

# Welcome Evening 2023

A warm welcome to all our new Year 7 families

## Ms Adele Christofi Headteacher

### **Key Staff**

Miss Bignell, Mr Hubbard & Mrs Seymour Deputy Headteachers

Mr Akubuko Assistant Head for Complex Behaviour

Mrs Tansley Associate Assistant Head for Transition

Mr Dunnage SENDCo

Ms Bampanatsa & Ms Ali Senior Link Teachers for Year 7

Ms Gibson Head of Year 7

Ms West (7A), Ms Umer (7D), Mr Leith (7E) & Mr Vassiliou (7A) Form Tutors

Ms Deufemia Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead

## **Curriculum Booklets**

#### Assessments and reports

Report 1 - 20th December 2023

**Report 2 - 24th July 2023** 

Section 1 - Attainment

Section 2 - Attendance & Character Points

Section 3 - Comparison to last report

Parents Evening - Wednesday 12th June 2024

#### **Minimum Target Grades**

D1, D2, D3, D4 - Developing

Minimum target grades are calculated using end of KS2 data

S5, S6 - Secure

Average of English & Maths scores

**E7**, **E8**, **E9** - **Exceeding** 

Minimum standard that we know your child can achieve

Used by teachers to aid with planning.

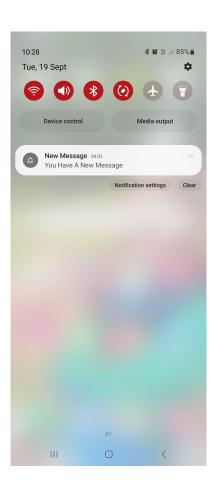
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Used by students as a benchmark for success

### **MyEd Parent Communication App**

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## My Ed App



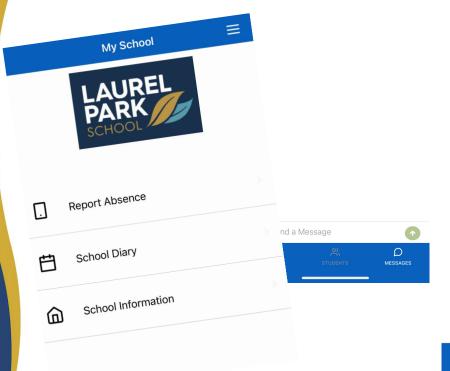


#### My Ed App

Please use this message window to report absence.

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Messages





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Please can you complete the following google form to update your child's ethnicity and first language details so we have the most up to date and accurate information regarding your child: https://forms.gle/DvBVdUonh8T9DTaG6

#### Achievement Directors

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Due to the hot weather predicted for Friday. Students can wear Laurel Park PE kit eg shorts or jogging bottoms and t-shirt and trainers on Friday 8th September. Normal uniform rules will return on Monday 11th September.

#### Absence Hotline

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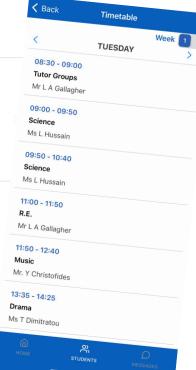
has been marked absent at morning registration. Please call 020 8368 4710 or text a reply to explain. From Broomfield School

#### Science

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did not complete their science Seneca homework





## Homework

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Homework is currently set on Google Classroom.

All homework assignments should be posted on your child's classroom.

How homework should be completed will vary between subject and homeworks, and could include:

- Completing work in their book,
- Completing work on Google Docs,
- Completing a quiz on Google,
- A link to SENECA with information and quizzes to complete,
- A link to SPARKS Maths to complete,

#### Homework

We recommend that you put Google Classroom on both your child's and your own devices.

Parents need to use the same Login details as your child, you will then:

- Get notifications when homework is set,
- Be able to view your child's set homework,
- Support your child with completing homework,
- Ensure your child completes all set homework on time and gets into good homework habits,
- Ensure they mark homework as done.

