



Langdon Park School NEWSLETTER

AUTUMN 2023



Headteacher
Nicholas Langham

It is hard to imagine that already we are at the end of term and looking forward to 2024. Within this term's newsletter I am sure you will get a flavour of the broad range of events, enrichment activities and achievements across the school.

Last week, we had record numbers come to see the school production of Matilda. I want to congratulate the cast who were outstanding particularly Amin Omar, Ahmed Jama, Keysha Lawa, Waseem Ahmed and Nadia Boksh in leading roles. My thanks go to Ms Robinson (Head of Performing Arts) and the team who organised and supported the students through the production.

Key Dates

End of Term:

Friday 15th December Students
Dismissed at 1:00pm

Staff INSET:

3rd January

Back to School:

All Students
4th January

Over the holidays it is essential that your child is reading each day. On our website you will find all the curriculum information and recommended reading. Next term all students will be preparing for important assessments in the summer term and it is of course a crucial time for years 11 and 13 ahead of the public exams.

Finally I want to wish you all every happiness and success in the new year, it has been a great 2023 for Langdon Park and I look forward to what we can achieve together in 2024.



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School Production: **Matilda**



On 6th and 7th of December, the 'LPS Theatre Company' performed Matilda to 4 different packed out audiences across two days. Students from Year 7 through to Year 10 have been working tirelessly since the summer which is when the first auditions were. The show was a complete success and a testament to the amazing young performers we have at our school.

“There’s no business like show business!”

It was a joy to see the excitement of children from local primary schools as they watched the show, and heart warming to speak with so many proud family members and peers after the evening shows.

Those students that have been involved in the production have encouraged the whole school community to come together and celebrate story telling and performance.

You truly are incredible and should be forever proud of what you have achieved.

Well done my superstars!

Ms Robinson





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December 6 & 7
2023



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Matilda
THE MUSICAL

Cast



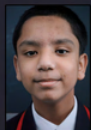
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Amina Omar



Miss Trunchbull
Ahmed Jama



Mrs. Wormwood
Keysha Ebulabate Lawa



Mr. Wormwood
Waseem Ahmed



Miss Honey
Nadia Boksh



Michael
Niall Semper



Amanda Thripp
Klaudia Abdullahi



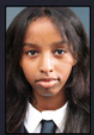
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Understudy
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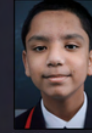
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I would like to offer an apology for some of the things that have been going on here tonight. They are not nice things and they are not right things and I would like to state garrantorically that we do not want any children that might be here tonight watching this to go home and try these things out for themselves.

I am of course talking about... reading books.

- Mr. Wormwood

With a thanks to our Filming and Media Engineers
Zac Gordan, Andrew Anderson and Matthew Garside
as well as our Lighting Engineer
Will Lucas

The Performing Arts faculty would like to
thank you for watching the production and
supporting our students and school
community

Year 10 Drama Trip

Year 10 Drama students took part in a creative day of theatre making at the Halfmoon Theatre. Students worked as professionals in the various disciplines of acting, sound, lighting, design and stage management. The end product was an excellent piece of live theatre performed to an audience.



Year 10 Art Trip to the Tate Modern

Students had the opportunity to visit Tate Modern to view the iconic work of artist Rob and Roberta Smith. Ms Gray (on the right) explaining more about his work and how this particular piece is a collection of what people in the local community said to the artist when he interviewed them.



Young **V&A** trip



Year 7 **Money Matters** Workshop



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Money Matters

Year **11** Interview Practice

Head to Head is a two-day employability event facilitated by The Switch. It provides all Year 11 students with the opportunity to have a 30-minute mock interview practice with a business volunteer. The event was a huge success, with positive feedback from both volunteers and students who took part. Students prepared their CV's while volunteers provided pupils with valuable feedback on their CV writing skills and interview skills.



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Year 11 Event

Interview Practice

Year 9 Trip to the Royal Courts of Justice

As part of their learning about representation, law and order, twelve Year 9 'Form Reps' visited the Royal Courts of Justice to watch a real life trial in action. Students had the opportunity to learn about the different routes in to law, as well as identifying the difference between civil and criminal cases and a solicitor and a barrister. The trip also included sightseeing of some of London's most famous landmarks including St Paul's Cathedral, the Millennium Bridge and Fleet Street.



Top Achieving Year 9 Students

Well done to the students listed below for being in the top 5 of the highest Achievement Points received in their form since the start of Year 9. Keep up the great work!

