



Longridge High School

NEWSLETTER 4th April 2025



Mr Mochan - Head of Year 11, Louisa Worden, Ellie Bird, Lewis Eastham (Head Boy) Lucy Procter (Head Girl) Fyn Hetko, Grace Rhodes, Mrs Saunders (Year 11 Pastoral Support Officer)

As the spring term draws to a close, I would like to thank you for your continued support of the school. It has been a very busy few weeks, and we are finishing the term with Rewards' Assemblies and the traditional Easter Egg Bingo Rewards' sessions.

Year 10 Prefects have taken over from Year 11, to allow them to focus on preparation for their upcoming GCSE examinations. Year 10 have made an excellent start to their time as prefects, and the Senior Prefect Team will be representing the school at many events over the next few months.

Uniform is looking smart – however, a reminder that hair accessories must be plain – no bows, flowers or sparkles. We are also reminding pupils that the only badges on their blazers and jumpers should be school badges.

We are introducing a new trouser for the girls as an alternative to (and not a replacement for) the school skirt. The trousers are navy Trutex and have the school badge on them (at no extra cost) to ensure uniformity. This will be the trouser option for the new year 7, and the grey trouser will now be faded out. This means girls in other year groups buying trousers from May this year will need to buy the new trouser.

As Year 9 pupils move into Year 10, the blazer is replaced by the V neck school jumper with silver piping. Year 9 can wear these from the May half term if they wish. We would welcome any donations of Year 9 blazers to add to our preloved collection of uniform. Please drop off any blazers/ spare uniform at the main office.

On behalf of everyone at Longridge High School, may I wish you a lovely Easter break.

Jane Green
Headteacher

SCHOOL WILL REOPEN AT 8.40am ON TUESDAY 22nd APRIL






YEAR 5 PRIMARY

HOCKEY TOURNAMENT 2025

Our annual Year 5 Primary Hockey Tournament was a great success on Monday and we thank Mrs Hoyle and Mrs Knight from Longridge Hockey Club for refereeing the event. Mrs Waite for organising the logistics and scoring and Year 10 girls, Louisa Worden, Grace Rhodes and Chloe Sanderson for assisting. The weather, although cold, stayed dry for the duration of the tournament, unlike the weekly training sessions our two star ladies have endured since training began in November. Each week pupils from the local primary schools came to the training sessions in order for the pupils to be match ready for today. The pupils didn't disappoint. They were brilliant and a credit to each of the 8 schools who attended. In the end the trophy went to Goosnargh Oliversons with a fantastic win of 8-0. Well done everyone we look forward to welcoming you back in November!







YOUNG CHEFS OFF TO THE FINALS!



Earlier this term Eleanor & Abigail from Year 9 entered the Young Chef competition - designing and making a dish inspired by local food & ingredients. They travelled to Blackburn College and competed against pupils from other schools, working together to make a Chicken Pot Pie. The judges commented on their perfect seasoning and loved that the girls had made a pie to represent the North of England. The girls have now been chosen for the final round! They will be heading back to Blackburn College in May to compete in the finals. Well done girls and good luck!

THE OFFICIAL OPENING OF LONGRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL'S NEW BUILDING.

On Friday 21st March, our new classroom block, the East Block, was officially opened, with many guests and friends of the school in attendance. The new building was designed by Beatriz Ortiz from Lancashire County Council. Beatriz wanted to create a learning space which would enhance the learning for all pupils. She created a building which ensures classrooms enjoy the benefit of light and are fully equipped with technology to support learning. It was the first time Beatriz had seen the completed building since she has been on maternity leave, and she enjoyed seeing her plans come to fruition. Ben Terry and Julie Hartley from Lancashire County Council planning also attended, along with Dan and Brad from John Turner Construction Group. They were joined by staff, governors and friends of the school.

The Mayor of Ribble Valley, Councillor Louise Edge, and Mayor's Consort Philip Edge, talked to staff and pupils about the new building and about life at high school.

Special guest was ex pupil and MP for Ribble Valley, Maya Ellis. A pupil at the school from 1999 to 2004, Mrs Ellis spoke warmly of her time at the school, remembering fondly the support and encouragement she had from all her teachers. On a tour of the school, she met some of her former teachers, and she also spoke to pupils and current staff. Mrs Ellis cut a ribbon to formally open the building and promised to return in the near future to talk to pupils about her time at the school and about her career.



Follow Miss Lister on her journey from Preston to Paris for Cardiac Risk in the Young

After running my first half marathon in September I'm proud to say I raised £1250 (plus gift aid) for Cardiac Risk in the Young! This went into Andrew Key's fundraising pot and helped to fund the screenings that took place in school over the weekend.

On Sunday 13th April I will be taking on the Paris marathon, all 26.2 miles of it!

This charity is very close to my heart as 23 years ago my cousin Jamie passed away of an undiagnosed heart problem. Cardiac Risk in the Young is an amazing charity that supports families who have lost someone but also screens young people for undiagnosed heart problems.

Andrew I Key is the family member of Mr Wright, and I will also be running in his memory as at work we continue to raise money that directly funds screenings in Preston.

If you would like to sponsor me please donate to the Just Giving link and I will be sure to let the school community know how I get on!

https://www.justgiving.com/page/louise-lister-2?utm_medium=FR&utm_source=CL

This was our third year taking our Year 8 pupils on a trip over to Yorkshire to visit the historic village of Haworth and the Bronte Parsonage museum. This was the home and is now the museum of the Bronte sisters. This compliments our studying of Jane Eyre by Charlotte Bronte earlier in the academic year.

Pupils were allowed to explore the museum and see the rooms that the family grew up using, there are lots of special artefacts and information to enrich their learning of this famous literary family. Of course, the most exciting part was the dressing up box – many of our pupils enjoyed getting into character as Victorian's Lords and Ladies! We also had a special guided tour of the village by one of the experts from the museum finding out a lot of information about life at the time and the Bronte family themselves.

Then it was time to explore Main Street, this included trips to both the chip shop and sweet shop that fortified the children for the next stop on our day out – a walk upon the Yorkshire Moors!

Miss Lister thinks it is very important that all the pupils get to experience the wild and wonderful landscape that inspired the Brontes' writing. Pupils enjoyed the freedom the moors allowed for a quick explore before the bus back to school. All our pupils were exceptionally well behaved and represented their school with pride asking lots of brilliant questions and enjoying a day learning in a unique way.

HAWORTH ADVENTURES 2025

