

# Community

The newsletter of Landau Forte Academy Amington



Thank you for taking the time to read our academy newsletter. Your support and engagement are crucial to our community's success and growth. We look forward to sharing more updates and celebrating our students' achievements with you.

**Mr Andrew Deen**  
-- Principal



## Included in this edition:

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## Time to Talk: Raising Awareness of Children's Mental Health

During the Spring Term, Students at Amington took part in **Time to Talk**, an initiative dedicated to raising awareness of children's mental health. The event aimed to encourage open conversations about emotions, friendships, and well-being.

As part of the initiative, the school held a special assembly highlighting the importance of discussing feelings and seeking support when needed. Teachers and students shared insights on how small conversations can make a big difference in someone's mental health.

To foster kindness and appreciation, students were given special cards to write thank-you messages to friends who had supported them. This simple yet meaningful activity reinforced the importance of gratitude and positive relationships in maintaining mental well-being.

By participating in **Time to Talk**, students gained a deeper understanding of mental health and the power of communication, helping to create a supportive and caring school environment.



## **Random Acts of Kindness Day 2025**

Students at Amington embraced **Random Acts of Kindness Day** by showing appreciation for their teachers through heartfelt thank-you cards. The initiative encouraged kindness, gratitude, and positive connections within the school community.

Students took time to write personal messages, expressing their thanks for the support, guidance, and inspiration their teachers provide daily. The thoughtful gestures brought smiles to many staff members, reinforcing the power of small acts of kindness.

By participating in this meaningful event, students learned that even a simple note of gratitude can brighten someone's day and contribute to a more compassionate school environment.

## **Celebrating LGBT+ History Month**

Students marked \*LGBT+ History Month\* with an inspiring assembly, informative displays, and engaging SMSC (Spiritual, Moral, Social, and Cultural) sessions. The month highlights the achievements and struggles of the LGBT+ community, promoting awareness, inclusion, and equality.

The assembly focused on key historical figures and the importance of allyship, while the display showcased influential activists and milestones in LGBT+ rights. SMSC sessions encouraged open discussions on respect, identity, and acceptance.

Students interested in further promoting diversity and equality are encouraged to speak to Mr. Phillips about joining a new club dedicated to inclusivity and representation.





## Year 9 Students Visit Aston University.

Earlier this month, our Year 9 students had an exciting opportunity to visit Aston University. The trip offered a valuable insight into life at university, giving students the chance to explore a real university campus and learn more about higher education.

Throughout the day, students took part in engaging workshops, toured the facilities, and spoke with current university students about their experiences. The visit helped to inspire future aspirations and gave a taste of the independence and opportunities that university life can offer.

Well done to all students for representing our school so brilliantly!







## Incredible CHICAGO School Production

Our talented students lit up the stage with their unforgettable performance of CHICAGO (Teen Edition)! With dazzling choreography, show-stopping vocals, and striking costumes, the cast brought the roaring '20s to life in a way that left the audience cheering for more.

Every scene showcased the hard work, passion, and professionalism of our young performers. Special thanks to our incredible performing arts teachers, crew, band, and volunteers who made this production a true showstopper.

Congratulations to the entire cast and crew on a spectacular success—you made this a night to remember!





## **Join the Landau Forte Amington PTA – Make a Difference!**

We need passionate parents to join our PTA and help support our students, staff, and school community. Whether you can volunteer regularly or occasionally, your involvement makes a huge impact. Meet new people, share ideas, and enhance school life. Get involved today—your voice matters!

Please contact Mr Hellyer on [dhellyer@lfata.org.uk](mailto:dhellyer@lfata.org.uk)



## **Author Ben Davis Inspires students**

We were thrilled to welcome Ben Davis, acclaimed local author of The Soup Movement, to Amington for an inspiring day with our students.

Ben kicked off the day with a captivating assembly, sharing his journey as a writer and the inspirations behind his books. His talk encouraged students to embrace creativity, persevere through challenges, and explore the power of storytelling. With humour and enthusiasm, he engaged students in discussions about reading, writing, and the impact that stories can have on our lives.

Following the assembly, Ben led a series of interactive workshops throughout the day, giving students a unique opportunity to develop their own creative writing skills. He provided invaluable tips on crafting compelling characters, building engaging plots, and finding their own voice as writers. Students thoroughly enjoyed the hands-on experience and were excited to apply what they had learned to their own stories.

It was a fantastic experience for our students, who left the sessions feeling inspired and motivated to read and write more. A huge thank you to Ben Davis for his time, wisdom, and encouragement—we can't wait to see the stories our students create!





## Unforgettable Ski Trip

What a trip! Back in February, our students hit the slopes of Folgaria, Italy, and had an absolute blast. Great snow on the slopes, blue skies, and tons of laughs made it a ski trip to remember. We are massively impressed with how much improvement and determination our students showcased as they improved their ski skills throughout the course of the week.

You can relive the adventure by taking a watch of the adventure video on our YouTube via the below QR Code:





## Academy Calendar of Upcoming Events

<u>Date</u>	<u>Event</u>
28 April 2025	Term Start
W/c 28 April 2025	Y11 Spanish Speaking Exams
W/c 28 April 2025	Y11 External Exams Window Opens
30 April 2025	Head Teacher Drop-In
02 May 2025	Year 7 Assessment Reports
05 May 2025	Bank Holiday Monday
07 May 2025	Year 7 Parent Drop In
08 May 2025	Year 7 Parents Evenings
13 May 2025	Harry Potter Studios School Trip
14 May 2025	Year 8 Parent Drop In
15 May 2025	Careers Interviews
20 May 2025	Harry Potter Studios School Trip
21 May 2025	Year 9 Parent Drop In
22 May 2025	Year 8 Parents Evening
23 May 2025	Last day of term
02 June 2025	New term begins





**Don't forget to mark your calendars for Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July for the Amington Fete!**

**LANDAU FORTE ACADEMY Welcomes**

# AMINGTON FETE

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> July**

**12.00pm - 3.00pm**

**on the Landau Forte Academy sports field**

**Activities:**

- BOUNCY CASTLE
- CAKES & STALLS
- FOOD VANS
- CHARITY STALLS
- GUEST APPEARANCE BY *Bugsy*
- NRG DANCE COMPANY
- FACE PAINTING
- CHOCOLATE TOMBOLA
- CRAFTS
- MARTIAL ARTS

**Logos:** Landau Forte Academy Amington, Amington Fete Committee





### Mrs Poole - Family Support Worker

My role as family Support Worker is to support families facing various challenges, this is done by providing practical and therapeutic support service alongside families experiencing difficulties within our school community.

I also able to support with Finance and foodbank and coordinate the school uniform bank.

Anyone wanting to access me can do so directly via email: [lpole@lfata.org.uk](mailto:lpole@lfata.org.uk)

### Mrs Constantine - Attendance Officer

Excellent attendance and punctuality at school is crucial to ensure that your child fulfils their potential and for them to have the best possible start in life. Evidence shows that a student's progress and attainment is affected if their attendance falls below 90%.

My role is to support children and families to achieve our expectations for each child is to attend school every day, achieve 100% attendance and enjoy prosperous futures.



### All children have the right to:



**SPEAK OUT  
& BE HEARD**

**BE  
SAFE**

**GET HELP  
WHEN THEY  
NEED IT**

If you have a concern – SPEAK OUT!  
Contact the safeguarding team via email -  
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