

# Langley Park School for Girls

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



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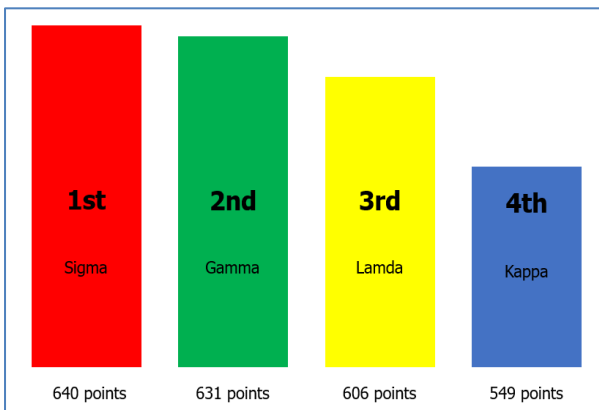
18 July 2025

Dear Families,

As we approach the final stretch of the academic year, I am delighted to share some of the many highlights from this week at school.

Throughout the week, Heads of Year have been hosting our Achievement Assemblies, where we have celebrated the hard work, progress, and values lived out by our students. Awards were presented across all subjects, alongside our Value Awards, Headteacher Awards, and the prestigious Jan Sage Memorial Awards.

These awards were set up in memory of Jan Sage, who was Headteacher at Langley Park School for Girls from 1993-2010. She was highly committed to promoting girls and young women in the areas of STEM, Leadership, Networking and Community and her legacy celebrates this. The recipients of these awards and those who were highly commended have all demonstrated extraordinary commitment and made significant contributions in school and/or the wider community. Congratulations to our award winners whose dedication is an inspiration to us all.



The sunshine was with us (at least for most of the day) at our annual Sports Day at Norman Park, and what a fantastic day it was! Students gave it their all, showing brilliant team spirit, resilience and plenty of competitive energy. I have now become accustomed to the artistic flair of our students and was impressed to see how so many of them had customised house t-shirts and adorned bows and ribbons to pledge allegiance to Kappa, Gamma, Lamda or Sigma. We are so very fortunate to benefit from access to the excellent facilities at Norman Park and I would like to thank the PE department for organising such a well-run and enjoyable event, as well as the many parents/carers who attended the event to support their children and the school.



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This week also saw the Music Department take a well-deserved reward trip to see 'Wicked' in the West End - a fitting celebration of their dedication throughout the year to LPGS Music. Meanwhile, our Year 10 Drama students had the opportunity to see the production of 'My Neighbour Totoro' at the Gillian Lynne Theatre – an enriching experience that will no doubt inspire their own creative work.

In school, we welcomed back the Globe Players, who delivered powerful performances of 'An Inspector Calls' for Year 8 and 'Macbeth' for Year 9. These live experiences form part of our English Department's commitment to drama-based learning, helping bring texts to life and deepening students' understanding.

Finally, I will be leaving my role as Executive Headteacher at Hayes School at the end of this academic year (31 August), affording me the opportunity to devote all my time to Langley Park School for Girls from the start of the new school year. Having worked at Hayes for 25 years and led the school since 2016, it was emotional completing my 'last day at school' on Thursday this week before a send off from the staff at the end of the day. I considered asking the students and staff to sign my shirt (a well-established tradition for our student leavers) as I was both reminded of (and had the opportunity to reflect on) many memories and the impact I sought to have on the students, staff and school community.

Joining Langley Park School for Girls this year and being made to feel so welcome by students, staff and families has made the transition to a new school so much easier. I would like to thank you all for the support you have given to me and to the school staff this year. I remain committed to building on the excellent reputation of the school, to developing and caring for students and staff and to ensuring LPGS is an outstanding school for all our children and young people.

