The newsletter of Landau Forte Academy Amington

Community

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

Ofsted

Good Provider



Week A w/c - 23.09.24 Week B w/c - 30.09.24

Included in this edition:

- Welcome from the Principal
- Our new starters
- Our star performers
- Club spotlight
- Year 11 Parents Evening
- Calendar
- Contact Us

We are ambitious, every student is challenged to achieve their best. We are brave and face our problems together. We treat each other with kindness and respect one another's values, beliefs and individuality. We are the best people we can be.

Our Academy; our community.



Vol. 1

AMBITIOUS AMINGTON

Welcome from the Principal





Welcome to the new academic year at Amington. As your Principal, it gives me great pleasure to introduce our first newsletter of the year, a year that promises to be filled with opportunities, growth, and achievements.

As we embark on this journey together, I want to express my hopes and aspirations for all our students. Each new year brings with it the chance to reflect on past successes and set new goals. I am confident that this year, our students will continue to excel academically, grow personally, and, most importantly, become the best people they can be.

Our academy is built on the core values of being ambitious, brave, and kind. These values are not just words; they are the foundation of everything we do. We encourage our students to be ambitious in their goals, to strive for excellence in all their endeavours, and to push the boundaries of their potential.

We support them in being brave—whether it's facing new challenges, stepping out of their comfort zones, or standing up for what they believe in. And we remind them daily of the importance of kindness, fostering a community where everyone feels valued and respected.

I am looking forward to seeing how our students will embody these values throughout the year, and I am excited to witness their growth and success. Together with our dedicated staff, supportive parents, and the wider community, I am confident that we will make this year a remarkable one.

Thank you for your continued support, and I look forward to working with you to ensure that every student has the opportunity to thrive.



The newsletter of Landau Forte Academy Amington



Our new starters

The Year 7 students have made a remarkable start to their new school. quickly adapting to their surroundings embracing the and challenges of secondary education. From the very first week, they demonstrated enthusiasm and a positive attitude, impressing both teachers and older students alike. Their eagerness to learn and participate has set a strong foundation for the academic year noted ahead. Teachers have their excellent behaviour in classes and their willingness to ask questions and engage in discussions. This has led to numerous ambition points being awarded to all. This promising beginning suggests that the Year 7 cohort is well on its way to achieving great things and making the most of their time at the school, paving the way for future success. The Year 7 students had a fantastic time during their induction day, which featured exciting challenges organised by the Problem Solving Company. The activities were designed to encourage teamwork, critical thinking, and creativity.



Students worked together to solve puzzles, complete obstacle courses, and tackle problemsolving tasks, all while getting to know their new classmates and teachers. The day was filled with energy and enthusiasm, as the Year 7s embraced the challenges and supported each other. The induction day not only helped them build strong friendships but also gave them a great start to their journey here at Amington.

During their first form time, all year 7 students wrote a 'Dear Future Me...' letter to open when they reach year 11. The letters were full of ambition as our new students shared their hopes, dreams and aspirations for their futures.

Below provides a snippet of the first few days, written by our students:

"I enjoyed how fun the teambuilding day was."

'l enjoyed Friday because we got to meet all of our teachers properly."

"I liked how we had to put all on our thoughts and ideas together to find the solutions."

"The teambuilding day was good because all of the people on our team worked together."

"The teachers are all very kind"

The newsletter of Landau Forte Academy Amington

Our star performers

Year 7 - Lydia M (Elbrus)

Year 8 - Calvin M (Everest)

Year 9 - Kenzie K (Denali)

Year 10 - Finnley C-B (Everest)

Year 11 - Lia W (Elbrus)

Club Spotlight

Club: Catch-up Café

Summary: Catch-up Café provides students with an opportunity to receive extra support with their English studies. Students that attend this club have said they find it enjoyable and helpful with addressing any misconceptions and focusing on revisiting knowledge students would like to prioritise for revision. Catch-up Café is the perfect opportunity for students to build confidence and receive bespoke support from our English specialists.

Club: Badminton

<u>Summary</u>: Fridays will soon be a bigger highlight of the week as badminton club will start. This will give you the opportunity to play a new sport or develop your skills further if you have played before. It will give you chance to meet new people and make new friends in this fun and competitive atmosphere. You will also be given the opportunity to play competitively against staff!



AMBITIOUS



Year 11 Parents Evening

A huge thank you to all Parents and Carers that attended our Year 11 Parents Evening. Our Year 11 Parents' Evening was a huge success, filled with enthusiasm and positive energy. Parents, students, and teachers engaged in meaningful conversations about progress and future goals. Teachers praised the students' dedication, and many parents expressed their appreciation for the school's commitment to helping each student succeed during this crucial academic year.

The evening was a great opportunity for parents to gain a deeper understanding of their child's strengths, areas for improvement, and the steps needed to achieve their GCSE targets. The atmosphere was supportive and encouraging, with both teachers and parents working together to ensure students remain focused and motivated. Several parents noted how helpful it was to discuss exam preparation strategies, as well as career and college options.

Overall, the event left students feeling confident, knowing they have a strong support system behind them as they navigate their final year of secondary school.

Year 11 have made a fantastic start to the year, they have been ambitious, brave and kind which has made me extremely proud.

A small reminder that our next Mock Exam window opens on 11th November, any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Thank you for your continuous support.

Miss Frost

A plain black V-Neck jumper can be worn as an alternative to the academy blazer. In this case, the rest of the uniform (including school tie) are to remain the same Academy tie Academy tie Academy badge Academy badge Academy blazer White shirt - tucked Academy blazer into trousers/skirt White shirt - tucked into trousers Plain black tailored Plain black tailored trousers/ knee length box pleat skirt trousers Plain black tights Sensible black polishable shoes *Tights must be worn with a skirt.



Academy Calendar of Upcoming Events

Date	Event
27 - 28 August 2024	INSET
29 August 2024	Y7 Start
30 August 2024	Y11 Start
02 September 2024	Y8-10 Start & Y7/9/11 Photographs
04 September 2024	Year 7 HOY Drop In
05 September 2024	Y11 Parents Evenings
09-10 September 2024	Y11 Art Mock Exam
11 September 2024	Year 8 HOY Drop In
13 September 2024	INSET
18 September 2024	Year 9 HOY Drop In
19 September 2024	Y10 Vocational Parent Meeting
19 September 2024	Y7 Nurture Parent Meeting
25 September 2024	Year 10 HOY Drop In
26 September 2024	Y11 Theatre Trip
26 September 2024	Y11 Vocational Parent Meeting
w/c 30 September 2024	Y11 Vocational Subjects - PSA Week
02 October 2024	Year 11 HOY Drop In
03 October 2024	Open Evening
09 October 2024	SEND / Safeguarding Drop In
10 October 2024	Y7 Meet the Teacher
11 October 2024	Personal Development Day
16 October 2024	Head Teacher Drop In
18 October 2024	Last day of term
04 November 2024	New term begins



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'm also able to support with Finance, foodbanks and coordinate the school uniform bank.

Anyone wanting to contact me can do so directly via email: <u>lpoole@lfata.org.uk</u>

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





If you have a concern – SPEAK OUT! Contact the safeguarding team via email -<u>nhowley@lfata.org.uk</u> or <u>kbuttery@lfata.org.uk</u>

We are ambitious, every student is challenged to achieve their best. We are brave and face our problems together. We treat each other with kindness and respect one another's values, beliefs and individuality. We are the best people we can be.

Our Academy; our community.



The newsletter of Landau Forte Academy Amington

Community





post@lfata.org.uk



AMINGTON

AMBITIOUS · BRAVE · KIND