



JOINING LSA

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you and your families continue to be well during these strange and challenging times. My name is Ray Baker and I am the Headteacher of Lytham St Annes High School, writing to share a little information about our wonderful school. In normal times as parents and carers, you would be looking forward to an Open Evening event where you would see our school, listen to presentations and talk to our wonderful staff. You may also be wondering where the time has gone when you realise the next step to secondary school has come so quickly.

We are hoping that the removal of government restrictions will allow us to have a normal event. However, even if they do, I wanted to write to explain why our site may be a little different and why we will confirm arrangements in September. As a school, we start a period of redevelopment over the summer, that will see a new state of the art teaching and sport facility for our students. Please look at this link to see how the site will soon look <https://wates-tenders.co.uk/lytham-planning/>. We realise that the building work takes time, but it is all planned to ensure minimal disruption to our school.

Over the last two years, amidst the lockdown restrictions, we have managed to ensure one cohort (current Year 7) have been able to start school seamlessly, whilst also ensuring that our new/future Year 7 (current Year 6) is full of first choices. This is despite not being able to have transition or open events. We are so grateful to our local community, the families and primary schools who have trusted us to do the very best for the children.

In the event that we can't run our usual events, please take a look through some of the information here <https://www.lythamhigh.lancs.sch.uk/joining-lsa> on the website to get a feel of what we offer. I always say that families are fortunate in this area to have such a lovely school to build on the outstanding work of primary schools. LSA is proud of its history and excited by its future. Children thrive at our school, where the academic success can be achieved alongside the widest range of experiences outside of the classroom. In short, it is all these extras, that we do as normal, that make our children happy, successful and proud of their school.

Please take your time to read, watch and enjoy what we have. We are a very popular school and recognise how difficult this can be for families locally with first choices being taken quickly. If you have any questions about the school or life at LSA, then please email me directly at ray.baker@lythamhigh.lancs.sch.uk

Yours sincerely,

Ray Baker

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REDEVELOPMENT 2021 - 2023

We are one of 50 schools nationally to be redeveloped which is being funded by the Department for Education as part of their School Rebuilding Programme.

The purpose of this funding programme is to improve the condition of existing school buildings. We are excited to let you know that a planning application has been submitted for a new two storey school building and a separate new sports hall which will be located alongside the remaining existing buildings in a landscaped campus setting. The older buildings that are being replaced will be demolished once the new buildings have been brought into use.

There will be no change to staff and pupil numbers; and the proposals will ensure continuity of provision for the school and for community users during the build process, without the need for any temporary teaching accommodation.

Construction will start on site in September 2021. We are aiming to complete the new buildings by early 2023, with the remaining works on site (building demolition etc.) due to be completed by mid 2023.

We have worked closely with the Department for Education over recent months to see what might be possible on our site. Despite spending extensively to maintain our current facilities, it has become clear that a newly designed, environmentally friendly alternative would provide a facility for this area that would benefit everyone, for a long time to come. It is also exciting to be part of a scheme that commits to reducing the carbon footprint, aiming for us to be a Net Carbon Zero site. While we have always believed that the success and strength of our school is in the pupils, the culture and the behaviour, it will be lovely to match our excellent reputation and track record in the classroom with first class facilities.

