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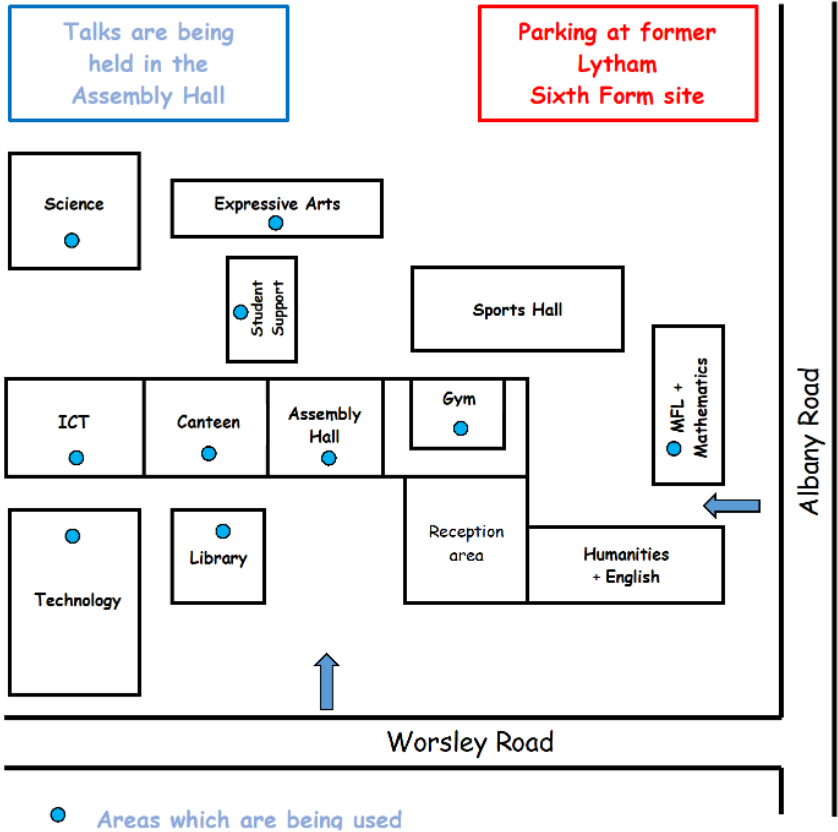
Aspiration - Endeavour - Integrity - Respect

Open Evening

Thursday 23rd June 2022

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School Map



Welcome to LSA

Welcome to Lytham St Annes High School. I hope you have an enjoyable and informative evening.

Choosing a secondary school for your child is one of the biggest decisions a family can make and our aim is to give you as much support as possible in making your choice. We are a popular and highly successful school serving the Fylde Coast. We work closely with our primary schools for students coming to us, as well as with our post 16 providers for when students are ready to leave. Our role is to work with parents to produce fantastic young people.



During the course of our Open Evening, you will have the opportunity to observe and participate in the work of our school; to meet staff and students. You will see that we are in the middle of a £20m rebuild, which will give us the best facilities in the area.

Our student guides will be happy to guide you around school or, alternatively, you can visit the various displays and activities yourself, using this booklet as a guide.

We are proud of our school, especially the fantastic staff and students. With core values of aspiration, endeavour, integrity and respect, we ensure that each and every student has the best possible experience at our school.

I hope you get a flavour of our wonderful school. On completion of our re-build, those fortunate enough to have secured a place in year 7 will be able to return and enjoy our new school.

I look forward to meeting you during the course of the evening.

Baker, Headteacher

Senior Leadership Team



Mr Cubbon
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Cardno
Deputy Headteacher



Mrs Clegg
Deputy Headteacher



Ms Dearden
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs Johnson
Assistant Headteacher



Mr Howard
Assistant Headteacher



Mr Bracken
Assistant Headteacher



Mrs Webster
Assistant Headteacher



Mr Webster
Business Manager

Art

Welcome to the Art Department, where we aim to champion the value of the visual arts in the cultural life of the school and wider community.



Mr Lonsdale
Head of Art

Students in Key Stage 3 study a range of art-based starting points, from exploring expressive responses to refining techniques with more traditional drawing media.

We encourage students to take part in extra-curricular activities such as competitions and attending Art clubs.

