

# Langley Park School for Girls

Enabling everyone to thrive – acting with kindness, determination and respect.



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6 December 2024

Dear Families,

It has been another busy week here at LPGS, with a variety of enrichment activities taking place across the school.

On Wednesday, a number of Year 10 students had the opportunity to explore the world of Formula 1 during a STEM Day. Through hands-on activities and problem-solving challenges, student teams assigned roles, explored design and engineering, and presented and raced their cars before a group of industry specialists acting as judges. Our Robotics Club also joined students at Langley Park School for Boys to work collaboratively to share and test their builds.



Our Year 11 and Year 13 PE students have been hard at work during dedicated revision sessions today, in preparation for their upcoming GCSE and A-Level exams this summer. Alongside academic intervention sessions taking place after school, in a range of subjects, these sessions are intended to help students consolidate their knowledge, refine their exam technique and build confidence as they approach the critical months ahead. I actively encourage students preparing for exams to take up these opportunities regularly in support of their revision.

On Monday, our A-Level Psychology students embarked on an enlightening trip to the Freud Museum in London. This visit offered them a unique insight into the life and work of Sigmund Freud, as well as an opportunity to deepen their understanding of key topics in their curriculum. Our ski trip preparations are now well underway, with a number of students taking to a dry ski slope this week to hone their skills. This practice session not only built excitement for the trip later this academic year, but also provided a safe and supportive environment for students to develop their confidence and technique on the slopes.

Finally, Thursday saw us host our Sixth Form Open Evening, which was a wonderful opportunity to welcome current students and families, as well as those considering joining us from other schools. The Sixth Form community here at LPGS is ambitious, friendly and welcoming. Our students have a track record of achieving considerable success in A-Level and vocational qualifications, as a result of their commitment and the teaching provided by experienced and passionate teachers.

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Our current Year 12 and Year 13 students talked with pride about the subjects they are studying, their experience within LPGA6 and their support on the evening was invaluable. I am grateful to all the staff and students who gave up their time and hope that the information we provided will help our Year 11 students make informed decisions in the coming months.



As we approach the end of term, I look forward to seeing our staff and students perform at next week's Winter Concert and to seeing Christmas jumpers on show around school on Thursday in support of Save the Children.

Our arrangements for the end of term and start of term are as follows:

### **End of Term Arrangements**

On Friday 20 December, students will have period 1 and 2 lessons as normal, followed by break and form time. Students in Years 10-13 will be dismissed from 11.50am and students in Years 7, 8 and 9 will be dismissed from 12.45pm.

### **Return to School**

Please note on Monday 6 January the school will be closed to students for a INSET Day. Students will return on Tuesday 7 January at 8.30am, it will be Week A.

As always, thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

**S J Whittle**  
**Headteacher**

## **MESSAGES FROM STAFF**

### **Christmas Jumper Day**

On 12 December, Langley Park School for Girls will be taking part in Save the Children's 'Christmas Jumper Day'. We know times are tough, so we are suggesting a £1 donation – but please donate what you can. Any amount helps, for example £2 could buy a packet of seeds for a family in Kenya to grow their own food, after drought has killed their crops. Or £6 could make all the difference for people in Gaza who are struggling to access drinkable water – providing a pack of 12 water bottles.



Donations will be collected during Tutor time on Thursday, 12 December.

There is no need to buy a new jumper. You could upcycle an old jumper, get crafty or head to your local charity shop to buy a pre-loved festive knit. If you want to get creative and decorate a jumper, the Christmas Jumper Day website contains lots of fun craft ideas. Students can also wear Christmas accessories in their hair.

### **Useful websites**

for frequently asked questions about Christmas Jumper Day:

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/about/faq>

for upcycling inspiration and sustainability information:

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/about/sustainability-and-inclusivity>

for more information on how your donations help:

<https://www.savethechildren.org.uk/christmas-jumper-day/how-you-help>

**This is not an own clothes day, and students are expected to wear normal uniform.** Students choosing to wear a Christmas jumper do not need to wear a school jumper, cardigan or blazer. The usual expectations apply to makeup and jewellery.

