

LYNCH HILL ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

13th October
Week 1

LHEA Parent Newsletter

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Thank you to all those parents who attended their 'making a success evening' this week (and to those of you who had two to attend). These are important opportunities to strengthen the home-school ties which underpin your child's success in school. If you were unable to attend, please take the time to read the presentation which has been sent to you and do make contact if you have any questions.

It was great to see so many Y9 parents waiting to find out more about how they can support with our drive to encourage reading at home. Whilst there was a specific focus on Y9, this is something that is so crucial and a 'quick win' in terms of your child's eventual outcomes at school and ensuring that they are in the strongest position to succeed in life.

Chris Thomas
Headteacher

Key information & Events

- Thursday 16th October- Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening 4-7pm
- Monday 24th November –Y11 SLT Targeted Parents' Evening
- Thursday 27th November –Flu Immunisations (Y7-11)
- Thursday 11th December –Year 8 Parents' Evening

Staying mentally healthy during exam time

YOUNGMiNDS
fighting for young people's mental health

Pressure to do well in exams can be overwhelming and affect mental health.

Young Minds have a series of support pages aimed to help with exam stress and anxiety. Their advice is available to help parents, and carers and, of course, young people themselves. You can find this helpful advice at the links below:

Parents

Young people

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Culture Curriculum at Lynch Hill Enterprise Academy

This week our culture curriculum has focused on corridor movement and punctuality. This has improved again across the school and students are in lessons quicker and making every minute count. It is vitally important that this trend continues.

Next week we will focus on students being good active listeners, an aspect of the culture curriculum which directly links in with students learning more. Next week our staff training will focus on how to best introduce and teach new skills. For this to be most affective it is vitally important that our students are excellent active listeners in order to take on new knowledge.

Active listening expectation for all students are to:

- Sit up straight in their chair
- Turn their body to directly face the speaker and look at the speaker if possible
- Put pens and any equipment on the table so they are not distracted
- Remain silent while the speaker is speaking and allow the speaker to finish speaking
- Ask questions to the speaker after they have finished speaking. This is to clarify some information.

Questioning methods used will mean the teacher asking a question and:

- giving students thinking time before selecting a student to answer the question
- giving students the opportunity to discuss the question and answer before selecting a student to share their discussion and answer
- giving the students time to think or discuss and then ask all students to write their answer on a mini- white board and show the teacher

As families of our students, we would like you to support us in teaching and reinforcing excellent routines with your children and discuss the above with them

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Replacement Stationery Packs & Stationery Available on ParentPay

Following the recent distribution of student stationery wallets to all students, we now have replacement wallet packs available for **£5.00** (please note: they do **not include a school diary**). Wallets including a white board, pens, pencils, etc.. can be bought via **ParentPay**, and will be **available for students to collect from Student Services the following day during break or lunchtime**.

Parents can also purchase **individual stationery items** for **50p each**.

All items can be bought via **ParentPay**, and will be **available for students to collect from Student Services the following day**.

Thank you for your continued support in ensuring students are well-prepared for the school day.

Dear parent/carer,

Kooth online therapeutic support is going live here at Lynch Hill Enterprise Acadamy . The service is funded and endorsed by the NHS, allowing for completely free access to all schools and services working with young people in East Berkshire.

As the Engagement Lead for Kooth I am working closely with staff in school to deliver training on all aspects of how Kooth works and supports your child. As well as all students having the opportunity to hear much more about Kooth, its services and online safety in a school assembly this week, a range of physical and digital promotional resources are being used around school to promote the service & remind students Kooth is here to help 24/7 365 days of the year.

There are no referrals needed, threshold to be met or waiting list processes so children and young people aged 11-17 years old can access support for ANY issues they may be experiencing. These may include; Body image, self-esteem, bereavement, academic pressures, anger, anxiety, friendships, transition from primary to secondary school etc.

The registration process is quick and safe. CYP can access support, simply by visiting here: www.kooth.com or scanning the QR code in the bottom of this letter.

Kooth's qualified therapists are online 365 days a year. Monday to Friday, from midday until 10pm and on weekends, 6pm until 10pm. As well as chatting to therapists on the Kooth text based counselling service, young people can message the Kooth team 24 hours a day and access fully-moderated support forums in our Community support, online magazine articles and other self-help tools.

