

# ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

**CURIOSITY COMPASSION COURAGE**



**DECEMBER 2025**



## Seasons Greetings

As we draw to a close on our autumn term within the academy we, once again, have much to celebrate. Our students have worked so hard during this term prepping for their assessments and trial examinations whilst also involving themselves in so many extra curricular activities, trips and events.

This break will be tinged with a little sadness for our academy as Mr Hill, our Designated Safeguarding Lead, leaves us to pursue a new life with his family by the sea! He will be a great loss to our academy and sorely missed. He is leaving us in safe hands as Mrs Wright will take over as Designated Safeguarding Lead from January. We wish him all the very best!

Wishing all our students and families a restful festive break and a very Happy New Year.



At Landau Forte Academy QEMS, we want you to enjoy your education and be stretched and challenged to achieve. We will do this by encouraging you to show

**COMPASSION, CURIOSITY AND COURAGE.**



**COMPASSION**  
Show kindness and respect to others by being supportive, helpful and kind.



**CURIOSITY**  
Remain curious in your approach to new challenges by asking questions and trying new things.



**COURAGE**  
Be brave and fearless in your approach to learning by being determined and resilient.

## IN THIS MONTH'S EDITION

- Safeguarding
- Personal Development Day - Careers
- Christmas Carol Concert
- Christmas at QEMS Library
- Christmas Food Bank
- Rolls-Royce Apprenticeship Presentation
- Yr 11 Celebration Breakfast
- Yr 12 Geography Trip
- Ruby - Weightlifting Bronze Medallist
- Next Generation Football Academy
- Yr 8 Sports Hall Athletics
- Restaurant Menus
- Dress Code & Attendance



## UPCOMING KEY DATES

- Mon 05 Jan - Term Begins
- Mon 05 Jan - Sixth Form Applications Close
- Tues 06-Wed 14 Jan - BTEC External Exams
- Wed 07 Jan - UCAS Entry Deadline
- Thurs 08 Jan - Yr 11 Parents Evening
- Mon 12-Fri 16 Jan - Yr 10 GCSE Trial Exams
- Mon 19-Friday 30 Jan - Yr 12 Trial Exams
- Thurs 29 Jan - Yr 9 Parents Evening
- Thurs 05 Feb - Yr 9 Options Evening
- Wed 04-Fri 13 Feb - Yr 13 Trial Exams



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We say a fond farewell to Mr Hill who is leaving us after many years at QEMS; he will be missed. Taking on the Designated Safeguarding Lead role will be Mrs Wright who has been his Deputy, and Miss Robbins will be moving into the Deputy Role alongside her Student Support Officer Role for Year 8.



Please contact us if you have any safeguarding concerns at the following email address:

[SAFEGUARDING@lfatq.org.uk](mailto:SAFEGUARDING@lfatq.org.uk) or [cwright@lfatsf.org.uk](mailto:cwright@lfatsf.org.uk).

The above emails will only be monitored during the school day.

For out of hours safeguarding concerns please call 999 for immediate danger or Staffordshire Families Integrated Front door on 0300 111 8007, Monday to Thursday 8.30am to 5.00pm and Friday 8.30am to 4.30pm. Outside of these hours or on weekends and bank holidays please contact the Emergency Duty Team on 0345 604 2886.

You can also reach out to the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000 or Childline 0800 1111.

We hope you all have a peaceful and restful break .



# PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT DAY - CAREERS



Mr Carter - Careers Lead

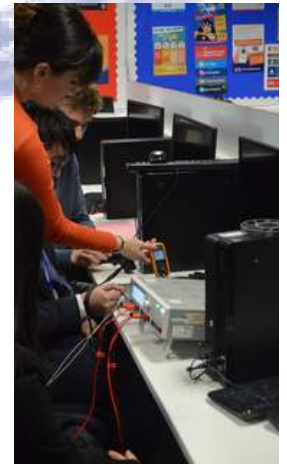
If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me - [scarter@lfatsf.org.uk](mailto:scarter@lfatsf.org.uk).

