

Langley Park School for Girls

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



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Dear Families,

I hope that students, staff and families enjoyed the Easter break.

I commend our Year 11 and 13 students who were engaged in revision over the last two weeks, both at home and in school with a significant number of students attending in-school revision sessions. This week, in our parent information sessions, we recognised the incredible support and encouragement that our students are receiving at home and expressed our appreciation for this – it is certainly clear that the exams season can be a source of additional stress for all involved!

Thank you to parents/carers of students in Years 11 and 13 who attended our parent information sessions this week, at which we shared important information about the exams and exams compliance.

In light of the exams season fast approaching, I will next week be confirming with students and families slight changes to our whole school lesson timings from Tuesday 6 May, which will minimise disruption to students sitting exams at this time. This does not affect the start and end time of the school day, which remain unchanged.

This week, we launched the 'Langley Lowdown', a weekly recorded briefing which serves to share news and important information with students during form time. In this week's edition we have informed students of the changes to our procedures for school lateness (communicated to families in this letter) and launched our 'Golden Week' taking place next week.

Following their success in the Kent Cup, our U16 Football team are competing in the Bromley Cup Final at Bromley FC on Thursday 1 May and we wish them every success in this game.

Finally, It was clear that I was one of a number of staff members that were excited today to welcome Geri Halliwell-Horner into our school! Geri is perhaps best known as an accomplished singer, widely recognised for her iconic place in British pop culture as "Ginger Spice", an original member of the record-breaking girl group The Spice Girls. Having written the Rosie Frost & The Falcon Queen and the Eugenia Lavender series for children and young people, she presented to our Year 7 and 8 students in the hall, answered questions and gave an insight into the characters, key lessons/messages and what it is like to be an author.

Yours faithfully,

S J Whittle
Headteacher

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MESSAGES FROM STAFF

Procedures for Student Lateness

At LPGS we are proud to acknowledge that the majority of our students arrive on time, ready to engage in their learning each day. However, we have observed a small number of students who are consistently arriving late, and in some cases, significantly so. This pattern is becoming more apparent, and it is essential that we address this issue in a structured and fair manner.

In order to ensure clarity and consistency, we are making adjustments to our current system for recording lateness and the associated consequences. These changes are designed to provide greater transparency and to ensure that all students, staff, and parents/carers are fully informed of the expectations moving forward.

Lateness to school, during Form Time (8:30-9:05am)

- All students enter through the main gate, opposite the primary school, which closes at 8:30am.
- Students should be in their form rooms by 8:30am. Arrival after this time is considered late.
- Once the gate is closed, students will enter through main reception and sign in at their Key Stage late desk.
- KS3 & 4 students will receive a stamp in their planner and KS5 students receive a card confirming they signed in late, this is to be shown to the form tutor on arrival to form.
- Students who arrive late to school, or form, after 8:30am will receive a same day lunch detention.
- Communication will be sent home to families for those students arriving late to school.

Lateness to school, after Form Time (after 9:05am)

- Students arriving to school after Form Time will receive a C2 next day detention.

If there are exceptional circumstances on the day, such as significant traffic incidents. This may result in sanctions being waived at the discretion of senior leaders. Students will be informed on entry.

Medical Appointments

We are mindful that medical appointments sometimes take place during school hours. Where possible, we encourage these appointments to be scheduled outside of school hours to minimise missed learning. However, we understand that this is not always possible. If a student arrives late due to a medical appointment, we will require evidence, such as an appointment card, text, or email. If no evidence is provided, a C2 detention will be issued.

Golden Week

As mentioned above, we are proud that the majority of our students arrive at school on time each day, ready to learn and engage positively with their lessons. To recognise and celebrate this, we are launching our first Golden Week, which will take place next week.



Golden Week is an opportunity for all students, from Year 7 to Year 13, to aim for an outstanding week of attendance, punctuality, and behaviour. Students who achieve 100% attendance, have no late marks, and receive no C points during the week will be entered into a prize draw within their year group.

Each year group will have multiple prizes available, including:

- 1 x £10 Amazon voucher
- 10 x 'skip the queue' passes (valid for one week next term)
- 10 x sweet treats from the canteen (kindly donated by Innovate)

In addition, all eligible students across all year groups will be entered into a separate draw for a £25 Amazon voucher.

