



NEWSLETTER

A ROUND UP OF THE WEEK AT LAUREL PARK SCHOOL

Headteacher's Message - Adele Christofi

We have all completed our first week, and although we have had to remind ourselves of the new timings of lessons and lunchtime, overall, it has been an incredibly successful week. The students have come in wearing their uniform with pride, looking smart and driving forward the Laurel Park vision of excellence.

Also had the pleasure this week of observing the Tutor Time Reading Programme and reading to some form groups myself. Reading is the best source of education, because when our children can read, they can tackle all that life has to offer. Exam papers that students will sit at the end of year 11 are developed with a reading age of 16 in mind. Therefore, if students aren't at a specific reading level, they tend to struggle. This is why we have invested so heavily in both books and curriculum time. Well done to the vast majority of our young people who have been getting in on time and starting their day reading. Year 11 will start to read their set texts for their English literature exam, so even more reason to be here on time.

Likewise, my senior team and I have been into lessons across the whole school and what we are seeing is high engagement, purposeful learning and young people who are eager to do their best. We have a great staff body who are planning well considered lessons and who are raising the bar in terms of expectations.

On Thursday of this week, we had our first enrichment slot, which saw students across the whole school take part in an activity in order to develop their character education and to support the school values: Integrity, Determination, Excellence and Ambition. We have had students exploring Japanese art and culture, robotics, volunteering, cross country just to name a few. These skills and the opportunity to develop wider knowledge and prepare our young people for the world outside of school.

Finally, our students have been busy getting character points based on our core values, and next week we will have the first count with opportunities to come and collect a prize from me.

Our school is genuinely a new school for your children and feel such a huge sense of pride in what we have achieved in a short amount of time. We have our annual open evening on the 4th of October, and I warmly welcome our parents to come and see the changes. \

Wishing you all a peaceful and safe weekend.

Ms Christofi
Headteacher
Laurel Park School



Important Updates

School Photo Day

On Thursday every student and staff member had their new school photo taken with Tempest Photography. Proofs will be distributed to students next week and families can purchase their school photos directly with Tempest with free delivery to school.

Have your contact details changed?

If your contact details have changed over the summer (address, phone number etc) then please contact the school office on office@laurelparkschool.co.uk so our system is accurate.

Reminder about old Broomfield uniform

The deadline to return Broomfield uniform to school for recycling is Friday 22nd September.

Year 7 - save the date

The Year 7 Families Welcome Evening takes place on Wednesday 27th September at 6pm in the main hall. This is an important event where you can hear from the key staff supporting your child in Year 7 along with curriculum and pastoral information

You will have been emailed a link to confirm your attendance. Contact the office if you have not received the email.

Enrichment

Session 1 of our unique Character Education 'Enrichment for All' started this week. As young people going into society and as parents, we want our children to be kind, inquisitive, curious, resilient and to have a thirst for lifelong learning. The entire Laurel Park staff body worked with the student body on Thursday afternoon to develop these key attributes. Here is a list of everything that is on offer:

Clubs Timetable

The clubs timetable is included in this weeks edition of the newsletter. There will be more additions coming soon. All clubs are free and run by Laurel Park staff (except Bounce Trampolining Club).

WELLBEING	CROSS COUNTRY	
HORTICULTURAL THERAPY	JAPANESE LANGUAGE	
CROCHET	PUBLIC SPEAKING	WORLD CINEMA & FILM
STEM	DEBATING	COOKING
CHESS	SITE TEAM	SCHOOL MAGAZINE
PIANO LESSONS	APPRENTICESHIP	GIRLS FITNESS
TEACH THE TEACHER	MINDFULNESS	WAR GAMING
BASKETBALL	INSTALLATION ART	JEWELLERY MAKING
YOUNG PRODUCERS	TENNIS	BEAUTY & SELF CARE
ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE	FILM CLUB	WORLD LITERATURE
LAUREL THESPIANS	ROBOTICS	PHILOSOPHY
NETBALL	COUCH 2 5K	ASTRONOMY
JOURNALISM	ANIME DRAWING	STORY WRITING
	BEE KEEPING	
	CHARACTER EDUCATION at LAUREL PARK	

Word of the Week

As part of the Literacy journey, we are introducing our initiative of the Word of the Week (WOW). Every Monday morning students will be introduced to a word, selected from the Academic Word List, and they will be expected to use this word in every lesson across the school. The WOW is designed to promote learning and literacy through the expansion of knowledge and vocabulary skills.