By the end of the Key Stage, we hope to have created young artists with confidence in their technical abilities and a growing understanding of the wider possibilities art provides in later life.



What's on this evening?

- S10:** See some of the students' work that has contributed to us being one of the top centres in the country for GCSE Art. You will also see students working on their artworks and contributing to the creative processes that inspire them.

Business & Computing



Ms Fitzpatrick
Head of Business

Welcome to the Business and Computing Department. We have 3 subject areas at KS4

- Business GCSE
- Computer Science GCSE
- Creative Digital Media BTEC

Pupils will get to experience all these subjects through the KS3 curriculum

We have a dynamic Computing curriculum in place at KS3 which allows the pupils to refine their digital literacy skills and develop great coding skills.

There are lots for students to get involved with including after school Coding and Minecraft clubs.

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What's on this evening?

W8: Year 7 Pupils will be demonstrating their coded Scratch Quizzes and teaching binary.

Design and Technology



Mr Howard
Head of Design and
Technology

Studying design and technology provides creative opportunities to participate in new activities, including technical knowledge and practical skills.



There are two areas within technology:

ENGINEERING – We will learn how to design and make products using a range of skills, including creating electronic circuits, using machinery and tools, for example making items with the vacuum former and making our own items for a specific person or outcome.

We will also teach you how your knowledge can be applied in industry. You will learn how to use a range of Computer Aided Design skills and Computer Aided Manufacture.

FOOD – We will learn how to make nutritious and healthy choices when choosing food and you will develop a wide range of practical skills that will help you become independent and confident in the kitchen for today and later in life. You will be taught the principles of hygiene and safety and you will be able to apply these principles when you make your dishes.

What's on this evening?

W3: ENGINEERING – Examples of learning and work completed by KS3 and KS4

W4: FOOD – Examples of learning and work completed by KS3 and KS4



Drama and Performing Arts

Welcome to the Drama Department, which is part of Expressive and Performing Arts.



Mr Smith
Head of Drama

We are a highly creative team of teachers and we are very passionate about our students' cultural, social and historical appreciation of the Arts in our own and wider society.



We explore our topics through practical and theoretical understanding and we strive to ensure that the topics we study enhance the broader curriculum. We regularly work with industry professionals to ensure our students experience current and first hand advice and support as they make choices about their further education.

The examination results for Drama are excellent showing great work by our students and a real passion for the subject.

Drama is studied in Year 7, 8 and 9. From Year 10 we offer GCSE Drama which is always very popular with students who want to study performing at a higher level and those who simply enjoy the study of plays and acting.

What's on this evening?

Theatre:

Visit our Theatre, where you will be able to talk with Drama staff and see some of the students' performance work displayed on the screen

English

Welcome to the English Department!

Here at LSA you will study a diverse range of texts from Andy Mulligan's 'Trash' in year 7 to Shakespeare's Richard III in year 9 to An Inspector Calls at GCSE. Our curriculum exposes students to 'real world' issues in which students are enriched and inspired culturally and emotionally and are encouraged to challenge ideas and perceptions.



Miss McCormack

Head of English

In year 7 you will study:

- The novel 'Trash' by Andy Mulligan
- Explore diverse voices in poetry and narratives
- Discover some of Shakespeare's villains
- Complete a pleasurable 'read for three'
- And finally explore George Orwell and the key themes in 'Animal Farm' in preparation for studying the novella in year 8.

Our students enjoy reading and everyone in year 7 and 8 takes part in the Accelerated Reader scheme. Reading is our passion and as such, we read at the beginning of every English lesson for 10 minutes. In years 9 -11 we continue our love for reading with initiatives and reading challenges; additionally, in year 9, we actively participate in the Lancashire Book Award of the Year.

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For each unit of study, students will have an English Fluency booklet that focuses on spelling, punctuation, and grammar. The tasks vary with a range of activities such as reading comprehension, consolidation quizzes and research assignments.



Enrichment opportunities

Script writing, challenge club, BBC school report and TED-Talks are a few of our extra-curricular activities on offer as well as various trips to the theatre throughout the year. We regularly run a range of competitions from Young Voices writing competitions, Spelling Bees, Foyle's young poet of the year and many more.

Library: Come and meet the English team.



Geography



Mrs Evans

Head of Geography

Welcome to the Geography Department!