Importantly, all students have the chance to participate, regardless of their previous attendance or behaviour record—next week offers a fresh opportunity to succeed.

There are a total of 148 prizes available across the school. Winners will be announced during the week commencing 5 May.

Studybugs

Whilst promoting positive attendance we want to take the opportunity to remind families of the app Studybugs, which can report student absence in a quick and easy way.

The letter shared to families previously is [here](#).

Thank you for your continued support in encouraging positive attendance and punctuality.

Mrs R Hurley, Assistant Headteacher

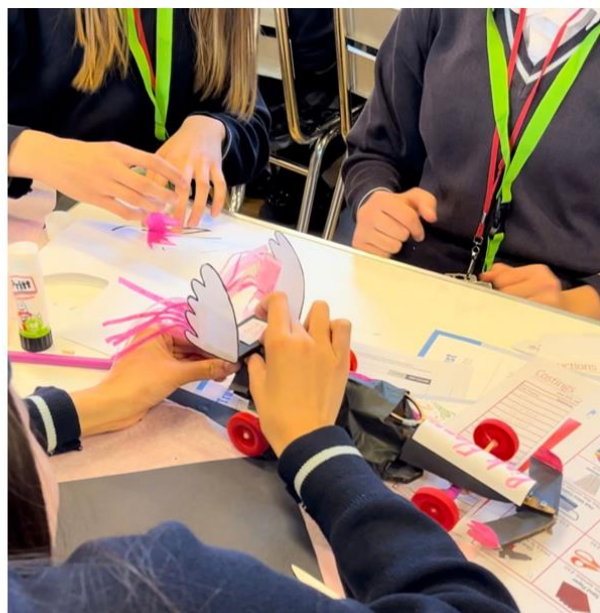
LPGS6 Offers for Year 11

Offers for places in LPGS6 have been sent to all applicants this week. These have been sent via Applica to the email address given in the application. Please ensure that students check their email to view and accept their offer.

Mrs J Ortuno Mora, Admissions Officer

STEM at LPGS

Before the break, we welcomed Formula One Management to LPGS who ran a careers in STEM day in partnership with the Smallpiece Trust. Year 10 students worked in teams to design a Formula One car, working to set regulations in weight, size and safety. They also had to devise a marketing plan and sales pitch to potential investors and sponsors. It was a fantastic day and the feedback from our visitors was excellent.



When will the first LPGS student go up into space? On Tuesday, we made steps closer to that happening! Massive thanks to the SmallPiece Trust for a delivering a "Careers in space" day to 60 year 10 students. Students had to use their engineering skills to design prototypes of a vessel to land on their chosen part of the planet. They had to use their geography and science skills to work out where would be the best place to land and set up a research centre. They then had to design a larger scale model of their vessel and pitch it to investors. Each team selected individuals to work on design, engineering, marketing and finance.

Congratulations to our winning team! A fantastic day! 🚀 😊



Well done to all the students who took part in both events.

Mrs Hayden and Miss Day, Careers Team

PE Kit Expectations

Please support us in maintaining high standards in PE by ensuring your child follows these expectations:

- Bags: PE kits should not be brought in handbags. Only appropriate sports or school bags, as shown, should be used.
- Shorts: All shorts must be of mid-thigh length. Nike Pro shorts and similar styles are not permitted. If a student's shorts are deemed inappropriate, they will be provided with alternative kit by their teacher.
- Socks: Plain white sports socks (short or long) must be worn.
- Uniform: No part of the school uniform should be worn during PE lessons.
- PE kit must be collected for lessons as follows:
 - Period 1 or 2: before tutor time
 - Period 3 or 4: at break
 - Period 5: at lunch



Injury:

If your child is injured, they must bring a parental or medical note (for long-term issues). However, we still expect students to bring their PE kit and change into it, so they can take on an alternative role during the lesson such as umpire, referee, or coach.

Sanctions for PE kit issues:

- C1 – Incorrect PE kit
- C2 – No PE kit
- C3 – Repeated failure to bring kit (triggered by 3 x C2 logs within a term)

Thank you for your ongoing support in helping us maintain high expectations in PE.

