NEWSLETTER

Friday, 13 November 2026
Autumn Term

Dear Families,

I wanted to start this week's Newsletter with a heartfelt thank you. One of the many privileges of my role is meeting prospective families, and it is remarkable how often I hear the words, "We're visiting because a current parent recommended the school." Each time I hear that, I am reminded what a special community we have.

Thank you to all those parents who speak so positively about their child's experience at Lancing Prep Worthing and who encourage friends, family and colleagues to come and see us. There is no greater compliment than a personal recommendation, and we never take your trust, confidence and support for granted. Your advocacy says far more about our school than any brochure or advertisement ever could. Thank you for being such wonderful ambassadors for LPW and for helping other families discover a school where children can learn, grow and truly belong.

Careers Week 2027

Each year, Miss Townsend leads an outstanding Careers Week, providing our pupils with a wealth of opportunities to learn about the many exciting pathways available to them in the future. Throughout the week, children hear from a wide range of guest speakers representing diverse professions and industries, helping to bring learning to life and broaden their horizons. These invaluable experiences encourage pupils to think about their aspirations, develop their curiosity and gain a deeper understanding of the skills and qualities needed for different careers.

We are already looking ahead to next year's Careers Week, which will take place from 15-19th March 2027. If you work in an interesting profession, have a unique career journey to share, or know someone who would be willing to speak to our pupils about their experiences, we would be delighted to hear from you. Please do get in touch and help inspire the next generation - ltownsend@lancing.org.uk.

December Holiday Club Bookings Now Open

We are delighted to announce that bookings are now open for our December Holiday Club, available to our children from Nursery to Year 2. The programme is packed with festive fun, including arts and crafts, outdoor games, construction activities and baking, providing plenty

of opportunities for children to be creative, active and make wonderful memories with friends. We look forward to welcoming lots of our youngest pupils for another fun-filled holiday club! Book here before Friday 27 November: December Holiday Club - Lancing College Prep Worthing.

Welcoming the Next Generation of Teachers

We are delighted to be welcoming two student teachers, Miss Clarkson and Miss Kirton, into school as part of their teacher training programme. They will spend two weeks with us this term before returning for a further placement during the Summer Term.

Supporting the development of future teachers is an important part of our role as a school and brings many benefits to our children and staff. Student teachers arrive with enthusiasm, fresh ideas and knowledge of the latest educational research from their university studies. Their presence encourages professional dialogue, reflection and collaboration amongst our teaching team, helping us all to continue learning and developing our practice.

Bebras Computing Challenge

This week, pupils have been taking part in the Bebras Computing Challenge during their Computing lessons. The challenge has encouraged our pupils to develop their computational thinking, problem-solving and logical reasoning skills through a series of fun and engaging puzzles. It has been wonderful to see pupils embracing the challenge with enthusiasm, resilience and creativity as they tackled a range of thought-provoking tasks. We look forward to celebrating their achievements and sharing their results in due course.

Fruit Sushi-Making Activity

On Monday, the children in Britons House enjoyed a wonderful fruit sushi-making activity. Using a colourful selection of fresh fruits, they carefully created their own delicious sushi-inspired treats. The session was great fun and provided a fantastic opportunity to develop creativity, fine motor skills and healthy eating habits. Well done to all our budding chefs!

Pets as Therapy Visit

On Thursday, we were delighted to welcome Pets as Therapy into school. Pupils had the opportunity to spend time reading with Fred, a therapy dog, creating a calm, enjoyable and confidence-building experience. Reading to a friendly, non-judgemental listener can help children develop their fluency, expression and self-confidence, while also fostering a love of books. It was wonderful to see the enthusiasm, smiles and engagement from the children throughout the sessions, and we are very grateful to the volunteers and their four-legged companion for visiting us.

Year 7 Dance Workshop with Sophie Abazam

On Tuesday afternoon, our Year 7 pupils enjoyed an inspiring dance workshop led by Sophie Abazam. Through a series of engaging activities, the children explored movement, creativity and self-expression while developing their confidence and teamwork skills. It was a fantastic opportunity to learn from a talented professional, and the pupils embraced the experience with enthusiasm and energy throughout.

Reception Visit to Broadwater Library

Our Reception children enjoyed a wonderful visit to Broadwater Library this week. The trip helped bring their learning to life, fostering a love of books, stories and reading. The children listened beautifully, explored the library with great enthusiasm and were excited to discover all the adventures that can be found within the pages of a book. We hope this inspiring visit encourages many future library visits with their families.

Year 1 Toy Workshop

As part of their topic on toys, our Year 1 children enjoyed an interesting Toy Workshop at school. They had the opportunity to explore and compare toys from different eras, discovering how toys have changed over time and how children's play experiences differ across generations. The workshop brought their learning to life and sparked great curiosity, discussion and excitement throughout the day.

