



# LPS NEWSLETTER



## A message from the Head

Welcome to our Spring Term Newsletter. It has been a very busy and productive Spring Term for the LPS. We have gradually been able to get back to our usual routines and staff and students have enjoyed taking part in a range of activities and events.

We are in the process of making a number of improvements to our facilities. We have been able to refurbish some of our internal spaces and we are currently in the process of having all of our windows replaced. The old, scruffy looking, windows are being replaced by smart, grey, energy efficient windows.

Our students have enjoyed participating in a number of specialist workshops. Alison Cope made a return visit and spoke to our students about knife crime and the Alter Ego Theatre Company also made a return visit to present their latest production, which warned students of the dangers of becoming involved in County Lines Gangs.

Our students have also been very creative and have used their skills and talents to produce a range of artistic projects and fund raising activities. Many of our students have been rewarded for their good behaviour and have been able to access a range of rewards offered via our REACH REWARDS programme.

I hope that you have a great Easter break and manage to find some time to relax and enjoy yourselves.

Best wishes

Shaun Whittingham (Head Teacher)



### Dates for your Diary:-

We break up for the Easter Holidays on  
Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April 2022

We return to school, following the Easter Holidays, on  
Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April 2022

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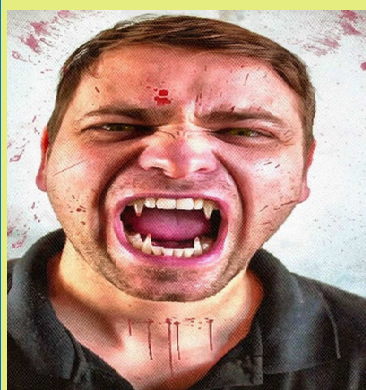




# Centre Noows!



**HORROR MASKS BY GROVE STUDENTS**



## HORROR-BLE DRAMA

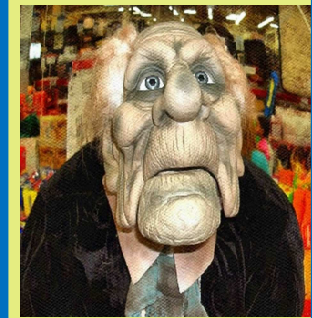
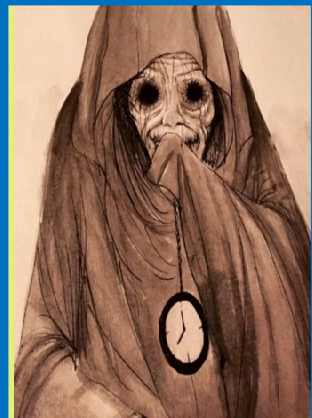
In Drama we have been working alongside the English Department on a "Horror" theme.

Our 5DP Group made a horror set out of card and completed freeze frame photos using the set which was very creative of them & fun for all.

Our Grove Group have completed horror masks for the display & Into The Night performance posters.

We have also been busy getting creative in Drama & working hard on our AQA Unit Award Qualifications. We have also been busy having fun!

Lesley Crooks  
Drama Teacher



**HORROR ART BY 5DP STUDENTS**



# Centre News !

## More Knife Crime Awareness



Alison Cope answering questions asked by our students

We were very lucky to be able to get Alison Cope to come back to deliver another Knife Crime Awareness Workshop to our students. Alison delivered a very thought provoking and inspirational workshop and later spent some time with a selected group of students. The feedback that we received from students was very positive indeed. Alison told students about how her son , Josh, was killed in a knife attack. She brought his ashes with her to show students. This was a very powerful message for our students to receive and it resulted in them thinking hard about their attitudes towards knives and the dangers that they bring to young people.

Tom Liney [Senior Manager – PSD Lead]

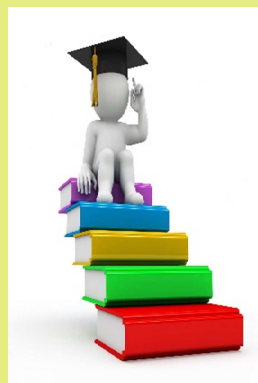
## Awards For Hard Work & Success !

Many of our Key Stage 3 students have been working towards achieving AQA Unit Award Qualifications in Drama, Cooking & Art. Many of our students have already achieved their qualifications & have benefitted from the experience.

One of our students wrote ....

*I have completed a Drama AQA Unit. Drama is fabulous because it makes shy children come out of their comfort zone and makes them have better communication in school*

Nevardo (Key Stage 3 Student )



# Centre News !

## 1 Carisbrooke Centre Improvements.

We are having all our windows replaced in our Carisbrooke Centre. Our new windows are very smart and also very energy efficient. Have a look at the BEFORE and AFTER pictures below ...



## 2 Gloves –Up Knives Down



As part of some of the work that our APT Team are doing at The LPS, some of our students took part in a boxing club pilot scheme at the Carisbrooke Centre.

Our team are also talking to the “Gloves Up Knives Down” project which is a national initiative to get young people into boxing with the aim of reducing knife crime across the country. It is hoped that our Boxing Club could help spread the word of the project and get people talking about what they are doing.

One of our students also enjoyed a trip to the “Unity Boxing Club” in Leicester with a member of our APST team and took part in a specialist introductory session. This has opened the door for more boxing sessions and possible

membership in the future.



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## It's Spring. Time to crack some eggs!

Eggs are associated with Easter of course, but they have been symbolic of **spring** for a very long time. In fact as far back as the ancient Romans, eggs symbolised new life and reproduction and are a big part of spring celebrations all over the world.

In Art, students have been engaged in a variety of creative activities including making clay egg shaped pots, clay wall plaques and origami decorative bags, tags and cards. In cooking, students made small chocolate cakes decorated with handmade fondant icing birds' nests with chocolate eggs inside. Yummy!



## 4 GAME ON

To further strengthen and support the personal development programme there will be a particular focus on Extremism, Radicalisation, Hate crime and Mental health for half term 5 and 6.

Game On is an interactive workshop that explores the themes of Race, Religion and National Identity and how they can coincide with and be used by those who seek to divide through extremism and even terrorism.

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# Getting to know members of our Alternative Provision Taskforce Team

Draw a picture of your self here.



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**What is your role in our Taskforce Team ?** I am a Youth & Family Support Worker

**What do you do during a typical working day?** I meet with students, talk to parents and try and support them both. I also fill out paperwork.

**What do you enjoy most about your job?** I enjoy working with students intensely on certain topics & working with their families. I feel like I am the access point and link other agencies with the families & school.

**What is the biggest challenge that you face in your job?** The fact that this is a new job role and we are learning as we go along. A challenge is always good because "Pressure makes Diamonds!"



**What is your favourite ...**

Food ? –  
Prawn Curry

Drink? -  
Coke

Colour? –  
Red

Celebrity?  
Will Smith.  
(I have met him and he is nice)

