LIVERPOOL COLLEGE

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Principal's Newsletter

21 November 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

A reminder from Mrs Loveridge (Clerk to the Governors) that the deadline for voting in the Parent Governor Election is 5pm on Monday 24 November 2025. Voting should be made online using the link provided in the notification and letter sent to you on Monday 10 November via MCAS. If you prefer not to use online voting, you can still participate by coming into school and voting in person at reception or contacting Mrs Loveridge to request a paper form, but you must vote before 5pm on the 24 November.

It has been another busy week here on campus with mock exams starting for Chapters 11 and 13, governor committee meetings taking place throughout the week and two open events on Wednesday after school. A particular thank you and well done to our Chapter 6 and Sixth Form prefects who act as tour guides at these open evenings – they are great ambassadors for the school and a credit to themselves and their families.

Chapter 6 enjoyed a very special trip yesterday as Miss Whittaker shares:



Chapter 6 pupils took a trip to the Floral Pavilion Theatre to watch 'A Christmas Carol'. Any trip to the theatre would be a treat, but this time, the children had the opportunity to watch one of

their peers, Jack C, perform too! The children had a fantastic day, and they and the teachers are all so proud of Jack and his achievements on stage! What a star!

Mrs Doran reports on some of the amazing opportunities our pupils have enjoyed recently:

What do Magnum ice-cream, Dove, Hellmann's, Vaseline, Persil, TRESemmé, Ben & Jerry's, Domestos, Lynx and Horlicks have in common? All are designed and manufactured by Unilever, the multi-billion pound company. With 2.5 billion people using its products every week, Chapter 9 students were given a superb opportunity to visit one of its flagship companies here in Liverpool.





Working with engineers, chemists and marketing experts, the lucky students took part in six different workshops at Port Sunlight, each designed to teach different aspects of production and manufacturing. They were then set a challenge to design a new beauty or hygiene product, ensuring they considered Unilever's sustainable living guides. The practical workshops were extremely engaging and the students were fascinated by the experts' incredible demonstrations. The students now have 3 months to research, design, manufacture, package, test and advertise their product. We wish them the best of luck.

Meanwhile some other pupils in Chapter 9 had the opportunity to work with Aston Martin on developing innovative ways to launch their new vehicle:

The challenge was to create a digital campaign to create a global buzz for the new Aston Martin, one of the world's most iconic car brands famously associated with the James Bond franchise. Pupils were encouraged to showcase the cutting-edge engineering and refined luxury associated with the classic British vehicle. The students explored ideas for a digital launch through websites, email newsletters, gaming and social media platforms like Instagram, TikTok and YouTube. They explored the role of influencers, AI and VR. The target – to create something that could go viral and that can keep the message consistent across all channels and time zones. The students presented some superb ideas which will remain 'Top Secret' until the Aston Martin launch in case their ideas are utilised by the company. A massive well done to all involved!

Congratulations to our Sixth Form physicists who took part in the Physics Olympics at Liverpool University last Saturday: Adam K, Malek A, Kevin H, Ilena S, James C and Hamza G.

The two teams competed in five activities and a quiz over the course of the five-hour competition. Ms Yates has details of their success:





Stand out performance for Team Zeeman was the 'Burning ships' activity – Ilena, James and Hamza worked together to build a device to concentrate light and achieved the third highest photovoltage of the day!

Excellent teamwork from Team Strickland saw Malek, Adam and Kevin come fourth overall out of thirty teams on the day, a tremendous achievement. Their work using Kepler's law to solve planet alignment problems ensured they were rewarded with a prize for completing this problem most successfully out of any group on the day.

Superb problem-solving skills, teamwork and networking amongst A level Physics students in the area. Well done to all!

A very big thank you to Mrs Doran for all her work in organising and facilitating these fantastic opportunities for our pupils. You can read more about the exciting visits and competitions our pupils have been involved in on the News page on our website here.

Chapter 7 pupils took part in an interactive workshop this week as part of our LC+ PSHE programme, as Mrs Drew reports below:



This week we were lucky enough to again have the Smashed Live performance in school again.

