

# THE WEEKLY WORD

The Lawrence Sheriff School Newsletter

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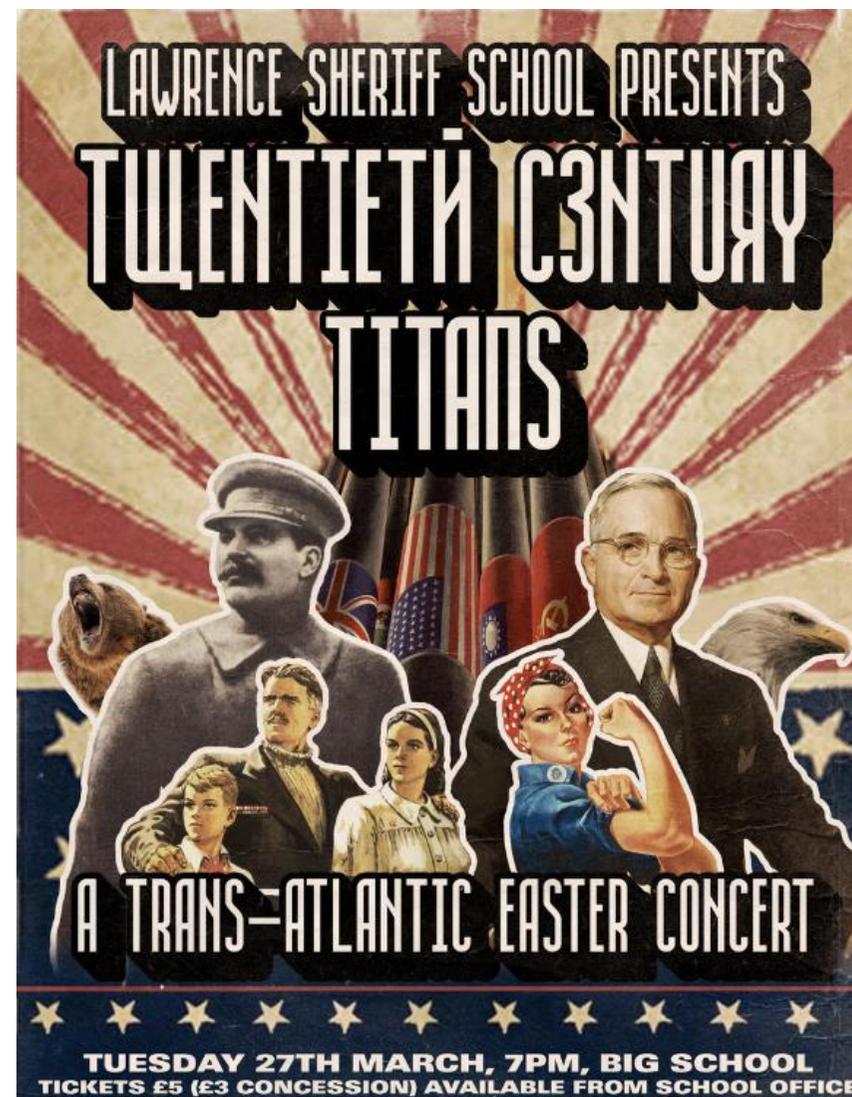
**First Word ... from David Howe, Vice Chair of Governors and former pupil of Lawrence Sheriff School**

## *back in the day ... "50 Years Ago" (1968)*

Following on from last week's First Word, Mr Howe has also highlighted some interesting points from the school's historical records from 50 years ago.

- A combined debate with Rugby High School and the parents of both schools was held in Big School. The mood of the house was strongly in favour of co-education.
- After much planning and discussion between Mr Davies (Head of Maths) and members of the sixth form, the first LSS Mathematical Society came into being. This term has seen much co-operation between this society and that of Rugby High School.
- Hobbies Exhibition 1968 – It was estimated that the number of stamps on show placed end to end would reach five times round the Whitehouse Quad and half way up the Library stairs. Brass rubbings appeared to be in vogue, especially for the junior section. Whether one waltzed to the music of a nineteenth century gramophone or eyed the tempting home-made cakes, marvelled at the workings of a hovercraft or wondered about the breaking strain of nylon rope, one knew that some time out of school was spent usefully.

**David Howe**





**LAWRENCE SHERIFF SCHOOL**  
A National Teaching School  
**RUGBY**

**TEACHER OF BIOLOGY**  
**MPS/UPS**  
**Full time**  
**Required for September 2018**

'The values on which all of the school's work is based are very clear. You believe that students should be happy at the school' (Ofsted, 2013).

Lawrence Sheriff School is a boys' grammar school of approximately 900 students, over 300 of whom are in the sixth form. We believe that much of our success - including our consistently high Ofsted grading and our high rankings in DFE performance tables - can be directly linked to our emphasis upon LSS being a happy place to work for both pupils and staff.

The 2013 Ofsted report goes on to say that 'the school is a harmonious community where students with different needs can thrive; achieve highly in their academic work and enjoy a wide range of enrichment opportunities.' These comments sum up the distinctive ethos and values of the school.

