Langley Park School for Girls

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

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17th October 2025

Dear Families,

As we approach the half-term break, I want to take a moment to reflect on the journey our students have made since the start of term. In my initial newsletter and at the start of the year, I spoke about the importance of developing positive habits—habits that shape not only academic success but also personal growth, resilience, and character development. It has been heartening to see these habits taking root across the school.

This week, we welcomed prospective families to our Open Morning tours, following our recent successful Open Evening. Showing visitors around our school in action, I felt immensely proud of the achievements of students and their ambition and determination, which were evident in lessons.

On Thursday, a small group of our Year 9 and 10 students attended a youth conference at The Warren, joining peers from other Bromley secondary schools, local authority representatives and community organisations. Through motivational talks and interactive workshops, they explored their potential and have, I hope, returned inspired to make a difference.

Meanwhile, our Year 10 textiles students visited Kew Gardens and the Material World Exhibition, gathering contextual research and creative inspiration for their coursework. Their curiosity and engagement with the physical and natural landscape will, I am sure, result in some accomplished outcomes in their own work later this year. We are also grateful to our partners at Tate and Lyle who hosted our Year 12 BTEC Applied Science students. The visit supported their case study work and deepened their understanding of health, safety, and communication in a professional scientific setting.

Closer to home, our PTFA volunteers ran a tuck shop after school this week, which proved very popular with students. At their AGM, the committee confirmed a generous £5,000 donation towards picnic benches, enhancing our outdoor spaces and improving the day-to-day experience for all. We are incredibly thankful for their continued support and dedication.

Our librarian, Mrs Hall, shared with me that our book fair had been the most successful ever with the school receiving over £1,000 in commission to spend on additional books for the Library. One of the most encouraging habits we continue to see developing among our students is a genuine interest in reading. Whether it's through our library, classroom activities, or independent choices, students are engaging with a wide range of texts that broaden their understanding, fuel their imaginations and strengthen critical thinking.

The recent staff, student and parent/carer consultations on school uniform evidence the input we can all have on key decision making and it has been exciting to see student leadership assemblies taking place this week to launch our student council and various student leadership roles and groups. After half-term students will be electing their form reps ahead of husting assemblies and an election to elect year group representatives. Student leaders will also shape our work in developing wellbeing, social action and work on equality, diversity and inclusion.

Looking ahead to after half-term we will be holding auditions for our school production of Sister Act from Monday 3rd November-Wednesday 5th November. The Performing Arts team look forward to seeing students getting involved in what will undoubtedly be a high quality and uplifting production – a hallmark of dance, drama and music at LPGS. For more information students can visit the audition pages on Firefly.

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Finally, we send our very best wishes to our staff and student musicians as they embark on their music tour to Belgium and the Netherlands. We hope it is a safe, successful, and enriching experience for everyone involved.

I wish all our students, staff and families a great half-term break and encourage all to take time to rest, reflect, and recharge.

Thank you for your continued support.

With very best wishes.

Mr S Whittle Headteacher

MESSAGES FROM STAFF

House Competition

We're excited to announce the results of our second House Competition of the year, which celebrates the positive contributions of our students through their P and C points. For this challenge, each student's net score is calculated by subtracting their C points from their P points. To ensure fairness across houses with different student numbers, we then average these scores to determine each house's overall performance. The results are in: **Gamma** came 4th with an average of **64.3 points per student**, **Sigma** placed 3rd with **65.2 points**, **Lambda** secured 2nd with **75.1 points**, and **Kappa** took the lead in 1st place with an impressive **77.5 points**. Well done to all students for their efforts and contributions!