The first WOW can be found on the next page of this newsletter.

Next week is Week 1

Who's Who at Laurel Park?

The Wider Senior Leadership Team - Lead Practitioners

This week we focus on our wider Senior Leadership Team which is made up of our new amazing team of **Lead Practitioners**. Lead practitioners model excellent practice, sharing their skills and experience with other teachers.

Personal Development, Well-being and safeguarding: Ms Gray (History)

Curriculum, Literacy and Interventions: Ms Bampanatsa (English)

Raising Boys Achievement: Mr Minors (Science)

Teaching and Learning: Ms Smith (Technology)

Character Education and Religious Education: Ms Barmounaki (RE)

Pupil Premium: Mr Shabaz (Computing)

High Achievers: Ms Ali (Maths)

Assessment, Feedback and reducing variation: Mr London (Science)

Life Skills: Ms Ezzeldin (Technology)

Important Dates between now and half term

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 14th: School Photo Day

Tuesday 19th: Bounce Trampolining club starts

Wednesday 27th: Year 7 Families Welcome

Evening

Friday 29th: Year 10 and 11 GCSE PE kayaking coursework trip

OCTOBER

Monday 2nd: Primary Football Night

Wednesday 4th: Open Evening (early finish for students)

Thursday 5th: later start due to Open Evening - times to be confirmed

Monday 16th: Primary Football Night

Half Term:

Monday 23rd Oct - Friday 3rd Nov



ANALYSE

DEFINITION

Verb: to examine or think about something carefully, in order to understand it

SYNONYMS

- Examine
- Explore
- Interpret

SENTENCES

In English: The teacher analysed the different ways that authors use imagery to create mood in their works.

In Maths: The student analysed the function's derivative to find its critical points.

ETYMOLOGY

The verb "analyse" comes from the noun "analysis", which comes from Ancient Greek ἀνάλυσις (análusis, "a breaking up, a loosening, releasing")

Calling all aspiring Science & Engineering hopefuls!

Have you ever wondered how the Shard in London was built? Or perhaps how the London underground was constructed? Did you know Cadbury chocolate uses science to produce all of their product you buy off the shelves. This event is your chance to come face to face with all of the employers involved behind some of the worlds biggest constructions and brands products!

Careers in Science & Engineering virtual event on Tuesday 19th September 2023 at 5:00pm - 6:30pm.

This event is open to all students from across the UK and Ireland.

Our events are very popular so make sure you sign up below as soon as possible to confirm your place at this incredible event.

SIGN UP HERE

Our new website is now live. Click on the image to check it out!



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		Year 11 History revision P14 Ms Gray / Ms Anscomb	Year 11 Geography revision P13 Ms Anscomb		
Afterschool 3.15-4.00pm	Homework Club P9 All Years Volleyball Sports Hall Year 11 English Revision O corridor	Homework Club P9 All Years Basketball Sports Hall All Years Trampoline Gym PE Dept All Years Podcasting Week 2,1 P1 Mr Christofides All Years STEM Club Week 2, M2 Miss Smith Year 11 Art & Graphics Coursework Catch-up M6 Ms Haddon / Mr Marston Year 11 IT & Computer Science revision ITK Mr Sahbaz		Homework Club (P9) All Years Football (3G Pitch) All Years Netball (Sports Hall) Year 11 Sport Studies Coursework Catch-up J6 Mrs Tansley / Mr Sroka Year 10 and 11 Technology Club M7 Ms Smith Year 11 Hospitality & Catering M3 Ms Ezzeldin	Year 11 Media Coursework Catch- up ITG2 Ms Bamptonatsa
Community session 4.00pm +		'Bounce' Trampoline Club			



KP NETBALL

**Netball coaching for
all ages and abilities**

Highlands School, Enfield N21 1QQ

Autumn Saturday Coaching

9-9:55am: Reception–Year 2 Year 3-4

10-10:55am: Year 5-6 Year 7-8 Year 9-10

£8 per session

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
9th Sep	16th Sep	23rd Sep	30th Sep	7th Oct	14th Oct	21st Oct	4th Nov	11th Nov	18th Nov	25th Nov	2nd Dec

Reserve your place

www.kpnetball.co.uk

Brenda: 07392 018 982

Hayley: 07392 019 016

Autumn Holiday Camp

Reception to Year 10 - 10am-2pm

£30 per day or £80 per 3-day camp

Mon
23rd Oct

Tue
24th Oct

Wed
25th Oct

