



# Newsletter

## Dear Families and Students,

We have come to the end of another term at Longdendale, and I would like to thank students for all their hard work and effort they have put in to their studies. Some of which have earned an end of term reward trip or in school reward, that I hope they fully enjoy.

I am so pleased with the way the entire year group has responded positively to the new challenges of being in Year 11 and the start of their final GCSE Year. I would like to thank families for your continued support of school, ensuring students are in school and in full uniform. We do need the continued support from home to ensure the great start our students have had continues for the rest of the year and into their exams.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our students and families a very happy Christmas and prosperous New Year. I hope you all get to see friends and family and end the year with a smile!





What an amazing first term it has been for 11P. The form always works together to promote charitable causes, and we recently supported the Pyjama Appeal and Remembrance day. We also supported members of the form in raising awareness around Black History Month. Well done 11P. Best wishes for an enjoyable Christmas and New Year.

**Miss Burton - 11P** c.burton@lhs.spt.ac.uk

Well done 11E, you have made it to your last Christmas in high school. You have worked really hard over the past term and I have been really impressed with your efforts during the Mock exams. Well done and a special thanks to Freya for her amazing contribution to the pyjama appeal. I hope you have a great Christmas break and Happy New Year.

Mr Kilkenny- 11E m.kilkenny@lhs.spt.ac.uk

#### Merry Christmas!

Congratulations to 11A for all the hard work being put in this year. The students are always so mature and resilient and have represented themselves really well in their mock exams. It is a real pleasure to see how 11A support each other on a daily basis and how each student rises to whatever challenge they may face. I hope you all have a fantastic Christmas and a Happy New Year.

#### **Mr Fox - 11A** k.fox@lhs.spt.ac.uk

Congratulations on such a successful starting term to Year 11, I'm so proud of you all attending revision sessions after school, meeting coursework deadlines and putting fantastic effort into your mocks. Thank you so much for being a wonderful group of individuals. Have a wonderful Christmas and come back New Year New Me Superstars as always!

M**iss Warnock - 111** s.warnock@lhs.spt.ac.uk 11S have taken on every opportunity to succeed in Year 11. They have demonstrated resilience to achieve in their mocks, but also shown their determination in planning for their future after Longdendale. It has been fantastic to see members of the tutor group involved in charity and school events. It has been a pleasure to be their form tutor for another term. Happy Christmas.

#### **Miss Maiolani-Margetts - 11S** c.maiolani@lhs.spt.ac.uk

Many of you have made a great start to year 11 by attending after school revision sessions or being involved in the National tutoring program for Maths and/or Science. As a form, we raised money and we bought a pair of pyjamas for the charity Christmas Pyjama appeal; without your generous contributions this would not have been possible so thank you.

Miss Booth-11R l.booth@lhs.spt.ac.uk

## GCSE Mock Exams

In Year 11 we are finishing with the GCSE mock exams, I am so proud of the way the whole year group has conducted themselves during this period, they will all have earned their time off.





### Show Racism the Red Card

During this term Year 11s have also been busy promoting 'Show racism the red card' and raising money for charities through a bake sale and the sale of anti-racism badges. They have also supported the Children's Hospital Pyjamas appeal during form time.

#### **Sporting Success**

Year 11 have had some sporting achievements that need to be celebrated.

Adie has won various belts and Championships at kickboxing over the past year and has recently been awarded the Tameside Sport and Physical Activity Young Sports Achiever of the year award for 2022.

I also have to mention our Year 11 football team who up to this term had never won an 11 a side game, they managed a win in a cup game so well done to all of you.





## Year 11 Drama Exam

The Year 11 Drama GCSE students performed their devised showcase on 8th November and were all amazing.

They selected topics such as the Amber Heard and Jonny Depp Libel case. A physical theatre piece about violence against women and a Brechtian piece of drama centred around the theme of 'Loss'.

The students excelled themselves and we are so proud of their achievements.

# Key Dates for Year 11

Below are some of our upcoming events. Please look out for further information about these on the school website.

**9th February 2023** *Year 11 Parents' Evening*  **15th and 16th February 2023** Year 11 Music gig