Miss Harris, Head of Faculty of PE & Health

U16s Bromley Cup Final

The Kent Champions have made it through to the final of the Bromley Cup where they will face Bullers Wood, at Bromley Football Club, Hayes Lane, on Thursday 1 May, 4pm KO. Please come and support the team if you can, as it really helped in the last final, and this will be an even tougher test!

Entrance Fee: £3 per adult, £1 per child/concessions.

PE Extra-Curricular Timetable

Please see the table below for details of our PE extra-curricular clubs which will start next week.

DAY	TIME	YEAR GROUP	ACTIVITY	STAFF	CHANGING ROOM	VENUE
Monday	3.30 - 4.30	Yr 7	Rounders	CHR	Gym	Field
	3.30-4.30	Yr 8	Rounders	CB	Sports Hall	Field
Tuesday	3.30 - 4.30	KS3 & 4	Cricket	GT	Sports Hall	Cricket Club
Wednesday	3.30 - 4.30	KS3&4	Athletics	ABA & RSA	Sports Hall	Field
	3.30 - 4.30	Yr 9/10	Rounders	TM/RHU	Gym	Field
Thursday	3.30 - 4.15	Junior	Badminton	Mark Creffield	Sports Hall	Sports Hall
	4:15 - 5.00	Senior				
Friday	3.30 - 4.30	KS3/4	Tennis	Various	Sports Hall	Courts

Mr R Saunders, Teacher of PE

INFORMATION

Future Makers Music Competition

The Future Makers Music Competition at the Royal Albert Hall is open for entries. This opportunity is designed for UK musicians aged 14-19 to share their original music and give them the chance to perform on our main stage.

The winner will receive a year of tailored support to help launch their music career.

Applications are by video entry before Friday 2 May, all genres welcome. Click [here](#) to visit the Royal Albert Hall website for further information.



Future Makers Music Competition

OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS NOW

Music Competition Entries Now Open



Bromley SEND Partnership

The SEND Partnership warmly invite you to our next SEND Matters Live event.

JOIN US

Date: Wednesday 7th May
Time: 10am to 12.30pm
Venue: Community House,
South Street,
Bromley, BR1 1RH

This is a chance for parents and carers to share their experiences with Senior Leaders. We want to celebrate what's working well and explore ways to improve support for children and young people with special educational needs and disabilities (SEND).

Who can attend?

Any parent carer of a child or young person (aged 0-25) with SEND living in Bromley.

Complete the online registration form to reserve your place or email: parentengagementservice@yvhs.org.uk

Scan the QR code to reserve your place!



Your feedback in action!

What are the key messages from the joint engagement session 'We hear you', facilitated by our engagement partners.

What we have done? Responding to the suggested areas for improvement shared by families at our November 2024 SEND Matters Live event.

What's changing? A stronger focus on outcomes for children and young people with SEND, improving their experience and that of their families.

How's it going? Our SEND storyboard highlights successes and our ongoing commitment to progress together.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 28 April
Monday 28 & Tuesday 29 April
Thursday 1 May
Saturday 3 & Sunday 4 May
Wednesday 7 May
Thursday 15 May
Monday 12 – Friday 23 May
Monday 19 – Friday 23 May
Monday 26 – Friday 30 May
Wednesday 11 June
Monday 16 – Friday 27 June
Thursday 26 June
Monday 30 June
Tuesday 8 – Thursday 10 July
Monday 14 – Friday 18 July
Wednesday 23 July
Saturday 19 July – 12 August

Year 9 RSE Drop Down Day
GCSE PE Rock Climbing Trip
Year 12 Parents' Evening
Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Award Qualifying Expedition
Year 10 RSE Drop Down Day
Year 10 Parents' Evening
KS3 Assessment Week
Y10 Work Experience
Half Term
Y10 GCSE Musical Recital
Y10 and 12 Trial Exams
Sixth Form Taster Day
Y7 Music Scheme Concert
Performing Arts Production of Six
Y12 Work Experience
End of Term
Camps International Peru Expedition

Details of sports fixtures can be found on [Firefly](#)