
LIVERPOOL COLLEGE

A School of Character

Principal's Newsletter

27 March 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a final week of term we've enjoyed!

On Tuesday morning, I was delighted to join some of our Chapter 7 pupils for a special reward breakfast that their Dean had organised to recognise their hard work and achievements, as well as their positive contributions to the life of the College. Well done Chapter 7!

Ms Odita-Sani has a report on a very special visit this week that celebrated our pupils' leadership:



We were honoured to welcome the Lord Mayor to our school this week for a celebration of our pupils' outstanding work on Neurodiversity. The visit shone a spotlight on the creativity, empathy, and leadership our children have demonstrated. They explored what it means to understand, value and champion different ways of thinking and learning.

During the visit, the Lord Mayor spent time speaking with the children about their displays, asking thoughtful questions, and recognising their hard work. Our pupils proudly shared their artwork, writing and displays, each one a testament to their commitment to building a more inclusive school community.



The Lord Mayor congratulated the children on their achievements, praising their courage in using their voices to educate others and their passion for celebrating neurodiverse strengths. It was a powerful moment of recognition, not only for the pupils involved but for our whole school's ongoing journey toward inclusion.

We are incredibly proud of our young leaders, whose work continues to inspire staff, families and visitors alike. Their message is clear: **inclusion is not just something we talk about, it's something we create together.**



We cannot of course forget the major event of the week - our fantastic Key Stage 2-3 production of *Bugsy Malone*. I was so very impressed by all the performances, not least the backstage crew with the excellent lighting and sound, as well as numerous set changes including bringing 25 barrels on stage! Thank you and congratulations to all the pupils involved for their enthusiasm, commitment and willingness to share their talents.

A big thank you as well to all the staff and PTA volunteers for giving up their own time so willingly to support the production and make events like this possible.



This week's **musician of the week** from Mr Bishop is unsurprisingly chosen from the *Bugsy* production:



Valentin in rehearsal

*In a first for Liverpool College, we were able to trust the entire musical direction of the KS2/3 production of Bugsy Malone to a pupil. **Valentin B** (Ch 10) organised rehearsals, arranged additional music, rehearsed and led the pit band in this week's production of Bugsy with mature musicianship, calm control and excellent ad-lib/improvisation skills. Words cannot adequately do justice to the role Val undertook in this production - a superb performance!*

Alongside this, there were first-class performances from the cast and solos from members of the band, far too many to mention sadly, however the quality

of the production was a real testament to all involved. We hope everyone can rest over the coming break!

I am delighted to confirm that the first week back after our holiday break will see the return of our fantastic **Jazz Night:**



Taking place on **Friday 17 April at 7pm** in the **MV Hall**, the Jazz Night will feature various vocalists and soloists (teachers and students), and ensembles ranging from a duet to a big band.

The event is fully student run and organised by the **Liverpool College Jazz Collective**, with the music almost exclusively arranged by the students, with all solos fully improvised.

Supported by the PTA, there will be a licensed bar and raffle, along with other refreshments available.

You can purchase tickets for the event here:

<https://www.trybooking.com/uk/events/landing/109541>

The pupils and students involved have been regularly performing gigs outside of school on Lark Lane, Bold Street and at other events and at weddings and are looking forward to showcasing their talents with this special performance here at school. It will be a great evening!



Liverpool College Cross Country Roll of Honour 2025/25

Girls Team Road Relay Race Champions
Boys Team Road Relay Race Third Place
Large Schools Girls' League Champions
Large Schools Boys' League Runners-Up
Year 6 Girls Large & Small Schools City Champions
Year 6 Girls City Champions

A huge congratulations to our primary cross-country runners who have enjoyed an amazing season as celebrated in the Roll of Honour.

Well done to all the pupils involved but particularly to our girls team, led by Chapter 6 pupils, who completed an unprecedented Quadruple, winning the Road Relay Race, the League Championship, the Large & Small Schools City Championships, and then the overall City Championships!