Smashed Live refers to the live theatre component of the Smashed Project, an international alcohol education programme that uses performances and workshops to educate young people about the dangers of underage drinking. The programme features professional actors who deliver a 25-minute play followed by a 35-minute interactive workshop to discuss the themes and character choices with students.

Chapter 7 were brilliant; they engaged, gave fantastic answers to the actors' questions and really enjoyed the show. The actors were so impressed with their engagement and told me they were one of the best audiences that they had had on the tour so far this year.

Well done Chapter 7!





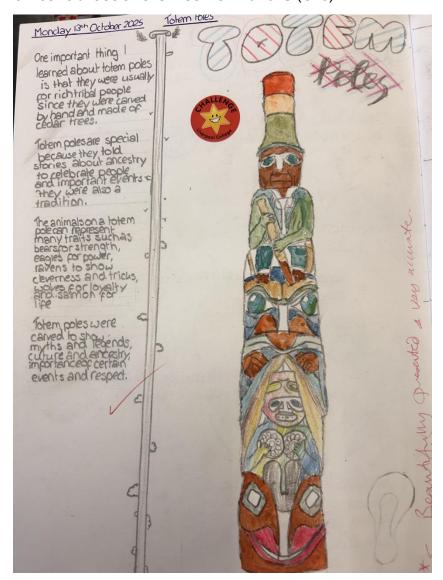
Congratulations to our new Chapter 8 and Chapter 9 anti-racism ambassadors who recently enjoyed an action-packed day of training led by the Anthony Walker Foundation at Mercol Police Training Academy- Khaled B, Tobias F, Nnamdi I, Leonardo L, Sofia S, Anas T, Vian M, Akmal F and Zaki N.





The day started with some CSI training where pupils learnt how to investigate and search for evidence at crime scene, as well as taking finger prints and how to swab for DNA. They went on to learn some useful tips on how the police catch traffic speed offenders and the equipment used. This was followed by making friends with the police horses, with the help of few extra strong mints. Finally, the pupils engaged in a range of activities with the team from the Anthony Walker Foundation to understand how to recognise racism, personal experiences and how to be an ally to those who experience it.

This week's **artist of the week** is **Khalid G** (Ch8)



Totem pole designs

Our musician of the week:



Chapter 8 pupils are advancing their keyboard skills this term with the aim of performing fluently with both hands. **Kian M** has been practicing his chosen Christmas song before school and is now able to play the melody fluently, proof that dedicated practice really does work. Well done Kian! We look forward to all Ch8 pupils making progress and meeting their individual goals through this practical unit.

The secondary phase will be holding its annual service of lessons and carols at Mossley Hill Parish Church on Tuesday 9 December at 7.00pm. The service is open to all members of the College community and I look forward to seeing many of you there.

Some dates for your diaries from the **PTA** – more details in the PTA newsletter:





Miss Crosby (Deputy SENCO) has asked me to share the information below that she has received about a new creative club at the Bluecoat:

Young Blue Room Print Club

New for 2026: Join in with our new creative club for learning disabled young people aged 14 -18.

Over 8 free sessions on Saturday mornings you will get creative and explore hands-on art techniques with help from our friendly Blue Room team. In our studio at the Bluecoat, you can hang out with other young people who love to express themselves through art. You can try different ways of making prints and create your own artwork to take home.

Click here to download more information.

To apply for the Young Blue Room Print Club we have an online expression of interest form - please get in touch for more information and to receive a link for the form:

email: <u>blueroom@thebluecoat.org.uk</u>

phone: 07549079500

Mrs Scott (College Mental Health Coordinator) has uploaded some **mental health and** wellbeing resources on our website which we hope will be of use and help for parents and pupils – click on the links below to access:

- Kooth's Guide to Coping with Exam Stress
- <u>Bitesize Mental health and wellbeing training</u> (for parents and carers)

Thank you for your continued support. May I wish you and yours a warm and restful weekend.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs A Haynes

Principal

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