

Langley Park School for Girls

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



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10th July 2026

Dear Families,

This week's highlight has undoubtedly been our school production of *Sister Act*, which tells the funny and heart-warming story of Deloris, a nightclub singer who finds herself hiding in a convent and unexpectedly transforming a struggling choir. The performances of the cast and the overall production genuinely rivalled any West End show. We enjoyed outstanding vocals, highly polished choreography, slick dance routines and impeccable comic timing — all supported by our brilliant musicians.

It must have been exceptionally hot under a habit and the stage lights, yet this never dampened the spirits or professionalism of our cast, who were clearly having the time of their lives on stage. Congratulations to everyone involved, both on stage and backstage. I was bursting with pride, as I know the family and friends of our performers will have been. My sincere thanks go to Ms Stanley (Director), Miss Sheppard (Musical Director) and our dance, drama and music departments for their leadership and hard work over many months. Thank you also to the staff at Langley Park Centre for the Performing Arts, PTFA and all who attended and supported our productions, with the curtain rising on the last performance later this evening.

Our Year 10 students have taken part in a range of Relationships, Sex & Health Education (RSHE) sessions this week, during drop down days, covering important statutory topics within sex education. I am especially grateful to the teachers for delivering these sessions. Today, we welcomed Bromley Changes into school to deliver information sessions to Years 9, 10 and 12. They educated students on the risks and effects of various drugs — including vaping, alcohol and energy drinks. Both these sessions are aimed at providing students with accurate, age-appropriate information to help them make informed, safe and responsible decisions as they move through adolescence into adulthood — I encourage families to have follow up discussions at home, following these sessions and remind families that the video from the Bromley Changes parent workshop is available [online](#).

I witnessed first-hand the tradition of the Year 7 MFL Song Competition on Thursday, with my own class competing against all Year 7 language classes in French, German or Spanish. Whilst I shared the competitive spirit of my class, nothing prepared me for just how seriously this is taken by students and the team of languages teachers. Students impressed with their performances of songs to popular tracks by Michael Jackson, Katy Perry and Backstreet Boys, all with the twist of lyrics written by students in French, German and Spanish, demonstrating all that they have learned in just one year. The costumes and dance performances added to the overall performances with Ms Artini's Spanish class being crowned champions, with an especially catchy song. Félicitations, herzlichen Glückwunsch and felicidades to all involved!

Thank you to families who have responded to our RSE curriculum consultation, in light of new statutory guidance for schools from September 2026. The consultation closes today and we welcome your feedback. The establishment of our 'Thrive' curriculum next year is an exciting new development for LPGS, aligned with our commitment to educating the whole child and our vision to foster a love of learning, promote personal growth and equip students with the knowledge and skills needed for the future.

The final weeks of the summer term always involve future planning while continuing our normal lessons and enrichment opportunities. Building on work from the INSET Day, departments have had additional planning time, and subject leaders have participated in curriculum away days to explore developments and stay abreast of the latest research in curriculum design, teaching and learning, led by Ms Sunman, Assistant Headteacher.

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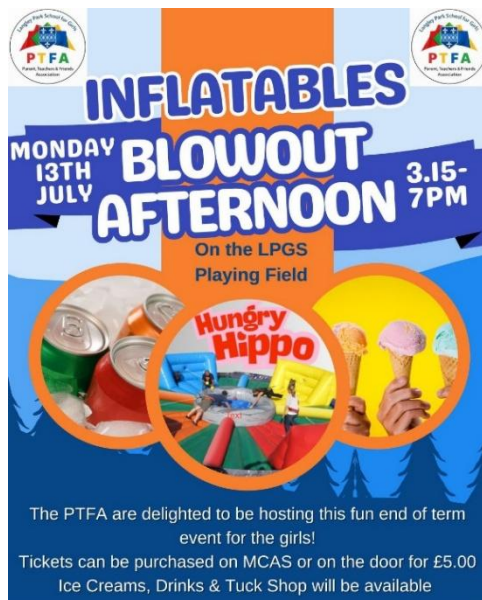
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Next week we look forward to:

- **House competitions** in rounders and cricket
- **Achievement assemblies**
- **Year 9 celebration** marking the end of Key Stage 3
- **Year 7 residential**
- **Globe Players** performing *An Inspector Calls* and *Macbeth* for Years 8 and 9
- **Year 12 work experience**
- **DofE Silver Qualifying Expedition**



A new and exciting addition to the LPGS calendar is our Inflatables Blowout Afternoon, organised by the PTFA as a fun way for students to celebrate the summer. I hope students and families will support this event, helping raise funds for the school.

The weather has certainly been a “hot” topic of conversation. Thank you to students, staff and families for your support as temperatures have risen again. Looking ahead, I am hopeful that our activities — including Sports Day — will proceed as normal, taking into account forecast temperatures and the safety of our school community. As communicated earlier this week, students may wear summer uniform or full PE kit for the remainder of term. Students must wear correct school PE kit and bring all equipment, including their lanyard. Anyone arriving in clothing other than correct PE kit or school uniform will be instructed to change into the correct kit if available, or will be sent home to change. We appreciate your support in ensuring students are dressed appropriately and remain comfortable during periods of hot weather.

And finally, I am sure that many will be watching the next match between England and Norway and be thankful that the timing is somewhat more sociable and will allow most a lie-in the next day.

With very best wishes

Mr S Whittle
Headteacher

MESSAGES FROM STAFF

Last day arrangements – Wednesday 22nd 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: 11.30am

Years 7-10: 12.45pm

Start of Term Arrangements

Tuesday 1st and Wednesday 2nd September are INSET days and students are not in school.

