



LANSDOWNE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear Parents and Carers,

Managing Seasonal Illness

As you will be aware, we are currently in the midst of seasonal illness. We have certainly faced challenges this week at Lansdowne on account of this year's particularly virulent strain. To help you keep your family healthy and make informed decisions about school attendance, we have compiled some useful resources below:

- Education Hub Blog: Reducing the spread of illness this winter – Seven practical steps to healthier schools and higher attendance <https://educationhub.blog.gov.uk/2025/10/reducing-the-spread-of-illness-this-winter-seven-steps-to-healthier-schools-and-higher-school-attendance/>
- NHS Guidance: Is my child too ill for school? – Clear guidance to help you decide when your child should stay at home <https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/>
- Preventing and Controlling Infections Guidance – Advice on vaccination, ventilation, and good respiratory hygiene <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/preventing-and-controlling-infections>
- A–Z of managing Infectious Diseases – Practical guidance on managing specific illnesses <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/managing-specific-infectious-diseases-a-to-z>

We appreciate your support in helping to reduce the spread of illness by keeping children at home when they are unwell and ensuring they return only when they are fully recovered.

Lambeth SEND Survey – Have Your Say and Win!

Lambeth Council has launched an important survey for children and young people with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND). **Who can take part?** The survey is aimed at young people aged 8 to 25. **What will the survey cover?** Your child's views on their learning experiences, health and wellbeing, transitions between settings, preparing for adulthood, youth voice and participation. The insights gathered will help identify what is working well and where improvements are needed to better support children and young people with SEND across Lambeth. **Prize draw!** Everyone who completes the survey can enter a prize draw to win a voucher - 1st prize £75, 2nd prize £50, 3rd prize: £25.

To access the survey: <https://haveyoursay.lambeth.gov.uk/en-GB/projects/survey-for-children-and-young-people-with-special-educational-needs-and-disabilities>

To enter the prize draw: Email Lulu at lpinkney@lambeth.gov.uk or call 020 7926 3554 to confirm you have completed the survey.

I wish you all a restful and germ-free weekend! Francis Downing

Class of the Week
in KS3

Congratulations!

9LM

Class of the Week
in KS4/5

Congratulations!

12LT

Next Friday's
Assembly Class

11NP

on 12th December
at 9.35am

Golden Hinde Trip

On 20 November, our Year 10 students visited the Golden Hinde as part of their History studies on the Elizabethans and the Spanish Armada. Travelling by public transport, the group took the Northern Line to London Bridge before making their way to the ship. Pupils explored life aboard an Elizabethan vessel and even had the chance to load a cannon and handle replica historical weapons. It was an engaging, hands-on experience that brought their learning to life. —Ms Gomez



Ruskin Park Trip

The Year 8 pupils visited Ruskin Park to complete fieldwork. The pupils noticed how a green space is used in the city: from recreation and sports to people walking their dogs or enjoying a picnic (like we did!). We looked at features of parks in London using our senses and compared the nature to that of the countryside.



—Ms Gkotsi

British Museum Trip

Last Friday class 8FB enjoyed an exciting day visiting the British Museum in central London. At the Museum, the students participated in a workshop that included a variety of engaging activities. They began in the Great Court, where they admired the stunning glass roof through specially coloured plastic sheets. Afterward, they took part in a search to find the statues of a lion and a horse. In the King's Library, they explored glass cabinets filled with King George's old books and other treasures.



The students were allowed to feel the surface of the Rosetta Stone, which has been in the museum since 1802. They also had the chance to see and gently touch a variety of shells. During the trip, 8FB interacted positively with one another and demonstrated excellent manners towards the museum staff and other museum visitors.



—Ms Burton



Dates for your Diary:

1st-11th December — Winter Raffle Tickets on sale from Front Office.
10th December — Enterprise Café in West Dulwich from 11am-2pm.
11th December — Post 19 Transition Event in Lansdowne School for students in Years 11-14 and their parents/carers from 10am-12.30pm.

11th December — Christmas Jumper Day

12th December — Winter Fair from 2pm-3.30pm. Cash only. Bring small change.

17th December — Christmas Lunch

19th December — Last day of Term. We finish at 3.30pm.



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