

Laurence Jackson School's



Parental Bulletin

12th September 2025

KEY MESSAGES

Extra Curricular Clubs

Please see our extra curricular clubs offer brochure for this term. We are extremely fortunate that our staff have offered such a variety of activities for your children to access. We would appreciate it if you could encourage your child to attend as many of these clubs as possible. Some of these clubs have already started, but all clubs will otherwise commence on Monday. Unless stated specifically, all clubs will finish at 4pm - please make arrangements for your child to get home after their club.

Link: EXTRA CURRICULAR BROCHURE

<u>Homework Club—</u>All students welcome! Support your child to get into good study habits by attending this club which is on every day from 2.50pm. Students can drop in, attend for part of the session or have a more regular schedule of attendance.

Information Evenings coming up...

To support our students during these really important phases of their education at Laurence Jackson School, we would like to invite parents / carers of students in Year 10 and 11 to a year group specific information evening. These sessions aim to provide you with key information to help you support your child at these key milestones. Although students are very welcome, these evenings are geared towards providing information for parents only. Students will receive the same information in their assemblies. These events will last approximately 45mins. Entrance to this event is via the side assembly hall door. Please see the information below which identifies the dates and times for your child's specific year group event.



<u>Year 10 Options</u>—As Y10 students have all completed a full cycle of their timetable, we will not be accepting any option subject changes from this point onwards.

Year 7 8 9 KS3 New Approach To Home Learning—We recognise that Home Learning has the potential to add tremendous value to our students learning but equally we believe that for this potential to be realised our legacy model for KS3 Home Learning needed some careful thought. We are pleased to be in a position to launch our new model for KS3 Home Learning in the week ahead (15th September). Please consult the document attached to this class charts announcement to find out further details. Please note that all students have received details of this new model in assemblies and will be reminded of the details in form time via our Be Ready tutor group announcements next week. Please help support us to facilitate your child to complete their home learning so that they can benefit from the tremendous value it has the potential to have on their learning and progress.

<u>Learning For Life</u>—As you will be aware, every child at LIS receives 2 timetabled lesson per fortnight of Learning for Life — this is our PSHE curriculum. Please follow the link below taking you to our curriculum overview for each year group. We follow government guidance, and the content of the curriculum is regularly reviewed and updated where appropriate. If there are any sensitive topics coming up in Learning for Life or during our form time programme, we inform parents/carers parental bulletin. It is a statutory requirement to deliver RSE (Relationships and Sex Education) and we do this through our Learning for Life curriculum. We share via the parent bulletin information outlining our RSE policy and invite feedback from parents via an online survey. If you would like further clarification on the Learning for Life curriculum, please contact Miss Russell on russellp@laurencejackson.org Links:

<u>LJS-L4L-CurriculumMap-Y7.pdf</u> <u>LJS-L4L-CurriculumMap-Y8.pdf</u> <u>LJS-L4L-CurriculumMap-Y9.pdf</u> <u>LJS-L4L-CurriculumMap-Y11.pdf</u>

Year 11 After School Revision Timetable starting next week

Y11 After-school revision programme	
Tuesday	Week 1 (A) – Higher French/Spanish (MFL rooms) Week 2 (B) Foundation French/Spanish (MFL rooms) Chemistry combined in S6 (IFA) Art catch-up R10 & R11 (KBL/JCU) RE G3 (KDI)
Wednesday	English Language L15 (ETU) English Literature L8 (MBU) Vocational Business coursework catch-up A16 (CRD) Chemistry Triple in S11 (LTY) Physics combined in S4 (ABU)
Thursday	Maths foundation in M11 and M10 (Maths staff) Maths Higher M9 and M8 (Maths staff) I-media coursework catch-up L3 (DSM) Biology combined & triple in S3 (ATO) Geography (G rooms) History - Elizabeth revision in G10 (RBA)
Friday	Physics triple in S13 (NCR) Business Revision A16 (CRD)

<u>Year 7 Photographs</u>—The closing date for free delivery of your child's Year 7 photos back to school is Thursday 18th September. Order through the Tempest website using your unique link or visit <u>www.tempest-orders.co.uk</u> If you need any help ordering your photos, please contact Tempest directly on 01736 751555 (option 3). After the deadline, there is a charge for home delivery.

<u>FAO of Parents / Carers Children with SEND</u>—Please open this <u>LINK</u> to find a copy of Septembers newsletter provided by Redcar and Cleveland Parental Forum for SEND family Voice

FAO of Parents / Carers of Year 6 Children on the SEND register

Year 6 SEND Parent Tours. To support Parent/Carers and Year 6 Students who are identified as SEND in their Primary Setting we offer additional tours of the school before our annual Year 6 Open Evening. If you are a Parent/Carer of a Year 6 Student who is on the SEND Register at their Primary setting and would like the opportunity to meet a member of the SEND Team and have a tour of the school before the Open Evening, please email SEND@laurencejackson.org with your preferred date and time. Tours are bookable on Wednesday 17th September and Friday 19th September for the following time slots: 9:15am - 9:45am, 10:15am - 10:45am, 11:15am - 11:45am, 1:45pm - 2:15pm, 2:15pm - 2:45pm.

Student Success—GREAT NORTH RUN 2025!

Huge congratulations to Harry W (Y10) who ran the Junior Great North Run with his cousin on Sunday to raise money for Blood Cancer UK. They have raised over £400 so far.

Isaac R (Y8) also completed the Junior Great North Run on Sunday



and raised £475 for cancer research UK. He chose this charity as one of his relatives recently fought cancer.

Ava C (Y8) also completed the Junior Great North Run and ran in aid of Macmillan Cancer.

What a fantastic achievement, by you all, well done!

Well done to any other LJS student who completed this event who we are not aware of —we are incredibly proud of you.





Careers

We are pleased to let you know that the Careers section of our school website has recently been updated. Parents and carers can now find:

- Up-to-date information about careers provision at our school
- Key staff contacts for careers support
- Guidance and resources to help support your child with their future choices

We have also added a Parent/Carer Feedback section to the Careers page. We always welcome your thoughts and suggestions to help us ensure the very best careers provision for our students. In the coming weeks, we will also be sharing our Careers-related Learning Policies on the website so you have a clear overview of our approach and provision. You can access the updated Careers section here: https://laurencejackson.org/careers-information/

Year 11 Specific Career Information

As part of our Year 11 career programme and to support our students with their post-16 readiness, all students will have a scheduled career guidance meeting before they sit their GCSEs. These have started this week. Our career adviser is Caroline Larsen, who attends school on a Monday.

For the meeting to be as beneficial as it can be for your child, we suggest that you:

• Talk through their interests and strengths – Have a conversation with your child about what subjects they enjoy, their hobbies, and any skills they feel confident in.

This helps them go into the appointment with a clearer sense of what motivates them.

• Encourage them to think about questions – Suggest they write down 2–3 questions in advance (e.g. about college courses, apprenticeships, university pathways, or specific careers they're curious about).





Coffee & Conversation + 'What's Our Story?'

Enjoy a friendly Coffee Morning — and discover "What's Our Story?", a family-friendly creative session with Writer-in-Residence Bob Beagrie.

- · Explore rare artefacts & curious exhibits
- · Create stories, poems & drawings
- Try quizzes, riddles, flash fiction & script-writing
- Add your voice to the Guisborough Sound Trail

Sunnyfield House, Westgate, Guisborough

- Saturday 27 September
- ⑤ 9.00am − 12.30pm

