

# Langley Park School for Girls

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



Headteacher: Mr S Whittle, MA (Cantab), PGCE, NPQH

10 January 2025

Dear Families,

I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful Christmas break. It is clear from my many conversations with students this week that they benefited from the break, with sleep frequently being cited as one of their many highlights. I can therefore only imagine how challenging it will have been for some reacquainting themselves once again with an alarm clock and adapting to the extremely cold weather this week.

At our INSET day on Monday, we launched our new teaching and learning strategy, which is designed to ensure the most effective teaching and learning in our classrooms. I cannot think of a more appropriate way to start the new year than this focus on our core purpose as a school. As teachers, we worked collaboratively to plan lessons and implement approaches to adaptive teaching following training and drawing on the latest educational research into teacher pedagogy.

Alongside this, we were also introduced to The Wellbeing Hub by Teen Tips, an online resource which we are investing in as a trust across all schools to promote the wellbeing of our school communities. This will provide invaluable training for staff and access to a wealth of resources for use within school and by students and families. Further information will be shared as we implement this in the coming months.

We also welcome the following new staff to the LPGS community:

Mrs Hayes, Teacher of Health & Social Care  
Ms Kawooya, Teacher of Business Studies

It is common at the start of a new year to look forward, to make commitments and resolutions, as we seek to develop and establish good habits. I naturally encourage students to build on their successes and the progress they made in the Autumn Term, while encouraging us all to be the very best version of ourselves in 2025. I will seek to practise what I preach and to ensure that my attendance at the gym extends well beyond the first few weeks of January!

A number of Sixth Form students have this week been completing public examinations in vocational subjects and we have received the results of November exams in GCSE English and Maths. It has been great to see students improving on their achievements in the summer in resit examinations. Our Year 13 students have been submitting university applications to UCAS and those students who participated in interviews at Oxford and Cambridge before Christmas expect to hear imminently about whether or not they have been offered a place – fingers crossed!

The school's leadership and management of safeguarding was recognised as a strength during an independent safeguarding review carried out in school this week, which is especially pleasing. The review looked at all aspects of the school, our robust and rigorous systems, organisation, management of safeguarding cases and support for students. Insights from students and staff informed the review and we will naturally look to respond to the suggestions for ways in which we can develop and improve further our practices.

Finally, the Troubadour Theatre, Wembley welcomed our musicians on Wednesday evening for the high speed production of Starlight Express, a reward trip to recognise the commitment our students give to the musical life of our school.

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Yours faithfully,

## MESSAGES FROM STAFF

**Mr P Seward, Deputy Headteacher**

**WEEK 2**
Innovate

**WEEK COMMENCING**
CVD - VEGETARIAN  
CVD - VEGAN

**13/01/2025 03/02/2025 24/02/2025 17/03/2025**  
**CLASSIC HOT & HEARTY**

CLASSIC MAIN MEALS		VEGETARIAN MAIN MEALS	
<p align="center"><b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Traditional Sausage &amp; Mash with Onion Gravy</p>	<p align="center"><b>MONDAY</b></p> <p>Vegan Sausage &amp; Mash with Onion Gravy (VE)</p>		
<p align="center"><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>Creamy Garlic Chicken &amp; Mushroom Pasta with Garden salad</p>	<p align="center"><b>TUESDAY</b></p> <p>No Waste Cauliflower Cheese Pasta Bake (V)</p>		
<p align="center"><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Hand Carved Roast British Turkey, Crisp Roasties, Seasonal Vegetables, &amp; House Gravy</p>	<p align="center"><b>WEDNESDAY</b></p> <p>Cheese, Leek and Potato Pie (V)</p>		
<p align="center"><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>Teriyaki Beef &amp; Carrot Rice</p>	<p align="center"><b>THURSDAY</b></p> <p>Chinese Vegetable Stir-Fry (VE)</p>		
<p align="center"><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>Chip Shop "Fryday" Fish, Pizza or Fishcake &amp; Chips with Peas &amp; Tartare Sauce</p>	<p align="center"><b>FRIDAY</b></p> <p>Quorn 1/4 lb Burger with Ranch Slaw, Chips &amp; Peas (V)</p>		

**DESSERTS**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Reggae Reggae Jackfruit Curry (VE)	Vegan Singapore Noodles (VE)	Jerk Jackfruit Open Wrap (VE)	The Big Plant Burger (VE)	Garlic & Chilli Noodles (VE)

