

Langley Park School for Girls

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



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

13 September 2024

Dear Families,

The summer now seems a distant memory with us seemingly experiencing all seasons in one day – scraping the car windscreen early this morning was certainly an unwelcome surprise!

Thank you to all who attended and supported our Year 11 and Year 12 Welcome and Information Evenings this week. I hope that you found these informative and that they will support your child's success and enjoyment of school this year. We look forward to welcoming Year 7 parents and carers to our evening on Tuesday 17 September and to sharing recorded information briefings with Year 10 and 13 families on Friday 20 September.

Hearing our Head Prefects and Senior Prefects talking so eloquently, passionately and positively about their experiences in LPGS Sixth Form left me feeling immensely proud of them and the LPGS community. The enthusiasm and commitment of school staff and leaders to providing academic support, pastoral care and careers advice and guidance also shone through in presentations from various colleagues.

In my presentations to staff in our first INSET Day last week, I talked about the importance of belonging. We are committed to ensuring all feel a sense of belonging to the LPGS community. This means feeling personally, accepted, respected, included, and supported by others. Whilst I know that young people will neither like every person they meet or work with (peers, teachers and staff) nor welcome all school rules and expectations, we aim to demonstrate our care for students through our intentional everyday routines and practices. From meeting and welcoming students into school each morning at the gate, to rewarding their achievements, efforts and contributions in class and being available to them for support during and after the school day. I also hope that through our communications and engagement with families this year, we will maintain your trust and confidence in the school as we share the common interest of supporting our children and young people to develop academically, personally and socially.

As Mr Seward highlights in his introductory message to the school community, we are seeking to provide greater clarity and consistency in articulating and upholding our expectations of students. Despite the perception of a few, I wish to reassure all that we have not introduced 'new' rules but rather sought to ensure they are understood and more consistently applied to provide the certainty needed for all.

Through my conversations with new Year 7 and Year 12 students, I am pleased to hear that they are settling in well and enjoying life at LPGS. Our Heads of Year have welcomed back students in this week's assemblies and provided an insight into the year ahead. It has also been exciting to see sporting enrichment activities starting and to hear of the many other extra-curricular opportunities planned for this term and the academic year.

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2022-2025



I look forward to welcoming prospective students and families into school at our forthcoming Open Evening on Thursday 3 October from 5pm-8pm. As in previous years, we will be making minor changes to the timings of the school day on Thursday (an earlier finish) and Friday (a delayed start) and we will confirm details with you next week.

Yours faithfully,



S J Whittle
Headteacher

MESSAGES FROM STAFF

Introducing Mr Seward

I hope this letter finds you well. My name is Mr Seward, and I am delighted to introduce myself as the new Deputy Headteacher at Langley Park School. I am sure that my reasons for joining the Langley community are similar to those that influenced your decision to send your child to Langley Park. I want to work in and belong to a community that shares my values. As a leadership team, we will strive to deliver clarity and consistency of expectation, and support and challenge in equal measure.



With over 25 years of experience in education, I am passionate about fostering a supportive and enriching environment for all students. I know that Langley Park School for Girls provides a wonderful breadth of opportunity and experience both within the classroom, through educational visits and extra-curricular activities. I am committed to working closely with you, our dedicated staff, and the wider community to ensure that every student at Langley Park School for Girls thrives both academically and personally.

I look forward to meeting you all and collaborating to make this academic year a successful and memorable one for our students. Thank you for your continued support.

Mr Seward, Deputy Headteacher

SEND and Wellbeing Hubs

September saw the opening of the new SEND Hub, which replaces the former Student Support area. This dedicated space is designed specifically for our students with additional needs and disabilities, offering a comprehensive range of support services. We will collaborate closely with the new Wellbeing Hub to ensure that our students receive the emotional and academic support they need promptly and effectively.

The SEND Hub is home to the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) team, our Learning Support Assistants (LSAs), the English as an Additional Language team (EAL), our Specialist Literacy Teacher/Exams Access Arrangements assessor, and our Deputy Safeguarding Officer.



Within the Hub, we are providing a variety of interventions tailored for students with SEND, including speech and language therapy, British Sign Language and Catch-up programmes, along with our established GCSE English nurture classes and Learning support sessions.

We are excited about the potential of this new inclusive provision and look forward to seeing it become a vital resource that helps our students reach their full potential.

