

13 March 2020

Dear Parents

Boarding: Ofsted Inspection

On Monday morning we received a call from Ofsted stating that the Inspector would be arriving at Midday to commence her three-day assessment of our Sixth Form Boarding facility and provision.

The Inspector was most impressed with our wonderful boarders and the general atmosphere within the Boarding House and the Day School. We await the final report within the next week.

As an historian I empathise with our ancestors who awaited an invasion from the Nazis and endured the blitz. We await a similar but less visible attack. Hopefully we will maintain the same stoicism of our grandparents and great grandparents and 'Keep Calm and Carry on' as well as being mindful of the guidance and directive from the government, who are working tirelessly to ensure that we remain safe during this global pandemic.

Rugby

We attended the North of England Sevens competition based in Birkenhead. Our Rugby Captain Sebastian C has written this account.

On Sunday Liverpool College travelled to St Anselm's school where they would compete in a 7's tournament against the top rugby playing schools in the North of England.

The team itself was a weakened one, due to 4 of the key players from the previous tournament being injured. Not only did this mean a few vital players were missing, it also meant that there were inexperienced (7's) players filling in for their position.

The first game played was against St Anselm's themselves, who were playing with the home advantage. The game started well for the boys, with some really nice rugby being played. However, the lack of pace on the outside meant that they found it very difficult to score. St Anselm's took advantage of this and began to play the ball to the wings, where they were able to score a few try's under the posts. Despite being behind Liverpool College stuck at it and continued to chase a try. This try was eventually scored when Ruari W made a break and was able to pop the ball to Seb C who cut a great line and crashed over the try line to end the game.

The second game of the tournament was played against a very quick, and well-drilled Hymers College. Despite Liverpool College's best efforts, they found it very difficult to stop the opposing threat in attack, and eventually, tired legs on the big pitch mean Hymers College were able to score a few tries in the corner.

The final game of the tournament was played against Woodhouse Grove, who won the tournament a couple of seasons ago. The boys certainly showed promise in the game, playing some really attacking rugby. However, the opposition were defensively sound, and so it was very difficult to break the line. Woodhouse Grove were able to score a few try's of their own and went on to win the game, as well as coming top of the group.

Overall a good performance from the boys, and it is clear to see that the attacking play is improving in each game. Disappointing not to have had a full strength team, as there is no doubt that a couple of games could have been won.

A big thank you to the lads that filled in for the missing players, their commitment and dedication to the rugby team is a real help.

MOTT: Paddy S for his consistent energy levels throughout the tournament, and his general performance on the day.

Sixth Form Taster Lessons

This week we welcomed fifty students from throughout the city who came to experience 'Taster Lessons'. Our thanks to staff and volunteers who remained after school to welcome our visitors.

One boy who experienced a Classics lesson with Dr McNamara stated: "I absolutely loved it! I definitely want to come here now".

University of Liverpool: Law Day

Our potential Lawyers will attend a 'Law Day' at the University of Liverpool. There are a number of places available if your son or daughter still wishes to attend. Please contact our Assistant Careers Adviser, Mrs J Drew: jDrew@liverpoolcollege.org.uk

CCF

Major Ridley led a field day for the CCF contingent on Thursday. He was ably assisted by members of Year 12 CCF command who helped direct and organise our Year 11 in their military pursuits.

On Tuesday we have the full school military inspection. It is planned that all Year 12 will be addressed by our eminent visitor. Godwyn House will be the base in which we will host the dignitaries.

Old Lerpooian's Dinner

Next weekend Olivia P and Chinedum A will travel to London to attend the OL Dinner. They will be accompanied by the Principal, Mr Broekman and Vice Principal, Mrs Cassidy. I am sure that it will be an excellent occasion.

Latin Oration

On the 24th March Olivia and Chenedum will deliver their finale with the Heads of House as they present the 179th Latin Oration.

Student Absence: We expect full attendance from pupils who are fit and well

The school decides whether to authorise absences. All students are expected to be punctual and attend Liverpool College every day. If your son/daughter is unable to attend school for health or another good reason it is essential that you e-mail or telephone their **House Administrator** before **Registration** and then, upon your child's return, provide written confirmation of the reason for non-attendance.

- **08:20 Bell – Students line up**
- **08:25 - 08:30 Registration**

Late Procedure

After 08:30 pupils to go directly to their House Administrator to register.
Year 13 pupils not in lessons to report to their House Administrators to be registered.

All absences should be reported to House Administrators using the links/contact numbers provided below.

Please telephone: 0151 724 4000 **Select Option 3, Senior Phase (not Sixth Form)**
then:
Press 1 for Butler's & Selwyn's (ext 3232)
Press 2 for Brook's & Howson's (ext 3247)
Press 3 for School & Howard's (ext 3280)

In the Event of a School Closure – Student Information

Essential Information regarding your school work.

Work will be prioritised for Year 13 Students.

Year 12 work will be posted on the SMHW site whenever possible.

Students are to check this on a regular basis.

- You will be required to complete work that is set on Show My Homework.
- You will find full instructions on what your teacher requires you to do on Show My Homework.
- You will be able to communicate and submit work to your teachers on your school email (NOT on personal emails) or on Show My Homework.
- You will be expected to check both Show My Homework and your emails on a regular basis and complete ALL the work.

Additional Information

- Art pupils must collect resources before school closes.
- Coursework deadlines - teachers will provide information via Show My Homework.

Year 13: If you do not have access to IT at home, you MUST see Mr Brady.

Before school closure you MUST:

- Check that you can access your school emails on your phone or home device.

You can access your email by using the following web address: mail.liverpoolcollege.org.uk or by the Outlook App (from the app store).

The first time you log in, it will prompt you to supply a personal email address or mobile phone number. This allows for the resetting of passwords via the Office 365 log in page at mail.liverpoolcollege.org.uk.

Correspondence and any feedback between staff and pupils must ONLY be via the school email or on SMHW.

Further details will follow if/when closure is forced upon us.

For the moment, life will continue as normal and Liverpool College will remain open until the PM decrees otherwise. **We expect full attendance from pupils who are fit and well** and will continue to follow Government guidelines and keep you updated with our plans.

Whatever the weeks and months may behold, please remember that as a community we are stronger together and if need be we will galvanise all our resources and help each other through this tumult whatever this vile virus may throw at us.

Take care and be well.

Kind regards

Stephen Brady
Head of Sixth Form