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Apple Pie & Custard	Peach & Pineapple Crumble	Sticky Lemon Sponge & Custard	Baked Churros with Chocolate Sauce	Fruit, Jelly & yoghurt Pots

**Fruit & Yoghurt Pots Available Daily**

**HOMEMADE SOUP & FRESHLY BAKED PIZZA**  
Available Daily

**JACKET POTATOES**  
**Topped with a Choice of: Cheese, Tuna or Beans Available Daily**

**TRATTORIA**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
Tomato & Basil Pasta	Creamy Pesto Pasta	Mozzarella & Tomato or Pepperoni, Cheese & Tomato Pizza	Pasta in Cheese Sauce	Margherita Pizza

Our Vegetarian and Vegan recipes are approved by the Vegetarian Society.

## BYMT Jazz School Open Day

The BYMT Jazz School Open Day will take place on Saturday 15 February 2025 at Bromley Youth Music Trust, Southborough Lane and will be run by Mr Buster Birch, an award-winning Jazz Musician, educator and composer, along with professional teachers and jazz musicians.

It is open to pupils of ANY instrument who are approximately grade 3+ standard.

[www.bymt.co.uk/courses/jazzday/](http://www.bymt.co.uk/courses/jazzday/)

The timetable for the day:

2.15pm : Arrival & registration

2.30pm: Welcome

2.45pm : Workshops

6.00pm: Pizza (included in participation fee)

7.00pm: Evening Concert featuring the BYMT Jazz School Pupils and Buster Birch



To register as a participant for the afternoon or to purchase tickets for the evening concert, please visit [www.bymt.co.uk/courses/jazzday/](http://www.bymt.co.uk/courses/jazzday/).

## Reminder – Severe Weather Conditions

### SEVERE WEATHER CONDITIONS

Here is a reminder of key information regarding school closure in the event of severe weather conditions.

- The decision to open or close the school will be made by the Headteacher
- The decision will be made by 7.00am
- The decision will be communicated on the school website and via e-mail.  
(You are advised to check this before sending your child to school)

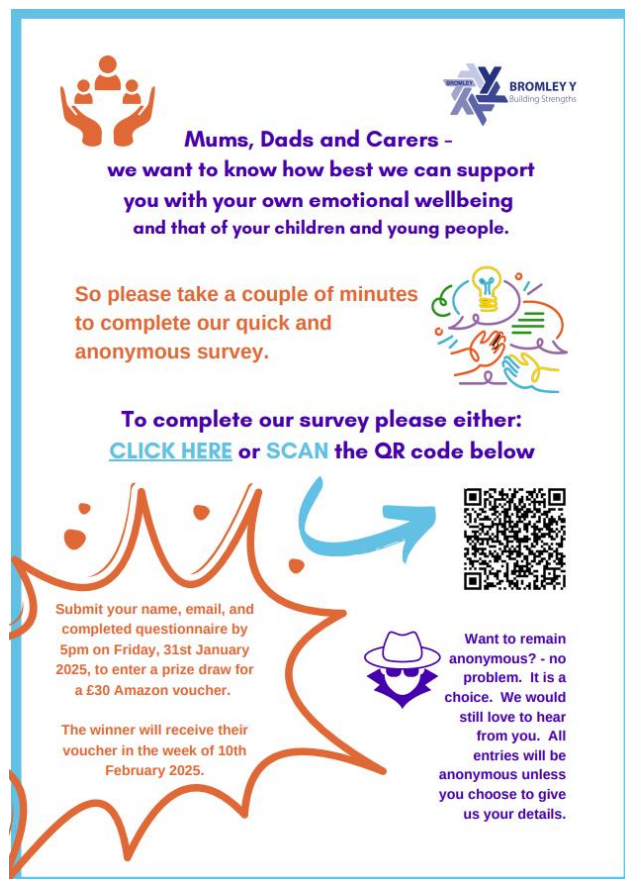
If it has snowed, please do not assume that the school will be closed. The school will only close if it places the health and safety of staff and students at risk.

If weather conditions deteriorate whilst the school is in session, we will contact parents/carers to inform them of the situation via the website and e-mail. Students will be kept informed of the decision and guidance will be given as to the next steps.

We are committed to ensuring that all our students are able to maximise their potential and any decision to close the school will not be taken lightly. We will aim to remain open or partly open during inclement weather to avoid disruption to students' learning but will consider the conditions and safety of students on the school site, public transport as well as levels of staffing. Langley Park School for Girls has good public transport links and we rely on parents/carers to make appropriate decisions about student safety, appropriate clothing and footwear when travelling to school during such weather.