Our annual Careers Day brought together QEMS and Sixth Form students for a vibrant and engaging look at life beyond the classroom.

Throughout the day, students explored a wide range of pathways, from University and Apprenticeships to vocational training routes, through talks and workshops led by a huge range of over 65 visiting professionals! Students had the chance to ask questions, try hands-on activities, and gain real insights into the skills and qualities that employers value.

The event was a lively reminder that career exploration is a continual journey, not a destination, and we are proud to see that students showed respect, engagement, and curiosity throughout the day. A huge thank-you to all staff, volunteers, and external guests who helped make the day such a success!

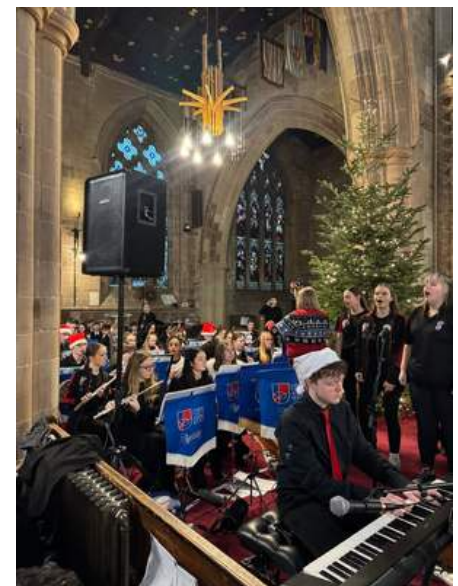
If you feel you or your employer can offer a service to the school to provide meaningful careers experiences for the students, such as a talk, a taster session, an assembly, or work experience, please get in touch with the careers lead (Mr Carter - [scarter@lfatsf.org.uk](mailto:scarter@lfatsf.org.uk) ).



# CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT



On the afternoon of Thursday 18 December our Year 7, 8 and 9s took part in a Christmas Carol Concert. Students and staff walked to St Editha's Church in Tamworth. It was a lovely way to end term and get in the Christmas spirit! 🎅🎄

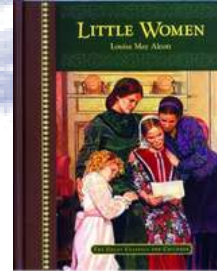
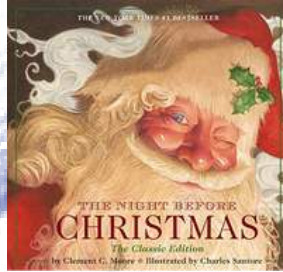


# CHRISTMAS AT QEMS LIBRARY



Christmas is just around the corner!

Our library has recommended some Christmas reads, with many other festive books available to borrow over the holiday period from the QEMS library 📖🎅



A huge well done to everyone who entered the Christmas Bauble Competition!

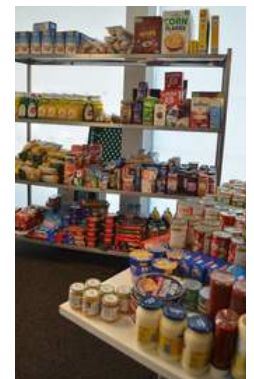
The winners have been announced and are below:  
1<sup>st</sup> Prize - Seth 7O2 🏆  
2<sup>nd</sup> Prize - Jasmine 7O1 🥈  
3<sup>rd</sup> Prize - Ella 7G1 🥉

Highly Commended Entries:  
Wizard of Oz - Rebecca 8F2  
Bella the Bunny Fairy - Nicola 7O2  
Heartstopper - Abi 8P2



# CHRISTMAS FOOD BANK

We have another full and varied food bank this year. We are so very overwhelmed and grateful for the generosity of our wonderful students, parents and staff who have donated at this expensive time of year. We will send out details in the New Year if we are able to offer another collection for anyone who would like to use it.



