

# Langley Grammar School

..... into the Sixth Form

### "More than a walking set of exam certificates...."



# We seek to develop young people who are...

## Confident and well-rounded

...demonstrating a positive mindset; secure in their own identity and aware of their own strengths; effective and persuasive communicators; believing in their own self-worth, with a broad and balanced outlook; striving for excellence in all they do; resilient and willing to persevere.



# We seek to develop young people who are...

## Independent and creative

...able to think critically and make wise decisions; curious and inquisitive; eager to explore and discover; willing to make mistakes and embrace challenges that may at first appear daunting; adaptable and flexible; innovative and enterprising.



# We seek to develop young people who are...

# Responsible and caring

...grounded in sound ethical and moral values; socially and culturally aware; recognising and appreciating diversity; having the courage to stand up for what is right; acting with kindness and compassion to bring out the best in themselves and others; engaged in communities with a local, national and global outlook





# Our 6<sup>th</sup> Form offer: *Teaching & Learning*

- Two year A-Level based academic programme
- 4 A-level flexible programme in Year 12
- High quality teaching from experienced staff
- Consistently outstanding A level progress and results.
- Extremely comprehensive range of subjects.
- Year 12 Extended Project opportunity
- Purpose built Sixth Form facilities



Our 6<sup>th</sup> Form offer: Challenge and Enrichment Opportunities Range of additional enrichment courses

**Langley Lecture Series** 

Passport for Life programme

Oxbridge Pathway

Medicine and Dentistry Pathway



# Our 6<sup>th</sup> Form offer: *Emerging Talent*

- Strong tutorial support, know the students well
- Wide range of personal development & leadership opportunities
- Personalised Higher Education & careers guidance
- 1:1 UCAS Guidance
- Fellows Society

### 2018 A level outcomes

Majority of A Level courses are now reformed – increased content, more challenging examinations

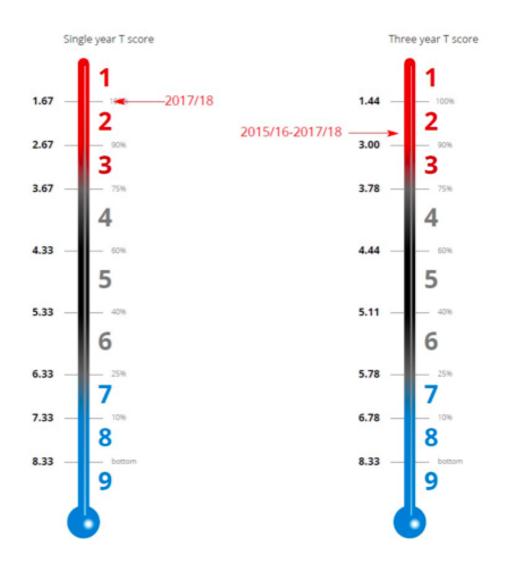
Overall, 71.3% of the grades awarded were at A\*, A or B.

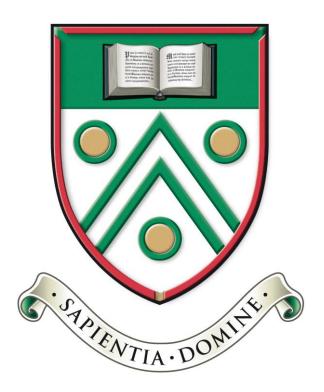
Over 36% of grades awarded were A\* or A.

### 2018 A level outcomes

We were delighted to be awarded ALPS Grade 1.

This places Langley Grammar School in the very highest category (top 5%) of schools and colleges nationally for the value added in the Sixth Form.





Why is our Sixth Form phenomenal?