## Bromley Y Parent/Carer Survey



**Mums, Dads and Carers -**  
we want to know how best we can support  
you with your own emotional wellbeing  
and that of your children and young people.

So please take a couple of minutes  
to complete our quick and  
anonymous survey.

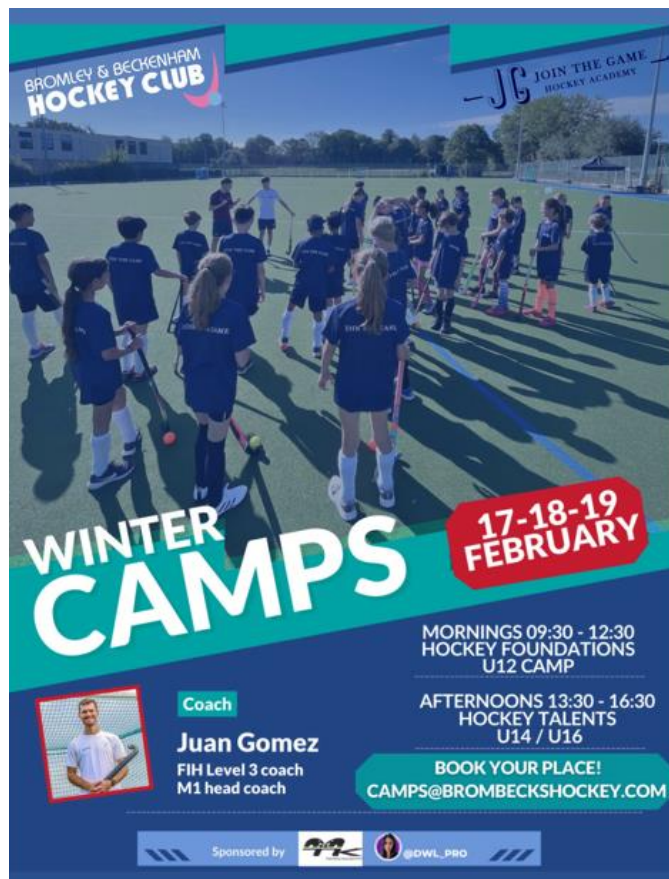
To complete our survey please either:  
[CLICK HERE](#) or **SCAN** the QR code below

Submit your name, email, and  
completed questionnaire by  
5pm on Friday, 31st January  
2025, to enter a prize draw for  
a £30 Amazon voucher.

The winner will receive their  
voucher in the week of 10th  
February 2025.

Want to remain  
anonymous? - no  
problem. It is a  
choice. We would  
still love to hear  
from you. All  
entries will be  
anonymous unless  
you choose to give  
us your details.

## Bromley & Beckenham Hockey Club



**BROMLEY & BECKENHAM  
HOCKEY CLUB**

**WINTER  
CAMPS**


**17-18-19  
FEBRUARY**

**Coach**  
**Juan Gomez**  
FIH Level 3 coach  
M1 head coach

**MORNINGS 09:30 - 12:30**  
HOCKEY FOUNDATIONS  
U12 CAMP

**AFTERNOONS 13:30 - 16:30**  
HOCKEY TALENTS  
U14 / U16

**BOOK YOUR PLACE!**  
[CAMPS@BROMBECKSHOCKEY.COM](mailto:CAMPS@BROMBECKSHOCKEY.COM)

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday 16 January  
Monday 20 January  
Thursday 23 January  
Friday 24 January  
Thursday 6 February  
Friday 7 February  
Monday 10 – Friday 14 February  
Thursday 13 February  
Friday 14 – Thursday 20 Feb  
Monday 17 – Friday 21 February  
Monday 24 – Friday 28 February  
Thursday 20 March  
Thursday 1 May  
Thursday 15 May

Year 11 GCSE Maths & English Parent Workshop  
Year 8 & 9 Bromley Y Coffee Morning  
Year 9 Parents' Evening  
Year 9 DTP/MenACWY Vaccinations  
Year 8 Parents' Evening  
Futures Fair  
Year 11 & 13 Trial Exams  
Spanish Exchange Parent Meeting  
Ski Trip  
Half Term  
Year 11 & 13 Trial Exams  
Year 7 Parents' Evening  
Year 12 Parents' Evening  
Year 10 Parents' Evening

Details of sports fixtures can be found on [Firefly](#)