#### **Google Classroom App**

**Google Classroom** Google Play

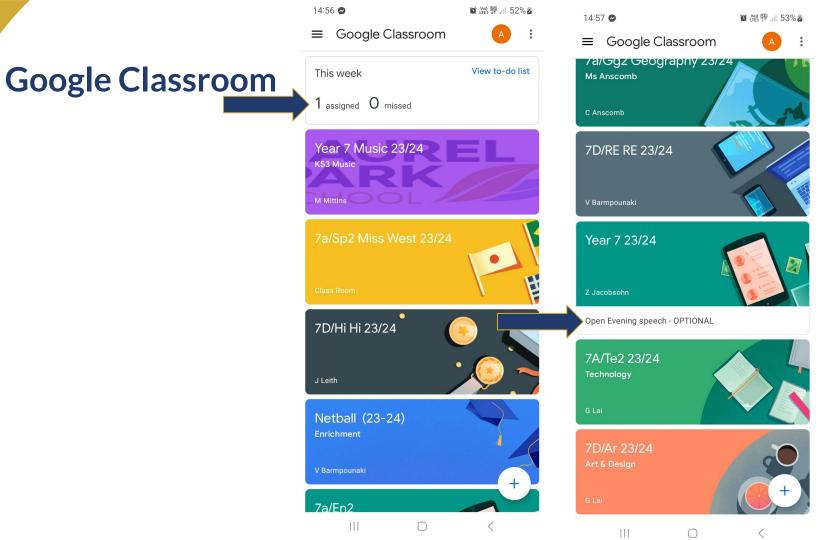


**Google Classroom** 

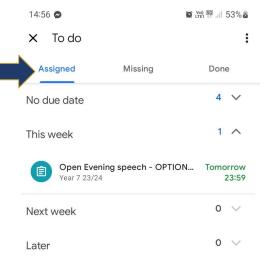
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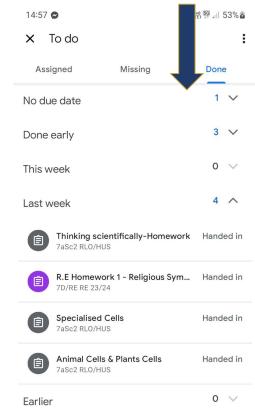






## **Google Classroom**





#### **Homework Review**

As part of our ongoing improvement we are reviewing of homework for our students in Years 7, 8 and 9.

We will shortly be sharing a survey with parents and students on this, please complete this when it is sent to you.

### Self-Quizzing?

We are moving towards most homework tasks incorporating self-quizzing.

This strategy is proven to significantly improve the retention of information in the long-term memory through retrieval practice.

There is lots of educational research on how recalling information from memory actually helps us to improve our memory over time.

As a result, this means that students who regularly complete self-quizzing homework are more likely to achieve the best grades they are capable of. Self-quizzing also promotes good learning habits such as improved organisation and resilience.

### **Self-Quizzing Overview**

Every term, the content for each subject is distilled into a knowledge organiser. This provides key content and specific vocabulary for each subject.

Self-quizzing is one of the most effective revision strategies to embed key knowledge.

This strategy encourages students to take ownership of their learning, and to support them in developing good learning habits. Embedding this content is critical for long-term success and effective retrieval from long-term memory.

What does effective self-quizzing look like?

#### Read, cover, write, check

- Students are taught how to use the read, cover, write, check revision strategy and question and answer flashcards to test themselves.
- Students learn key information in their knowledge organisers by reading a small section, covering it up, saying the definitions to themselves, writing out those key terms and definitions in their self-quizzing books, then checking to see if they got them right. They should correct any errors in green pen, then repeat the process.

There are three exciting educational trips for Year 7. As with primary school we expect all our the year group to participate on these trips.

The trips enrich the curriculum and allow students to experience the world beyond the classroom.

#### 1. Hampton Court Palace (Richmond)

16th November

Leave school at 8am and return at 4pm. Travel by coach. Will need a packed

lunch.

This trip focuses on History skills during the Tudor Times which is the focus of study in Year 7.



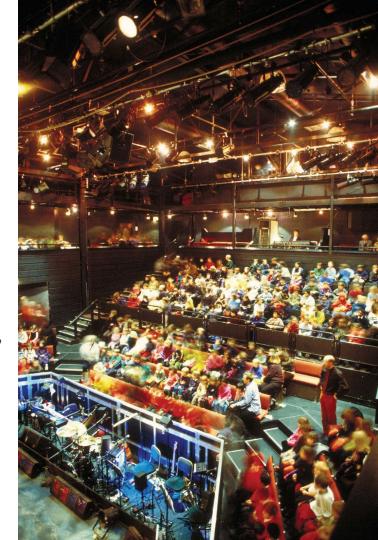
2. Chickenshed Theatre (Cockfosters)

The Toymakers Child

12th December

1pm production. Travel by train / bus.

Can go home straight from the theatre afterwards, if parents wish.



#### 3. Essex Outdoors Harlow

12th July

3 activities including 1 water, 1 up high and 1 other.

