

Looe Community Academy

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Dear Parent/Carer

I hope your child is settling in well to the new term and enjoying their studies.

Jeans for Genes Day - Friday 21 September 2018

Next Friday we are going to support Jeans for Genes Day by holding a 'jeans' mufti day.

Students will be allowed to wear their jeans to school for a suggested donation of £1 for the charity. Normal academy uniform should be worn apart from jeans and shoes. Jeans for Genes raise funds to support children affected by genetic disorders of which there are around 6,000. It is estimated that one in 25 children is affected by a genetic disorder and 30,000 babies and children are newly diagnosed in the UK each year. Some genetic disorders are apparent at birth while others are diagnosed at different stages throughout childhood and sometimes into adolescence. This is a charity that the students have expressed a wish to support and there will be a special assembly to raise awareness about Jeans for Genes Day and what the charity does.

Looe Saves the Day Festival - 21-23 September 2018

During the weekend of 21 to 23 September, Looe plays host to the above Festival. In the past the Looe Music Festival weekend has created issues for some young people who, despite all the warnings and against everything they are taught about personal safety, ignore all the danger signs as they choose (or are pressured or enticed in to) a weekend of revelry beyond their years and often well above their emotional and physiological capacity. We therefore feel obliged to remind parents and carers to consider the very real dangers posed by the large influx of strangers to our area, the darker undertones of the gig culture and the potential peer pressure for young people to indulge to excess in adult or illegal activities. I will hold an assembly this week to share the importance of this message.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "S Yalden".

Mr Scott Yalden
Acting Headteacher

