



## Newsletter May 2026

It's been a busy half term here at Limpsfield Grange. The GCSE and BTEC examination season has now begun, and students are working incredibly hard. Their focus, determination, and commitment are clear to see, and staff are continuing to support them during this busy time. I'd like to wish all of the Year 11 students the very best of luck with their exams, and for their final weeks with us.

Students from Year 10 completed their practice Duke of Edinburgh Bronze expedition this week. They practiced putting up their tents and cooking on Trangia's alongside canoeing on the River Wey, working as a team, making decisions under pressure, and developing their personal organisation skills. It was a challenging but rewarding experience which helped students build confidence, resilience, and independence.

Year 9 students have been busy this half term. They visited a trenches museum to deepen their understanding of the First World War. Students were able to experience the trenches first-hand, exploring how soldiers lived, the equipment they used, and even the rations they survived on. The exhibit also included replica German trenches, giving students the chance to cross No Man's Land and appreciate the danger and intensity of trench warfare. Students reflected on how strange it must have been for the soldiers to be so close to the opposing troops, and how frightening the war must have been.

Year 9 students have also successfully completed their BTEC Catering practical. Students produced an impressive range of delicious dishes, showcasing their creativity, technical skills, and growing confidence in the kitchen. It was a fantastic opportunity for them to demonstrate the techniques they have developed throughout the course.

Year 10 Health and Social Care students visited Ingledale Therapy Centre to explore the role of a foot therapist. During the visit, they learned about the skills, techniques, and professional responsibilities involved in foot care, gaining valuable insight into careers within the health sector. Students also learned about the wide range of skills required for the role, including essential healthcare knowledge and the interpersonal skills needed to work with the public.

At the end of this half term, we say goodbye to Mrs Pickett, Teaching Assistant; Miss Read, Residential Keyworker and Mrs Anderson, SENCO Administrator, who leave us to spend more time with their families. We wish them luck for the future.

I hope that you have an enjoyable half term break, and I look forward to welcoming students back to school on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2026 for the last half term of this academic year.

With best wishes, Mrs Wild, Headteacher