



Newsletter October 2017

Welcome to the first newsletter of the academic year. I would like to take this opportunity to welcome new parents and carers to the Limpsfield Grange community. Our Year 7s have settled well into life at Limpsfield Grange, and it was wonderful to meet so many new parents at our FOGS Family Fun Day event, and to speak to so many members of our wider community at our Parent Information Evenings in September.

During the summer we celebrated our Year 11 GCSE results. The girls achieved some fantastic GCSE qualifications in a wide range of subjects, and for the first time at Limpsfield Grange 100% of students passed at least 6 GCSE qualifications, with 78% of students gaining at least 1 A-C GCSE qualification up from 45% in 2016. We will welcome the Year 11 leavers back for our Presentation Assembly to find out how they are getting on in November. We wish our ex Year 11 students lots of luck for the future.

The past few months have been really busy at the Grange with students being involved in a wide range of activities. Students in Years 7 and 8 have started their Forest Schools experience, learning about outdoor survival skills, and the wildlife and plants of our local area. The girls have very much enjoyed this learning, and have already developed some impressive problem solving and team work skills.

At the end of September we had our biggest ever Macmillan coffee morning, with students bringing in an astonishing (and delicious) array of cakes. We raised in excess of £180 which is incredible, and I would like to thank you all for your support with this event.

Over recent weeks we have been working with a researcher from the Institute of Psychiatry, Psychology and Neuroscience at Kings College London, investigating the causes and effects of social anxiety in autistic children and young people. The girls have enjoyed participating in this research, which we hope will be beneficial for other autistic young people. We will also continue with our Quality of Life project with the Centre for Research in Autism and Education after half term.

In terms of community news our FOGS Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 6th November 2017 at 7pm in school. All parents are welcome to attend. Parents Evening will be for parents of students in Year 8 on Tuesday 14th November.

I hope that you all have a peaceful half term. Students return to school on Monday 30th October 2017.

Sarah Wild - Headteacher