9L: Musa 50 points, Tahmeed 46 points, Daiyan 45 points, Eshan 43 points, Shanjidah 39 points

9A: Naziha 68 points, Aliza 66 points, Alisha 66 points, Abdur 60 points, Aref 59 points

9N: Samuel 58 points, Abdullah 50 points, Yusuf 40 points, Salar 38 points, Zaheer 35 points

9G: Ismail 64 points, Ammara 54 points, Ishaq 54 points, Martin 53 points, Yusuf 46 points

9D: Lucas 74 points, Aleena 61 points, Daijaun 57 points, Humaira 56 points, Chahat 56 points

9P: Eshan 53 points, Hannah 46 points, Mahruz 42 points, Imtiyaz 41 points, Mariya 38 points

Year 11 Visit to Wadham College



Year 12 imperial university STEM winter lecture



Primary Math's Masterclasses

Langdon Park was proud to host the first in this year's series of our Primary Math's Masterclasses in December. We have been running these for several years now, in collaboration with the prestigious Royal Institution based in central London. The Royal Institution's primary masterclass director Alison Eves delivered the session that kicked off this year's series, which was attended by 40 Year 5 and Year 6 students from our feeder primary schools. Langdon Park Math' faculty will be delivering further sessions in January and February.

Chess Competitions

The Math's faculty organised it's whole school chess competition for the second year running. Two competition's were held for KS3 and KS4 & KS5 in December. Fierce competition saw eventual winners emerge. Congratulation's to our winners in KS3: Zain Nazar 9P won gold, Tawsif Razeen 9G won silver and Yahim Ali 7A won bronze. In our KS4 and KS5 competition, Faysal Ahmed 11N successfully defended his title from last year to win gold again. Ridwan Ahmed in 10L took silver and Hassan Ali in 10N won bronze. These chess champions will now be forming a team to play matches against other local schools in the spring term. The popular chess club runs weekly in the Math's department. Speak to Mr McGarr to join.



Year 7 & Year 8 Boys and Girls Indoor Athletics



Well done to the Year 7 and Year 8 students who represented Langdon Park School at the Indoor Athletics Competitions. All students represented the school with pride and demonstrated 4BE's excellently.

Year 7 Girls Indoor Athletics = 7th
Year 7 Boys Indoor Athletics = 2nd
Year 8 Girls Indoor Athletics = 2nd
Year 8 Boys Indoor Athletics = 1st



Langdon Park School were invited to the Utilia Cup by Leyton Orient Football Club. Our KS3 girls team played in their first tournament. They played 5 games in the group stage achieving 1 win, 2 draw's and 2 losses. The girl's come away with great enthusiasm and were asking for even more fixtures and competitions. Well done to all students who took part.



Year 7 & Year 8 Football





Safeguarding Updates

Dear Parents,

Thank you for your ongoing support. It has been a very busy and productive term. This term we celebrated Black History month and World Mental Health Day in October, as it is every year. The theme for 2023, was 'Mental health is a universal human right.' World Mental Health Day is aimed at raising awareness of mental Health and forging positive change for everyone's mental health. It is a chance to talk about mental health, how we need to look after it and how important it is to get help if you are struggling. We also had antibullying week in November led by Ms Adam's our antibullying Lead.

Some of our sixth form students are involved in a six-week training programme completing in December to become wellbeing ambassadors. They will be available in the new year to support younger students with their wellbeing.

Below are some useful websites and key dates.

Have a restful break.

Mrs Morrison

Designated Safeguarding Lead

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Mental Health

*NHS 24 Mental Health Hub by calling **111**.

*Call Samaritans on **116 123** at any time of the day or night.

*Message SHOUT to **85258** for 24/7 text support on your mobile.

*Call the **CALM** helpline on **0800 58 58 58** or use their webchat here. The helpline and webchat are both open 5pm to midnight, 365 days a year.

Wellbeing

*<https://www.nhs.uk/every-mind-matters/>

*<https://www.good-thinking.uk/faith-and-belief-communities> <https://my.kooth.com/supporting-schools>

*<https://actionforhappiness.org/>

*<https://www.mind.org.uk/workplace/mental-health-at-work/five-ways-to-wellbeing/>

*<http://www.step-forward.org/>

Key Dates

- 5th January 2024: Foodbank Collection
- 12th January 2024: Wellbeing and antibullying
- 19th January 2024: Foodbank Collection
- 25th January 2024: Foodbank Collection
- 30th January 2024: Online Safety
- 1st February 2024: Year 9 Parents Evening
- 2nd February 2024: Foodbank Collection
- 6th February 2024: Parent Wellbeing
- 8th February 2024: SEND Parental Engagement Coffee Morning
- 9th February 2024: Foodbank Collection
- 19th February 2024: Year 8 HPV injections offered in school
- 14th May 2024: Year 9-1st dose DTP and MenACWY injection offered in school
- 21st May 2024: Year 9-2nd dose DTP and MenACWY injection offered in school



Parent App - Parental Setup & Guidance Notes

An email will be sent to you by school, inviting you to become a SIMS Parent App Lite user.

