



Langley

Grammar School

SIXTH FORM



*"Pupils and sixth formers love coming to
Langley Grammar School and they thrive here."*

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LANGLEY GRAMMAR SCHOOL SIXTH FORM

Your choice of Sixth Form is an important one: the decision you make now is not just about where you will spend the next two years studying, it is about the rest of your life. By choosing Langley Grammar School you are choosing the things that are important for your future: committed teaching staff, excellent facilities and a strong programme of academic and personal development.

The individual student is the focus of all our activities. Our teachers are passionate about their subjects; they aim to inspire a love of learning and give a great deal of support. There are mutually respectful relationships amongst all members of the school community, based on high standards of conduct and consideration for others. You will be encouraged to work hard and to achieve the highest academic standards as well as developing yourself as a young adult. Our school ethos defines the personal qualities we believe to be important. We support you to develop as young people who are confident and well-rounded, independent and creative, responsible and caring.

"An ethos of 'supporting pupils to become confident and well-rounded, independent and creative, responsible and caring' individuals underpins the exceptional provision at Langley Grammar School"

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LIFE IN THE SIXTH FORM

The Sixth Form is a bridge between school and the "real" world. You will have more independence and the opportunity to demonstrate initiative in researching and reading around your chosen subjects.

In addition to the timetabled lessons you will be expected to work effectively in your independent study periods and at home. At least 20 hours of work each week outside lessons would be typical for students who are aiming for the highest grades in their A Level examinations.

The best students balance academic achievement with full involvement in the life of the school and enriching themselves with the wider opportunities that the school has to offer.

The two years of Sixth Form pass very quickly and it is essential that you use the time to look to the future. Once you join us, we work hard to develop your character, foster your insight and build your future aspirations. In 2022, most of our students achieved places to study at Russell Group universities, including 8 who achieved a place at either Oxford or Cambridge and 20 who are now reading medicine. An increasing number are exploring and accepting offers to study degree apprenticeships and sometimes choose these instead of top university offers.

*Knowledge speaks,
but wisdom listens.*

Jimi Hendrix

It is the mark of an educated mind to be able to entertain a thought without accepting it.

Aristotle



ACADEMIC LIFE

Our Sixth Form offers a traditional academic curriculum focused on a broad range of A Level qualifications combined with enrichment opportunities. The difference is we believe in offering 4 subjects in Year 1, giving you flexibility to choose the best three subjects to continue to the full A level in Year 2. Most students leave with 3 A levels and an AS qualification although some students do continue with 4 subjects to A level. The subjects offered are described in detail in our Sixth Form Course Guide. In addition, you have the opportunity to complete the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), beginning in November of Year 12.

We offer a full range of enrichment courses, a fortnightly lecture series and a 'Culture and Curiosity' course tailored to our context. Students participate in a range of sporting activities. We are a centre for the Duke of Edinburgh Award, offering The Gold Award in the Sixth Form. All of these activities form part of our wrap-around personal development programme called 'Passport for Life'.



"Leaders ensure all pupils experience a broad, ambitious academic curriculum coupled with first-class provision for personal development."

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"Pupils benefit from a huge programme of day visits, visiting speakers, residential trips and access to the many artistic, sporting and activities-based clubs on offer"

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*Metamorphosis has always
been the greatest symbol of
change for poets and artists.*

Aristotle



BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Throughout your time in the Sixth Form you will be encouraged to use your skills and abilities to support other students in the school and to help the local community. Training is available for students who wish to take on specific roles including antibullying, learning support or progress mentoring. Our students make a valuable contribution to the local community as literacy leaders in a local primary school

Our Subject Fellows programme enables students who are passionate about their chosen subjects to work with the subject staff to develop additional opportunities for others.

We offer a range of other leadership opportunities from prefects, sports captains, student leads to representing the student voice as part of the Sixth Form Executive or representing the school and influencing policy development as part of the Student Leadership Team.

Students are encouraged to engage with undergraduate study by participating in Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs), lectures, podcasts and opportunities sent directly to their inbox.