We take inspiration from the Geographical Association and believe that there are few things more fundamental than learning about ‘the Earth as our home’ as: “Geography is the study of the Earth as a home to humankind” (Johnson, 1985).

We encourage learners to be inspired, motivated, and challenged, resulting in them gaining a deep and rich understanding of the world in which they live.

Geography is a multi-faceted discipline that combines the analysis of social questions, environmental issues, and modern real-world solutions and as such is an important part of other academic subjects.

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Learning about Geography and its applications in the real world is important. We use different sources including the news, maps, data, images, and documentaries. We also experience Geography through different fieldtrips in the school grounds and further afield. Next year these include: Ingleton Waterfalls and Whitescar Caves to see how water has shaped the landscape; Ecosystems at the zoo and Blackpool Tower. In KS4 students do a coastal investigation in Cleveleys and an Urban Regeneration study in Blackpool. In addition, we do investigations in the local area. Students get to experience the Geography they learn in the classroom and apply their knowledge and understanding to the real world in which they live.



Easter 2022 KS3 & KS4 students visited Iceland. Here we experienced the land of fire and ice, and gave students a fantastic opportunity to see geographical processes in action. We walked around a volcanic crater, on a glacier, experienced waterfalls, geysers, and swam in the Blue Lagoon. We hope to return in 2024.

What's on this evening?

K11: Test your map skills, explore the world, see how Geographical features can be modelled, Geography Games & meet Sir David!

History

Welcome to the History Department!

Our enthusiastic team of teachers look forward to meeting you and sharing our love of history with you.

At Key Stage 3, we aim to inspire a sense of curiosity, interest and debate about history. In Year 7, we offer a fascinating look at Britain from the Anglo-Saxons to the Elizabethans. We will engage

in discussion and debate over events surrounding the Norman conquest, the Peasants' Revolt and Mary, Queen of Scots. We will also study interesting characters like Joan of Arc and Genghis Khan.

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We are one of the most popular GCSE option subjects with around three hundred students studying history at KS4. Our GCSE covers a wide range of topics, from the Crusades to the Cold War.

During their time at LSA, we hope to give students the opportunity to visit key historic places. These include visits to Quarry Bank Mill, Auschwitz and the First World War Battlefields.



Mrs Pountney
Head of History



What's on this evening?

K11: Challenge LSA students to a memory game on the Britons who have shaped our past and future.

Religious Studies



Mr Coomer
Head of RS

A warm welcome to Religious Studies!

In RS we aim to provide a stimulating, varied and enriching learning environment to prepare students for life in a culturally diverse, modern global world.

RS provides students with the opportunity to debate and discuss; to question and to articulate their views verbally as well as developing their extended writing skills.

Students will be encouraged to develop thorough research skills; weigh up evidence; develop logical chains of reasoning and evaluate...all within the use of specific religious terminology.

In year 7 students will extend and deepen their knowledge and key beliefs of 4 main religions and worldviews by looking at core elements of faith; religious views on how we got here through creation stories and religious practices that enhance a sense of belonging and community. Religions studied include Christianity, Hinduism, Islam and Buddhism.



What's on this evening?

K11: Exploring six world religions through artefacts and a quiz.

Library

Come and see our Library space; which was developed with the support of our fantastic PTFA and a generous donation from The Lytham Schools Foundation Trust.

We stock about 14,000 titles, including 7,000 fiction titles and an audiobook library. We also have computers, laptops, stationery, free printing and photocopying facilities.

Library opening hours for all students:

7:45am - 4:45pm, Monday-Thursday

7:45am - 4pm, Fridays

In recent years, we have hosted events with the authors Julian Sedgwick, Anthony McGowan, Mike Garry and Sufiya Ahmed. We learnt about how they write and what inspired them to become and author. Many of our students also got the chance to get their books personally signed by the authors!

Year 8, 9 and 10 can become Library Leaders. All Year 7 & 8 students come to the Library every second week during English lessons for our Accelerated Reader Scheme to swap books, get support, make progress and quiz about their favourite books.

We're open for everyone before school, at break, lunchtimes and after school every day.



Mr Bruen

Library Team Leader

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What's on this evening?

- Browse our bookshelves and book displays
- Outsmart our Accelerated Reader reading programme.
- Explore our amphitheatre, silent disco headphones and VR kits!