As always, thank you for your ongoing support. Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Yours faithfully,

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

## MESSAGES FROM STAFF

### **Last Day of Term – Wednesday 23 July**

Lessons will proceed as normal on this day and students are expected to attend school. Assemblies will be taking place during periods 3 and 4 and students will be dismissed at the following times:

**Year 12:** 11.35am

**Year 10:** 12.40pm

**Years 7-9:** 12.45pm

### **Start of Term Arrangements**

**Monday 1 and Tuesday 2 September** are INSET days and students are not in school.

**Wednesday 3 September** we will welcome our Year 7 and Year 12 students to school.

**Thursday 4 September**, all students return to school at 8.30am.

### **Parent/Carer Handbook**

Our handbook for parents and carers has been updated and provides important information ahead of the 2025-26 academic year.

<https://www.lpgs.bromley.sch.uk/home/parents/parentcarer-handbook/>

*Mr S Whittle, Headteacher*

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### **Parent/Carer Handbook 2025-2026**



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### Golden Week Winners

Congratulations to the 629 students who achieved a 'Golden Week' of 100% attendance and received no late marks or C points.

There were big improvements in Years 7-10 and 12 when compared with our the last Golden Week in April. 1298 students with 0 lates, an increase from 1040. We also saw a positive increase in students getting 0 C points from 974 to 1169.

Congratulations to the following students whose names were drawn in our Golden Week draw, these students will receive an Amazon voucher.

Year 7	<b>Milia B 7GA</b>
Year 8	<b>Emma B 8KL</b>
Year 9	<b>Rachel H 9SH</b>
Year 10	<b>Beth C 10KD</b>
Year 12	<b>Andre L 12G</b>
Overall winner	<b>Millie B 7LE</b>

There are additional prizes for students in all year groups including queue jumps for the canteen and home bakes kindly donated by Innovate Catering.

Congratulations to all students who achieved a 'golden week'!

***Mrs Hurley, Assistant Headteacher***

### Sports Day Record Breakers

Congratulations to the individuals and teams who set new year and whole school records in the following events at this year's Sports Day.

#### Year 7

**200m Sprint:** Gabrielle Brown-Kelly set a new Year 7 record, completing the 200m in 29.43 seconds, surpassing the previous record of 29.54 set in 2023.

**Three-Legged Relay:** Form 7SH delivered a phenomenal performance, setting a new whole school record in the three-legged relay with a time of 43.8 seconds beating the record set in 2017.

#### Year 8

**800m Run:** Imogen Jenner-Heard broke the whole school record with a stunning run of 2:24.1, improving on the previous benchmark of 2:31.00. This record has been held since 2019!

#### Year 9

**Parluf Run:** A superb team effort by 9GB led to a new school record of 4:35.4, eclipsing the previous record of 4:40.00.

**Three-Legged Relay:** 9GB set a new school record with an impressive time of 38.4 seconds, beating both the previous school record and the record set earlier in the day by Year 7.

**Welly Wang:** Esme Hyde launched a tremendous throw of 20.88m, securing a new school record (previously 20.40m). This record has been held since 2016!

#### Year 10

**800m Run:** Ariana Jenner-Heard set a new Year 10 record, completing the 800m in 2:37.10, improving upon the previous best of 2:41.00. The record had been held since 2019.

**Parluf Run:** Form 10LF delivered a standout performance, breaking the school record with a time of 4:24.40, beating the earlier Year 9 record.

**Three-Legged Relay:** Form 10GA narrowly edged a new Year 10 record, running the relay in 59.90 seconds, just ahead of the previous 1:00.00 mark. A record from 2019.

