

Headteacher's Message - Adele Christofi

It's been an exciting week at Laurel Park School as always! Last week our year 10s were treated to a visit to Alexandra Palace Theatre to see An Inspector Calls, which is a set text for both English literature and drama. The students were impeccably behaved on the bus there, making me very proud by offering their seats to members of the public, truly showcasing our school value of integrity. The students appreciated the chance to see this professional production, bringing the play to life. Year 11 also had the chance to go and see it on Thursday of this week, meaning that'll if key stage 4 should have a great understanding of what this play is about. Huge thanks to all staff who accompanied the trip and to Mrs Nicolaou for coordinating this for us.

This week also saw our drama GCSE students work alongside a film crew, filing something very special. I am not currently allowed to say what this is, however as soon as I am able I will share with our community, I will. Nyila in year 10, who had a starring role.

This week also saw the launch of LPS Extra, our extra curricular programme. It was great to see the general buzz around the school and students discussing what options they would be going into. Not only are extra curricular clubs a great way to develop interests, learn something new and meet new people, it's also a great way to support our young people with this mental health and well- being. I would love it for all of our students to get involved in at least one club each week. Thanks to all of our staff who are facilitating sessions.

Last week we were invited to Cineworld Enfield to present as part of the borough wide year 6 transition process. It was wonderful talking to the prospective parents about our school. A big thank you to our students Mary, Maria and Nicole who were so complimentary about the school and their experience of LPS.

Wishing you all a safe and peaceful weekend.

Ms Christofi Headteacher

Who's Who at Laurel Park?

The Core Senior Leadership Team





Behaviour and Standards



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Curriculum, Data and Timetable





Complex Behaviour



Mrs Nash Raising Standards Lead **YR7&8**



Raising Standards Lead YR7&8



Mr Sahbaz **Raising Standards Lead** YR9&10



Ms Gray Raising Standards Lead **YR11**



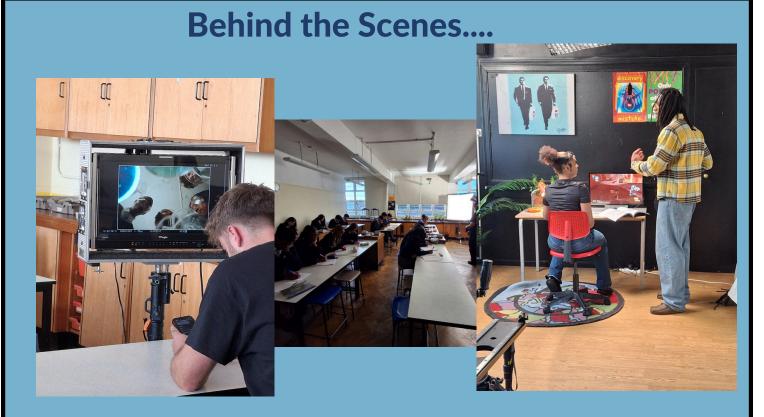
Maths and ECT's



Teaching and Learning



SENCO



Tuesday saw Laurel Park turn into a film set as we hosted a famous TikTok star. Their new music video was filmed with Laurel Park GCSE drama students taking staring roles within the production. A crew of 20 were working on the video, giving students a fantastic experience of how production works. With it being top secret, we can't tell you much more now but watch this space for the release of the video and more behind the scenes footage!

Inspector Calls Trip

Last week, all of Year 10 attended a captivating production of JB Priestley's morality play 'An Inspector Calls' at Alexandra Palace Theatre. The play follows the story of Eva Smith, a young working-class woman who takes her own life, as Inspector Goole disrupts the Birling family's celebration to reveal their connections to her death.

With its stunning set design and powerful themes, students were captivated by the story's twist ending, which leaves them questioning the family's willingness to change. The performance offered a thought-provoking commentary on the dangers of a capitalist society.

Our students demonstrated excellent behaviour during the live performance, and we look forward to taking the Year 11s to see it next! Stay tuned for updates in next week's newsletter!





