Langley Park School for Girls

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

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Dear Families,

In this week's letter, I would like to take a moment to acknowledge some significant milestones for our students and staff, as well as highlighting exciting upcoming events.

Our Year 13 students have now completed their final UCAS submissions, marking an important step towards their future aspirations. We are incredibly proud of their dedication and ambition and wish them every success in securing offers from their chosen universities and pathways.

This week, we also bid farewell to our trainee teachers who have been with us for their first placement. We thank them for their enthusiasm and commitment to our students and wish them well as they continue their training journey. Additionally, we send our best wishes to Ms Artini as she begins her maternity leave. We look forward to welcoming her back in due course and wish her and her family all the very best.

LPGS musicians performed in this week's Platform Concert, an informal event attended by friends, family and school staff, at which the appreciative audience were entertained by a number of vocal and instrumental performances, including several from musical theatre.

You will have received a letter from me requesting voluntary contributions to the school fund. These contributions play a crucial role in enhancing the education and experiences we can provide for students. While we fully recognise the ongoing cost-of-living pressures on families, schools continue to face significant financial challenges. Increased expectations on schools have not been matched with corresponding funding increases, and although recent per-pupil funding adjustments have been made, they follow years of real-term cuts. Rising costs continue to exceed any additional funding provided. Any support families can give is greatly appreciated and makes a tangible difference in enriching opportunities for all students.

Looking ahead, I am pleased to invite you to the AGM and relaunch of our Parent, Teacher and Friends Association (PTFA), 'The Friends of Langley Girls'. This group will be instrumental in strengthening our school community and helping us realise our collective ambitions. We hope many of you will be able to join us at this and subsequent meetings in making this initiative a great success.

Next week, we look forward to our Futures Fair, where students will have the opportunity to engage with local and national employers, universities, education and training providers, and other organisations. This event will provide invaluable guidance and inspiration, helping students explore their future options and consider their next steps.

In addition, our second Sixth Form Open Event will take place on Tuesday offering another chance for students and families to learn more about the breadth of subjects available within LPGS6 and to speak to teachers and current students about life in our Sixth Form.

Yours faithfully,

S J Whittle Headteacher

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MESSAGES FROM STAFF

Year 11 Post 16 Options

We are enjoying meeting with our Year 11 students to discuss their post 16 options, assisting with A Level and BTEC/CTEC choices, and/or college applications. Students are being allocated meetings to take place during form time, break time and lunch time, please encourage your child to make a note of their allocated date and time (these will be e-mailed to them and relayed to them by their form tutors).

Mrs Hayden & Miss Day, Careers & Futures Team

INFORMATION

Sixth Form Open Event – Tuesday 4 February



Parent, Teacher & Friends' Association AGM - Tuesday 25 February



Senior Ivory Lounge



Girls' Football Camp



DK Youth Theatre



UPCOMING EVENTS

Tuesday 4 February Thursday 6 February Friday 7 February Monday 10 - Friday 14 February Thursday 13 February Wednesday 12 February Friday 14 - Thursday 20 Feb Monday 17 – Friday 21 February Monday 24 - Friday 28 February Monday 17 - Friday 21 March Thursday 20 March Monday 31 March Monday 7 - Monday 21 April Tuesday 22 April Thursday 1 May Thursday 15 May

Details of sports fixtures can be found on Firefly

Sixth Form Open Event Year 8 Parents' Evening **Futures Fair** Year 11 & 13 Trial Exams Spanish Exchange Parent Meeting Y12 Photography Trip Ski Trip Half Term Year 11 & 13 Trial Exams Y10 & 12 Assessment Week Year 7 Parents' Evening Y7 Music Scheme Concert Easter Break Summer Term begins Year 12 Parents' Evening Year 10 Parents' Evening