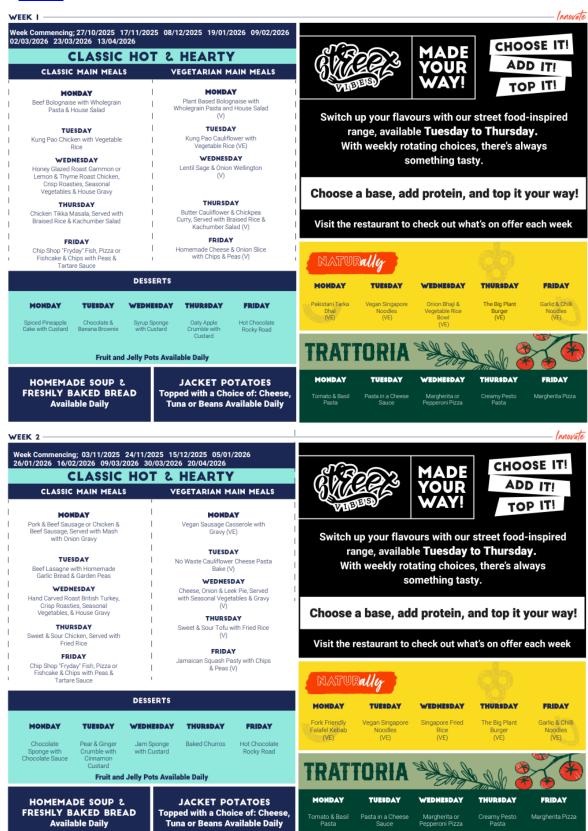
We are thrilled to celebrate a fantastic achievement this term: **911 students** have not yet received any C points! This is a testament to their outstanding behaviour, positive attitude, and dedication to making respectful and responsible choices every day. It's a wonderful reflection of the values we promote as a school community, and we are incredibly proud of each student who has contributed to this success. Keep up the great work!

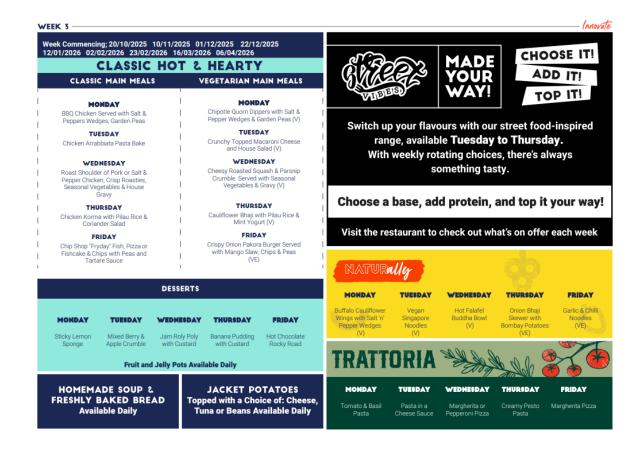
Mr P Seward, Deputy Headteacher

INFORMATION

New Menu

Please see below the new menu from Innovate which will be available after half term. These are also available on our website.





The Wellbeing Hub Webinar - Wednesday 22nd October, 6:30pm (BST)

Based on Alicia's book *Why Every Teenager Needs A Parrot,* this webinar explores the developmental drive of adolescence and how it impacts parent/child relationships and behaviour. We will discuss how our role needs to change, so we can help young people manage risk and avoid harm, and how to talk about sensitive subjects such as drugs, pornography and relationships. This webinar is available for parents and carers of children aged 10 and above.

Please note, webinars are run in Microsoft Teams - if you are prompted to 'sign-in' during the registration process, you simply need to enter a valid email address. This session is FREE for all members of The Wellbeing Hub. Click the link to register today.



CALENDAR

 $17^{th} - 21^{st}$ October Music Tour $20^{th} - 31^{st}$ October Half Term 3^{rd} November Return to School w/c 3^{rd} November Y13 Trial Exams

10th November Y7 Mamma Mia Auditions 11th November Y7- 11 Flu Vaccinations

13th November Duke of Edinburgh Award Evening

18th November Y7 Gamma & Sigma Mamma Mia Concert 19th November Y7 Kappa & Lambda Mamma Mia Concert

20th November 2026 Ski Trip Parent Meeting W/c 24th November Y10 & 12 Assessment Week

24th November – 1st December Spanish Exchange

w/c 1st December

1st December

4th December

W/c 8th December

Y7 & 8 Assessment Week

Y7 Music Scheme Concert

Sixth Form Open Evening

Y7, 8 & 9 Assessment Week

9th December SEND Parent Forum

10th December Christmas Concert Auditions

11th December Y11 Parents' Evening w/c 15th December Y9 Assessment Week 17th December Christmas Concert 19th December End of Term