Next week is Week 2

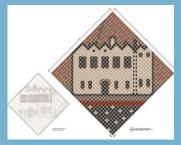
Art in the spotlight



We have received the designs from Hayatsu Architects who we have been working with on a community project.



The students were working on designs based on key elements of local history, to be embedded in special paving stones which will be part of the floor area of the new square in Devonshire Road, Palmers Green.

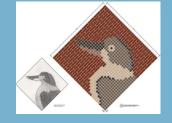


Congratulations to all students for participating, but particularly those students whose work inspired the mosaic tiles.



We cannot wait to see them installed!







We're thrilled to announce that our Art department has taken a vibrant leap forward with the introduction of student demos using our fantastic visualiser! This innovative tool allows us to bring creativity to life and share the artistic journey in real-time.

Meet Bryan from Year 9, who is captivating everyone's attention as he demonstrates his incredible talent by drawing a stunning butterfly, beautifully inspired by the iconic works of Damien Hirst. The colours, the details —it's a feast for the eyes!



The Mindset of a Champion!

This week our assemblies have been led by Mr Hubbard, our Deputy Head for behaviours and attitudes. He led a thought provoking assembly on resilience and developing a growth mindset. Students listened to a Ted talk led by Carson Byblow, an 11 year old entitled 'The Mindset of a Champion' - if he can do it, so can our Laurel Park students!

European Day of Languages!





This year we are celebrating European Day of Language and rasing money for charity by hosting a themed MacMillan bake sale

Thursday 26th September

We are looking forward to seeing our students and staff amazing baking and decorating skills - baking national specilaties or decoration to represent a country.

Full details on Google Classroom.

Please remember Laurel Park is a NUT FREE school.

Please ensure that you child has cash to buy cakes on Thursday - 50p each.

Enfield Transition Event

Last Thursday Ms Christofi and Mrs Tansley joined several other Enfield Schools at the Borough Transition Event for Year 6 families.



Maria, Mary and Nicole were fantasic ambassadors for the school throughout the evening.







An improved way to communicate with Laurel Park School - including our own app!

More info coming soon....

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Careers Corner

We have now started our next round of careers interviews, with Year 11 having their next 1:1 slot with Mrs Brown, our dedicated and impartial careers advisor about their post 16 options.

During enrichment this week, the students also looked in more details about the different options - A level, BTECs, T levels and apprenticeships. Over the next few weeks, students will have different institutions coming in to present assemblies, including our very own Laurel Park Sixth Form and our post 16 and careers fair will be taking place on Tuesday 15th October.

EXCLUSIVE

Our Year 10 work experience week will be taking place from 3rd-7th March 2025.

More details will be sent home to parents in due course.

CAN YOUR CHILD HAVE FREE SCHOOL MEALS?

Clik here to check and complete the form

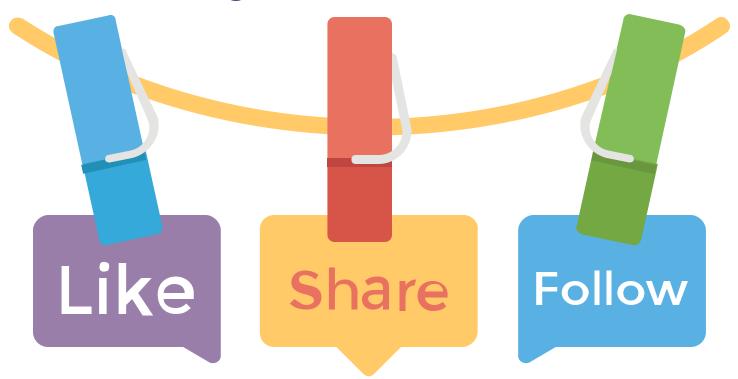
The Bay Leaf Resturant is open every morning from 7.50am to 8.15am for free breakfast for all students.

At lunchtime we serve two hot meal options and unlimited salad bar, all prepared from scratch by Chef Dan and his team.

If you pay for your meals please make sure ParentPay is topped up.



Do you follow Laurel Park School on Instagram and Facebook?



