Langley Park School for Girls

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



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Dear Families,

I know that I am not the only one to be experiencing an especially busy few weeks in December with preparations for Christmas, a busy social calendar and a number of events and activities taking place. I hope that the Christmas holidays provide the break that we all want and need, while also enabling us to spend time with friends and family.

Our termly newsletter has been published, with thanks to Mr Fox Joyce and all who have contributed to this. It certainly provides a more colourful insight into life at LPGS than I have been able to convey in my weekly letter to families. Please click here to access the full newsletter.

I wanted to take this opportunity to provide some important information and to thank you for your support this term and throughout 2024. By working in partnership, we are, have been (and will continue to be) able to support our children and young people and to enable them to thrive.

Staffing Changes

A few staff members are leaving us at the end of this term and we wish them all the very best and thank them for their support and service to the school.

Mrs Olomo (Teacher in Charge of Business Studies)
Miss Glanville (Teacher of Psychology)
Mr Inns (Temporary Teacher of Psychology)
Mrs Tunney (Cover Teacher)
Ms Awoberu (Assistant Headteacher)

We look forward to Mrs Seare and Dr Jennings returning in January to resume their teaching of Psychology and Science and to welcoming and introducing new colleagues to students and families at the start of next term.

School Uniform

We recognise the value of having a uniform in encouraging identity with, and support for the school's ethos, establishing and reinforcing high expectations, supporting positive behaviour and discipline and preparing students for the future. All students are expected to wear the correct school uniform when travelling to and from school, during the school day and on journeys, events and visits arranged by the school unless otherwise specified. Thank you in advance for your continued support in ensuring students are wearing the correct items of clothing, in line with our expectations (as published in the Parent Handbook) as they return to school in the new year.

Students are reminded that false eyelashes, false nails, non-permitted items of jewellery and make up should be removed before returning to school on the first day of term.

Cashless Catering

Please ensure that your child's sQuid account is topped up to enable them to purchase food and drink at the start of the new school year.

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Contact Information

It is important that we have the most up to date contact information for all students on site, should your child be taken ill and need to be collected quickly. If you are in doubt, please contact the school to check this info@lpqs.bromley.sch.uk Your help in this matter would be appreciated.

Safeguarding Over the Christmas Break

During the holiday period, the school will be closed. Please be aware that staff emails will not be checked throughout the Christmas break. If you have any safeguarding concerns and/or require information, please visit the dedicated wellbeing page of our <u>website</u> and access the <u>holiday wellbeing and safety resources</u>.

Return to School

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

With my very best wishes for the Christmas break and thanks for your continued support of your child, the staff and school.

Yours faithfully,

S J Whittle Headteacher

UPCOMING EVENTS

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

Students return to school Year 9 Parents' Evening Year 8 Parents' Evening Year 11 & 13 Trial Exams 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