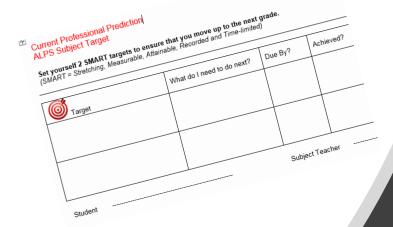
### High Expectations in the Sixth Form

Students are encouraged to:

- be actively engaged inside lessons
- be independent in their approach to learning,
- show evidence of their academic interests outside the specification







### **Strategic Gains**

- Individual student targets
- Progress
  - Monitored by whom?
  - How?
- Feedback
  - To students
  - To parents
- Academic mentoring
- Internal Examinations June
- External examinations:
  - May / June for AS qualifications
  - June of year 13 (final A Level exams)

## Positive Learning Culture

- Different types of study spaces
- Supportive culture amongst staff and students
- Strong careers and Higher Education programme throughout the two years



# Leadership and Volunteering Roles

- Y7 Buddy
- Sixth Form Executive
- Student Voice Forum
- Subject Fellows
- Individual needs mentors
- Literacy Leaders
- Progress Mentors
- House Leaders
- Anti-bullying Mentors
- Student Leadership Team
- Games Captains



### Routines in the Sixth Form

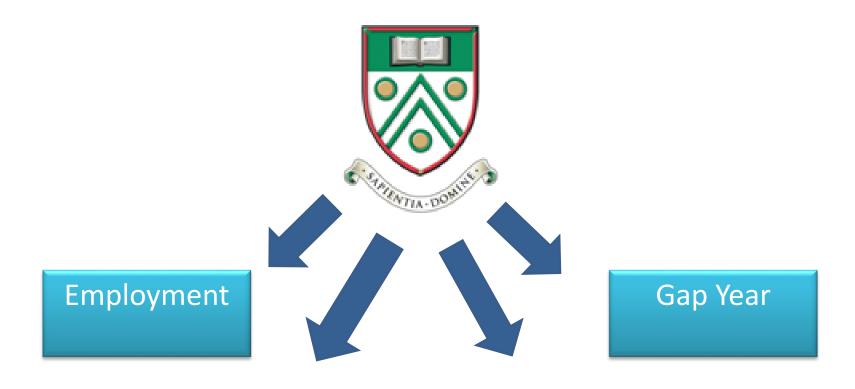
Excellent attendance and punctuality

Smart professional appearance

Professional attitudes



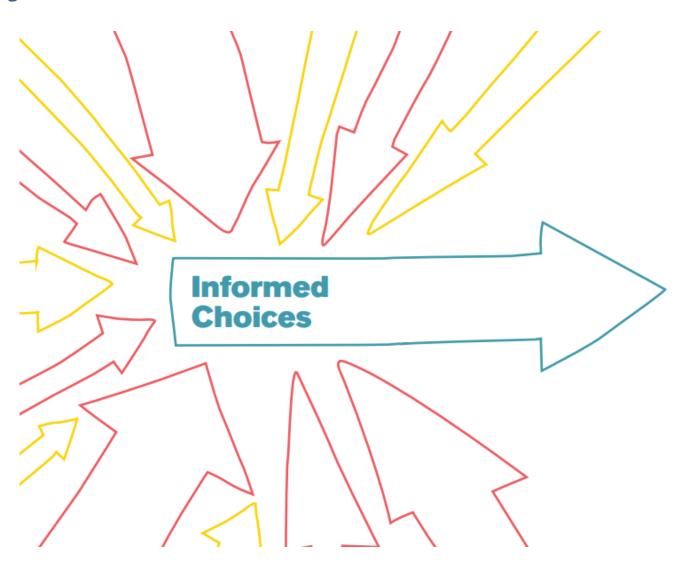
### Leaping ahead to the future



Apprenticeship

Higher Education

### What do Universities say about A level subject choice and GCSE achievement?



### For some the selection process has already begun at GCSE.



#### **General entrance requirements**

Universities may ask for a specific number of GCSEs (or their equivalent) with specific minimum grades. GCSE requirements may vary by course.

For example, a number of medical courses ask for five (sometimes more) grades at the top of the range.

# Post 16: Choices Which subjects to study?

- The choice is **yours**
- You should choose subjects which you are good at and you enjoy
- Research requirements for university courses or careers being considered
- Try to keep university and careers options open
- Consider broad & balanced subject choice
- Remember most Sixth Form entrants do not yet have firm career plans



### Study Programmes

Average point score **5.5-5.9** 

eligible to study 3 A Levels

compulsory enrichment course.

Average point score **6.0 or above** 

- expected to study 4 A Levels
- optional enrichment course.

Further Mathematics may only be taken as a <u>fourth</u> A Level.