Maths



Miss Gilroy
Head of Maths

Welcome to the Maths Department!

The Mathematics Department is a highly performing department within LSA. Our exam results speak for themselves; we consistently perform significantly above National averages.

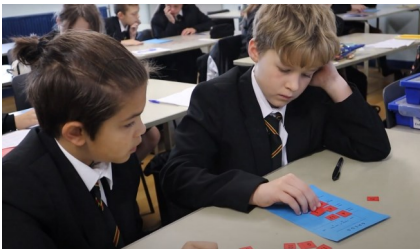
We have a team of 14 enthusiastic specialist Maths teachers. We are also fortunate to have a team of 2 specialist teaching assistants who work solely within the Maths department supporting our students.

We enrich our curriculum by providing opportunities for students to take part in National and local Maths Challenges. We also introduce students in the wonder of Maths by taking them to talks at local universities.

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What 's on this evening

- N5:** This room has been set up to display a selection of the resources we use in Years 7, 8 and 9. Staff will be available to answer any queries you have with regard to Maths at LSA.
- N6:** Can you be a countdown champion?
Can you make amazing 3D solids?
Can you get a calculator to write words?



Languages



Miss Constable
Head of Languages

Willkommen and bienvenue to the Languages Department!

At Lytham St Annes High, students in Year 7 will study either French or German. In Year 8 some students will also have the opportunity to learn a second language. We pride ourselves on the opportunities students have to develop their language skills outside of the classroom.

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This year our students have had the opportunity to learn Spanish, Italian and even some Japanese as part of our More than Grades programme. At Christmas, students also had the opportunity to enjoy a variety of German Christmas treats and our German intern shared with them how Christmas is celebrated in Germany.

In July, 38 students will be visiting Northern France, staying in a château and experiencing French life; visiting a boulangerie, making crêpes and even trying snails! We are really looking forward to being able to use our French skills in a real life situation.



We have a partner school in Werne in Northwest Germany. We are hoping that next year we will be able to restart our German exchange with students from LSA hosting their German partners in their own home and then spending a week in Germany at their partner's home.

As part of the PASCH initiative, we also have 7 students in Years 9 and 10 who will embark on a three weeks, all expenses paid, study course in Germany over the summer holidays. They are excited about the students they are going to meet from other countries and the amazing things they are going to be able to experience.

What's on this evening?

N1 + N2:

Experience what learning a language has to offer.

Music

We are very fortunate to have one of the largest and most productive Music Departments in Lancashire. The school provides lots of opportunities for students to perform.

Our Groups rehearse once a week and perform concerts throughout the year. These include the Choir, Orchestra, Wind Band, Ukulele Group and String Group. During Easter 2023, the school ensembles will return to Barcelona on tour and perform in concerts in the city and in the surrounding area.



Mr Spacey
Head of Music

We have very close links with the Music Service and other instrumental and vocal teachers. Any student in the school can have instrumental or vocal lessons at the school which take place during the normal school day.

Our GCSE results are outstanding, with most students gaining 6 and above in Composing, Performing and Listening.

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What's on this evening?

- S1:** Display of work by Key Stage 3 and GCSE students. Meet staff and discuss the curriculum and the fantastic extra-curricular opportunities in school.

Science

Welcome to the Science Department!



Mrs Downey

Head of Science

Science is a fantastic subject that looks into living and non-living systems; from the smallest atom to the farthest reaches of the Universe!

In Year 7 we cover all of the Science subjects: Biology (topics including: organisms, ecosystems and genes), Chemistry (topics including: matter, reactions and Earth) and Physics (topics including: forces, electromagnets, energy and waves).



Our Science club is very popular, giving students the chance to undertake many experiments: pupils have completed a wide variety of investigations from analysing the effectiveness of soap samples on bacterial growth to looking at forensic science experiments and slime club!

Previously we have run trips to the zoo, studied ecology at Leighton Moss and this year some of our students attended the

Science Live talks where they had the chance to see five of Britain's top scientists discussing their work at the cutting edge of science.

Many of our Key Stage 3 students decide to choose Combined Science at Key Stage 4. Last year our GCSE results in single sciences and combined sciences have been above national averages. We also had 26 pupils that achieved a grade 9 in at least one science subject.

