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A very warm welcome to our first Navigate for the new academic year!

It has been an exciting start to the year with some of the key moments captured in this opening edition of Navigate. Our cover photo shows the wonderful Neil Zetter during his visit to the school where he worked with a group of Year 7 students, and Year 6 students from our local Primary School Walnut Tree Walk. Neil was so impressed by the quality of the poetry produced - well done boys!

We have a new feature in this latest edition of Navigate that showcases the work of one of our key partners. Viking Maritime provides a range of careers at sea including cadetships once students have finished their education at LNS. Look out for more information on our sponsors in future editions.

In addition to Viking Maritime, I would like to thank all of our school sponsors; The Honourable Company of Master Mariners, Trinity House, The Worshipful Company of Shipwrights, The Anchorites, The Marine Society, The Worshipful Company of Scientific Instrument Makers, The Stelios Philanthropic Foundation, the Nautical Institute and Greenwich Hospital.

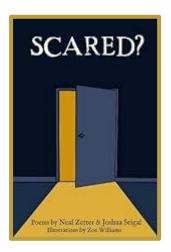
Wishing you all an enjoyable half-term break.

Mr Schofield (Headteacher)

Year 7 Poetry Workshop

This term we were privileged to have the poet Neal Zetter in to run a workshop with some of our year 7 students. The theme of the workshop was 'Scared' which coincided with the publication of Neal's latest book of poetry. The boys had a wonderful time and wrote their own poems on what they fear the most. Neal also generously donated a copy of his latest book to our library. A selection of some of their wonderful poems are included in this edition.







Big Shark

He lives at the bottom of the Atlantic Ocean. He is gigantic, scared to see His teeth are the size of the tallest human in the world.

He is the only one of his type His family died in the dinosaur era He is lonely and wants to eat people to calm his stress. He likes to fight
Big punches
He is blue and his skin is slimy
Weird to touch
You never expect to see him
So you need to be careful where you
swim
He might find you

By Cesar Year 7

Shadow

A shadow that follows you. It annoys everyone, you can't control it or hurt it. It's controlling everyone and is taking over the world.

It talks to people inside their head. The tarantulas live on him. You wake up and it starts to follow you. If you touch it, you will be poisoned.

Everyone who touched him said, he's a cloud.

He's tall, strong, energetic and annoying.

No-one can see him.

If you try to get rid of him you will - Die, die, die...

He's a demon. He's a demon Inside your body.

You can sense him at night.

By Henry Year 7



Scary Dogs

It is scary, it is ferocious
It makes me scared.
It is banned in the UK
People are in the hospitals
and calling it prey.

Do you know what it is? I don't know I should say. If I say it, lots of people will get flashbacks. Here is the name –

XL bully, XL bully They can fight, they can jump You even mistake them for dinosaurs.

They are so big and wild. They could bite your arms and make you cry if you have them as a pet.

By Jordan Year 7



Fear is a failing of many

Failing is a fear of many, People have anxiety talking to a crowd.

It's hard because you don't want to be a failure, they want to make their parents and family proud.

It's okay to be nervous, anxious, worried, because you can build on it.

A way to avoid it is by talking to friends, then talking to a small crowd.

By Malachi, Year 7



Fear

As the screaming noises and deafening silence could be heard There you could hear the pouring blood like a waterfall.

A fear of heights is like going up Mount Everest and then looking down. Feels like getting dizzy and being hypnotised – you just can't take your eyes off it.

By Joel Year 7



Madness!

We are on a plane Going to Spain We're going superfast Then it shook

We thought it was turbulence But it did it again We looked out of the window It was on fire

Fire, fire, fire!
It was so chaotic too
Everyone was jumping
And people crying too

We thought we were going to die
But then we survived
Everyone was surprised that we didn't die

Hip, hip, hooray
We're on the way
To beautiful Spain
Once again we're alive, not dead

You thought we were lying Look at these scars From metal and people Clawing into me

We landed at Spain Safe and sound When we went home It happened again You know what happened before I'll tell you what happened after We started mor Jumping More screaming, more thumping

People were praying People were playing But most of all People were swaying

Back and forth
Up and down
People were going everywhere
Look up, they are there
Look down, there's people there

Look left and right
Up and down
Everywhere you go
There's people everywhere you go
So once again
You go on trips on planes
Look out for where you go!

Remember, remember For your safety Always look before you travel

By Tucker Year 7



ARTMONGERS.

Art Department workshops for Year 8.

Fifteen boys in Year 8 have been really lucky to be invited to take part in a Street Art project with a company called ARTMONGERs. They create really excellent artworks all over London.

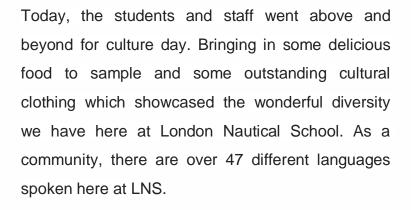
Over the course of three sessions, they will be helping to create a design with artist Patricio Forrester that will be painted over two massive walls near Waterloo East on Sandell Street.

They started this week, and it was interesting and challenging to come with ideas that would look exciting and imaginative, they are really looking forward to seeing their designs and ideas come to life in Waterloo in the near future.



LNS Cultural Day - 20th October 2023









Black History Month Careers Talk

Chris Laing met year 9 Art and DT students to share his personal experience of being a deaf and black professional who works in the field of architecture. A graduate with 2 degrees (UCA, Canterbury and Kingston) and a master's degree in architecture (from the Royal College of Art), he has been an employee at Haworth Tompkins Architectural Studio for 7 years.