We would appreciate your support to make Save the Children's Christmas Jumper Day a success. Together, we can make the world better with a sweater.

***Mrs L Brown, Head of Key Stage 4***

### **Year 12 Food Bank Collection**



Year 12 are collecting for our local food bank. Students can leave donations in the boxes by the Christmas tree in the canteen until 13 December.

The most needed items are:

- Chocolate biscuits
- Jelly
- Tinned fruit
- Crisps
- Pasta
- Pasta sauces
- Tuna
- Long-life milk
- Shampoo, conditioner, shower gels etc.



***Miss S Galbert, Head of Year 12***

## **INFORMATION**

### **Bromley Holiday Activities and Food Programme**

You can now book your child on to the Holiday Activities and Food Programme during the winter holidays. There are several exciting activities available, including nutritious meals. The offer is free to all children who are eligible for benefit-related free school meals. Each provision will offer eligible children the opportunity to enjoy fun activities that will enable them to develop new skills, build confidence and meet new friends outside of term time.

Do feel free to visit Bromley Council's website at [Holiday activities and food programme – London Borough of Bromley](https://www.bromley.gov.uk/holiday-activities-and-food-programme)

and book directly with the provider of your choosing. Please book this as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.





# Winter Programme

A free and exciting holiday programme for children and young people aged 5 to 16 in receipt of benefit-related free school meals. Take part in **sport, music, drama, art, cooking and much more** during the 2024 winter holiday. Free, nutritious meals will be provided for each session.

**Have fun with your friends, learn new skills, gain confidence and get involved!**

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# WINTER



To find out which activities are near you and to sign up please visit:  
[www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme](http://www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme)

Or email  
[HolidayActivitiesandFood@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:HolidayActivitiesandFood@bromley.gov.uk)



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## LPGS Winter Concert

You are invited to  
LPGS's

# WINTER Concert

DECEMBER 11TH, 2024

6.30 PM, Main Hall

Concert Band, Chamber Choir, Belles,  
Yr.7 Band, Chamber Orchestra,  
Jazz Band, Steel Band, Young Voices,  
A Capella & soloists

TICKETS GO ON SALE ON SQUID AT 10am ON WEDS 4th DEC

## Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch will take place on **Thursday 19 December**. Christmas lunch costs £4.20 per student and should be ordered and paid for by Friday 13 December at the tills. The money will be debited from their sQuid account at the point of purchase. Students in receipt of Free School Meals should book their lunch at the till and their allowance on Thursday 19 December will be used to pay for the meal. On the morning of 19 December, students who have already purchased Christmas lunch will be issued with a token by their form tutor.



The usual break and Dalo lunch services will operate on this day for students not wishing to have a Christmas meal.

## Christmas Trees

As in previous years, Other Earth Christmas Trees have offered to support the school by donating £5 per Christmas tree to our school fund. They will be selling trees from Bromley Football Club from the end of November, however pre-orders can be placed now. Further information is available on their website: [www.otherearth.co.uk](http://www.otherearth.co.uk).



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 9 – Wednesday 18 December  
Monday 9 December  
Tuesday 10 December  
Wednesday 11 December  
Thursday 12 December  
Thursday 12 December  
Tuesday 17 December  
Thursday 19 December  
Friday 20 December  
Monday 6 January  
Tuesday 7 January  
Thursday 23 January 2025  
Thursday 6 February 2025  
Thursday 20 March 2025  
Thursday 1 May 2025  
Thursday 15 May 2025

KS3 Assessment Weeks  
Year 7 Music Scheme Concert  
Year 7 – 11 Flu Vaccinations  
Winter Concert  
Christmas Jumper Day  
Year 13 Parents' Evening  
BTEC Dance Sharing Evening  
Christmas Lunch  
Last Day of Term  
Inset Day  
Students return to school  
Year 9 Parents' Evening  
Year 8 Parents' Evening  
Year 7 Parents' Evening  
Year 12 Parents' Evening  
Year 10 Parents' Evening

Details of sports fixtures can be found on [Firefly](http://Firefly)