

LYNCH HILL ENTERPRISE ACADEMY

Monday 19th January
Week 1

LHEA Parent Newsletter

Welcome to this week's newsletter

Year 11 are coming to the end of their mock GCSE exams and should be congratulated for their efforts and focus in the exam hall. It is a stressful situation, and they have all responded well to the challenge of doing their best.

Unfortunately, in spite of regular requests, we still have a small number of parents who are parking on the pavements outside school or within the main entrance. This is incredibly dangerous because it forces students into the road instead. Please use the parking areas available or park in one of the nearby residential areas.

Finally, can I also remind parents not to allow your child to dye their hair an unnatural colour. The policy is quite clear, and I have written on several occasions about this. Colours such as blue and pink are not natural hair colours and should not be seen in school. Children will lose their social time should they arrive with hair of an unnatural colour.

Chris Thomas
Headteacher

Key information & Events

- Wednesday 7th January –Monday 19th January –Year 11 Mock Exams
- Thursday 12th February – Year 11 Parents Evening
- Friday 13th February – Staff INSET Day (School closed)
- **Monday 16th – Friday 20th February-Half Term**
- Wednesday 25th February – Whole School Careers Fair

Achievement points

We are pleased to report that **89%** of behaviour points last week were **positive**, with a total of **1,665 achievement points** awarded.

Congratulations to our top achievers: **Balpreet S** for **Key Stage 3** and **Suraj R** for **Key Stage 4**.

Well done to all students for their positive contributions to school life.

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Culture Curriculum at Lynch Hill Enterprise Academy

This week the culture curriculum focus has been on students giving 100% effort on every task they do. It has been great to see effort levels raised in lessons and so many students fully engaged in their learning.

Teachers have been diligent in praising and rewarding students' engagement this week. We are delighted to report that students have received more than **2500** positive praise points this week alone! **Next week the culture curriculum** will continue to focus on students giving 100% effort. Students will be taught and reminded to:

- Push themselves to produce as much work as they can for each task and for this work to be of the best quality they can achieve
- Be alert and attentive in class by actively listening
- Participate fully by solely focusing on the task in hand, whether that be class discussions, thinking or written tasks

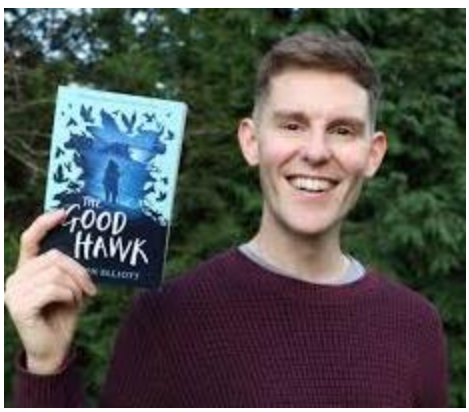
Support your child to be 100% engaged - Learning Wallets

Finally, we have invested in ensuring every child is equipped to learn and provided every student a learning wallet. Each Learning Wallet includes the essential tools your child needs for every lesson: a black pen, green pen, ruler, rubber, planner, timetable, mini whiteboard, mini whiteboard pen and rubber. Could you check they have all of this equipment every week. If they are missing any items, please ensure that there is enough money in your child's ParentPay account to purchase the missing items (each item is sold by the school for 50p), or alternatively purchase them yourself.