We are looking to recruit an enthusiastic and dedicated Teacher of Biology to teach science at KS3 and Biology at KS4. There is likely to be a substantial amount of KS5 Biology teaching, as the sciences are some of the most popular subjects in the school. The Biology Department is a friendly and supportive environment in which to work and develop as a teacher.

The appointed candidates will have the opportunity to play a key role in helping promote and enable students to become effective, enthusiastic and independent learners.

This is a very special opportunity to further your career within an outstanding school and Lawrence Sheriff School is committed to the professional development of its entire staff through varied and interesting opportunities to enhance their practice.

For the application pack please visit the school website under 'Vacancies/Downloads'. To apply, please complete and return the job application and equality details forms by e-mail.

**Please do not submit CVs, as only the job application form will be considered.**

**Closing date for applications: Midday Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2018**

Contact: Mrs Tracey Howcroft / Mrs Debbie Brannan  
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School Website: [www.lawrencesherrifschool.net](http://www.lawrencesherrifschool.net)  
Lawrence Sheriff School, Clifton Road, Rugby, CV21 3AG

*Lawrence Sheriff School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.  
The successful applicant will be required to undertake an Enhanced DBS Criminal Records check.  
For further information on 'keeping children safe in education', please visit:  
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/keeping-children-safe-in-education--2>*



## Commonwealth Day

During my time as a Member of Youth Parliament and as part of the County Youth Panel, there has not been a greater privilege than to celebrate the benefits of an international community such as the Commonwealth. On Monday 12<sup>th</sup> March, I travelled to London as one of a number of young people from the British Youth Council's delegation for Commonwealth Day. All around the globe, the day is celebrated in many forms, such as Big Lunches, street parties or even just assemblies and interactive lessons in schools. There is however one celebration, which surpasses these in both size and prestige – the service at Westminster Abbey. As part of the delegation, I attended the afternoon service, in the presence of Her Majesty the Queen, members of the Royal Family and ambassadors from across the Commonwealth. But perhaps most importantly in attendance, were other young people from schools, youth clubs and other organisations – highlighting the fact that 60% of the Commonwealth population is under 30. The service combined people from all faiths, ethnicities and nations, focusing on this year's theme Towards a Common Future. The service included readings and reflections from the Theresa May, Prime Minister; Jaspreet Kaur, poet and teacher and Dr Andrew Bastawrous – all of whom focused on the importance of working together in order to make the future better through the networks of our Commonwealth.

This was not the greatest highlight of my day though, as in the morning, I visited 10 Downing Street, where the delegation had a photo with the Prime Minister after a Q&A with the Commonwealth Minister Lord Ahmad. The discussion covered topics such as, the role of the Commonwealth post-Brexit, how to tackle the breaking of Human Rights and ensure the acceptance of the LGBTQ community in all 53 member states. I personally asked how the Commonwealth could work together to break the stigma surrounding mental health issues and ensure all citizens receive the support they need to have a prosperous and secure future. The Minister acknowledge the denial some member states have of mental health issues and the need to work more with each other to ensure unilateral support and acceptance, but was also keen to engage young people in how best to do this, due to its significant effect on young people and the fact we are the future.

Overall, the day was an honour, as well as an eye-opener to the challenges posed by such a diverse network as the Commonwealth, but also the prospects of what could be achieved if we worked together. I look forward to attending the Commonwealth Youth Forum in April to discuss the four key themes of a fairer, more secure, prosperous and sustainable future with young representatives from all the Commonwealth countries; the solutions we discuss will then be posed to the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting which follows the forum.

**Nick Andrews, Year 13**

## Shoe Appeal

Last term, Lawrence Sheriff held a shoe appeal, collecting old and unwanted shoes as part of our work to be a 'Rights Respecting School'.

The shoes we collected are sent for reuse and for every tonne of shoes given to 'Clarks Shoes', a donation is made to 'Unicef' which goes towards education programmes around the world.

The event proved extremely successful and we, the members of 'LSS's UNICEF steering group', would like to thank all the students and parents who contributed towards the campaign.

**Ralf Callaway, Carter Oldfield, Craig Nhevera**



3/13/2018

The Edyvean-Walker and David Lindop Trust

## The Edyvean-Walker and David Lindop Trust

[www.edyveanwalkerlindop.co.uk](http://www.edyveanwalkerlindop.co.uk)

Trust Organisation

Norman Edyvean-Walker

David Lindop

Previous Winners

Your Questions

Contact Us

### Are you aged 16-21, living in Rugby and planning a Gap Year or Travel Project?

Each year we make a small number of grants to help young people in Rugby meet the costs of individually planned Travel Projects or similar individual initiatives which have an educational, vocational and sometimes charitable emphasis. We have around £3000 to give out. Our David Lindop award is usually made for between £500 and £1000. Our Edyvean Walker Travelling scholarships are made for £100-£350. Please read about the history of both funds to learn more and see whether your plans may qualify. **Please note your home must have a postcode within the Rugby Borough. This is a condition of the Trust.**