***Miss C Harris, Head of PE & Health Faculty***



## Summer Reading Challenge



*Mrs J Hall, Librarian*

### London Heights Trip – Year 7 Adventure

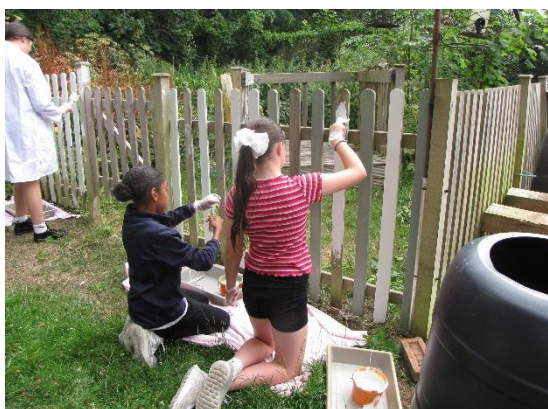
A small group of enthusiastic Year 7 students embarked on an exciting journey into the heart of London for their London Heights trip. Following the City of London Children's Trail, they explored iconic landmarks including **Tower Bridge** and **St. Paul's Cathedral**, soaking up the history and grandeur of the capital. The adventure concluded at the hidden rooftop oasis, **The Garden at 120**, offering stunning panoramic views and a fresh perspective on the city skyline. A day filled with discovery, learning, and unforgettable sights!



*Mrs A Williams, Teacher of English & Maths*

### **Wildlife Garden**

On Thursday 17 July, a small group of students from Year 7 to 9 took part in a garden workshop in our Wildlife Garden. As well as general garden tasks, they also helped paint the fence around our pond, using paint donated by Crown Paints in Sydenham: huge thanks to Mrs Hanrahan for spotting the scheme and applying. It was a very enjoyable (if rather messy) day!



***Miss V Parry, Head of Science Faculty***

## **INFORMATION**

### **Innovate Catering**

Please click [here](#) to read a letter to parents/carers from Innovate regarding tariffs from September.

Please see our school [website](#) for further details around free school meals, and Innovate's menus and current prices.

### **Bromley and Beckenham Schoolwear**

We know that many of you took advantage of the opportunity to purchase new items of school uniform at the school uniform sale on Wednesday.

We have been informed that Bromley and Beckenham Schoolwear will soon be relocating to a new Pop up store inside The Glades Shopping Centre in Bromley.

They are aiming to open their doors on Monday, 21st July (date and time to be confirmed).

Their new location will be Shop No. 36, on the Lower Ground Floor, close to Boots and next to The Works.

The shop's contact details will remain the same: ☎ 020 8460 0032 ✉ [info@bandbschoolwear.com](mailto:info@bandbschoolwear.com)

If you already have an appointment booked with them, they will contact you via email to confirm any changes.



## Bromley Holiday and Activities Food Programme



The poster features a green background with a yellow lightning bolt and a target graphic. It includes five circular images showing children engaged in various activities: two girls sitting on the grass, a boy holding a basketball, a group of children playing, a boy playing a guitar, and two girls sitting on the grass. The Bromley logo and the Department for Education logo are in the top left corner.

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# Summer Activities

Bromley's Holiday  
Activities and Food  
programme

Bromley is running a holiday club  
programme for eligible young people

**To find out more and to book**

Scan the QR code or go to the Bromley website

[www.bromley.gov.uk/  
HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme](http://www.bromley.gov.uk/HolidayActivitiesandFoodProgramme)





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# THE MUSIC KLUB SUMMER PROGRAMME 2025

**INSPIRE. CREATE. EMPOWER.**


Join us for an exciting 8-day creative summer  
experience for young people aged 11-16!

 Monday–Thursday, 18th–29th August 2025

 10:30am – 4:00pm

 Holy Trinity Church Halls (South Hall)  
Church Lane, Bromley, Kent, BR2 8LB

## What's On:

-  Music Production & Lyric Writing
-  DJ & Performance Skills
-  Film & Vision Workshop
-  Group Games & Physical Activities
-  Healthy Cooking for Young People

Build confidence, learn new skills, and connect with others  
through creativity and wellbeing-focused activities.

Spaces are limited – sign up now! ~~spaces are~~ now!

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## Water Safety

At The National College, our WakeUpWednesday guides empower and equip parents, carers and educators with the confidence and practical skills to be able to have informed and age-appropriate conversations with children about online safety, mental health and wellbeing, and climate change. Formerly delivered by National Online Safety, these guides now address wider topics and themes. For further guides, hints and tips, please visit [nationalcollege.com](https://nationalcollege.com).