Joseph Elliott's Scriptwriting Workshops at Lynch Hill Enterprise Academy

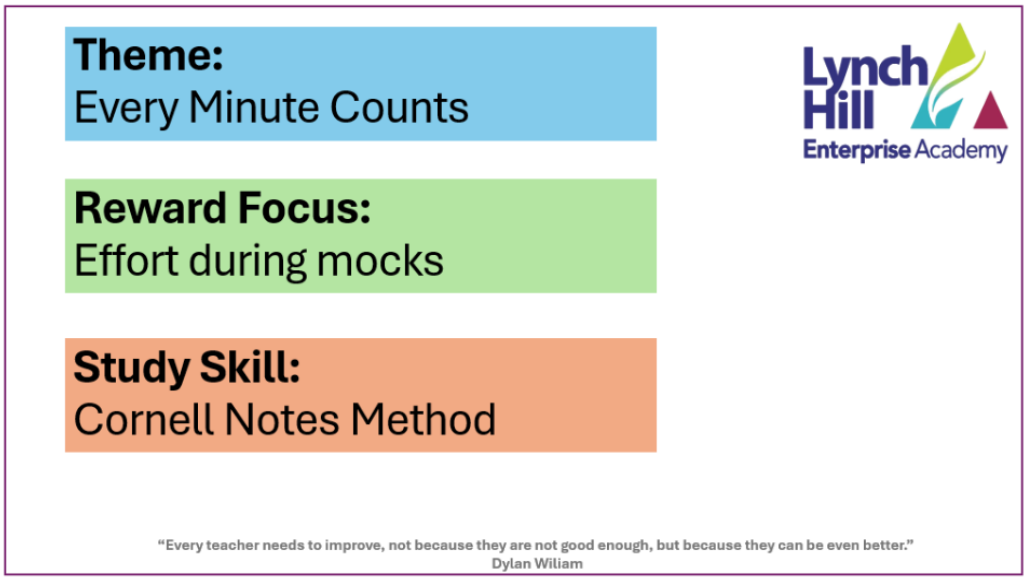
On 14th January 2026, actor and author Joseph Elliott visited Lynch Hill Enterprise Academy to deliver inspiring scriptwriting sessions for students in Years 9 and 10, as part of a TVLP initiative. Joseph began by introducing himself and sharing his career journey, from acting in popular BBC productions such as *Swashbuckle*, *Swim Queen*, *Justin's House*, and *A Midsummer Night's Dream*, to becoming a successful author of books including *The Good Hawk*, *The Broken Raven*, and *The Burning Swift*.

He spoke about the importance of perseverance, creativity, and making your own opportunities, before leading engaging workshops focused on script analysis, dialogue exercises, and imaginative writing tasks. Students were challenged to create their own scripts, which they later read aloud and acted out with enthusiasm. The sessions sparked creativity, confidence, and collaboration, with pupils responding positively and showing great involvement throughout.



Joseph's energy and insight made the experience highly enjoyable and motivating—a brilliant start to the year and an inspiring opportunity for future writers and performers.

Year 11 Focus – week beginning: 19th January



Using Cornell Notes to Support Your Child's Revision (Year 11)
Cornell Notes is a simple but powerful way for students to organise class notes and revise effectively. It helps students listen carefully, identify key ideas, and review regularly – all essential skills for GCSE success.

What is the Cornell Notes method?

A page is divided into three parts:

1. **Notes section (right side)**
   Your child writes their main class notes here.
2. **Key questions / keywords (left side)**
   After the lesson, they add:

- key terms
- questions the topic answers
- short prompts for revision

3. **Summary (bottom)**
   A short paragraph explaining the topic in their own words.

How parents can help at home

You can support your child by encouraging them to:

- Use Cornell Notes to revise – either by watching a video on AIM13 / Seneca or reviewing their lessons.
- **Review notes the same day** – even 10 minutes helps memory.
- Ask them to explain the **summary section out loud** to you.

Year 11 Focus – week beginning: 19th January (continued)

- Cover the notes section and test themselves using the **questions/keywords column**.
- Use the page for quick revision before tests and mocks.