England Rocks – Times Table Rock Stars

TTRS England Rocks 2026 Competition returns from 17th-19th November, and we are excited to be taking part in this nationwide times tables challenge. We encourage all pupils to get involved and represent the school with enthusiasm. Please see the letter in the notices link below for further details.

Year 8 Visit to Charlie and the Chocolate Factory

Yesterday, Year 8 pupils enjoyed a visit to Lancing College Theatre to watch Charlie and the Chocolate Factory. The production was particularly special as it featured many Lancing Prep Worthing alumni in leading roles, providing a wonderful opportunity for current pupils to see former LPW students performing with such confidence, talent and professionalism.

Anti-Bullying Week and Odd Socks Day - Monday 16 November

On Monday, we will be marking Odd Socks Day as part of Anti-Bullying Week. Pupils are invited to come to school wearing odd socks to celebrate individuality and to remind us all that our differences are something to value and respect.

We are also delighted that our pupil-led Be Kind Committee will be taking a leading role in the week by delivering Monday's assembly. Through sharing their thoughts and experiences, they will help reinforce the importance of kindness, inclusion and standing up

for one another.

Throughout the week, pupils will take part in age-appropriate activities and discussions that promote kindness, inclusion and respect for others. Anti-Bullying Week provides an important opportunity to reinforce our school values and to encourage children to speak up if they are worried about themselves or a friend. We look forward to celebrating what makes each member of our community unique while working together to ensure that everyone feels safe, supported and valued.

Go Out Into the World and Do Good: An Eco-Friendly Christmas

As we begin to think about Christmas, our Go Out Into the World and Do Good pupil committee has been exploring simple ways we can all make the festive season a little more sustainable. From reusing wrapping paper and decorations to choosing environmentally-friendly gifts and cards, there are lots of small changes that can make a positive difference.

The committee has recommended a helpful article from National Geographic Kids packed with fun and practical ideas for families. We hope it provides some inspiration for a greener Christmas while keeping all the joy and magic of the season: Have an eco-friendly Christmas! - National Geographic Kids

Brighton Half Marathon Youth Races 2027 – Our Chosen Charity

Following our announcement that the Lancing College Family of Schools will be the Headline Sponsor of the Brighton Half Marathon Youth Races 2027, we are delighted to announce that Rockinghorse Children's Charity will be the charity we are collectively fundraising for.

Rockinghorse is a Brighton-based charity supporting sick and disabled children and their families across Sussex. Since 1967, they have helped nearly one million children through the provision of life-saving medical equipment, additional staff, improved hospital facilities and vital family support.

Taking place on Saturday 27 February 2027, the Youth Races offer pupils, ages 7-17, from Lancing Prep Hove, Lancing Prep Worthing, Dorset House and Lancing College the opportunity to take on a one-mile challenge while raising money for this fantastic local cause. We are encouraging every pupil taking part to get involved in fundraising and raise as much as they can. Every donation, however big or small, will make a difference!

Support our young runners and donate here: https://www.justgiving.com/page/lc-bhm-youth-race.

Pupils wishing to take part should register using this link: https://brighton-half.eventize.co.uk/e/youth-race-10235. Please select a standard entry and enter our exclusive group code at checkout: LANC-27-YR. Please note: This code is exclusively for pupils within the Lancing College family of schools.

Dates for the Diary:

Saturday 14 November

Lancing College 13+ Open Morning

To book a place, click here: Open Events - Lancing College

w/b 16 November is Week B

Monday 16 November

Odd Socks Day

Tuesday 17 November 4.15pm to 5.30pm

Open House Parents' Evening focusing on Art, French, Music and PE:

Years 5, 6 & 7

This is an opportunity to find out more about your child's learning in these subjects. Parents will move around the school with others from their child's year group, visiting classrooms where teachers will give a short presentation, share examples of pupils' work and answer questions about their subject.

Details	Information
Date	Tuesday 17 November 2026
Time	4.15pm - 5.30pm
Arrival	Please arrive via the blue gates from 4.00pm for a prompt 4.15pm start
Welcome	Mrs Milling and our Year 8 Prefects
Subjects	Art, French, Music and PE
Booking	No pre-booking required
Children Attending	Due to limited space, we kindly ask that children do not attend
After-School Clubs	Pupils already booked into clubs will attend these as normal
Childcare	If you require your child to be looked after during the event, please contact the School Office in advance so appropriate arrangements can be made
Unable to Attend?	There will be further opportunities throughout the year, at a variety of times, for parents to visit the school, meet staff and view their child's work.

