

Langley Park School for Girls

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



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Dear Families,

On Monday, we had the honour of hosting the Bromley Regional Final of the Jack Petchey's Speak Out Challenge, in partnership with Jack Petchey Foundation and Speakers' Trust. It was a celebration of confidence, public speaking and self-expression, with Year 10 students representing schools from across Bromley. It was truly inspiring to see young people from across the borough delivering highly engaging and skilled presentations, articulating their thoughts with passion and conviction. Nevaeh R and Lucy C represented Langley Park School for Girls brilliantly and delivered their speeches to a large audience and panel of visiting judges. Huge congratulations to Lucy C (10SH) for winning the overall competition with her impressive and heartfelt speech on the topic of neurodiversity. Lucy will shortly find out whether she is shortlisted to compete in the national finals at Cambridge Theatre, London in July. I would like to thank Ms Walker and the English Department for the preparation and organisation of this high profile event. Imogen B (Year 10) and Ava W (Year 8) also deserve praise and recognition for their outstanding musical performances on the evening.

Jack Petchey's "SPEAK OUT" Challenge!



I would also like to congratulate Una O Y8 who placed 6th at the British Schools Gymnastic Association Schools Trampoline National Finals in Telford last weekend. Una competed against 37 competitors from all over the UK!

This week has also been a significant one academically, with Year 10 and Year 12 students undertaking assessments during assessment week. Whilst I know that tests can be challenging, we have been impressed by the maturity, focus and resilience demonstrated by our students. These assessments provide an opportunity for students and teachers to assess understanding and confidence with taught material. Their hard work will undoubtedly pay off as they continue their learning journey.

Our Year 13 Religious Studies students attended *The Word Candle Conference* at Bloomsbury Baptist Church — a fantastic revision workshop that provided them with valuable insights and discussions on key topics in philosophy and ethics. Engaging with expert speakers and fellow students from other schools, this experience will no doubt support their preparation for the upcoming exams.

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Meanwhile, our Year 11 GCSE Textiles students had the opportunity to explore the Leigh Bowery exhibition and the permanent collections at the Tate Modern. This trip gave students a unique insight into contemporary and historical textile design, sparking creativity and inspiration for their own work.

We were also delighted to welcome parents and carers to our Year 7 Parents' Evening this week. These evenings are an essential part of our partnership with families, providing an opportunity to reflect on students' progress. Thank you to all who attended and to our staff for their time and commitment.

On Wednesday, our Personal Development Day provided an invaluable opportunity for students to engage in 1:1 appointments with their tutors and other staff members. These discussions allowed them to set meaningful targets for the remainder of the year, in line with their aspirations and future goals. It was wonderful to see students reflecting on their achievements this year and to learn more about our students through these powerful conversations. I sincerely hope that we will have demonstrated our care and interest in students as learners and people. I particularly enjoyed asking students to tell me something about them that I did not know and discovering students' interests and passions in Formula 1, Irish dancing, kayaking, skateboarding, ice skating, ballet and music; as well as the menagerie of pets some of our students keep at home! It was reassuring to ask students who they consider to be trusted adults in school and for them to name a number of key staff members, with whom they have positive relationships. A trusted adult is someone whom they feel comfortable approaching if they need support or are worried about anything. I would like to personally thank parents/carers for your support of this day, as we have introduced this in the perceived interests of our young people.

I am delighted to announce that we will be the Joint Secondary Music Lead School for Bromley, alongside Hayes School, working with Bromley Youth Music Trust and other music services and lead schools in South East London. This is in recognition of the curriculum and extra-curricular opportunities we provide for children and young people in Music. We look forward to working in partnership with others to support the delivery of training and develop school music provision across the borough in new and exciting ways.

This evening our talented dance students will be showcasing their hard work and creativity in our Mixtape production at Langley Park Centre for the Performing Arts. This promises to be a fantastic evening of performance, and we are incredibly proud of all involved.

And finally, looking ahead to next week, our Under-16s football team will be playing in front of a home crowd for the Bromley Cup Semi Final against Newstead Wood School. This follows their incredible success in the Kent Cup, which saw them crowned champions earlier this term.

Congratulations to all students on their achievements and efforts this week. I wish all an enjoyable and restful weekend.

Yours faithfully,

S J Whittle
Headteacher

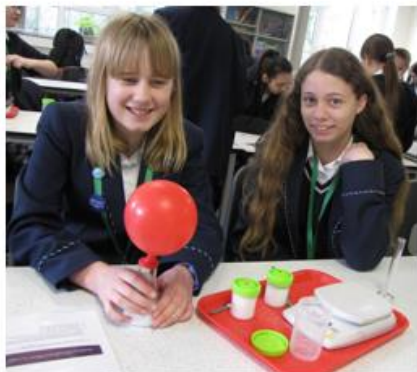
MESSAGES FROM STAFF

British Science Week

British Science Week took place from 7 to 16 March and at LPGS we celebrated with a number of lunchtime workshops and activities open to all students. A number of conservation activities, including seed planting and maintenance of our pond and wildlife area, took place, as well as a mini beast safari and a bath bomb building workshop. The poster competition for Y7-10 students to design healthier public spaces closes on 28 March, so we look forward to seeing all your entries!