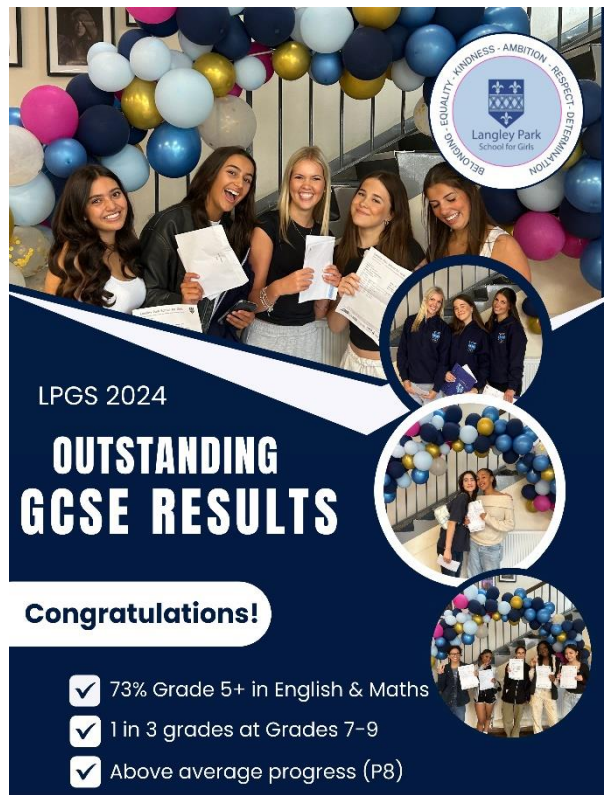
In addition, we have created a dedicated space called the Wellbeing Hub. This hub is home to our Safeguarding Team and Pastoral Managers, who bring expert knowledge and experience to support young people with many aspects of life, including mental health and overall wellbeing. Our structured framework and Wellbeing Tiers of Support guide students through various levels of care, starting with form tutors and moving to specialised support plans, and, when needed, liaising with external professionals.

We recognise and understand the crucial role wellbeing plays for both students and staff and are excited about our plans to further develop the space. Aligned with our vision and values statement, we aim to create a calming environment that fosters belonging and enables everyone to thrive.

Mr Chinery, Assistant Headteacher and SENDCO
Mrs Hurley, Assistant Headteacher & Dedicated Safeguarding Lead

INFORMATION

Examination Results 2024



LPGA 2024

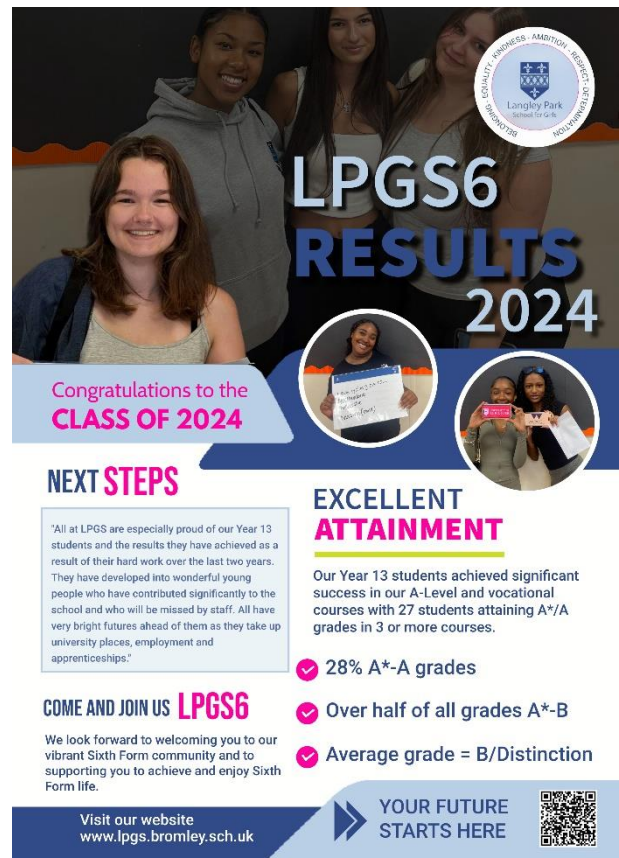
OUTSTANDING GCSE RESULTS

Congratulations!

- ✓ 73% Grade 5+ in English & Maths
- ✓ 1 in 3 grades at Grades 7-9
- ✓ Above average progress (P8)



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LPGS6 RESULTS 2024

Congratulations to the CLASS OF 2024

NEXT STEPS

"All at LPGS are especially proud of our Year 13 students and the results they have achieved as a result of their hard work over the last two years. They have developed into wonderful young people who have contributed significantly to the school and who will be missed by staff. All have very bright futures ahead of them as they take up university places, employment and apprenticeships."

EXCELLENT ATTAINMENT

Our Year 13 students achieved significant success in our A-Level and vocational courses with 27 students attaining A*/A grades in 3 or more courses.


- ✓ 28% A*-A grades
- ✓ Over half of all grades A*-B
- ✓ Average grade = B/Distinction

COME AND JOIN US LPGS6

We look forward to welcoming you to our vibrant Sixth Form community and to supporting you to achieve and enjoy Sixth Form life.

Visit our website
www.lpgs.bromley.sch.uk

YOUR FUTURE STARTS HERE



Open Evening 2024 – Thursday 3 October



Open Evening
LANGLEY PARK SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Parents and carers are invited to join us for our Open Evening event for 2025 Year 7 Admissions.