Thursday 4th September we will welcome our Year 7 and Year 12 students to school.

Friday 5th September, all students return to school at 8.30am.

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Engineering, Maths and Physics Sixth Form Conference – University of Kent

Eight Year 12 students attended the Engineering, Mathematics and Physics Sixth Form Conference at the University of Kent in Canterbury on Monday 6th July, accompanied by Ms Hines and Mr Small. During the conference, students took part in a range of engaging and thought-provoking sessions linked to their areas of interest.

Mathematics students explored the challenge of pricing car insurance and discovered how mathematical techniques are used by insurers to assess risk. They also uncovered the mathematics behind how computers recognise handwriting, gaining an insight into real-world applications of the subject. Engineering students attended sessions on robotics, biomedical engineering, and the role of solar cells in energy and power generation, learning about cutting-edge developments shaping the future of technology.

The conference provided students with valuable insight into university-level study and the diverse opportunities available within STEM careers, while inspiring them to explore further study and future pathways in these exciting fields.



Mrs Arivanantham, Head of Maths Faculty

National Competition success!

Earlier this term, a number of our Year 10 students completed the National Scientific Thinking Challenge. 33 students were awarded certificates including 3 Gold awards for Lottie H, Yingying L and Daisy W. This is a fantastic achievement as it puts them in the top 10% of entrants nationally. In June, some of our Year 12 chemistry students participated in the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge, a prestigious national competition for Year 12 students. This year there were over 15,000 entries comprising the top A-Level students from across the country. Four students were awarded a "Copper" award: Clara N, Sanugiya R, Chinichem P and Zane B. **Congratulations to all!**

Miss Parry, Head of Science Faculty

Year 8 - Girls in the Built Environment Day

What a day! As part of our work to ensure that all KS3 students take part in one week of work experience-based activities, we devised a day where the students learnt about the plethora of jobs available in an industry where currently, women are underrepresented. Our Year 8 students took part in a whole day task to design and build a prototype bridge from LPGS to "Lang Land," an island just off its coast.



Next, students had to choose a place on the island to develop while sticking to budget, trying to make a profit, taking sustainability into account and devising a marketing plan to deliver to potential investors in their final pitch at the end of the day. This demonstrated a whole school approach to careers with many departments getting involved, including our very own finance department who ran the builders yard! We would like to thank the wonderful companies who attended and gave support and advice to our students.

Mrs Hayden and Miss Day, Careers Leaders

Uniform events

Price & Buckland uniform sizing events

Monday 13th and Tuesday 14th July from 4-7.30pm (last appointment 7pm).

Please click on the link below to book an appointment at the sizing events. Please note there will be multiple attendees for each slot.

[Uniform Fitting Event Bookings](#)

The event will take place in the Sixth Form Base, please enter the school via the gate opposite Langley Park Primary School.

Please note this is purely a sizing event, it will not be possible to purchase uniform on these days.

PTFA Pre-Loved Uniform Sale

Wednesday 15th July 2025 – 3.30pm-4.30pm. Please enter via the main reception from 3.30pm.

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Reminder: Free School Meals Changes from September 2026

From 1 September 2026, all families receiving Universal Credit will be eligible for Free School Meals. This will increase the number of eligible pupils.

The Department for Education has advised that **all children must be reassessed** under the new criteria to ensure records are accurate.

FOR ACTION: If your child currently receives Free School Meals (FSM) and/or is eligible under the new criteria, please complete the form below (specific to students at Langley Park School for Girls) as soon as possible and by **17th July**.

LPGS application link: [2026-27 Free School Meals Application - Langley Park School for Girls – Fill in form](#)

You may be eligible for free school meals following recent changes in criteria - applying is quick, confidential, and could benefit your child. Registering also helps the school receive additional funding to support learning and wellbeing for all students.

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UPCOMING EVENTS

WE WILL BE SUPPORTING

Sister Act

8, 9 & 10 July



Treat yourself to soft drinks, lager, wine, G&T or Prosecco. Plus a selection of snacks and sweets.

We take cash and **CARD**



SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE

15th July in the Canteen.

This is a great time of year to have a clear out so if you find any spare uniform please can you leave it at Reception.

WHAT IS MATCHED FUNDING?

Did you know many employers offer matched funding for charities and school fundraising events?

As a registered charity, Langley Park School for Girls PTFA may be eligible for matched funding through your workplace. This can make a huge difference to the opportunities, resources and experiences we provide for our students.

If your employer offers matched funding, we would love to hear from you.

PLEASE EMAIL "MATCHED FUNDING" TO:
PTFA@LPGS.BROMLEY.SCH.UK

INFLATABLES AFTERNOON!

We are excited to be hosting an afternoon of fun on **Monday 13th July** from 3.15pm. There will be various different inflatables on the field, an ice cream van and we will be selling drinks and tuck - cards & cash accepted. Tickets are £5, available to buy in advance on MCAS and on the day on entry.

All year groups welcome. Pick up by 7.30pm.

CALENDAR

9 th – 11 th July	Y12 Politics Trip to Brussels
13 th – 17 th July	Y12 Work Experience
13 th July	PTFA Inflatables Afternoon
13 th & 14 th July	Price & Buckland Uniform Sizing Events
15 th July	PTFA Pre-loved Uniform Sale
15 th - 17 th July	Y7 PGL Trip
20 th July	Sports Day
21 st July	Culture Day
22 nd July	Last Day of Term
13 th August	A-Level & Vocational Qualification Results Day
20 th August	GCSE Results Day and Sixth Form Enrolment
3 rd September	Y7 & 12 Students in School
4 th September	All students return

Our full school calendar, including sports fixtures and extra-curricular activities, can be viewed [here](#).