

Langley Park School for Girls

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



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22nd September 2025

Dear Parents and Carers,

Personal Development Day & Open Evening – Thursday 1st October 2026

As part of our ongoing commitment to developing a sense of 'belonging' and enabling everyone to thrive, we are looking to once again run a Personal Development Day on Thursday 1st October. Feedback from students and staff previously was that this provided a really valuable opportunity for every student to have a 1:1 conversation, to reflect on and share their interests and successes and set personal goals for the year.

On this day normal lessons will be suspended and students will complete remote learning from home independently as well as attend school during this time for an individual appointment with their form tutor or another allocated member of staff. Shortly, students in all year groups (Years 7-13) will be advised of a time and location for their 1:1 appointment with a member of staff; for the majority of our students, this will be with their form tutor.

Thursday 2 October		
	Periods 1-4	Period 5
Years 7-13	Students complete remote learning and wellbeing activities at home as set on the Student Portal. and Students attend their 1:1 mentoring appointment in school at their designated time with their tutor/named staff member	Students will not be required to attend school after 1.05pm. Students should complete remote learning and wellbeing activities at home
Year 11 only	In addition to the above, some Year 11 students will also meet with our Careers Team. All Year 11s will get this opportunity this term.	

Students are expected to attend school in correct school uniform/Sixth Form dress code. During their time in school, students will complete a self-reflection and prepare for an individual appointment with a member of staff lasting approximately 10 minutes. They will be encouraged to reflect on their achievements to date, their goals (considering academic, pastoral and enrichment aspects of school life) and to set targets for the remainder of this academic year. Alongside these targets, they will also be asked to consider what further support they may need from the school or home, which we will communicate to you subsequently. Students will be in school for approximately 30-40 minutes on this day.

Students will be required to report to a designated area for their year group on arrival at school, where they will complete a preparatory task. Following their appointment, they will be free to sign out, to leave school and to return home and resume remote learning.

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Any student who does not attend their appointment on that day will need to complete their appointment at another time, likely to be after school, and their absence from school will be recorded as unauthorised unless there is a justifiable reason.

We are planning a series of worthwhile activities for students to complete from home on this day, in support of their personal development, including a focus on wellbeing. Years 11 and 13 are encouraged to use the time at home as an opportunity for revision and consolidation in preparation for their forthcoming trial exams, however they should also build in time to focus on their wellbeing.

An opportunity will be planned for a mid-year reflection for students to reflect on their progress in achieving the targets they have set for themselves, as well as another opportunity towards the end of the year to reflect further.

Additional information

If your child is entitled to receive free school meals, you can request a packed lunch from school by completing [this form](#). Lunches will be available for collection by your child from the Canteen during the morning.

If you cannot make alternative arrangements for your child to work from home during the day, we will have limited capacity within school to accommodate children and provide supervision for the completion of online remote learning tasks. Please complete [this form](#) **by Friday 25th September**.

We hope that all students will see the day as a positive opportunity for them to reflect on their learning, progress and achievements while also identifying ways in which they want to develop and improve. We very much look forward to speaking with students on an individual basis and to continuing to support them in school.

Open Evening – Thursday 1st October 5.00pm – 8.00pm

Our Personal Development Day is taking place on the same day as our Open Evening. As ever, we recognise that there will be a large number of student volunteers supporting the event and many students will therefore be returning into school in the evening to support as tour guides and within department areas.

Thank you to all the students who are supporting at Open Evening and showcasing our school.

Friday 2nd October – Later start at 10.00am

On Friday 2nd October, school gates will open from 9.45am and students will be expected to be in form time at 10.00am. Period 2 lessons will start at 10.10am.

Many thanks for your support with the arrangements for this day.

Yours faithfully,

Ms C Sunman
Assistant Headteacher