# 10 Top Tips for Parents and Educators

## STAYING SAFE AROUND WATER

Enjoying time in, on, and around water plays a vital role in a young person's overall development, offering a healthy and exhilarating way to have fun. This guide outlines essential safety advice, based on the Royal Life Saving Society UK's Water Safety Code, to help ensure children can enjoy swimming and similar activities safely and responsibly.

- 1 STICK TO LIFEGUARDED AREAS**

It's never advisable to enter unsupervised bodies of water, especially alone. Instead, it's considered best practice to accompany children to places with lifeguards, as they will be trained to respond swiftly in emergencies and provide first aid when needed.
- 2 LEARN SIGNS AND FLAGS**

When going to a new environment, it's important to research the local area and make children aware of safety signage before entering the water. If visiting the seaside, make sure children are always supervised by an adult and that they know what different beach flags mean, so they're knowledgeable of where and when they can enter the sea.
- 3 STOP AND THINK**

Young people should be cautious before entering water, as it's difficult to know what hazards could be underneath. Use the Water Safety Code and encourage children to ask themselves questions such as, "Is the water too deep or too shallow? Are there currents, tides, or underwater objects?" Make sure children know never to enter water from a height, as what lurks below could cause serious injuries.
- 4 CONSIDER WATER TEMPERATURE**

Even on hot days, water can be deceptively cold. Tragedies strike when young people experience cold water shock. Never let children enter water quickly; instead, ensure that they enter slowly and carefully to allow their bodies to adjust to the temperature or exit easily if needed.
- 5 INFLATABLE SAFETY**

Although inflatables may seem like a fun idea when visiting locations like the beach, they can float further out from shore and into more dangerous water. It's advisable only to use inflatables in spaces like appropriately managed swimming pools, where they're used in more controlled and supervised environments.
- 6 SUPERVISION IS KEY**

For young children, and particularly those under the age of five, it's important for them to be supervised at home, outside and at the pool at all times. It's essential for parents and educators to understand that young children can drown quickly and silently; therefore, anyone supervising them must maintain constant watch in case they get into difficulty.
- 7 DON'T GO TOO FAR**

When swimming, especially in open water, it's best to teach children to stay within a safe depth. Share advice with them such as only entering water up to a standing depth and in the case of visiting the beach, swim parallel to shorelines. This will allow a child to stay in control and get out of the water easily.
- 8 KEEP POOLS AND TUBS DRAINED**

For parents of young children, a simple way to protect them at home is to keep outdoor spaces and bathrooms tidy after playtime. This includes removing water from paddling pools after use and turning them over, returning lids to hot tubs and taking toys out of bathtubs, so all water can be fully drained from the tub.
- 9 FLOAT AND CALL 999**

If a child gets into difficulty in the water, they should try to float on their back, stay calm, and call for help. If a young person sees someone else in trouble, they should dial 999 or 112 immediately, then shout to reassure their friend, encouraging them to float on their back, and letting them know that help is on the way. Children should never enter the water to attempt a rescue or retrieve belongings.
- 10 TEACH WATER SAFETY**

Beyond swimming lessons, children should be educated in school on water safety. Use RLSS UK's accredited programme, 'Water Smart Schools', which offers free lesson plans and resources on how to be safe on, near and around water by following the Water Safety Code.

**Meet Our Expert**  
The Royal Life Saving Society UK (RLSS UK) is a national water safety charity that gives children the chance to enjoy a lifetime of fun in the water, safely. Water safety education provided in schools is vital and, in some instances, could be a child's only opportunity to learn about the water.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 15 July – 12 August  
 Wednesday 23 July  
 Thursday 14 August  
 Thursday 21 August  
 Monday 1 & Tuesday 2 September  
 Wednesday 3 September  
 Thursday 4 September

Camps International Peru Expedition  
 End of Term  
 A-level and Vocational Qualifications Results Day  
 GCSE Results Day and Sixth Form Enrolment  
 Inset Day (Staff only in school)  
 Y7 and 12 in school (and Y13 resit students)  
 All students return to school