# Lucton Bulletin

November 19th 2021





To start with the bad news, it is a real shame that Covid continues to affect our community and so many others.

I'm sorry to announce that the latest event to fall victim to the pandemic is our end of term Carol Service, which we have reluctantly decided cannot go ahead in person this year. While the spread of Covid has slowed here recently, there is still too high a risk that somebody could catch it from a large gathering, and we are keen to protect everybody's holiday plans as far as possible.

In better news, we do plan to send something out virtually instead to mark the end of term, and we are rescheduling as many events as we can for next term. We are still putting on as much as we safely can in the meantime and we had a wonderful afternoon of sport on Wednesday. I hope that Mrs Connop will not mind me quoting from her email to staff on the subject, when she said that 'you could not wish to spend an afternoon with a more pleasant group of teenagers'. Great to hear!

I'd also like to commend all of the students who have been earning merits, badges and other awards lately. There's a lot of excellent work going on and my basket of chocolate rewards is getting very empty, which is a quality problem to have.

Enjoy the weekend.

Mr Tyler Headmaster

### Updates & Reminders

#### Parents' Evening

A reminder of the Year 10 Parents' Evening on Tuesday 23rd November. We are taking several precautions in order to deliver this event as safely as possible, in accordance with guidance from the Herefordshire Outbreak Control Hub, and we would particularly encourage parents and pupils to wear masks throughout the evening.

#### Mufti Day

Thursday 25th November will be our second Mufti Day of the academic year. Pupils are asked to bring in non-perishable food items, which will be donated to local food banks.

#### **Children In Need**

Many thanks for all of the edible contributions to Children In Need, which has led to a very successful cake sale today. Special mention also to Mr Rogers and his Year 4 class for their inspired assembly about Children In Need in the Prep School this morning.

#### **COVID-19 Vaccinations**

We are hosting a C19 vaccination session on Tuesday 23rd November, organised by Taurus Medical. Further details have been sent out to parents of children in the relevant year groups.

## **Boarding News**

Covid seems to be rearing its ugly head again in the School community, and so last week we decided to bring our activities a little closer to home.

After the excitement of our recent Friends Friday it felt a little emptier around the boarding houses, but there was still lots of fun to be had.

Saturday was a beautiful autumnal day and we enjoyed a glorious walk around the grounds of Croft Castle and a long play in the parklands that surround it.

In fact, we used up so much energy that we had all managed to work up enormous appetites and therefore Mr and Mrs Leonard decided that a takeaway pizza night was the perfect answer - a wonderful treat!

Sunday was a slightly more relaxed affair, with a lazy brunch followed by an afternoon swim before Prep time.

#### Mrs Webb-Rogers Head of Boarding