 **Thursday 3 October**

 **5.00pm-8.00pm**

 **Hawksbrook Lane,
South Eden Park Road,
Beckenham, BR3 3BE**

 **Headteacher's Talks at
5.15pm, 6pm and 6.45pm**

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Please note there will be limited parking available on the Langley Park Campus and families are encouraged to walk or use public transport where possible.

Parents' Information Events

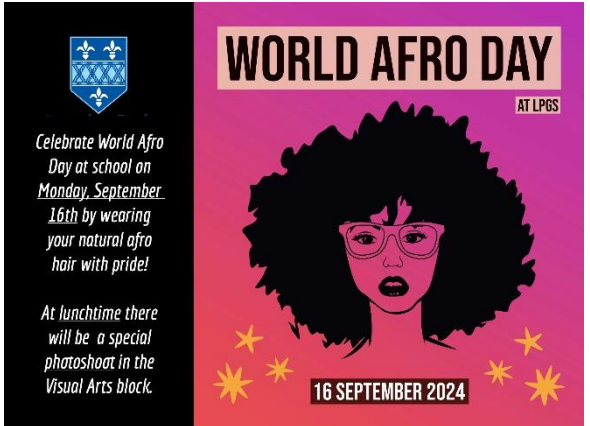
We are looking forward to welcoming our Year 7 parents/carers next Tuesday, 17 September for our Welcome and Information evening. The event will run from 6.00-7.30pm, with refreshments available from 5.30pm

Thank you to everyone who attended the Year 11 and 12 events earlier this week, the presentations are now available on our [website](#).

Virtual presentations for year 10 and 13 parents/carers will be shared on Friday 20 September.

Afro Hair Day Celebration

LPGS is excited to invite students and staff to celebrate Afro Hair Day at school on Monday 16 September. Embrace and showcase your beautiful afro hair with pride. During lunchtime join us in the Visual Arts block for a special photoshoot where you can capture the essence of your style. We plan to display some of these vibrant photos to highlight and celebrate the diversity within our school community.



WORLD AFRO DAY
AT LPGS

Celebrate World Afro Day at school on Monday, September 16th by wearing your natural afro hair with pride!

At lunchtime there will be a special photoshoot in the Visual Arts block.

16 SEPTEMBER 2024



Allergy Awareness



Local Police Community Meeting

The Beckenham Community meeting at Eden Park High School is for the community to meet their local police teams covering Clockhouse, Kelsey & Eden Park, Beckenham Town & Copers Cope and Shortlands wards, together with the lead officers for the police in Beckenham, local councillors and secondary school leads for the area. This will be your chance to come and find out what is happening and discuss any matters of concern in your area. This will also be a chance to find out how you can be involved in community in the future.

For further information please follow this link - <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/beckenham-community-meeting-tickets-1004747535927?aff=oddtcreator>

BYMT Try Out Week

BYMT will be holding their 'TRY OUT WEEK' from Saturday 21 - Friday 27 September. This is an opportunity for those students who already play an instrument or enjoying singing to come along to a BYMT centre (Southborough Lane, Kent House, Langley, Highfield Juniors) and try out one of the bands, orchestras, groups and choirs that we run after school and at the weekends.

For more information on all the musical opportunities, please visit www.bymt.co.uk/groups or call the BYMT office on 020 8467 1566. There is no need to book, just come along (with your instrument).



BYMT
BROMLEY YOUTH MUSIC TRUST

TRY OUT WEEK
SATURDAY 21 – FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER 2024

If you already play an instrument or enjoy singing come and try out a BYMT group, ensemble or choir from 21 – 27 September.

To find out which group is right for you, speak with your music teacher, call the BYMT office on 020 8467 1566, scan the QR code or visit:
www.bymt.co.uk/groups

TASTER EVENT!



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UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 17 September
Wednesday 18 September
Thursday 19 September
Wednesday 25 September – Tuesday 1 October
Tuesday 1 October
Wednesday 2 October
Thursday 3 October
Tuesday 8 October
Monday 14 – Wednesday 16 October
Monday 14 – Friday 18 October
Monday 21 October – Friday 1 November
Monday 4 – Friday 8 November
Monday 25 – Friday 29 November
Thursday 28 November
Thursday 5 December
Monday 9 – Wednesday 18 December
Tuesday 10 December
Thursday 12 December
Friday 20 December
Thursday 23 January 2025
Thursday 6 February 2025
Thursday 20 March 2025
Thursday 1 May 2025
Thursday 15 May 2025

Year 7 Information Evening
School Photo Day (Y7, 10 & 12)
Y12 Art Trip to Hastings
Year 12 Baseline Assessments
Year 10 Photography Trip
Year 12 & 13 Drama Trip
Open Evening
Music Tour Concert and Parent Meeting
Year 7 Residential Trip
Year 11 & 13 Trial Exams
Half term
Year 11 & 13 Trial Exams
Year 10 & 12 Assessment Week
Year 11 Parents' Evening
Sixth Form Open Evening
KS3 Assessment Weeks
Year 7 – 11 Flu Vaccinations
Year 13 Parents' Evening
Last day of term
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](#)