On Thursday 13 March our inaugural LPGS Science Shorts event took place, in which Year 12 students delivered engaging speeches on various topics; from the genetics of intelligence to the use of 3D printing in medicine; to an audience of science classes from KS3 and KS4. The production team of students from our Media

Enrichment group are now busy editing their video footage of the talks, so look out for the release of the finished videos later this year! We also hosted our third annual Primary Science Festival, welcoming 180 Year 6 students from Impact MAT primary schools. Groups of students from Years 9 and 10 planned and delivered practical science lessons to our visitors on the Year 6 topics of human body systems, light and electricity – they did a fantastic job as teachers for the day!



Miss V Parry, Head of Science

Music Festival 2025

Please join us at one (or more!) of the Music Department's events taking place between now and Easter that are part of our Langley Music Festival. The events are as follows:

Monday 24 March – BYMT Schools Prom

Our student-led A Capella vocal group are representing LPGS
Fairfield Halls, 7pm (tickets available from [Bromley Schools' Prom | Fairfield Halls | Croydon](#))

Tuesday 25 March & Thursday 27 March – LPSB Gala Concerts

Featuring our MAT Orchestra playing a programme of Tchaikovsky & Abba!
Langley Concert Hall, 7.30pm (tickets available from [Langley Park Centre for the Performing Arts event tickets from TicketSource.](#))

Wednesday 26 March – Impact Trust Piano Evening

Six Yr.7 – 10 students are representing LPGS
Langley Concert Hall, 7pm (no tickets required, free admission)

Friday 28 March – LPSB Rock Nite

Featuring our very own LPGS girl band 'Swerve'
Langley Concert Hall, 7pm

Monday 31 March – LPGS Year 7 Scheme Concert

Form groups learning Dood, Violin & Trombone this term showcase what they have learnt from scratch
LPGS Main Hall, 4pm (no tickets required, free admission)

Wednesday 2 April – LPGS Spring Cabaret

Soloists, Chamber Choir, Jazz Band, MAT Orchestra, A Capella
LPGS Main Hall, 6.30pm (ticket link being sent home on Weds 26 March)





Ms G Sheppard, Head of Music

INFORMATION

Pre-loved Uniform Sale

Our next pre-loved uniform sale will take place on Tuesday 25 March from 3.30-4.30pm in the Canteen area. Please note, parents/carers will not be able to enter the school building until 3.30pm.

Bromley Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF)

For further information please visit the HAF website [here](https://www.bromley.gov.uk/xfp/form/228).

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HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE
AGES: 8 - 18 YEARS OLD
& RECEIVING BENEFIT RELATED
FREE SCHOOL MEALS

- East Hub @ The Link Youth Centre, Midfield Way, St Pauls Cray BR5 2QL
- North Hub @ Castlecombe Youth Club, Castlecombe Rd Nottingham S19 4A7
- South Hub @ Spitfire Youth Club, Church Rd, Biggin Hill TN16 3LR
- West Hub @ Streetwise Youth Club, @ Melvin Halls, Melvin Dd, Penge, SE20 8SU

Each day will include a meal & fun activities!

- Baking
- Arts & Crafts Workshops
- Discovery Projects
- Team Sports & Games
- T-shirt making
- IT skills & fun

To see the dates, times & book a place please scan the QR code or use the link below: <https://www.bromley.gov.uk/xfp/form/228>

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BROMLEY YOUTH
 DEPARTMENT FOR EDUCATION

UPCOMING EVENTS

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| Monday 24 March | Y12 Chemistry Trip to Super Lab |
| Tuesday 25 March | Y12 UCAS Exhibition Trip |
| Tuesday 25 March | Y11 Sixth Form Experience Day |
| Tuesday 25 March | Pre-loved Uniform Sale |
| Tuesday 25 March | IMAT Orchestra Concert |
| Tuesday 25 & Wednesday 26 March | Y10 Geography Fieldwork |
| Wednesday 26 March – Wednesday 2 April | Spanish Exchange |
| Wednesday 26 March | IMAT Piano Evening |
| Thursday 27 March | Y11 & 13 Targeted Parents' Evening (by invitation) |
| Thursday 27 March | IMAT Orchestra Concert |
| Friday 28 March | Music Festival Rock Nite |
| Monday 31 March | Y7 Music Scheme Concert |
| Wednesday 2 April | Y12 Destinations Event for Parents/Carers (online) |
| Wednesday 2 April | Spring Cabaret Concert |
| Thursday 3 April | Culture Day |
| Friday 4 April | End of Term |
| Saturday 5 & Sunday 6 April | Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Expedition |
| Monday 7 – Thursday 10 April | Y11 & 13 Easter Revision Sessions |
| Tuesday 22 April | Return to School |
| Thursday 24 April | Y11 & 13 Exam Compliance Parent Information Meeting |

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