

Langdon Park School



Spring 2022

Message from Mr Langham

I trust you will enjoy reading our Spring Newsletter which celebrates some of the great opportunities and events that are on offer for our students at Langdon Park School. It is hard to imagine now that two years ago that we went into the first lockdown. As a school we have responded to this tremendously well and much of what we put in palace still remains, such as Google Classrooms, additional support for student well-being, catch-up tutoring and our weekly food bank. We recognise fully that the impact of the pandemic is significant and we will continue to provide additional services to you moving forward. This time also highlights the importance of involvement in some of the events shown in the newsletter such as Work Experience, educational visits, sports, the arts and RSHE which provides guidance to making safe decisions. I also want to draw your attention to the infor-

mation regarding our growing 6th Form. In September we will be expecting to have 200 students in the 6th Form as we are now offering a wider range of courses and progression routes, A Level Computing, Film Studies, History and BTEC courses in Science and Health and Social Care are now part of our offer. Our 6th Form students benefit from excellent careers advice and visits to universities in order to raise aspiration and support them in making informed choices. The last two years have highlighted more than ever the importance of education, being in school and getting into a secure career through university or apprenticeship. Everything we are doing at Langdon Park is making this possible for every student. Thank you for taking the time to read the newsletter and do visit our website for further information about the school's curriculum.

Year 13 Work Experience

During the Christmas holiday, one of our external providers- One Lab- opened its doors and offered paid work experience to our Year 13 SEND students.

This work experience introduced our SEND students to the world of work. They have benefitted from this exposure by:

- -Gaining enhanced soft skills, including team work
- -Confidence building, improved self-image
- -Increased work ethic





Key Dates:

Drop Down Day: 09/03/22 Year 12 Parents Evening: 24/02/2022

Term 4: Monday 21 February 2022 - Friday 1 April 2022

Ice skating Reward Trip to Canary Wharf

Our SEND students went to Canary Wharf ice rink to perfect, improve and learn to ice-skate. Our SEND students were gliding around, falling over and supporting each other. The students had lots of fun and were entertaining as well as were entertained by some members of staff. This was truly a day to remember!





SEND Ambassadors

Zayan Miah 7A Akyslon Narciso 7P Adithya Boidya 10N Micky Meehan Bailey Mortimer 9P Not on the photo: Ellie Buttery Y8, Serena Islam Y8 and Meriem Abdat 9N. Brydie Henchey and Imane Birem from Y11 will support them when they can.

All ambassadors will be wearing a green badge These ambassadors will be the voice of SEND students within Langdon Park. They will focus on the inclusivity of the curriculum, environment and our ethos. Their voice within our school will be very important. Students will be trained and supported to function in their role effective.

Meet our SEND Ambassadors

Led by Hilmaya Kassim





Art Trip to Bartlett Park

As part of the design, engineering and construction lessons last term, Year 7's had an Art trip to Bartlett Park to look at the different structures created in the playgrounds and the design work around the park.





LPS Art Calendar

Year 11 Art students created an LPS calendar for 2022. The front cover of the calendar created can be seen on the right. The students that took part and created the pages were:

Mahtab Ali, 11N
Maxwell Leech, 11D
Rayed Shah, 11G
Labonno Nasim, 11D
Jose Andres Chungara Mamani, 11L
Fawziah Ahmed, 11N
Maroa Belmeydoub, 11L
Tasmia Shapon, 11L
Aqeela Begum, 11G
Maya Viselli, 11A
Faiza Miah, 11A
Sharmin Akther, 11D
Rahul Ali, 11P

Pastoral Hub

The Pastoral Hub is supervised by our students support officers throughout the day. If students have any lost uniforms or P.E kits, they will need to go to the Hub to speak to an SSO. We recommend writing your child's name and form group on their uniform.





RSHE Update

We were pleased to have @OsmaniTrust deliver some powerful sessions to our Year 9 students on the food chain on vaping, the cost and gains and the power balance between the companies, the suppliers, 'the plug' and the buyers/smokers and who is the prosecutor, victim and rescuer.'

Students were enthralled noting that, "The session made me feel safe and educated in areas such as vaping". & "You can learn well, if the person is engaging and I learnt well"







Year 8 Work Smarter Not Harder Careers Workshop

Year 8 students took part in the Work Smarter Not Harder workshop facilitated by The Switch last term. The workshop helped students discover their personal learning style and how to apply it to their studies and revision both in and out of school. The workshop was supported by professionals from Barclays Bank. The students gave positive feedback about the workshop with many agreeing that 'the event improved their understanding of the knowledge and skills needed by employers'.







RSHE Wellbeing Colouring Competition

A big thank you to all students that entered the Festive Wellbeing Colouring competition. The entries were of high standards, demonstrating a lot of care and thought went into the presentation.

We are pleased to announce the winners as

follows:

1st Prize £50 voucher

Tanisha M<u>iah 7G</u>

Runners up £20 vouchers

Nameya Uddin 7G

Cheryl Atiogbe 7L

LPS Sixth Form

The spring term has been a busy one here at LPS Sixth Form. Year 12 had assessments in January and Year 13 have been busy preparing for their PPE3 which will start from Monday 21st February. Year 12 Parents Evening will take place on Thursday 24th February, from 4.00-6.30pm and this will be a face to face. We look forward to seeing families on the day.

Mrs Miah

Year 13

All UCAS applications have been submitted and it is great to see so many students receiving offers from universities. Applicants will need to accept one firm and one insurance choice by the end of June. However, students understand that many of the offers are conditional on grades, and this means that they need to focus on revision in order to get the best grades for their subjects. It is not uncommon for students to go through Clearing in August, when they will seek places for other courses/universities if they don't meet the conditional offers given to them.

Exam boards have adjusted their content for this year, and we will collate and share this information with students so that they can make **detailed revision timetables**. We will also be looking at different revision methods. Please make sure that your child is revising at home on a regular basis.

Sixth Form Recruitment

We have also received a huge number of applications for the Sixth Form, from both internal and external students. Applicants have been interviewed to ensure that they have planned their progression routes and that they meet the criteria for the course. We continue to receive applications and offers are being made subject to suitability and grades being achieved. Final enrolment will take place on GCSE results day.

Attendance and Punctuality

All students are expected to attend school every day, on time, with an expectation of minimum 95% attendance. Students with the highest attendance have been rewarded with an Ice Skating trip to Canary Wharf, and this was based on attendance since January, so that all students had the opportunity for a fresh start, regardless of attendance from the previous term. On the other hand, we have been meeting with pupils and families where there have been attendance and punctuality concerns. There are a small number of students who will be meeting Mr. Langham as concerns have persisted and their place at Langdon Park is at risk due to poor attendance and progress.

Trips

There has been much excitement amongst Year 12 about the trips that have taken place and those planned for the year! There was a trip to the British Museum, where students looked at exhibitions ranging from Egypt, Peru and the Islamic World. They then visited the School of Oriental and African Studies as part of their journey of making university choices. Next term students will be visiting the Maritime Museum as well as the site of





Greenwich University, as well as a combined Year 11/12 trip to Cambridge University. We are also excited about a planned trip to Sussex University and Brighton beach in July.