We think Laurel Park is an amazing school, where are students are achieving fantastic things - we think the whole world needs to know about it!

Make sure that you, your family and friends for LPS on Instagram and Facebook and that you like and share our posts.

Last year Miss Bignell set the target of getting 500 followers on insta by Christmas - this Christmas she want to hit 1000 follows - help us reach this target!

Click the icon to make sure you are following!





Important Dates between now and half term

SEPTEMBER

Tuesday 24th: Open Morning for Prospective families

Wednesday 25th: Year 7 Families Welcome Evening @6pm

OCTOBER

Thursday 3rd: Open Morning for Prospective families **Thursday 3rd:** Open Evening (early finish for students)

Thursday 3rd: Open Evening

Friday 4th: later start due to Open Evening - times to be confirmed

Thursday 9th: Open Morning for Prospective families **Thursday 10th:** Open Morning for Prospective families

Half Term:

Monday 21stOct - Friday 1st Nov

2024/25 YEAR GROUP TRIPS CONFIRMED

As our families know Laurel Park has a commitment to ensure that all our students enjoy a wide range of trips during their time at LPS we are please to annonce that this years trips will be:

YEAR 7

Millfield Theatre - Panto Tower of London Whipsnade Zoo

YEAR 9

Ice-skating
Thorpe Park

YEAR 8

Millfield Theatre - Panto

Whipsnade Zoo

YEAR 10

London Eye and Thames cruise
Thorpe Park

YEAR 11 - TBC and PROM



NOMINATIONS FOR HEADTEACHER'S COMMENDATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

Anyone can nominate a student for a Headteacher's Commendation.

Staff, parents, other students - complete this nomination form:



Criteria

Integrity - for hard work, honesty, making good choices, representing the school

Determination - for motivation, overcoming barriers, effort, self-discipline

Excellence - for Character Points, personal excellence, sporting / musical excellence

Ambition - for high aspirations (mock) exam results, assessment results



Bronze Award
Awarded 1st time



Silver Award Awarded 2nd time



Gold Award
Awarded 3rd time



LPS EXTRA - Autumn 2024

All Clubs are 3.15pm to 4pm

CLUB	FOR	DAY	LOCATION
Board Games	All Years	Monday	06
Lego Club	All Years	Monday	O5
English - GCSE Revision	KS4	Monday	01
Step into Dance	All Years	Tuesday	Studio E
Origin Stories - Humanities	KS3	Tuesday	P13
KS4 Book Club	KS4	Tuesday	
AQA UAS in SEN Qualifications	Year 10,Year 11,Year 12	Tuesday	
STEM Club - KS3	KS3	Tuesday	E4
STEM Club - KS4	KS4	Tuesday	E3
Film Club	Year 10,Year 11	Tuesday	
Football	All Years	Tuesday	Astro
MfL Culture Club	Year 8	Tuesday	P5
Bounce Trampolining	All Years	Tuesday	Gym
Maths GCSE Revision	YR11	Tuesday	
Maths GCSE Resit	YR12	Tuesday	
Basketball	KS3, KS4	Tuesday - W1	Sports Hall
Volleyball	KS3, KS4	Tuesday - W2	Sports Hall



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CLUB	FOR	DAY	LOCATION
Drama Club	Year 7, Year 8	Thursday	
DT Club	KS3, KS4	Thursday	
Boxing	Year 11	Thursday	Sports Hall
From Screenplay to Cinema. How to Make a Short Horror Film	Year 9,Year 10,Year 11,Year 12	Thursday	
Reading for Pleasure	Year 7	Thursday	01
Numeracy Club	KS3, YR10	Thursday	J4/J3
Chess Club	YR10	Thursday	J3/J4
GCSE Revision	YR11	Thursday	
Coding Club	KS3	Thursday	ITK
Football	KS3	Thursday	Astro
Netball	YR7, YR8	Thursday	Sports Hall
Creative Writing	Year 8, Year 9	Friday	01
Football	YR9, YR10, YR11	Friday	Astro