C4 + C5:

This year at open evening you have the opportunity to get “hands on” with some great experiments to try. You can also talk science with some of our fantastic students.

PE

Welcome to the PE Department!



*Mrs Harrison
Head of PE*

As you will notice from visiting our facilities and observing students, PE is a subject that is relished.

Students study a range of activities at Key Stage 3 and 4 including Trampolining, Games, Athletics, Fitness and Orienteering. We make good use of technology including iPads, Apple TV, Heart rate monitors and a range of apps to enhance teaching and learning.

We offer a vast and varied extra-curricular programme, including both competitive and non-competitive sports, such as Table Tennis, Hockey, Rugby, Trampolining, Football, Fitness, Netball, Basketball plus many more. We regularly compete (and finish first!) in the Fylde and Wyre leagues in Netball, Rounders, Football, Hockey, Rugby and Athletics. The extra curricular timetable can be found on the school website.

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We also organise annual ski trips to Austria and trips kayaking as well as other sporting activities.

Our biggest event of the year is our Sports Day at Blackpool Sports' Athletics Arena with nearly 500 staff and students attending each year!



What's on this evening?

Gymnasium: Skills challenges with PE staff and students including table tennis and information about the curriculum. Come down and have some fun!



SEND

It is important that all students' needs are met within school life and to do this we work with class teachers and parents to identify those needs.



Mrs Hallam
SENCO



We follow the graduated approach, to ensure that we reflect on how your child's needs are being met and if necessary seek further advice. If students need support at break and lunch times we can offer this.

For parents, we offer fortnightly drop-in sessions where you can come to school and meet a member of the SEND team to answer any questions.

It is important to remember that it is a partnership and that both sides need to communicate and work together to get the best outcome for your child.

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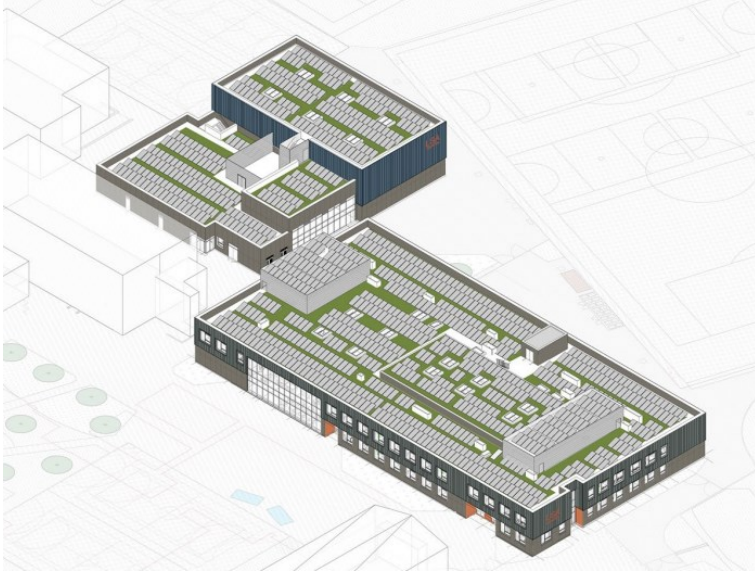
S6:

You can come and introduce yourself and ask Mrs Hallam how we support our SEND students and Mrs Vann how we support our students with Dyslexia.

Ms Lee and Ms Young will be in Thrive to discuss how we support our students with emotional needs.



NEW BUILD



Advice from Year 7

"I have had a really good time at Lytham High so far. I love all of my lessons, made lots of new friends and my teachers are really nice. I'm glad I came to this school!"

Da-xia, Year 7

"Getting lost isn't a problem, after 3 days I knew my way around. The lessons are really interesting because there are lots of good equipment, especially in music. I love it!"

Elissa, Year 7

"Don't be scared... be prepared!!"

Millie, Year 7

"Smile"

Scarlett, Year 7

"I really like it at LSA, I've made lots of new friends already and there are lots of after school clubs to join where I can make even more friends!"

Jackson, Year 7

"Starting year 7 isn't as scary as you might think. You might get lost in the first week but everybody is there to help. When I started I thought I wouldn't be able to keep up with everybody else, but now I know what lessons I have and how to get to them, I also know my way around the school. LSA is awesome and I hope you'll feel the same!"

Ethan, Year 7