Kooth delivers 1000's of counselling sessions each year in Local Authorities across the UK. As 50% of referrals to CAMHS are deemed inappropriate to their criteria, Kooth gives schools, professionals and families an alternative way of ensuring children and Young People can access free support when they need it, in a way that they find comfortable to access, via internet enabled devices.

We also have FREE digital resources (including webinars) for parents and Carers to support yourselves and your child, please do see connect.kooth.com

If you have any questions on this new support service, please speak to a member of staff in school.

Yours Sincerely

Carly Seymour

After school clubs

Date	Club
Monday	Chess Club 3-4pm with Mr King in T15
	Christian Fellowship Group 3.15-3.45pm with Miss Thomas in T13
	Art Attack 3-4pm with Miss Javed in T9
Tuesday	Gardening Club 3-4pm in The Hub with Mrs Rowland
Wednesday	Drama Club 3-4pm with Miss Walsh in the Drama Studio
	Duke of Edinburgh -3-15-4.30pm with Mr Ameen & Mr McLeish in M3 Week 1 (Bronze) Week 2 (Silver)
	Board Games Club 3.10-4.30pm with Miss Thomas in T13
Mon-Fri	Library Assistance Club 3-4pm with Ms Khan in the Library

Sports clubs

Date	Club/Activity
Monday 13th October	Street Dance in the Dance studio
	Netball with Miss Francis Sports Hall
	Year 10 Football with Mr Rowland Field
	Year 9 Football with Mr Martin Field
Tuesday 14th October	NO CLUBS
Wednesday 15th October	Girls Football with Mrs Haynes on the field
Thursday 16th October	Table Tennis with Miss Flegg Sports Hall
	Year 7 vs Year 8 Football
Friday 10th October	Badminton with Miss Zafar 2.30-3pm on the MUGA

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Term Dates/Events

Term Dates 2025-26	
Monday 13th October	Open Morning 9.30am
Thursday 16th October	Open Day 1.00pm
	Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening 4-7pm
Monday 20th October	V&A Musuem Trip
Monday 27th October –Friday 7th November	**Half Term**
Thursday 27th November	Year 7-11 Flu Immunisations
Thursday 11th December	Year 8 Parents' Evening
Tuesday 16th December	Rewards Evening 6-7.45pm
Friday 19th December	End of Term –1pm finish
Monday 22nd December-Friday 2nd January	**Christmas Holidays**
Monday 5th January	**INSET Day- School closed**
Tuesday 6th January	Students return
Wednesday 7th January	Year 11 Mock Exams begin (7th-19th January)
Thursday 12th February	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Friday 13th February	INSET Day- School closed
Monday 16th- Friday 20th February	**Half Term**

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Term Dates 2025-26	
Wednesday 25th February	Whole School Careers Fair
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Thursday 12th March	Options Evening
Thursday 2nd April	End of Term –1pm finish
Friday 3rd- Friday 17th April	**Easter Holidays**
Tuesday 5th May	GCSE Exams begin
Thursday 21st May	Year 10 Parents' Evening
Monday 25th – Friday 29th May	**Half Term**
Wednesday 10th June	Thorpe Park Rewards Trip
Thursday 11th June	Year 7 Parents' Evening
	Year 8 HPV Immunisations
Tuesday 16th June	Chessington Rewards Trip
Monday 22nd June	GCSE Exams Finish
Tuesday 7th July	Year 6 Induction Day
Monday 13th July	Rewards Evening 6.00-7.45pm

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Term Dates/Events

Term Dates 2025-26	
Wednesday 15th July	Whole School Activities Day
Thursday 23rd July	End of Term –1pm finish

Why Attendance Matters

Every day a student misses school, they miss out on valuable learning, which can never be fully recovered.
Evidence shows that students with high attendance:
• Achieve better academic results
• Build stronger relationships with peers and staff
• Are better prepared for college, university, apprenticeships, or employment.
Put simply, every school day matters.

Let's Work Together

We want every student at Lynch Hill Enterprise Academy to thrive.
Excellent attendance is a shared responsibility between school, student, and home. With your support, we can ensure your child is in school, learning and on the path to achieving their full potential. If you have any concerns or need support regarding your child's attendance, please do not hesitate to contact our Attendance Officer.


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