

Langley Park School for Girls

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



Headteacher: Mr S Whittle, MA (Cantab), PGCE, NPQH

19th June 2026

Dear Families,

Following our recent trust-wide student and staff surveys, which are conducted every two years across all schools, I am pleased to share some key messages with parents.

Student feedback remains very positive overall. Pupils told us they feel safe in school, understand expectations clearly, and value the strong support they receive from staff. Participation in extracurricular activities is high and many recognise the school's strong focus on preparing them for their future. Students who receive additional support also reported very positive experiences. Alongside these strengths, students were honest about areas where we can improve, including ensuring greater consistency in behaviour outside lessons, strengthening how we communicate and respond to concerns such as bullying and making sure all students feel a strong sense of belonging. They also highlighted the need to further refine homework and feedback so it consistently supports their progress.

Staff feedback also highlights a strong and positive culture. Colleagues expressed high levels of pride in the school. Staff strongly value the supportive team ethos and the quality of relationships with colleagues and line managers. At the same time, the survey identified important priorities for development, particularly around workload and workload intensity, ensuring staff have sufficient time and flexibility and increased opportunities for consultation around change.

I look forward to sharing the student feedback next week in my weekly message to students and working with all students and our student leaders to respond to these valuable insights. We are already using these insights to shape our next steps and drive further improvements across the school. Our next trust-wide parent survey will take place in Summer 2027, and we very much look forward to hearing your views then.

This week, our A-Level Drama students enjoyed a visit to the Young Vic Theatre to see the production 'Care.' This trip supported their studies by deepening their appreciation and evaluation of live theatre, including staging, performance techniques, and directorial choices.

On Tuesday, all Year 12 students took part in an exciting university taster day at Goldsmiths, University of London. The visit provided valuable insight into higher education, with students attending subject lectures and engaging in academic discussions. They also had the opportunity to explore the campus, giving them a real sense of university life and helping to inform their future aspirations.

In this week's Langley Lowdown, we proudly celebrated the achievements of our Year 7 and Year 8 students at the Bromley Athletics Championships, held at Norman Park. Competing in both track and field events, our Year 7 team secured an impressive 2nd place, while the Year 8 team achieved a fantastic 3rd place finish. This is a brilliant accomplishment, and we extend our congratulations to all students involved for their effort, teamwork, and determination.

Meanwhile, one of our Year 8 students, Rafaela B entered the BYMT Young Singer of the Year competition. Over 100 students entered the competition and Rafaela was successfully shortlisted for the final and she won!

As communicated earlier this week, in light of the hot weather forecast for next week, students are not required to bring or wear blazers to school for the duration of next week. All other uniform/dress code expectations remain in place. Students are reminded that the school jumper is optional and is therefore not required to be worn.

Students are requested to tuck shirts/blouses in throughout the school day. We will do everything possible to keep classrooms cool and students and staff comfortable.

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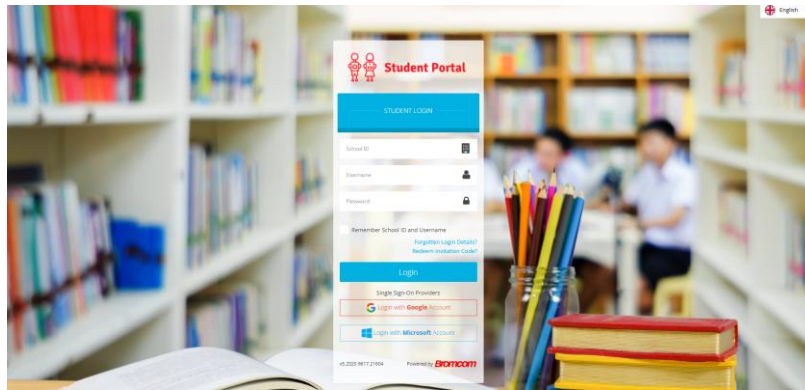
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Students are reminded to bring a refillable water bottle and will be able to refill this before school, at break and during lunchtime. Students are also advised to wear and re-apply sun cream as required. We will communicate in advance of blazers being required again in school.



Finally, we have launched a pilot with a group of 60 Year 7 students using the Bromcom Student Portal. Students in 7SG and 7SH are being set homework by teachers using Bromcom, which means that homework will also be accessible to parents/carers through the My Child At School (MCAS) App. Students will also have access to a range of information through the Portal, which is also available as a mobile app. We are looking to roll this out to all students in the Autumn Term.

