

Langley Park School for Girls

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



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

21st November 2025

Dear Families,

The colder weather this week, whilst more normal for this time of the year, has certainly come as a shock and has also served as a reminder to me to communicate our operating procedures in the event of extreme weather, as outlined later in this week's newsletter.

A real highlight for me has been seeing over 200 Year 7 students belting out Abba classics across two evenings at our Mamma Mia Concerts, which have become something of a tradition at Langley. Congratulations to all and especially those who put themselves forward to perform as soloists, rightly earning the praise and respect of an appreciative audience of family, friends and school staff, as well as their peers. All benefited from the opportunity and experience of performing, demonstrating our school values of belonging and determination, while also having fun and bringing joy to all who had the pleasure of attending. I am also certain that they will look back on this for many years to come!

Careers appointments/briefings are well underway for our Year 11 students with Mrs Hayden and Miss Day. These will support our students in making subject choices for Sixth Form study and selecting appropriate college courses, aligned to their future ambitions. Our preparations are also in hand for the forthcoming Sixth Form Open Evening on Thursday 4th December, when we look forward to sharing with our Year 11 students and families the richness of our curriculum offer and wider opportunities and experiences within LPGS6.

During tutorial sessions this week, students have been discussing the recent hurricane Melissa which struck Jamaica and other Caribbean nations, causing widespread destruction to property, flooding and loss of life. Our students also completed a session on road safety, reflecting on distractions, understanding the stopping distances of vehicles travelling at various speeds and what our students can do to be safer including:

- Considering their distractions before crossing roads
- Watching out for friends since awareness levels decrease when in a group
- Choosing well-lit streets and avoiding lonely or isolated areas

This ties in with road safety week and an important young driver awareness session attended by our Year 13 students on Monday, facilitated by external partners.

It has been a real pleasure to see us re-establishing our student council this term and to see the interest from our young people in representing the views of others and identifying and leading whole-school improvements. The results of our student elections are below and we look forward to hearing and acting on students' suggestions and supporting their work this year, with the first meetings due to take place next week.

7	Veronika TM (7GA)	Heidi K (7KD)
8	Eliza W (8KD)	Eva T (8GB)
9	Maliha R (9KC)	Savannah J (9GB)
10	Josie G (10KD)	Ada S and Kemi A (10KC)
11	Tallulah A (11GA)	Nevaeh R (11LF)
12	Sanugiya R (12I)	Jeremiah A (12J)

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I thanked students for their excellent conduct and co-operation during this week's lockdown practice and remind all of the stance the school will take and consequences students can expect to receive in the event that they are not present in lessons and are truanting. This presents a serious safeguarding risk and undermines the actions we will take in the event of any emergency situation in school, where our students need to act on the instructions of members of staff and be appropriately supervised.

With very best wishes,

Mr S Whittle
Headteacher

MESSAGES FROM STAFF

Bromley Police Safety Tips

Earlier this week, I attended the *Educate to Prevent Youth Harm* workshop for school leaders. Below is some information which Bromley Police have asked us to share with students and parents/carers.

- Stay in populated areas within the town centre. Suspects target lone individuals around parks and isolated back roads.
- Keep valuables out of sight, especially mobile phones.
- Enable tracking on phones.
- Register your phone on the national mobile phone register.
- Record your IMEI in a safe place (dial *#06# to find it).
- Expensive clothing, especially coats, is targeted. Consider placing a tracker in pockets.
- Insure expensive items on your home insurance, as typical clothing often gets missed.
- Use a Zip card on buses so the exact bus can be identified for CCTV.

Mr Dushku, Assistant Headteacher & Designated Safeguarding Lead

Christmas Lunch

Our Christmas lunch will take place on **Thursday 11th December**. Christmas lunch costs £4.25 per student and must be ordered and paid for in advance and before Friday 5th December. Students should request Christmas lunch at the tills and the money will be debited from their MCAS Dinner Money account in advance. On the morning of the lunch, they will be given a token to attend the Christmas lunch. Students in receipt of Free School Meals who would like the lunch must book in advance at the till and their allowance for Thursday 11th December will be used to pay for the meal.

The usual break and Dalo lunch services will operate on this day for students not wishing to have the Christmas lunch.



Severe Weather Conditions

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Here is a reminder of key information regarding school closure in the event of severe weather conditions.

- The decision to open or close the school will be made by the Headteacher
- The decision will be made by 7.00am
- The decision will be communicated on the school website and via e-mail.
(You are advised to check this before sending your child to school)

If it has snowed, please do not assume that the school will be closed. The school will only close if it places the health and safety of staff and students at risk.

If weather conditions deteriorate whilst the school is in session, we will contact parents/carers to inform them of the situation via the website and e-mail. Students will be kept informed of the decision and guidance will be given as to the next steps.

We are committed to ensuring that all our students are able to maximise their potential and any decision to close the school will not be taken lightly. We will aim to remain open or partly open during inclement weather to avoid disruption to students' learning but will consider the conditions and safety of students on the school site, public transport as well as levels of staffing. Langley Park School for Girls has good public transport links and we rely on parents/carers to make appropriate decisions about student safety, appropriate clothing and footwear when travelling to school during such weather.

Mr Whittle, Headteacher

Switch Off Fortnight

Our new Sustainability Reps have helped count idling cars in the lane, with a shocking 25 cars counted in 20 minutes alone! Please can we encourage you to always switch your engine off when waiting in the lane and in general we ask you to avoid the lane completely when picking up students.

Burning fuel while idling releases significant carbon dioxide, a large contributor to global warming. Alongside this, it also reduces our air quality around school that can particularly affect students with asthma.

The reps will be back out on the lane next week to do another count and we hope to see a noticeable difference. Thank you!

