



A message from the Headteacher:

It's been an incredibly busy week here at Lawn Manor with us welcoming 400 Year 6 pupils from our feeder primary schools on Tuesday and Wednesday for 'Arts Mad'. Throughout the day, the pupils enjoyed opportunities to learn new skills in music, dance and drama and then went on to perform to others in the afternoon. I was so pleased to be able to join them at their performance on Tuesday to see the enjoyment on their faces – they had clearly had a fantastic day! We hope that many of these pupils will join us in Year 7 next year. We also opened the school on Thursday evening for our annual Open Evening. This was again a very busy evening with lots of new families coming to hear about 'The Lawn Manor Way', see our facilities and of course meet our dedicated staff. We look forward to offering tours of the school on Saturday 6th October with the Senior Leadership Team between 10am and 12pm.

Sandra Muir
Headteacher



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The Employment Pathway

This week in the Employment Pathway we started our weekly work with the Wiltshire Wildlife Trust. We are helping with conservation, developing new practical skills and gaining a greater understanding of our environment.

We had to learn to build emergency shelters as quickly as we could in case we get caught in bad weather. We were given 2 tarpaulins and 4 pieces of rope.

We had to build them to be waterproof, stand up to wind and in a safe place. The shelters were also tested with us in them.



Dates for your Diary:

Saturday 6th October

Open morning 10-12pm

Thursday 18th October

Year 7 Meet the Tutor evening

Friday 19th October

Last day of Term 1

Monday 5th November

1st Day of Term 2

Saturday 8th December

PTA Christmas Fete 10-1pm

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6th Form Open Evenings coming up this term:

UTC - Saturday 29th September 10am-1pm

Commonweal 6th Form –Tuesday 2nd October 6.30pm- 8.30pm – Date has been changed.

Chippenham College – Wednesday 3rd October 5pm -7pm

New College- Saturday 6th October 10am-2pm

Swindon College- Thursday 11th October 5pm-7pm

Ridgeway 6th Form- Thursday 11th October 6pm-8pm

Cirencester College –Saturday 13th October 10am-3pm

Lackham College [Chippenham] – Saturday 13th October 10am -12noon

Royal Wootton Bassett 6th Form – Wednesday 17th October 6pm-8.30pm

Great Western Academy 6th Form – Wednesday 17th October 5.30pm - 7.30pm

Swindon Academy 6th Form – Wednesday 7th November - 6pm.

Any queries please look on individual websites or email

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28 September 2018

For parents of pupils in Year 11

Dear Parent

As your son or daughter's final year at Lawn Manor Academy is now underway we thought it was a good time to update you with what to expect in this final, important year and hopefully answer some questions you may have.

When are their exams?

Year 11 will sit their GCSE exams in May and June next year. They will sit exams for all of their subjects – some subjects have up to 3 exams. Some subjects have coursework in them that is completed during term time and counts towards their final grades though most are only assessed through the final exams. Pupils receive their results on August 22nd.

How are exams graded now?

They are now graded from 9 to 1. 9 is the highest grade, and 5 is a 'Strong Pass'. Please see the accompanying page showing how the new number grades compare to the old A*-G grades.

What are Prelim exams and when do they take place?

Prelim exams are when pupils sit full exams in all their subjects to prepare for their final exams in the summer. Although they don't count towards their final grades, they are essential practice and preparation for the final exams. They take place in November and January.

Is there additional support available for my child?

As you will already be aware a number of subjects run Period 6 classes after school for Year 11. If your child is invited to ones of these they should ensure that they attend. Teachers are also always happy and willing to speak to pupils about concerns they might have in their subject at other times. The best time is usually straight after school.

Will they have more homework this year?

Yes, it's likely they may have more homework, and as the year progress much of that homework will shift in focus towards revision. Show My Homework is a vital tool in helping Year 11's stay organised.

Is there an evening for parents to help me understand how I can best support my child with revision?

Yes, as well as a traditional Parents Evening on 29th November there is an extra evening called 'Steps for Success' in the early spring – details of this and the Parents Evening will follow nearer the time. Should you have any further questions please do not hesitate to get in touch.

Yours sincerely



Mr Jonathan Hill
Assistant Headteacher

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GCSE Grading

New Grading Structure

Old Grading Structure

9	A*
8	
7	A
6	B
5	
4	C
3	D
2	E
1	F
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