Courses will run subject to viable numbers



### What Subjects do we Offer?

Art and Design

Biology

Chemistry

Computing

**D&T: Product Design** 

Drama and Theatre Studies

**Economics** 

**English Language** 

**English Literature** 

**Further Mathematics** 

Geography

History

**Mathematics** 

Languages: French or

German

Music

Philosophy and Ethics

Physical Education and

**Sports Studies** 

**Physics** 

**Psychology** 

Sociology

## Sixth Form Curriculum

- 3/4 A level subjects
- Enrichment course
- Games once a week
- Independent Study Periods (some supervised)
- 'Passport for Life' programme



### The Curriculum: Timetable

- Each A level subject nine teaching periods per fortnight + one designated "independent study" period
- Enrichment course one period per week
- Games one period in Year
   12, optional in Year
- In year 12 further four periods per week for private study
- Some home study concessions granted



# The Curriculum: Enrichment Courses

#### Choose one from:

- Arts Award Silver
- Community Sports Leader Award
- Duke of Edinburgh Award Silver/Gold
- Financial Capability
- Political Awareness and Current Affairs
- Photography
- Public Speaking
- Spanish



# The Curriculum: Passport for Life

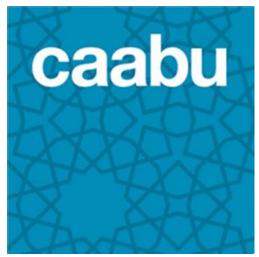


- Religious education
- Politics & current affairs
- Health education
- British Values
- Citizenship
- Driving and road safety
- Independent learning skills

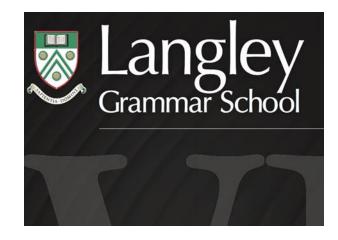








### **Tutorial Programme**



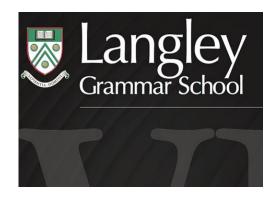
- Tutor groups A-P
- 50% Year 13 and 50% Year 12 students
- A 'loose' subject grouping.
- More about being individuals and your own pathway.
- Individual Interviews
- Tutor Group discussions- guidance, support and overview of progress.
- Weekly Current Affairs Quiz and Hotseating
- Academic mentoring available
- Student handbook essential information

### Careers Guidance in Years 12 & 13

- Individual guidance about post-18
   options i.e. university, gap year
   apprenticeship, employment
- Centigrade questionnaire to match interests & abilities to HE courses
- What Next? Event top university fair
   @ LGS
- 'Towards the Future' in-house Careers
   Conference with LGS alumni
- Ongoing engagement with employers
   & universities open days, taster
   courses, visits, online workshops & talks
- Unifrog- Destination platform
- Pathways CTM- Apprenticeships



### **Admissions Criteria**



#### Academic Criteria

 Average GCSE points score of 5.5 or above, calculated using the following points for each grade:

Reformed Courses	GCSE Grade		8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1
	Points	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1

- GCSE Maths and English at grade 5 or above.
- Subject specific requirements (Course Guide)

### **Admission Process in a 'nutshell'**

### For those currently studying at LGS:

- Taster Day Wednesday 16
   January To assist with decisions regarding subject choices.
- Complete an online application form, print and ask your subject teachers for recommendations, hand to Mrs Congdon by Thursday 31 January.
- Interviews with a senior member of staff beginning of March, to discuss subject choices

### For those currently studying in a different school:

- Complete online application form by Thursday 31 January.
- A reference will be requested from the teacher reference section on your form. Your application is not complete without this.
- Once reviewed we will be in touch with a decision in February.

### For all those currently studying at LGS <u>and</u> those who have conditional offers.

- Transition Day on Thursday 27 June Taster lessons and Bridging Work set.
- **Results Day Thursday 22 August** confirm you will be coming and present your statement of results.



# In summary... Why LGS?

- Excellent progress and high academic outcomes
- Positive learning culture
- Excellent relationships between staff and students
- Extensive range of opportunities
- Comprehensive guidance for the next step