



## Newsletter March 2024

I wanted to start this newsletter by saying a massive thank you to all of you who supported the school through our recent Ofsted inspections. Between 12<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> March 2024, we had a joint inspection of our education and residential provisions. It was a rigorous and thorough inspection. Inspectors were very impressed by our students, how well behaved, friendly and respectful they are both in school and in boarding. We were happy with the inspection, and I look forward to sharing the report with you in the near future.

It has been a busy and exciting half term at Limpsfield Grange. Last week, as part of their celebration of Neurodiversity Awareness Week, Limpsfield Grange was featured on the BBC 5Live Drive Time show. The students who were interviewed spoke passionately about their personal experiences. Since our interview was broadcast, we have been inundated with kind words from well-wishers across the world. It has been quite incredible; and everyone has said how amazing our students were and how important their message is.

Earlier this year, Limpsfield Grange was featured in a parliamentary report contracted by the Commission for Young Lives & Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health, written by N8 Universities, about the crisis in early identification and support for autistic children and young people across the UK. The work of Limpsfield Grange was highlighted as leading-edge practice, with a call to arms for politicians to create more specific provision for autistic girls, and to improve diagnosis rates for autistic women and girls. Students in Year 10 shared insights and personal stories as part of this report, which was very powerful.

As part of our Duke of Edinburgh Award, Year 10 students have been working with Surrey Outdoor Learning at High Ashurst to create a beautiful Wellbeing Garden. Students designed, built and planted the new garden, which includes multiple seating areas; raised planters and a wonderful tree sculpture. The students worked tirelessly to create this fantastic space and should be very proud of it!

I hope that you have an enjoyable Easter holiday, and I look forward to seeing the students back in school on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2024.

With best wishes

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