



LGS Headlines

24 March 2023

From the Headteacher

Dear Parents

It has been a good week for awards, with much to celebrate! Year 9 table tennis players triumphed in the Slough championships, the Dance Troupe gained two awards at the Dance Live! Competition, the E-Sports team won their semi-final and our Young Enterprise team received a special award at the Maidenhead trade fair.



As a school, we were delighted to send Mr Fenton to a British Council reception in London to receive our International School Award, recognising international awareness and understanding in our curriculum.

Closer to home, our musicians from across the year groups performed in a hugely enjoyable and well supported Spring Concert - but the last time we were able to hear our Year 13 students who have supported the musical life of the school during their time here. We wish them - and all of their year group - well as they prepare for their examinations over the next few weeks.

The GCSE and A Level exam season begins properly in mid-May, but students in a number of subjects are already going through assessments of their coursework. For example, examination board moderators are visiting PE and Drama, and recorded performances have been taking place for Music. We are proud of their performances and are confident they will have done well!

With best wishes

John Constable - Headteacher

Coming up next week...

All week	Year 12	A Level Geography - field studies visit to Northern Ireland
Mon 27 March	Year 7-9 Year 11	Girls' Cricket Leadership Programme Stage-Ed Theatre Company workshop - Romeo & Juliet
Tues 28 March	Year 11 Years 10 & 11 All Years	GCSE Business - TAG examination Table Tennis competition with other Slough schools at LGS Online Parent Forum - dealing with anxiety
Wed 29 March	Year 13 All Years	A Level Theatre Studies - performance examination Early finish at 1.20pm for students due to staff training
Thurs 30 March	Year 11	GCSE Theatre Studies - performance examination
Fri 31 March	All Years	Term ends at 12.30pm

Contact us

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The week in review

- ⇒ **Year 12s** took on a tough challenge this week with their **Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award** Practice Expedition in the Snowdonia National Park in North Wales. The weather was against them from the beginning, but despite this they enjoyed the adventure!
- ⇒ Our **Year 7-10 Dance Troupe** competed in the **Dance Live! Senior Heat Competition** on Tuesday evening, winning two awards - '**Best Concept**' for our Inspiring Women Narrative and '**Dance Fellowship**' for being respectful, professional competitors and the most supportive school of the night. Well done!
- ⇒ The Music department and our musicians put on a fantastic **Spring Concert** on Wednesday, with great performances from the Jazz and Steel Pan bands, Junior and Senior orchestras, solos and ensembles.
- ⇒ **Team Daytona** won the South Semi Final of the **Digital Schoolhouse Super Smash Bros Ultimate E-Sports** tournament - well done to Ayman, Sami and Satvik who are now through to the final!
- ⇒ We hosted the **Slough Schools' Table Tennis Championships** on Monday. Table tennis is rapidly growing in popularity at LGS, reflected by the very high standards on show. Our Year 9 team were crowned Champions and our second team finished up with Bronze medals. Well done to all involved!
- ⇒ This year's **Year 12 Young Enterprise** company '**Sleep Serene**' came away from the Maidenhead trade fair with a Special Achievement Award for their amazing innovative product and customer service.

Updates & Reminders

- ⇒ Following our successful first **online Parent Forum** organised by the Safeguarding team, we are holding another on **Tuesday 28th March**. This time we will focus on "**how to support your son/daughter with anxiety**". A letter with further details and joining instructions has been sent to parents this week.
- ⇒ A reminder that the Spring holiday runs from **Monday 3rd April to Friday 14th April**. We hope that students have enjoyable break with a chance to rest and catch up with family, friends and other interests.
- ⇒ On **Wednesday 29th March**, we have staff training in the afternoon. Students will be expected to go home at 1.20pm, or by 1.40pm if they are staying for lunch at school. If it is difficult for students to travel home early, they may work in the school library or Sixth Form study room until our normal finish time of 3.15pm.
- ⇒ Year **7, 11 and 13** will have their **Tutor Group Photographs** taken on Tuesday 18th April. A text will be sent to parents the day before as a reminder.
- ⇒ The online information briefing for the **Year 10 Geography Slapton visit** is planned for **Tuesday 26th April** from **6.15pm - 7.15pm**. This will provide parents and students with more details of the visit; staff will also talk about how students can prepare for their GCSE examinations in Geography. Joining information for the briefing will be sent by email closer to the time.