Leave school at 8.30 and back by 4.30pm. Travel by Coach. Packed lunch needed.

Wear comfortable clothes, bring spare clothes, towel, suncream, water bottle. Lockers available and we will have use of changing rooms.





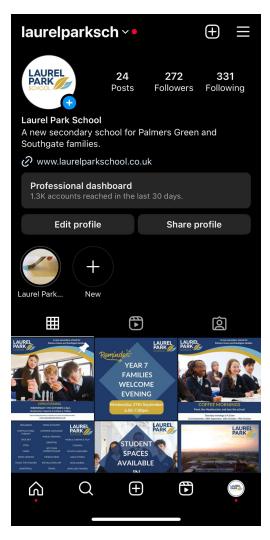
We try to ensure that our school visits are reasonably priced for our families, and pre-planned so that you are aware of the costs and can pay over the academic year.

The total cost of the 3 trips is £73.30 and all students are expected to attend. This includes:

- Transport to Hampton Court Palace by coach we have secured free entry,
- Tickets to the Chicken Shed Theatre Performance,
- Transport to the Essex Outdoors Harlow by coach,
- All activities and equipment at the Essex Outdoors Centre.

The balance will now be on your Parent Pay account and the deadline to pay is 30th June 2024.

Financial assistance can be provided on an individual basis, please speak to Ms Gibson in the first instance.



## Instagram



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# Weekly newsletter

- **Update from Ms** Christofi
- Important parent updates
- News from the week
- **Photos**
- **Upcoming dates**
- Reminder of Week 1 or Week 2

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#### Headteacher's Message - Adele Christofi

Another great week at Laurel Park School, which has seen the start of our extracurricular clubs. Having secured funding, we have linked up with a local club to deliver trampolining sessions on a Tuesday after school, sessions are available for both LPS students and members of the local community. I made my way down to the sports hall on Tuesday to see children from all different age groups having lessons by a professional trampoline coach. What was exceptionally heart-warming was seeing our students supporting and helping children to make the most of our session. Well done to Kieran and Mary for being great

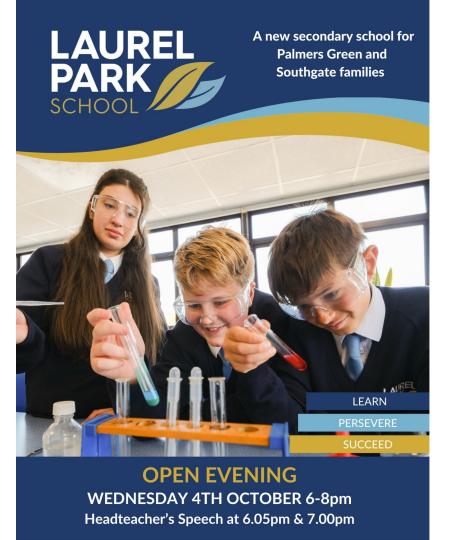
Likewise, there was great attendance at the volleyball and football clubs. I'm excited to announce that the school football league is starting next week, which will see our year 11 boys team compete against Southgate School. I look forward to announcing the score in next week's issue. I know that our team will be **determined** to do well, once again living out one of our core values. We will soon be travelling in style to our matches as our Laurel Park minibus is on order and will be arriving soon!

#### **Autumn Term 2023**

#### **Clubs & Activities Timetable**



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before school 7.50-8.20am	Free breakfast in the Bay Leaf Restaurant	Free breakfast in the Bay Leaf Restaurant	Free breakfast in the Bay Leaf Restaurant	Free breakfast in the Bay Leaf Restaurant	Free breakfast in the Bay Leaf Restaurant
Lunch 1.00-1.25pm					
Afterschool 3.15-4.00pm	Homework Club P9 All Years Volleyball Sports Hall	Homework Club P9  All Years Basketball Sports Hall  All Years Trampolining Gym PE Dept  All Years Podcasting Week 2,1 P1 Mr Christofides  All Years STEM Club Week 2, M2 Miss Smith		Homework Club P9 All Years Football 3G Pitch All Years Netball Sports Hall	
Community session 4.00pm +		'Bounce' Trampolining Club			



## **Open Evening**

Students will be dismissed on Wednesday as usual at 1.50pm.

Any student chosen to help out will return to school at 5pm to register in the Bay Leaf Restaurant.

Roles - support in departments or tour guides.

Dismissed between 8-8.15pm.

All current and prospective families are welcome to Open Evening.

School starts on Thursday 5th October at 9.20am

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# Questions?