Eco Fashion Show

Eco Club is running an Eco Fashion Show after school from 3.30-4.00pm on Tuesday 25th November 2025 in the main hall. We would love as many students to attend as possible to show support to our Eco Club Members who have been re-working and creating their own garments from old donated clothes. There is also an opportunity for students to shop our used clothes sale, so please do encourage students to bring along cash and have a browse!



Ms Frail & Ms Rolston-Ashford, Social Action & Sustainability Leads

7 things we should say more often

As part of our values-based curriculum, we are encouraging students to demonstrate kindness in their everyday interactions with others.

Kindness isn't about grand gestures. It's in the small things we say and do every day. Words have power — they can heal, uplift, and connect us. We believe that there are **7 things we should say more often**.

"Thank you" - gratitude shows appreciation. It tells others that their efforts, no matter how small, are seen and valued. Saying 'thank you' is like giving someone a little gift. It costs nothing, but it means everything.

"Excuse me" shows appreciation for others' space and time. It's a small phrase that opens doors – literally and figuratively.

"I'm sorry" - apologising takes courage. It's not about being weak but about being strong enough to admit when we're wrong

"I forgive you" - forgiveness frees both the forgiver and the forgiven. It's a gift you give yourself as much as the other person.

"Please" turns a demand into a request. 'Please' is a magic word – not because it gets you what you want, but because it shows you care how you ask.

"I disagree with you but I still like you as a person" teaches respect for different opinions. We can disagree without being disagreeable. Kindness doesn't mean we always agree but it means we listen, respect and stay connected even when we don't.

"Saying something nice" - compliments and kind words can change someone's whole day, or even their life. If you think something nice about someone, say it. We never know how much they might need to hear it.

I hope in sharing this with you as parents/carers this might support your discussions and the work we do jointly as school and families in reinforcing our expectations of courteous and respectful communication.

Mr Whittle, Headteacher

Winter Concert 2025

We are excited to announce details for our upcoming Winter Concert on Wednesday 17th December. Here are some important dates for your diary:

- 🎫 **Ticket Release:** Tickets will be available to purchase on TicketSource from 7pm on Wednesday 3rd December (2 weeks before the concert)
- 🎵 **Auditions:** Auditions for solo/duet items will take place on Wednesday 10th December in E005 after school.

If your child is a member of the following groups, please can you complete the following permission survey to allow your child to participate:

Concert Band, Tour Band, Chamber Choir, Flute Group, Steel Band, Chamber Orchestra, Young Voices, A Capella, Year 7 Band, Jazz Band, Belles & Booms

[Winter Concert Permission Survey](#)

We look forward to seeing you at the concert!

Ms Sheppard, Head of Music



Sports Results

The tables below show the results of our recent fixtures and next week's matches. Our Stars of the Week were Saskia P for scoring 4 goals in 2 games and Elsa M for an impressive first place finish in the cross country.

Pictured is our Y7 & 8 Football Team who took part in the EFL Utilita Girls' Cup at Bromley FC earlier this month.



SPORTS RESULTS

U12 Football	4-0	Hayes School
U13 Netball A	8-0	Darrick Wood
U13 Netball B1	5-4	Darrick Wood
U16 Football	9-0	Bonus Pastor
U15 Football	1-0	Dartford Science Technology College
Y8 - 11 Cross Country	1st place	Congratulations Jazzy!
Y7 Cross Country	1st place	Congratulations Elsa!
Y8 Netball A	30-0	Eden Park
Y8 Netball B	10-0	Eden Park

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UPCOMING FIXTURES

- 25th November - U12 Netball vs Hayes (away)
- 26th November - U12s Football vs CSFG (away)
- 26th November - U18s Football vs Farringtons (away)
- 27th November - U13 Hockey tournament
- 28th November - Knole Park Cross Country
- 28th November - U15s Football vs Bullers Wood (away)

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Mr Saunders, Teacher in Charge of KS3 PE

Sixth Form Open Evening – Thursday 4th December





SIXTH FORM

Open Evening

Come and meet with our friendly staff, students and prefects to find out more about life as a LPGS Sixth Former and the courses on offer for September 2026!

Thursday 4 December 2025

5.00pm-8.00pm

Hawksbrook Lane,
South Eden Park Road,
Beckenham, BR3 3BE

No pre-registration needed!

Please note there will be limited parking available on the Langley Park Campus and families are encouraged to walk or use public transport where possible.

Visit Our Website
www.lpgs.bromley.sch.uk/sixth-form

INFORMATION

Bromley Parenting Hub Newsletter

Please click [here](#) to access the latest newsletter from the Bromley Parenting Hub.



Christmas Trees

Other Earth are again offering to support the school's fundraising by donating £5 for every tree sold from their shop at Bromley Football Club. For further information and to pre-order your tree visit their [website](#).

CHRISTMAS TREES FOR SALE

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CALENDAR

w/c 24 th November	Y10 & 12 Assessment Week
24 th November	Bromley EBSA Coffee Morning
25 th November	Y8 The Globe Players' Performance
25 th November	Eco Club Fashion Show
27 th November	Y11 GCSE Dance Workshop
27 th November – 4 th December	Spanish Exchange
w/c 1 st December	Golden Week
w/c 1 st December	Y7 & 8 Assessment Week
1 st December	Y7 Music Scheme Concert
4 th December	Sixth Form Open Evening
w/c 8 th December	Y7, 8 & 9 Assessment Week
9 th December	SEND Parent Forum
10 th December	Winter Concert Auditions
11 th December	Christmas Lunch
11 th December	Y11 Parents' Evening (in school)
w/c 15 th December	Y9 Assessment Week
17 th December	Winter Concert
19 th December	End of Term
5 th January 2026	Inset Day (Staff only in school)
6 th January	All students return to school