**If you are planning an ambitious project on your own initiative which may or may not involve faraway travel but will be educational, charitable or vocational please contact us. We may be able to help you.**

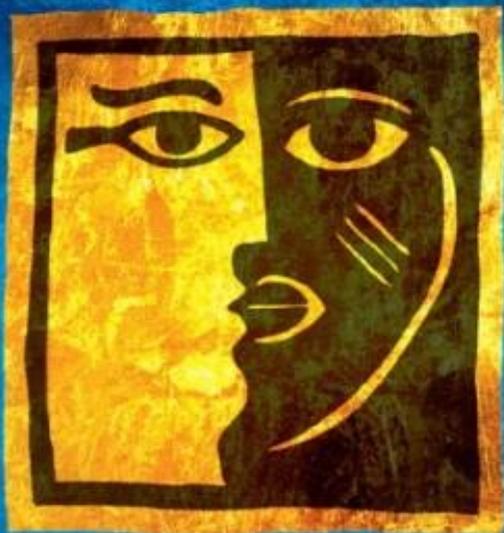
Look around our site to learn more about our Trust and what we are looking for. Go to '**Your Questions**' to find out about what you can win, your eligibility and what we will want you to do. The contact us tab takes you to our email address.

**You may like to visit our Facebook group . It is intended to be a useful mechanism for posting photos and we hope successful students will use it to let us know how their exciting projects have turned out.**

**Our 2018 process has now begun. Please register your interest via [register@edyveanwalkerlindop.co.uk](mailto:register@edyveanwalkerlindop.co.uk) now and apply by 30 April 2018**



**ELTON JOHN & TIM RICE'S**



**AIDA**  
THE TIMELESS LOVE STORY  
© Disney

**SUMMER YOUTH PROJECT**  
21 Jul - 5 August

**AUDITIONS**  
**22 April**

Rugby Theatre Central Hall  
Students aged 10 – 13 years - 1.30 p.m  
Students aged 14 – 17 years - 3.30 p.m  
Students aged 18 – 21 years - 5.30 p.m

**RT**  
RUGBY  
THEATRE

Full details on Rugby Theatre's website [www.rugbytheatre.co.uk](http://www.rugbytheatre.co.uk)  
Email: [rtp2018@rugbytheatre.co.uk](mailto:rtp2018@rugbytheatre.co.uk)



**TABLE TENNIS**



**Lunchtime Sessions**

Wednesday: year seven club members only  
Friday: club and school team members only

**6.50 pm – 8.20 pm**

Tuesday: Two-a-side League (Includes beginners' division)

**Club Sessions: Try them out - first two are free!**

Wednesday 6.30 pm – 9.00 pm  
Sunday 10.00 am - 12.00 pm

See the website for more info:

[www.RugbyTableTennisClub.NET](http://www.RugbyTableTennisClub.NET)

**Homework in Computer rooms**

Before school – Room 67 (sixth form centre from 8am until 8.45am)

Break and lunchtimes – Room 19

After school – Room 67 (sixth form centre from 3.30pm until 5.00pm)

Students will need to sign in on the sheet in the room for computer use.

**Shopping online?**

Access your favourite retailer via:

<http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/lawrencesherriffschoolpta>

and the school gets a commission!



## Scarecrow Design Competition

### What is it?

Crick Creates Scarecrow Design Competition is a design competition for school-aged children from Northamptonshire, Warwickshire and Leicestershire.

### Who runs it?

The scheme is delivered by The Wheels on Debussy/Crick Creates [www.thewheelsondebussy.com](http://www.thewheelsondebussy.com) [www.crickcreates.com](http://www.crickcreates.com) and funded by Northamptonshire Community Foundation, Wind Farm Trust.

### Who can enter?

Entries are welcome from all primary and secondary children between 4-18 years old from Northamptonshire, Warwickshire and Leicestershire.

### Deadline for entries

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018

### Prize

The winning design will be selected by a panel of arts professionals.

You will be invited to come along and build your design with a professional props maker and the local community on 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> July 2018 in Crick, Northamptonshire.



The built scarecrow will be on display in Crick, Northamptonshire on 14<sup>th</sup>/15<sup>th</sup> July for Crick Scarecrow Festival [www.crickscarecrowfestival.org.uk](http://www.crickscarecrowfestival.org.uk) with a view to finding a permanent home in the village.

### How do I apply?

To apply, please send your designs to [thewheelsondebussy@hotmail.com](mailto:thewheelsondebussy@hotmail.com) by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

### How can I find out more?

If you need any further information please contact Fiona Sharp on [thewheelsondebussy@hotmail.com](mailto:thewheelsondebussy@hotmail.com)

### Some things to think about

#### Reuse and Recycle

Where possible we would like you to think about materials that are recycled or re-used when you make your design. Please list the materials you could use to build your scarecrow. We want to see environmentally friendly scarecrows.

#### Creativity and originality of idea

Judges will be looking for a fantastic idea that has catches the judges eye.

#### Artistic merit

Children's ages will be taken into account. Please ensure that children's ages are marked clearly.

