iris	Silver	Year 8	Amelia	Bronze	Year 8
Harrison	Silver	Year 8	Matilda	Bronze	Year 8
Mia	Silver	Year 8	Emily	Bronze	Year 8
Elizabeth	Silver	Year 8	Iona	Bronze	Year 7
Oliver	Silver	Year 8	William	Bronze	Year 7
Oliver	Silver	Year 8	Anais	Bronze	Year 7
Evie	Silver	Year 8	Joshua	Bronze	Year 7
Sienna	Silver	Year 7	Ciara	Bronze	Year 7
Noah	Silver	Year 7	Madeleine	Bronze	Year 7
Spencer	Silver	Year 7	Ella	Bronze	Year 7
Maximilian	Silver	Year 7	Adam	Bronze	Year 7
Barnaby	Silver	Year 7	Oliver	Bronze	Year 7
Eleni	Silver	Year 7	Max	Bronze	Year 7
Isla	Silver	Year 7	Lydia	Bronze	Year 7
Philippa	Silver	Year 7			
Theodor	Silver	Year 7			

Simply Amazing

Year 7 set 2 maths participated in our class divisibility Easter challenge. Here are a selection of the entries which were all amazing. Congratulations to our winner Robyn Bannerman

The amazing maze

YOU FIND YOUR WAY THROUGH THE MAZE
COLOUR THE MULTIPLES OF 9 IN RED & IN BLUE AND 3 IN YELLOW
GOOD LUCK

450	696	572	713	516	753
702	444	638	783	594	792
999	81	571	248	420	961
501	192	720	111	911	396
699	726	603	496	878	736
69	90	828	726	528	184

-CHEESE-MATHS-

Choose the cat to hangry! Find the cheese, who isn't sticky with cheese but who will ask for a treat, get as much as you can!

divisible by 3 divisible by 9 divisible by 5

610	36	63	18	9	45
125	108	33	9	3	10
40	270	12	205	550	60
90	50	9000	24	100	65
120	105	640	39	99	80
21	27	135	117	44	95

happy hexagons

colour in orange if the number is divisible by 7
colour in green if it is divisible by 3
colour in blue if divisible by 5

175	189	125	315	855	1235
2334	273	288	78	350	623
3333	348	285	405	4675	261
3185	1335	6545	1895	6741	256
6762	7845	2961	666	413	378
2184	2945	1677	999	5488	6265

Marvellous Maths!

Bele, and welcome to my marvellous maths challenge. The rules are simple, go to the end of the maze by colouring a path BUT the path has to be created from only one colour and you can only go horizontally and vertically! (GOOD LUCK!)

It has to be a multiple of 3
It has to be a multiple of 4
It has to be a multiple of 12

2x10	10x10	11x5	5x5	2x30	2x20
2x8	7x9	5x6	9x18	4x6	10x20
6x6	8x7	4x10	11x6	6x6	6x7
2x16	9x18	8x7	15x6	2x42	3x4
4x10	4x9	9x8	7x5	36x3	5x5
200x2	7x3	9x4	90x5	4x5	8x42

Prepare to be Amazed

if the number is divisible by 3
if the number is divisible by 2
if the number is divisible by 9

Colour your way through the maze

21	41000	2	120	53	27
1	93	25	68	534	108
54	27	102	300	67	21
1246	345	488	455	525	900
786	42	238	9	214	72
67	109	26	77	1233	45

Get the Bee to the hive!

If it has a 3 in it colour
If it has a 7 in it colour
If it has a 5 in it colour

Start

19x8	75x2	13x5	85x4	78x3	141x5
78x4	50x7	56x9	25x6	45x7	12x6
99x7	42x6	7x12	61x3	21x5	12x6
87x5	17x3	41x9	36x7	93x9	11x7
7x5	84x6	22x6	29x6	51x8	98x8
73x9	69x4	53x7	37x2	33x9	

Finish

Where's Tiddles?

Oh no! Tiddles, the school cat, has gone missing! Follow the trails of prime numbers from each of the classrooms. The cheeky cat is hidden where all 3 trails overlap.