*Imagination is more important
than knowledge.*

Albert Einstein

SUPPORT FOR LEARNING

We pride ourselves on the support we provide for our Sixth Form students, based on the crucial partnership between students, parents and staff. The Sixth Form tutor groups include students from both Years 12 and 13 and are led by experienced members of staff who take a keen personal interest in mentoring their tutees. Students meet their tutors every day for registration and a programme of form activities which include a focus on current affairs, well-being, opportunities to develop oracy, progress monitoring and discussions of future pathways.


We track students' academic progress closely and provide focused intervention where appropriate. You will have access to an academic mentor for support with learning strategies and we employ a full-time school counsellor for those needing some specific emotional support.

We encourage students to be ambitious in their post-18 choices and to develop their understanding of the different pathways open to them. Students often benefit from having their horizons broadened in terms of their academic potential and we offer specific pathways that allow students to explore the application process for Oxbridge and Healthcare professions. This includes workshops from visiting academic staff, preparation for some of the admissions tests, and specialist guidance on the completion of personal statements. Extensive preparation for all applications whether university or apprenticeships is offered through an experienced Sixth Form Team.

*"This is a wonderful school for
the overall development of
your child."*

**Parent comment received
during OFSTED inspection,
November 2021**



A photograph of four male students in school uniforms (dark blazers, white shirts, and striped ties) sitting at a long white desk in a computer lab. They are all wearing large black over-ear headphones and are focused on their work, with their hands on keyboards and mice. The desk is equipped with multiple computer monitors and keyboards. The background shows a dark door and a plain wall. The entire image is framed by a thick green border.

"A well-organised programme of careers education and guidance ensures that all pupils are very well prepared for their next steps beyond sixth form."

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FACILITIES

Our Sixth Form Centre provides an excellent environment for study and personal development, including teaching rooms, social space and independent study facilities. A 250 seat lecture theatre provides a focal point for a wide range of public events including talks from leading professionals.

Sixth Form students have supervised independent study space in the Library and the Sixth Form Centre and there are other areas of the school in which they can work collaboratively.

We are an Apple Distinguished School, all students are expected to use an iPad. We believe that tablet technology, when used appropriately can significantly enhance students' learning.

iPads can be engaging and exciting to use and can open up new ways of working: they enable students to research, collaborate, create and organise their thinking in ways that would be difficult or even impossible with more traditional methods of teaching.

Alongside the use of new technologies we still place great value on more traditional methods of teaching. Our philosophy is that teachers will select teaching methods, old and new that have the most positive impact on students' learning.

ADMISSIONS

Students entering our Sixth Form will need to meet a general entry requirement based on average performance across all the GCSE or equivalent qualifications taken. There are also specific entry requirements for most of the A Level subjects on offer. Full details are given in the Sixth Form Course Guide and Sixth Form Information Booklet available on our school website.

Students attending Langley Grammar School in Year 11 will be offered places in the Sixth Form provided they meet the academic entry requirements.

Each year we are also able to offer a limited number of places to students from other schools. Full details of the application process can be found in our Sixth Form Information Booklet on the school website.

OUR STUDENTS SAY...



“Langley Grammar School is not just about learning to achieve academic success but also learning to find out who you are.”



“The education Langley Grammar School provides not only teaches us how to make a living, but also how to live. The uniquely competitive but yet highly supportive nature of the school and the student body helps us all achieve so much more than the qualifications needed for us to pursue our dreams; it allows us to develop all the skills and traits needed to sustain and make a true success of them.”



“Year 12 and 13 is about the transition into becoming an adult, to go on to higher education and stretch your mind to new horizons.”



“Langley Grammar School provides a journey of moulding yourself into an independent and capable individual with confidence to take on the real world. It's a journey that teaches us to question before accepting and to discover not just believe. Most essentially this journey is a transformation: one that forces us to define ourselves and the individuals we are today which drives us to become the success we are determined of being tomorrow.”

“The greatest gift the school has given us is self confidence and the knowledge that we can succeed if we really want to.”

“What makes our school special is that it recognised that education is not just a textbook or a syllabus or a mock exam. Langley Grammar has taught us that education is as much about the relationships we have built over the years with each other. Education, to me, means Langley Grammar.”



“We arrive at this school as boys and girls but we leave as men and women equipped with the qualifications and skills necessary to take on the world.”



*The very spring and root of honesty and virtue lie
in good education.*

Plutarch



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