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Main Report

This report contains an update on

1. London Youth Choir Proposal
2. CoL Staff Diversity Network

1. London Youth Choir (LYC) Proposal

- The London Youth Choir, which is now resident at City of London School, has enjoyed a good spring term at the School, conducting rehearsals regularly on Monday evenings. This involves up to 150 children aged between 7 and 18 attending rehearsals in the School's music rooms between 4 pm and 9 pm. Our facilities are let to LYC at a low rent, with the aspiration that this outreach project will both benefit the LYC and bring collaborative benefits to the School's music department.
- The School has also agreed to host the LYC Spring concert on Monday 26th March 2018 in the Great Hall.

2. CoL Staff Diversity Network

The Head has now assumed his role as co-sponsor of the City Pride Network (i.e. one of the six staff networks), and met with the network's Chair earlier in the term to consider what support the School can provide. CLS sponsored one of the network's key events to mark LGBT History Month in February: a lunch-time workshop on the topic of unconscious bias, attended by staff from across the Corporation. The Head introduced the event, and several senior boys attended (alongside our HR staff). The Head also attended a preliminary meeting regarding arrangements for Pride in June/July, and – on the back of that – will be working with the staff network, both to mark Pride fortnight appropriately within School, and to support the work of the network within the Corporation more broadly. CLS will be hosting a meeting of the staff network later this calendar year; as part of that, the School's LGBT Society will present to the network on activities within the School.

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