



Message from the Principal



Dear Parents / Carers

Two weeks into the new term and it's been wonderful to see how quickly everyone has returned to our routines in school after the long summer break. These routines start with students coming into school on time in full uniform, fully equipped for lessons, and ready for line up when the whistle blows. These routines allow students to focus exclusively on their learning without disruption because they have set themselves up to flourish during the day. Once in school students transition in silence with pace and purpose so that every class starts calmly and with everyone's attention fixed on the expert at the front of the room, the

teacher! I always enjoy when we have visitors in school and I walk them around and show them the amazing things that happen in school on a daily basis. They are always so impressed with our young people and the quality of our teaching.

Speaking of visitors, we are expecting primary school families to attend our annual Open Evening Wednesday 29th September from 5.00 - 7.00pm. Last year following our Good Ofsted report, we were not able to host visitors due to the pandemic so we are delighted to be in the position where we are truly an open school again. Please do encourage any of your friends who are considering secondary schools for their children to drop in. And if you haven't been in school lately, you are very welcome.

Thank you again for all the support you provide in ensuring your child is coming to school every day, ready to learn. It is very much appreciated.

Take care.

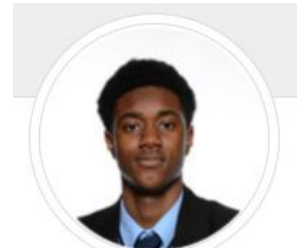
Amy Welch





Students of the Week

The following students were chosen by their Heads of Year as Student of the Week. Congratulations!



Year 7: Cheniah (House Jones) for being a model student, always doing the right thing and being positive.

Year 8: Daniel (House Thornton) for being proactive with learning.

Year 9: Brian (House Szabo) for always demonstrating integrity and honourable leadership.

Year 10: Aiya (House Thornton) for excellence in thinking and commitment to progress in her lessons.

Year 11: Gavin (House Szabo) for his outstanding English revision guide that highlights his commitment to progress.





Sixth Form Students of the Week

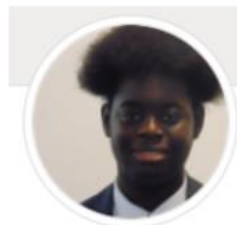
Congratulations to these students who exemplified our three values this week.



Alesya

**Commitment
to Progress**

Overcoming barriers and starting year 13 with massive determination



Lloyd

**Excellence in
Thinking**

Super curriculum participation. You are going to stand out!



Melanne

**Honourable
Leadership**

Going the extra mile and modelling VESPA

Year 7 Trip to the Globe Theatre

This week Year 7 students went to see 'A Midsummer Night's dream' at the Globe Theatre to support their study of this text in English lessons. The students really enjoyed themselves, particularly the inventive use of costumes!





Duke of Edinburgh Trip

Our Duke of Edinburgh programme got off to a great start with a weekend camping trip to Suffolk. Year 12 and 13 students set off bright and early Friday morning for Slaughden, a pretty village along the Suffolk coast with a beautiful 4 mile walk along the defense banks of the River Alde estuary. These trips are great opportunities for our young people to test their resilience, leadership and team-building skills.





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Careers Evening hosted by Young Professionals

The job market for students leaving school or university can be tricky and now more than ever we need to help them as much as we can to secure the very best opportunities when they enter the workplace. We would like to extend our invitation to you for our very first parent / carers information evening event.

We have leaders from some of the biggest employers in their industry IBM, HSBC, PwC, bp, University of Bath, Clifford Chance & Capgemini coming to talk to you about how your son / daughter or young person under your care can navigate the job market to find some incredible work experience / internship placements as well as graduate and apprenticeship opportunities. We will be sharing some useful tips around psychometric testing, how to prepare for assessment centres, CV's, and applications as well as lots of information around preparing your child / young person for the workplace / university.

This event is free of charge and it will be running on Thursday 30th September, 6pm – 7:30pm. You will have the opportunity to join this event virtually with your son / daughter / and or young person, ask questions you want directly to leading employers and obtain lots of useful information. The booking link can be found below here.

Booking Link:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/YP-Insight-Evening>

We look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible and if you have any questions, please let us know!



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Getting to Know You

Name: Ms Katie Wang

Job: Head of MFL, Teacher of Chinese

Currently reading: The Surge: An Overview of China's Rapidly Evolving Corporate Governance and Coming ESG Revolution by Lyndsey Zhang

A favourite film / TV series: The Fast and Furious Series. I like fast cars. I also love watching Blue Planet because I am fascinated by nature and David Attenborough's voice is so relaxing.

Interesting fact about me: I grew up in China where there is a one party government. In school we had a two and a half hour lunch break and we'd go home to have lunch with our friends and come back and stay in school until 5pm.

What I like about working at LA: The children really work hard trying to impress you and then you really want to work hard to meet their need and help them to make the best progress and achieve the best results they possibly.



Key Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 23 rd September	KS5 Parents Evening	Time to be confirmed
Monday 27 th September	Moana (the School Musical) Auditions	3.15 – 4.50pm
Wednesday 29 th September	Open Evening	5.00 – 7.00pm