You will receive a registration email from noreply@sims.co.uk containing a unique invitation code.

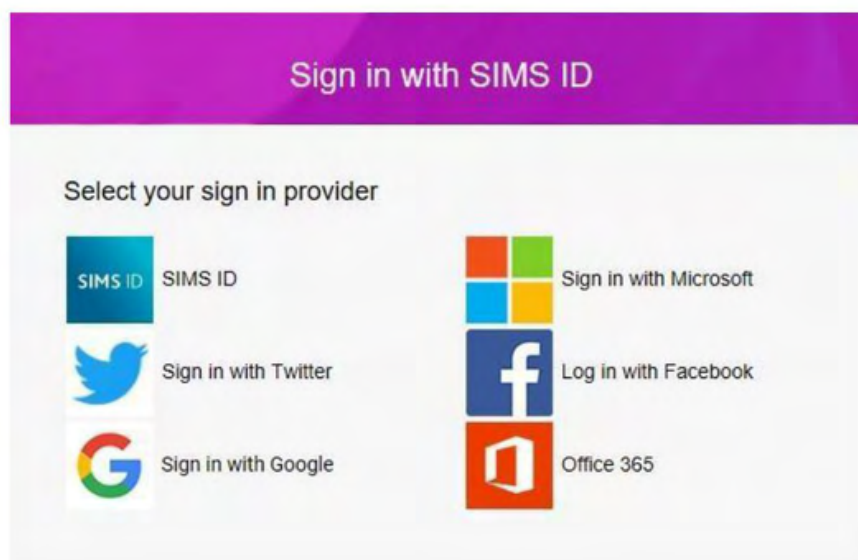
If you have not yet received a registration email, please check your SPAM or JUNK folder. You don't need to make a copy of the code as it will be entered for you. If you still have no email please contact school so that we can check your email address is correct on our systems.

Open the email and click the link as instructed.

A new Internet browser window will open and you will be asked to Sign in.

Select an existing account of your choice with which you would like to register.

Currently, the options below are available to sign in. If you use a BT or Yahoo email for example, you will need to use another account type from the list below to sign in.



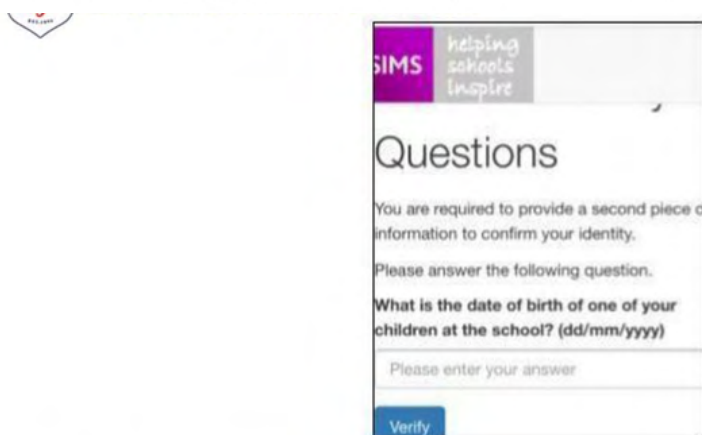
Having entered the username and password for the chosen account (above) which you are using to sign in you will see the following SIMS Registration Form:



The form should fill itself in with your name, chosen sign in account and Invitation Code.
Select REGISTER.

You will then be asked for the date of birth of one of your children at the school, in the form DD/MM/YYYY (e.g. 07/09/1977).

You may be asked for your own date of birth, but **please use the data of birth of one of your children:**



You have now registered for SIMS Parent Lite. You can download the app from the Google Play or Apple App store by searching for **Sims Parent**.

What Next?

Once you have downloaded SIMS Parent, you will be asked to sign in using your chosen log-in account details.

