

Lister Community School

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you are well.

As we approach half-term, I want to wish you and your families well and invite you to some events that will be taking place in the final half-term of the year. Of course, I also look forward to seeing some of you at our Art and Photography exhibition tonight.

EVENTS THIS HALF-TERM

1. I will be running events for families to come and meet the new Year Group teams. At those meetings, I will also be sharing some of the things we are doing to make Lister excellent again. I look forward to meeting as many of you as possible there.

Dates	For the families of the current	All events will take place in the Assembly Hall at 3.30pm or 5pm . Please come to main reception. Your attendance is important. Please email heads.pa@ncltrust.net if you are unable to attend and would like to request another time, or for us to send you a recording of the key messages.
Wednesday 12th June	Year 7	
Monday 1st July	Year 8	
Wednesday 19th June	Year 9	
Thursday 13th June	Year 10	

- 2. We know that a lot of our families will be celebrating Eid Al Adha, which is currently scheduled to fall on Monday 17th June. **School will be open as usual on that day**: however, we permit one day of religious leave for our Muslim families to celebrate this. Please email attendance@lister.ncltrust.net if you plan to take this.
- 3. The Annual Dance Show will be on Wednesday 19th June, 5-6pm.
- 4. The Summer Concert will be on Monday 24th June, 4.30-6pm.

5. There will be a school Sports Day on Wednesday July 10th, and a Culture Day on Thursday July 11th. These events are for Years 7-10, and we will be in touch about arrangements.

Other events we have planned include:

- the Year 11 Prom for invited pupils who have met our expectations and worked hard;
- the Transition Event for our new Year 7s:
- the World of Work Week for Year 10s.

Some of you will also be invited to a Celebration of Achievement event to reward pupils who have achieved exceptionally well or tried exceptionally hard over the year. We will be inviting the families of prize-winners after the break.

HIGH STANDARDS

As we approach half-term, I would like to remind you about our expectations for pupils, especially about uniform and equipment. If the pupils look smart it has a positive effect on their attitude to learning. Your help is appreciated.

During the summer and the warmer weather, please note that pupils should continue to bring their blazers to school. On hot days an announcement will be made if pupils are allowed to remove blazers, at which point they may put them in their bags.

BEING PREPARED

Please also encourage your child to bring a reusable water bottle to school. Keeping hydrated is important, and we should all do our best to minimise the purchase of reusable plastics. Water bottles may be refilled in the canteen or in the water fountains around the school at break or lunch.

NEW SEND STAFF

We bid a fond and regretful farewell to Ms Hall-Wright, who is leaving Lister after seven years to take up a job in a very lucky school nearer her home.

Her role in SEND will be divided between to colleagues:

Mr Nur Uddin (our existing Head of the Deaf Support Resourced Provision), who will become as Assistant Headteacher and will be the first point of contact for the parents of children with Education and Health Care Plans;

Ms Helen Pallet, who joins us as a new Assistant Headteacher and will oversee the needs of pupils with SEND within the mainstream (SEND K).

GOOD LUCK TO YEAR 11

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Year 11 all the best. They are now about half-way through their GCSEs, and still attending school to maximise their chances going into the exams. We wish them happiness and success as they plan their next steps.

HAVE A RESTFUL HALF-TERM

Thank you and best wishes to the whole Lister Community. School reopens at 8.25am on Monday 3rd June.



School Uniform

Blazer

School Blazer with House Colours worn at all times in the school building. Removed with permission from class teacher during lessons.

Tie

House Coloured Tie, long enough to reach the top of school trousers of shirt with a thin knot.

Hijab (if worn)

Plain black.

Shirt

Plain white, tucked in, all buttons done up. A short sleeved shirt can be worn in summer.

Jumper

Option plain black V-neck jumper with Lister Logo.



Trousers

Black tailored trousers (with plain black belt if required.)

Skirt

Black tailored skirt, knee length or longer.

Shoes

Plain black shoes with black laces. No coloured laces or stitching or plimsolls.

Outdoor Clothing

Coats and other outdoor clothing to be worn outside only. Black woollen hats can be worn outdoor.

Jewellery and Make-Up

Only small plain studs or sleepers may be worn by those with pierced ears. No other jewellery at all. Makeup should be minimal and discreet. No nail varnish.

- Coats and outdoor wear should be black and not worn in the building.
- Bags should be black and of appropriate size to carry the correct school equipment.
- Hoodies, body warmers and hats must NOT be worn anywhere on the school site.

If items of clothing are worn in breach of the school uniform expectations, or coats are worn inside the building, pupils will be asked to remove them and they will be confiscated.

Socks should be plain, and of black, white and/or grey colour only.

The school discourages pupils from wearing any makeup. However if makeup is worn it should be discreet and minimal. The following are not permitted and pupils who have these will be told to remove them:

- fake and acrylic nails;
- fake eyelashes;
- face and body piercings (except for one nose and ear piercing).

Only small sleeper or stud earrings are allowed, no other jewellery should be visible. If items of jewellery or makeup are deemed inappropriate and/or as posing a health and safety risk, pupils will be asked to remove them and they will be confiscated.

Yours sincerely,

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