He provided an insight, with the help of his interpreter Amy, into the difficulties faced by deaf students to study courses which have architectural terms that are not compatible with (BSL) sign language, he also gave a presentation that showcased his talents and work in architectural design.

Chris told the year 9s about his dream of being an architect from the age of six. He mentioned that he is currently working on a project to redesign Canning Town Library, adding that on average projects can take up to six years to complete. He believes in giving back to the deaf community and co-founded Signstrokes, an online lexicon which contains sign language references, many created by Chris, that

relate to architectural terms referred to in degree courses. It is used by students and interpreters – the lexicon continues to grow and is an invaluable research tool. Earlier this year, Chris also launched the Deaf Architecture Front, a platform and collective to tackle inequality faced by the deaf community.

There were a whole host of questions for Chris towards the end of the session. He also asked the boys if they were up for a signing challenge - they were given an opportunity to learn and sign the alphabet, some architectural terms and they were shown how to sign their first names!

It was a privilege to hear his inspiring story and to find out about his achievements – we very much hope to see him again.

Ms Suter - School Librarian





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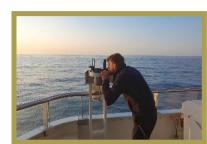
This is the first of a new series of profiles that will appear in Navigate focusing on our schools' partners and supporters and the exciting opportunities these organisations are able to offer our students at post 18 years old.

Our thanks to Jade Jaenicke, the Marketing and Communications Manager from the Viking Maritime Group for her support in this edition's industry focus.



Chiltern Maritime

Are you interested in a career at sea? Have you considered a sponsored Cadetship when you finish your studies at London Nautical School? For over 35 years, Chiltern Maritime has remained the UK's foremost provider of Merchant Navy Deck, Engine, and Electro-Technical Officer Cadetships. Chiltern Maritime offers the most varied, diverse, and engaging higher-level educational training programmes to deliver bright futures for our Cadets and we are looking forward to working closely with London Nautical School to deliver excellent career pathways for the students.



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www.chilternmaritime.com

National Seafarers Service at St Paul's Cathedral, 11th October 2023

Being part of the maritime community is a pleasure and honour for our school. Each year the seafaring community come together for a special service and blessing at St Paul's Cathedral. It is a wonderful opportunity for generations of seafarers to come together.

This year was extra special for two reasons. First the service choir and music arrangements were hosted by London Nautical School, with our very own tour de force Mrs Schuil conducting the combined choirs of London Nautical School, Royal Hospital School, Pangbourne College and the King's School. Secondly the service was also a commemoration of the 80th year of the Battle of the Atlantic; the longest battle of the Second World War. This meant a lot to me personally as my grandfather and great-uncles all served as members of the Merchant Navy on the Atlantic convoys.

It was particularly heartening to see the choirs interacting and the Royal Hospital School applauding our choristers in a perfectly executed parade drill before entering the cathedral. Many of our choristers being cadets of course.

The choir were simply awe inspiring and represented the school magnificently as did our parade and colour party. The red duster of the Merchant Navy and our School colours were carried aloft at the front of the Colour Party by our head boy and girl Daniel Pape and Sarah Albour.

The service included prayers for the members of the navies past and present, the RNLI who risk their lives at sea to save others, our fishing fleet and naval learning institutions including our schools and their students and staff.

The end of the service saw many officers of the Merchant and Royal Navies meet our boys, who complemented with salutes abound.

I would like to compliment the boys of London Nautical School choir and Mrs Schuil on their hard work and an amazing job.

Mr Garcia, Head of Year 7 and the LNS Sea Cadet Unit



Daniel and Sara, proudly displaying our School Colours

National Seafarers Service at St Paul's Cathedral



The Colour party procession into the Cathedral at the start of the service.



PE News

Rugby Festival @Southwark Tigers

Our year 7 and 8 rugby team attended their first rugby festival.

They have had several rugby lessons delivered to them in school by the coaches from Ealing Rugby Club and got to put those skills to the test.

They played 4 matches and won 3-1 and drew their other 3 games 0-0.

A brilliant start and unbeaten all afternoon. A hat trick of tries was scored by Suhail. The team will be attending the second festival in a few weeks.



Year 8 football v Overton 8-4

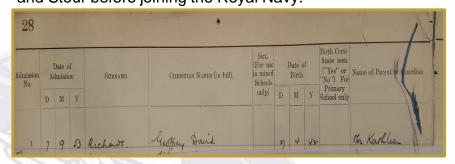
A very wet and windy cup tie down in Sutton saw the boys come out with an 8-4 victory. A goal within 2 minutes saw us go 1-0 up, before conceding a few minutes later. After a very controlled first half, we were 4-1 up by half time. Even three goals from Overton in the second half couldn't stop us from scoring another four to see us win 8-4. Goals were from Rhys (3), AJ (3), Harry (1) and the man of the match Freddy (1). All the boys were excellent on the pitch, and we now face Thomas Tallis in round 3

Alumni

London Nautical welcomed back Alumni Derek Bird (1971-1975) for the first time since leaving to emigrate to Australia in the 1970's. Derek was accompanied by his son, Tom as he completed his holiday in the UK. Derek was able to provide his memories and insight from his time at LNS as we toured the school. It was a pleasure to meet you both and stay connected!



At the very beginning of the school year, we helped Mr David Richards trace his father's time at LNS - using our old admissions paperwork we managed to confirm Richard's father was an ex-pupil and locate his previous primary school in Lewisham ("Dalmain Primary") as well as his father's childhood home. Geoffrey went on to train at HMS Ganges in Shotley, on the peninsular between rivers Orwell and Stour before joining the Royal Navy.



Admissions Register - September 1953



Geoffrey David Richards -LNS 1953 - 1957



Ganges 1905 - 1976





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