Wednesday 18 November

2.00-3.00pm PC Marsden to deliver an Introduction to Police, Car and Kit, Safe Strangers to Year 1 and 2

Friday 20 November

Non-uniform day in exchange for a bottle for the Friends & Families of LPW Winter Fair Bottle Tombola

9.20-11.20am Firefighters visiting Explorers' Corner Nursery and Pre-School and Reception class

w/b 23 November is Week B

Monday 23 November

4.30-7.00pm Year 8 Da Vinci Online Parents' Evening (details will be emailed next week)

Wednesday 25 November

8.45-10.15am Author Visit for Years 4-7 – Rev Richard Coles

Friday 27 November

2.00-3.00pm PC Chris Marsden to deliver an Introduction to Police, Car and Kit, Safe Strangers to Nursery, Pre-School and Reception

5.30-7.30pm Friends & Families of LPW Winter Fair

Save the Dates:

Wednesday 2 December

2.45-3.45pm Pre-Prep Nativity, Hall

Children can go straight home afterwards.

Book your places here: https://www.ticketsource.com/booking/t-mjzdzry

Thursday 3 December

Explorers' Corner Christmas Sing-along

2.45pm gates open for 3pm start.

Children can go straight home afterwards.

Book your places here: https://www.ticketsource.com/booking/t-yzpvpdy

Friday 11 December

Prep End of Term Service at Lancing College in Great School

2.30pm Hot drinks and mince pies served in the Megarry Room

2.45pm Great School Doors open

3.00pm Service starts

Parents are kindly asked to take children home from the Great School.

Ticket information will be sent on Monday.

No clubs on this day and no evening buses running.

Wraparound at LPW will be available until 6pm.

Congratulations to:

Dylan C who has recently joined the Shoreham Army Cadets and spent all of last Saturday selling poppies in Shoreham and then took part in the Remembrance parade on Sunday, where he marched from their detachment, through the town and then attended the service wreath laying in the town centre.

This week's Word of the Week
Pre-Prep: Bamboozled (adjective)
Prep: Susurrus (noun)

Next week's Word of the Week
Pre-Prep: Jamboree (noun)
Prep: Evanescent (adjective)

Finally, a huge thank you to all the staff and Friends and Families of LPW volunteers who supported Friday's Firework Night. It was a truly wonderful community event, filled with excitement, laughter and a spectacular display. We are so grateful for the time, energy and enthusiasm that went into making the evening such a success, and we hope everyone who attended had a fantastic time.

I wish you a very happy weekend.

Best wishes,

Francesca Milling

A note from the Chair of the Friends & Families of LPW:

FRIENDS & FAMILIES OF
LANCING PREP WORTHING

Dear Parents,

This time of year is a bit bonkers and I'm afraid that we are asking for lots of things from you lovely parents in order to make the Winter Fair amazing again.

Stalls are being organised but need to be manned so please, please offer up just half an hour of your evening if you are coming to the Fair to be on a stall. Your Class Rep will be co-ordinating a rota but if we don't get enough volunteers then we can't run all of the planned stalls.

The hamper raffle is very popular, and we make these up using donations from you, which

makes them a super profitable part of the fair in exchange for a small contribution from you. Anything red, green or gold would be very well received, thank you! It could be food or drink (please check 'best by' dates), toiletries, stationery, toys etc…be as creative as you like! We will be collecting these at the gate every morning for the whole of next week, with Friday then being a 'non-uniform day' in exchange for a bottle for our Bottle Tombola. In addition, we are running a Chocolate Tombola stall and would welcome donations for this too. Boxes of chocolates, individual bars….any chocolatey item would be fab!

Finally, we are looking for prizes for our raffle. We use the money from our sponsor to cover the main and second prizes but we are looking for a good selection of smaller prizes. Are you a business or do you work for a business that could donate a prize or a voucher? Would your regular hairdresser, nail technician, car cleaner etc be willing to donate a voucher? Or maybe you have an unwanted gift sitting at home in the cupboard that you could donate! Please get in contact or drop any prizes that you have into the school office next week.

So, in summary we are kindly asking for:

- Red, green or gold items for hampers - any day next week
- Chocolate for tombola - any day next week
- A bottle for the tombola - Friday 20th
- Raffle prizes - any day next week

Thank you, thank you, thank you!!

Clare x

FRIENDS & FAMILIES OF
LANCING PREP WORTHING

Explore more: Links for Further Information

Notices 13 November:
LPW-NOTICES-13-11-26

Headteacher Awards 4-10 November:
LPW-HEADTEACHER-AWARDS-4-11-10-11

Lunch Menu w/c 16 November:
LPW-LUNCH-MENU-16-11-26

Music Timetables w/c 16 November:
LPW-MUSIC-TIMETABLES-16-11-26