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# ROLLS-ROYCE DEGREE APPRENTICESHIP PRESENTATION



Tamworth Sixth Form recently welcomed Brett, an ex-student who is currently completing an apprenticeship with Rolls-Royce! This was a fantastic opportunity for Yr 12 & Yr 13 students to hear about the degree apprenticeships Rolls-Royce have to offer. Yr 12 were invited to a presentation to gain an insight on what life is like as a Rolls-Royce apprentice, whilst Yr 13 attended a workshop where they were given advice on the application and interview processes. We would like to thank Brett for offering this opportunity to our Sixth Form students!



## YR 11 CELEBRATION BREAKFAST



To celebrate a brilliant trial exam series for our Yr 11s, we threw a celebration breakfast in their honour, to thank them for their conduct, attitude and efforts during this period. Everything that we have seen over the past two weeks, suggests this is going to, once more, be another very successful year for our wonderful students.

## YR 12 GEOGRAPHY TRIP

Yr 12 A level geography students explored the regeneration of Birmingham spanning from the 1990s with Brindley Place and the ICC, to the 2010s with the Birmingham Library and Grand Central.

Students took photos, completed environmental quality surveys, space use surveys and footfalls, as well as questionnaires with the public.

They linked the trip to understandings of insider and outsider views, changing image from manufacturing to retail, and the success of regeneration.



# RUBY - WEIGHTLIFTING BRONZE MEDALIST

Congratulations to one of our Sixth Form Students, Ruby, for winning a bronze medal at the English Senior Weightlifting Championships.

Ruby is just 17 years old and was competing in an open age competition, being the youngest contestant by 5 years! Not only this, she matched the British Record for 'snatch,' lifting 86kg!

A huge well done Ruby, we are very proud of you!



# NEXT GENERATION ACADEMY



Yr 8 Girls vs Hart. 3-2 to Hart.  
Player of the match was given to Poppy with some incredible saves throughout the game.

Yr 7 Boys win 4-0 vs SUA.  
Player of the match - Alfie B



Yr 10 Boys win 2-1.



# YR 8 SPORTS HALL ATHLETICS

HUGE CONGRATULATIONS to the Yr 8 Sports Hall Athletics teams, for both qualifying for the county championships!! Both the girls and the boys' teams won overall, showing such courage, enthusiasm and team spirit throughout!

A special mention to Ella T, for stepping in last minute and our Yr 10 leaders who were praised by members of staff from the other schools on how fantastic they were all evening!

## Girls Results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> LFA QEMS 125 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Rawlett 105 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Wilnecote 85 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> Lift Tamworth 43 points

## Boys Results:

- 1<sup>st</sup> LFA QEMS 115 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Wilnecote and Rawlett 89 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> Lift Tamworth 74 points



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# RESTAURANT MENUS

## This Week's Menu

Red - Meat  
Green - Veg  
Purple - Vegan  
Black - Veg and Meat choice  
Blue - Fish

Mon 05 January  
 Mon 26 January

	Main Dish £2.60	Alternative Dish	Snack	Side Dish (with main)	Grab Bag £2.60
Monday	<span style="color: red;">Sausage Roll</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Quorn Sausage</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	Panini Or <span style="color: red;">Chicken Nuggets</span>	Mashed Potato Or Salute Potato Mixed Veg or Beans	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Tuesday	<span style="color: red;">Chicken Tikka</span> <span style="color: red;">Chicken Korma</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Vegetable Balti</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	Selection of Pizza Or <span style="color: green;">Mozzarella Sticks</span>	Rice Or Naan Bread Sweetcorn or Peas	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Wednesday	<span style="color: red;">Beef Bolognese</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Veg Bolognese</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	Panini Hot Wraps Or Lattice Fries	Garlic Bread Or Cheesy Jacket Sweetcorn or Salad	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Thursday	<span style="color: red;">Roast Pork</span> with Stuffing Or <span style="color: green;">Cheese and Potato</span> Pie	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	Vegan Sausage Roll Or <span style="color: red;">Loaded Wedges</span> Or Panini	Cabbage, Carrots Roast Potato Or Mashed Potato	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Friday	<span style="color: blue;">Breaded Fish</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Vegetable Slice</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: green;">Chips</span> Or <span style="color: red;">Beef Burger</span> Or <span style="color: red;">Zinger Burger</span>	Chips Peas or Beans or Salad	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink



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Mon 12 January  
 Mon 02 February

	Main Dish £2.60	Alternative Dish	Snack 1	Snack 2	Grab Bag £2.60
Monday	<span style="color: red;">Katsu Chicken Curry</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Vegetable Balti</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	Hot Panini	<span style="color: green;">Potato Lattice</span>	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Tuesday	Special Day	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: red;">Hot Dog</span>	<span style="color: red;">Chicken Tikka Pasty</span>	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Wednesday	<span style="color: red;">Lasagne</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Stuffed Peppers</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: red;">Sausage Roll</span> Or Vegan Sausage Roll	Loaded Wedges	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Thursday	<span style="color: red;">Roast Turkey</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Cauliflower Cheese</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	Panini	Pizza Slice	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Friday	<span style="color: blue;">Fishcake</span> Or <span style="color: red;">Breaded Chicken</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: red;">Beef Burger</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Southern Fried</span> <span style="color: green;">Veggie Burger</span>	Chips	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink

## This Week's Menu

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Green - Veg  
Purple - Vegan  
Black - Veg and Meat choice  
Blue - Fish

Mon 19 January  
 Mon 09 February

	Main Dish £2.60	Alternative Dish	Snack 1	Snack 2	Grab Bag £2.60
Monday	<span style="color: red;">BBQ Chicken</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Cheese Omelette</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: red;">Hot Dog</span>	Panini	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Tuesday	<span style="color: red;">Meatballs and Pasta</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Macaroni Cheese</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: red;">Cheese and Bacon</span> <span style="color: red;">Loaded Wedges</span>	<span style="color: red;">Pulled Pork</span> <span style="color: red;">Baguette</span>	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Wednesday	<span style="color: red;">Chicken Tikka</span> <span style="color: red;">Masala</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Sweet Potato and</span> <span style="color: green;">pepper Balti</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: red;">Sausage Roll</span> Or Vegan Sausage Roll	Loaded Wedges	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Thursday	<span style="color: red;">Sausage</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Quorn Sausage</span> with Yorkshire Pudding	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	Panini	<span style="color: red;">Chicken Strips</span> Or <span style="color: green;">Mozzarella Sticks</span>	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink
Friday	<span style="color: blue;">Fish Fingers</span> Or <span style="color: red;">Breaded Chicken</span>	Jacket Potato Or Pasta King	<span style="color: red;">Tandoori Chicken</span> <span style="color: red;">Wrap</span>	Chips	Sandwich Biscuit or Fruit Drink



# DRESS CODE



Uniform for QEMS students can be purchased online [here](#), or in-store from SKS Uniforms.

## SKS Uniforms

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# ATTENDANCE

Our Academy attendance target is 96%. Thank you to all those families who are working with us to prioritise their child's learning. We appreciate your working with us to achieve the best outcomes for your child.

Well done to Year 7 and Year 9 who currently have the highest attendance this term which is well above 94% for both year groups. Head of years have been rewarding all students who achieve our school target of 96% attendance or above during celebration assemblies in the last week of term.

# ATTENDANCE MATTERS

ATTEND TODAY ACHIEVE TOMORROW

Good attendance means being in school every day, ready to learn



- LEARN new things, and DEVELOP skills
- Make lots of FRIENDS and feel INCLUDED
- Increase CONFIDENCE and SELF ESTEEM
- Be part of a SCHOOL CLUB or TEAM
- IMPROVE your SOCIAL SKILLS



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