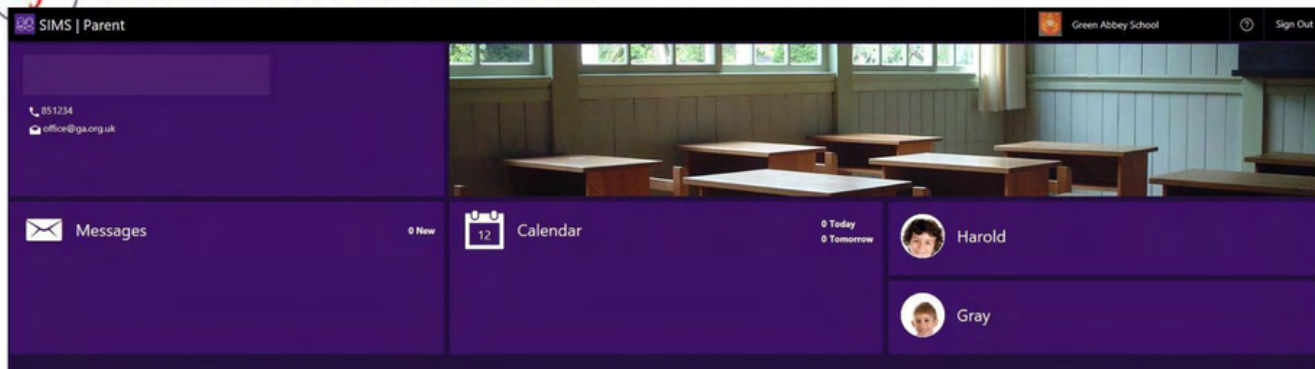
Once you have registered you can also use www.sims-parent.co.uk from any web browser.

Navigating the App and making amendments to student and contact information

Once you have logged into the app from the homepage you can select which of your children you would like to see details for by clicking on their photograph.

You will only ever see information on your own children or information on children that live with you and it is recorded that you have parental responsibility for.

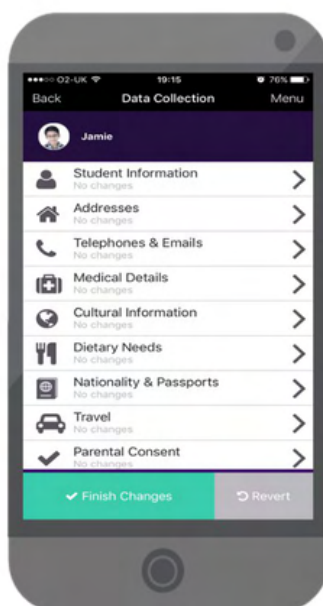
Key school dates can be viewed in the Calendar.



The Data Collection option is used to notify the school of any changes in your or your child's details. Please use this to tell us if anything changes. This means we can keep our records up to date and be able to contact you when needed.

How to inform school of changes using the App

Click the Data Collection button to open the Data Collection Menu.



From here you can scroll up and down the menu. Each section will provide a further menu or drop-down giving details of the information stored. Some of this information is mandatory:

Data Collection is pending review and is in Read-Only mode. Any changes you may have made will not be reflected here until approved at the school.

Section	Medical Conditions
Student Information Read-Only	A.D.H.D. <input type="checkbox"/>
Addresses Read-Only	Anaphylaxis <input type="checkbox"/>
Telephones & Emails Read-Only	Arthritis <input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Details Read-Only	Asthma <input type="checkbox"/>
Cultural Information Read-Only	Chronic Fatigue Syndrome <input type="checkbox"/>
Dietary Needs Read-Only	Diabetes <input type="checkbox"/>
Nationality & Passports Read-Only	Eczema <input type="checkbox"/>
Travel Read-Only	Epilepsy <input type="checkbox"/>
Parental Consent Read-Only	Hayfever <input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Practices Read-Only	Multiple Sclerosis <input type="checkbox"/>
Medical Conditions Read-Only	Myalgic Encephalopathy <input type="checkbox"/>
Disabilities Read-Only	None <input type="checkbox"/>
	Osteoporosis <input type="checkbox"/>
	Post Viral Fatigue Syndrome <input type="checkbox"/>

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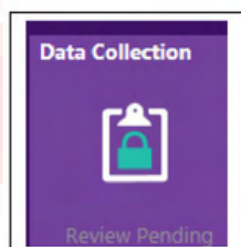
Anita Abell Read-Only
James Abell Read-Only

Make amendments as needed and then click **Save**.

After each section **you must save using the green button**. If you move onto the next section without saving all your changes will be lost.

Once all changes have been made and submitted via the app you will notice a green padlock in the Data Collection box.

This means you will not be able to make any further changes until the submitted changes have been approved at the school.



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Nationality & Passports Read-Only
Travel Read-Only
Parental Consent Read-Only
Medical Practices Read-Only
Medical Conditions Read-Only
Disabilities Read-Only

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