Mr S Whittle
Headteacher

MESSAGES FROM STAFF

Start of term arrangements

Tuesday 1st September – Inset Day (staff only in school)
Wednesday 2nd September – Inset Day (staff only in school)
Thursday 3rd September – Year 7 and 12 Induction days
Friday 4th September – All year groups in school

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.

Mr Whittle, Headteacher

Politics Summer School

LIAM CONLON MP

6TH FORM & UNI STUDENTS

POLITICS SUMMER SCHOOL

University Students
Friday 17th July

Years 12 & 13
Thursday 23rd July
or
Friday 24th July

FEATURING SESSIONS INCLUDING

- ✓ A behind-the-scenes look at how Parliament works and how laws are made
- ✓ A talk from leading political journalists on life as a reporter in Westminster
- ✓ A workshop on modern political communications with senior leaders from social media

AND MORE...

SIGN UP NOW:
[HTTPS://BIT.LY/LCSUMMERSCHOOL2026](https://bit.ly/lcsummerschool2026)

CAN USE ON UCAS AND CV'S

We have shared information with Year 12 and 13 students regarding applications for a Political Summer School taking place in Parliament this summer.

This is open to Y12 and Y13 students who are residents in Beckenham and Penge and/or those who attend a school in the constituency.

Hosted by Liam Conlon, MP, the day includes talks and workshops on a range of topics, including political journalism, campaigning, policy research, and how a bill becomes law.

The programme is non-party political and free to attend.

Students can apply [here](#) and the deadline for applications is Sunday 21st June

Mr Whittle, Headteacher and Mr Farrow, Head of Politics

Visual Arts Exhibition

Langley Park School for Girls

Visual Arts Exhibition

23 June 2026

Presenting work from our GCSE and A-Level students

4PM - 7PM

Mr Fox Joyce, Head of Visual Arts



Careers Bulletin

Please click [here](#) to read this week's Careers Bulletin.

Mrs Hayden & Mrs Day, Careers Team

INFORMATION

PTFA Newsletter



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UPCOMING EVENTS

WE WILL BE SUPPORTING

Sister Act
8, 9 & 10 July

SCHOOL UNIFORM SALE

Our next sale will be on **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 bagged up at Reception.



EASYFUNDRAISING

Did you know that whenever you buy anything online – from your weekly shop to your annual holiday – you could be raising free donations for the PTFA with easyfundraising? There are over 8,000 retailers on board ready to make a donation – including eBay, Argos, John Lewis & Partners, ASOS, Booking.com and M&S – and it won't cost you a penny extra to help us raise funds.

All you need to do is go to <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/langleyparkschoolforgirlsbeckenham/> and join for free.

Every time you shop online, go to easyfundraising first to find the site you want and start shopping.

After you've checked out, the retailer will make a donation to us at no extra cost to you whatsoever! There are no catches or hidden charges and we will be really grateful for your donations. Scan here for more details:



THE SCHOOL LOTTERY

Use the QR code to the right to sign up to the new lottery which is operated by ParentKind. Once at the website, search for 'Langley' and our name will appear. Press the **Buy Ticket** option and you can register to buy tickets for just £1 each. Please follow us on Instagram for more details.



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Girls' Rugby



PRE Season

BRFC GIRLS SUMMER SKILLS & TRAINING

 **START DATE:**
TUESDAY 30TH JUNE
7:00 - 8:30PM

 **VENUE:**
HSBC SPORTS GROUND
BR3 1QW

 **ALL ABILITIES:**
YEAR 5 - YEAR 13
BRING A FRIEND

 **FREE:**
NOTHING TO PAY ALL
SUMMER

 BECKENHAM RFC

ONE CLUB | ONE PATHWAY | ONE FUTURE | MORE THAN RUGBY

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CALENDAR

w/c 22 nd June	Y10 Trial Exams
22 nd June	Y13 Leavers' Breakfast
22 nd June	Y11 Soiree
23 rd June	Y11 Celebration Assembly
23 rd June	Visual Arts Exhibition
25 th June	Y8 Parents' Evening (online)
26 th June	Sixth Form Taster Day
29 th June	INSET Day (staff only in school)
2 nd July	Y6 Parent Information Evening
8 th , 9 th & 10 th July	Sister Act

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