Isabelle R (6R) was also awarded the Zoe Tynan Spirit of Running award, a poignant and prestigious honour, rounding off a fantastic season for her and her friends.

A big thank you as well to Mr Stamper, Mr Brimage and Mx Roberts for giving their time to support the teams across a long season.

Congratulations also to Lakshaya B in Chapter 13 for achieving a prestigious Gold Award in this year's British Biology Olympiad—an outstanding accomplishment that reflects exceptional dedication, knowledge, and passion for biology. Mrs Worrall has more details:

The British Biology Olympiad is a highly challenging national competition that tests students on advanced biological concepts, problem-solving skills, and the ability to apply knowledge in unfamiliar contexts. Open to top-performing students across the UK, it goes far beyond the standard curriculum and encourages deeper scientific thinking.

Achieving a Gold Award is particularly rare and impressive. Only a small percentage of participants reach this level, as the award is reserved for those who demonstrate truly exceptional performance compared to their peers nationwide.

Lakshaya's success is a remarkable achievement and a proud moment for the science department.

Mrs Achilleos meanwhile has news of the success of our U15 Handball players this term:

A fantastic start to the handball season with Liverpool College continuing to be the hub for Merseyside handball. There has been great success with KS4 teams as the U15s girls and U15 boys teams are in the next round of the regional qualifiers having beaten Wirral Grammar, Kings Leadership, West Kirby Grammar and Rainhill. We look forward to the next round of fixtures for the U13 teams.

Players of the U15s Girls tournament were Laine K, Connie F, Keira F-S and Rajna R. For the U15s Boys, the following students were awarded players of the tournament, Ethan C, Brennan L and Mahmoud A.

A polite reminder to parents that an additional training session is held on a Friday evening, 6:00-7:30pm in the Sports Hall with Liverpool Handball club, should you wish for your child to attend.

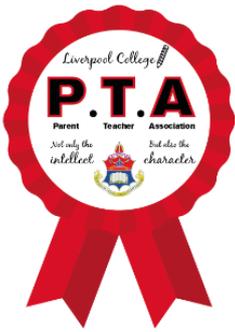
Mrs Drew reports on the return to school of a former pupil as part of our careers programme:



We always welcome past students back into school with open arms to speak to our students, and this week Chapter 12 attended a talk given by Saleh Omar, one of alumni who left Liverpool College after his A 'Levels in 2024.

Saleh secured an engineering degree apprenticeship with WSP after his results and spoke to our students about his time in 6th form, right up to the present day. Despite not getting the grades he hoped for, and not having considered going into the engineering field, Saleh excelled during the application process and at interview, and landed one of only two degree apprenticeships available at the time.

He spoke about his daily job, his university commitments and how important his EPQ was in being offered this job. Saleh's employment and studies will lead to a full time job and the opportunity to work all over the world. Chapter 12 bombarded Saleh with questions; his relatable talk definitely sparked an interest in this post 18 pathway and the opportunities it offers. We thank Saleh for visiting us and supporting our Chapter 12 students.



An update message from the **PTA**:

The PTA newsletter this week holds vital information about our opening times during the Easter break to help parents with uniform for the final term. Please also note emails will be of slow response however they will be picked up as and when possible.

Wishing you all a happy and restful (hopefully sunny and dry!) Easter break.

A reminder that the new term begins for all pupils on Wednesday 15 April. For pupils in the secondary phase, this will be **Week B**.

Please also take note of the planned road improvement works that are scheduled to take place over the holiday period and next term which will have a significant impact on road access around the campus. You will have received today via MCAS announcements more information about this and there will be a further communication before the start of term to confirm arrangements.

Many of our pupils, parents and staff will be marking significant religious celebrations during the holiday period. Happy Passover to all our Jewish families and staff - we hope you will have a blessed holiday. May I also wish all the Christian members of our College community a blessed holy week and Easter.

I hope that you and your families enjoy a peaceful, sunny and restful break.

Yours sincerely,

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Principal**