2	3	5	7	11	13	17	19	23	29	31	37	41	43	47	53	59	61	67	71	73	79	83	89	97
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SIMPLY AMAZING

Try to get through the maze from your chosen starting point following hexagons of the same colour.

colour a hexagon red if it includes a 5 in the answer
colour a hexagon yellow if it includes a 8 in the answer
colour a hexagon blue if it includes a 3 in the answer

47	27	77	46	72	46
x7	x5	x5	x3	x6	x6
23	17	26	25	53	25
x10	x5	x3	x6	x5	x5
96	59	54	19	46	74
x4	x6	x6	x2	x4	x7
63	34	83	52	86	42
x4	x2	x7	x4	x5	x4
53	71	90	36	63	66
x10	x3	x7	x6	x3	x7
31	28	73	92	26	25
x3	x2	x8	x2	x8	x8

+	%
x	=



2022 – 2023 Term Dates updated 27/05/22

Please note that there are **TWO** additional inset days to be added to the 2022 - 2023 calendar.

Thursday 1st September	Inset Day
Friday 2nd September	Start of Term 1 for Year 7 students - Induction day
Monday 5th September	Start of Term 1 for all other students.
Friday 23rd September	SPONSORED WALK
Friday 30th September	INSET DAY
Monday 3rd October	INSET DAY
Friday 21st October	End of Term 1
October Break – Monday 24th October – Friday 28th October 2022	
Monday 31st October	Start of Term 2
21st November to 2nd December	Year 11 Mock Exams
Monday 5th December	INSET DAY
Friday 16th December	End of Term 2 (Half Day)
Christmas Holiday – Monday 19th December 2022 – Monday 2nd January 2023	
Tuesday 3rd January	Start of Term 3
TBC	Year 11 Mock GCSE Exams
Friday 10th February	End of Term 3
February Break – Monday 13th February – Friday 17th February 2023	
Monday 20th February	Start of Term 4
Friday 31st March	End of Term 4
Easter Holiday – Monday 3rd April – Friday 14th April 2023	
Monday 17th April	Start of Term 5
Monday 1st May	May Day Bank Holiday
Friday 26th May	End of Term 5
May Holiday – Monday 29th May – Friday 2nd June 2023	
Monday 5th June	Start of Term 6
Friday 21st July	End of Term 6 (Half Day)

LANGTREE SCHOOL IS NOW CASHLESS for TRIPS / VISITS / BOOKS and EQUIPMENT

If you do not have your unique pupil code please email

the finance office:
finance@langtreeschool.com

Paying online is quick and convenient and allows you to see what you have paid and any amounts left to pay, this is particularly useful for school trips.

There is a link to the online payment system on the front of the school website.



LOST PROPERTY

When lost property arrives in the school office it is checked for a name. Named lost property is then returned directly to the owner. Unnamed property is kept in the school office in the hope that it will be reclaimed. 2 or 3 times during the school year the unnamed lost property will be made available in the main hall for the students to look through. please help us to return belongings to students by clearly naming all their uniform and other belongings. Thank you.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

The school office keeps a supply of second hand uniform for students and parents / carers to purchase. We are always happy to receive donations of good quality uniform to add to the second hand cupboard.

Absence Requests (other than for medical appointments)

Parents may not authorise absence; only schools can do this. Schools may authorise any absence they deem appropriate; conversely, they can refuse to authorise any absence. Parents do not have an automatic right to withdraw students from school for a holiday, and, in law, have to apply for permission in advance. Retrospective approval may not be given. Holidays taken during term time without approval from the Headteacher will be recorded as unauthorised. Removal of your child for a holiday in term time without permission without authorisation from the Headteacher may lead to issuing of fixed penalty notice or even prosecution under section 444 of the Education Act.

What to do:

Requesting absence should be done in writing at least one month prior to the absence. If the child does not return to school after an agreed period, they may be marked as having unauthorised absence. Requests for absence should be made in writing to the Deputy Headteacher Ms S Burman, via the attendance officer: Mrs Debbie Hayward studentabsence@langtreeschool.com stating the dates of absence and the reason for the absence, the school reserves the right to seek further information about the requested absence

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