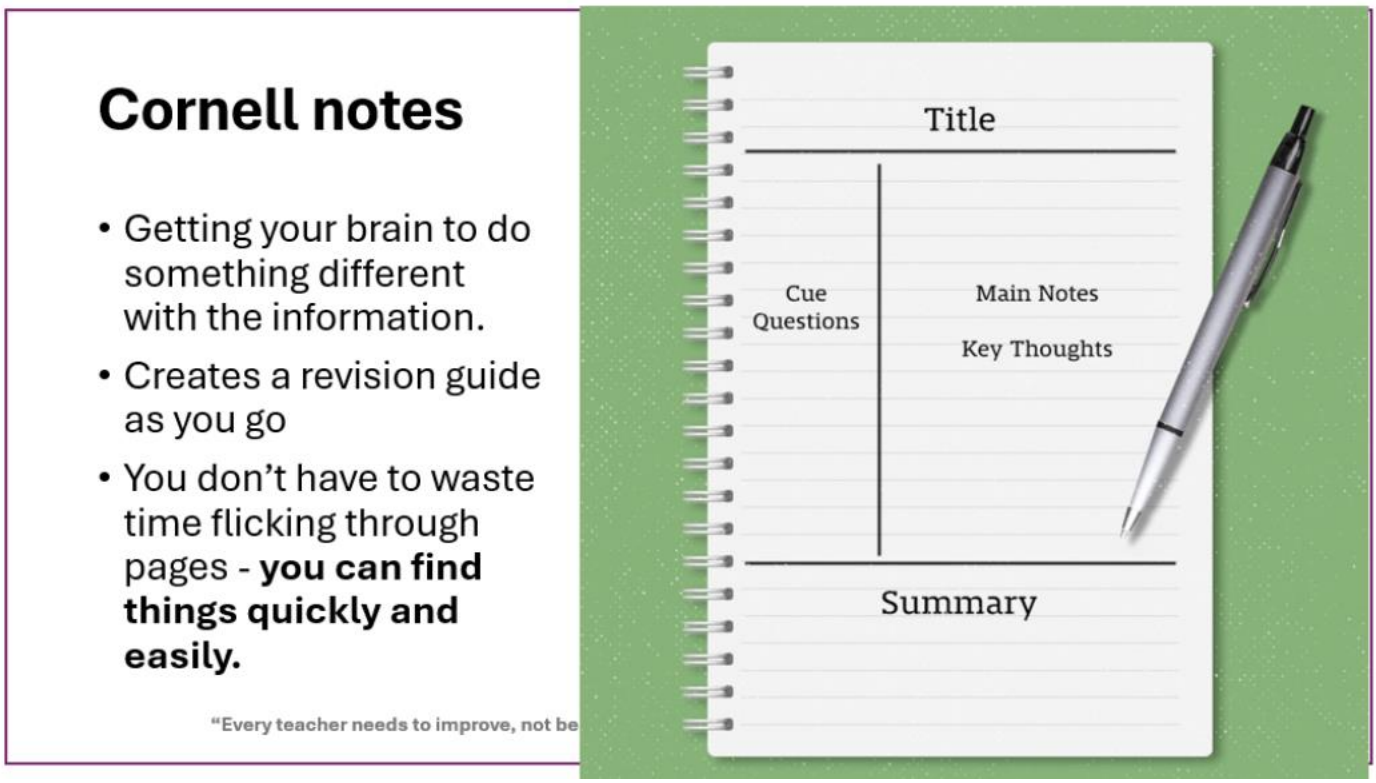
Why this works

Research shows this method helps students:

- remember information for longer
- understand topics more deeply
- revise more efficiently
- feel more confident before exams

Simple question you can ask your child

"What was today's lesson about in three sentences?"
If they can answer clearly, their notes are working well.



After school clubs

Date	Club
Monday	Chess Club 3-4pm with Mr King in T15
	Christian Fellowship Group 3.15-4.15pm with Miss Thomas in T13
	Art Attack 3-4pm with Miss Javed in T9
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 19th January	Street Dance with Alan
	Year 9 Football training 3-4pm with Mr Martin & Mr King
Tuesday 20th January	Basketball Club (invite only) 3.30-4.30pm
Wednesday 21st January	Girls Football Training with Mrs Haynes 3-4pm
	Year 8 Football training
Thursday 22nd January	Year 7 Football training On field
Friday 23rd January	No clubs

Term Dates 2026-27

Autumn Term 2026	
Staff Inset Days	Tuesday 1st September 2026 Wednesday 2nd September 2026
Students Start Date -Y7 & Y11 only	Thursday 3rd September 2026
Students Start Date- All year groups	Friday 4th September 2026
Half Term	Monday 26th October to Friday 6th November 2026
Students Start Date	Monday 9th November 2026
Students End Date	Friday 18th December 2026 (1pm finish)
Spring Term 2027	
Students Start Date	Monday 4th January 2027
Staff Inset Day	Friday 12th February 2027
Half Term	Monday 15th February to Friday 19th February 2027
Students Start Date	Monday 22nd February 2027
Term Ends	Thursday 25th March 2027 (1pm finish)
Spring Holiday	Friday 26th March to Friday 9th April 2027
Summer Term 2027	
Student Start Date	Monday 12th April 2027
Half Term	Monday 31st May to Friday 4th June 2027
Students Start Date	Monday 7th June 2027
Students End Date	Friday 23rd July 2027 (1pm finish)

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Term Dates/Events

Term Dates 2025-26	
Thursday 29th January	Year 10 SLT Targeted Parents Evening
Thursday 12th February	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Friday 13th February	INSET Day- School closed
Monday 16th- Friday 20th February	**Half Term**
Wednesday 25th February	Whole School Careers Fair
Thursday 5th March	World Book Day
	Year 9 Parents' Evening
Thursday 12th March	Options Evening
Wednesday 25th March	DofE Parents Evening 5.30-6.30pm
Thursday 2nd April	End of Term –1pm finish
Friday 3rd –Friday 17th April	**Easter Holidays**
Monday 20th April –Friday 24th April	Year 10 Mocks
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

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

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