To find out more and keep up with what is happening in school from day to day, please follow our Twitter accounts.



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@drama_lgs



Looking ahead

- ⇒ This weekend, 15 Year 12 students will be heading to Ash in Berkshire to take part in their Vietnam training weekend. They will be focussing on first aid, expedition safety, mountaineering camping and hiking techniques, and will be learning how to plan, cook and eat on a budget. The weekend will also help them bond through team-building and communication activities, and will prepare the team for their upcoming trip to Vietnam through looking at Vietnamese language, culture and customs.
- ⇒ **Year 7-9 girls** will be participating in the **Cricket Leadership** Programme on **Monday 27th March** here at Langley Grammar School. Other Slough schools will be joining us too!
- ⇒ **Years 10-11** embark in another Table Tennis competition on Wednesday 28th March here at Langley Grammar School. Let's hope it's another win for LGS!
- ⇒ On the **20th April**, **Year 9s** will be taking part in their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Practice Expedition in the Chilterns. Students are required to take part in a practice expedition ahead of their assessed expedition. The expedition section involves planning, training for and completing an unaccompanied, self-reliant expedition with an agreed aim.

LGS PE Fixtures this week..

Date	Team	Opponents	Venue	Pick up time
Mon 27 March	Y7 Boys Football	Beechwood	Away	5:30pm
Tues 28 March	KS4 Table Tennis	Slough Schools	Home	3:30pm
Tues 28 March	Y8 Girls Netball	St. Bernard's	Away	5:30pm
Tues 28 March	Y10 Girls Netball	St. Bernard's	Away	5:30pm
Weds 29 March	No after school clubs due to staff training			
Thurs 30 March	Y9+10 Girls Football	St. Bernard's	Home	5:30pm
Thurs 30 March	Y10 Boys Football	Westgate	Home	5:30pm



International School Award

The British Council's International School award programme supports schools in developing an international outlook and embedding it within the curriculum. We have been involved with the programme for a number of years and were recently re-accredited with the Award covering 2022-2025.

Our application was coordinated by Mr Fenton, one of our Computing teachers, who joined us in 2020 from Jamaica. The Award recognises elements such as the level of languages teaching, overseas visits, activities with an international focus, and projects carried out with overseas schools. The assessors commented....

"Your school is clearly committed to embedding an international and global dimension to your curriculum and whole-school ethos, promoting global citizenship, foreign language learning and an appreciation for cultural diversity. The international dimension is well coordinated,....enabling your students to learn about different countries and aspects of their cultures in a curriculum-based context, as well as addressing some key global issues in a real-life situation via engagement with partners in other countries. Your international links with schools in a variety of different countries and continents are clearly providing rich learning opportunities for both students and staff."

Mr Fenton attended a British Council reception at the Houses of Parliament this week to receive our International School Award - see the picture on the next page!

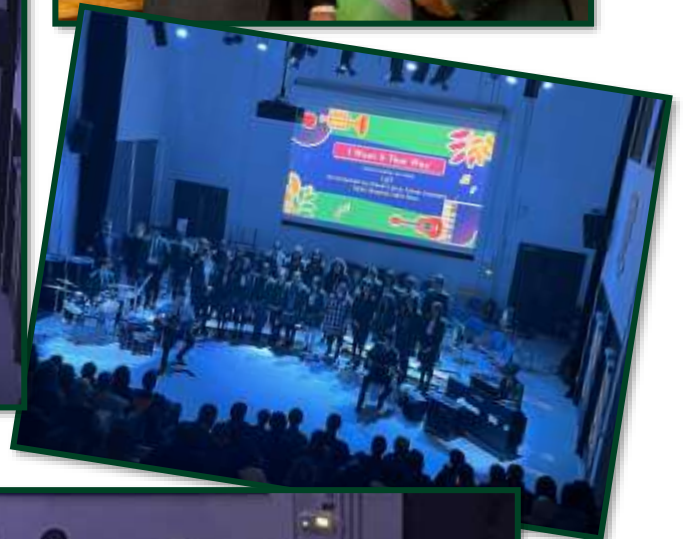


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International School Award
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Certificate

This is to certify that

Langley Grammar School

has been reaccredited for

**Outstanding development
of the international dimension
in the curriculum**

Scott McDonald
Chief Executive, British Council

