



# LANSDOWNE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear parents and carers,  
I hope you have all had a great week. It has certainly been an extremely busy one at Lansdowne.

## World Book Day Celebrations

The main event this week was Thursday's World Book Day. World Book Day is a wonderful opportunity to promote reading for pleasure and celebrate books and it was fantastic to see so many of our pupils (and staff!) in their costumes and hear them talk enthusiastically about their favourite books. A big thank you goes to Miss Line for coordinating the day and arranging the quiz. I hope you enjoy the photos!



Class of the Week  
in KS3

Congratulations!

**8FB**

Class of the Week  
in KS4/5

Congratulations!

**12LT**

## Lambeth SEND Youth Council

In other news, members of our school council did Lansdowne proud when they attended the Lambeth SEND Youth Council event at Brixton Library on Tuesday. Congratulations especially to one pupil who will be part of the multi-school panel presenting the council's findings to the SEND School Conference in April.

## Enterprise Café Event

We had another successful Enterprise Café Event where pupils enjoyed developing their job skills while providing their Café guests with delicious food and drink.

## Art Department Showcase

The Art department arranged an exciting event combining drawing and multi-media, with some creative and original artwork being produced as a result. We will share more of these creations around school and on the website for your appreciation.

## Roots & Shoots Partnership

Finally, it is good to see what is happening at Roots & Shoots in Kennington for some of our students. Roots & Shoots is a long-established partner of Lansdowne. Many pupils, past and present, have enjoyed participating in their gardening programme and have literally enjoyed eating the fruits of their labours! Have a great weekend! —Francis Downing, Head of School



## Lambeth SEND Youth Council

On Tuesday, five Lansdowne School Council members had their next instalment of the SEND Youth Council. The topic of discussion for this month was 'how do Teaching Assistants help us at school'. Pupils did a great job at brainstorming all of the important qualities they like in our Teaching Assistants, and pondered how they have helped us over the years. The



goal of the meeting was to help the Council attract more passionate Teaching Assistants to the job. Excitingly, one pupil has nominated himself to speak publicly at a SEND School Conference about the results of the SEND Youth Survey. Well done boys! — Mr Mau

### College Links: Roots & Shoots

Our Roots & Shoots gardening program has been in full bloom this term, with pupils enthusiastically developing their knowledge of plant care and cultivation. They have learned how to plant and look after a range of plants, explored the role of compost in enriching soil, and investigated different types of bulbs and the specific ways they need to be planted to grow successfully. A highlight of the program was planting a new tree in the local park, leaving a lasting contribution to the community. Pupils have also taken part in seasonal cooking activities, including a warm, hearty soup to combat the cold weather, and celebrating Pancake Day by making their own tasty pancakes together.



—Ms Enright-Bullock

### Enterprise Café Event

We had an Enterprise Café event once again in February. We have had probably the biggest crowd so far. We had our regular visitors, people coming from the neighbourhood - most of them are our regular guests who have the Café dates in their diary, and many parents and family member showed up as well. The pupils did a fantastic job, worked tirelessly, swapping roles, trying themselves in different jobs. There is so much to learn and take away from these events apart from the actual jobs of barista, waiter, server, cashier, etc. What it is like to work in a team, to have conversations with the customers, to take care of the needs and requests of others and problem solving. It is always so nice when on the way back to the school we pose the question, "So who would like to do this again?", and all the hands fly up in the air immediately. Well done to all our pupils!



—Ms Berke

### Nice Nice Records, Drawing with the Artist Claudia Williams

Selected classes were excited to take part in a live streaming drawing session with the artist Claudia Williams, directly from Nine Elms studio and in partnership with ActionSpace. Driven by a powerful need to creatively express herself, Claudia produces up to twenty drawings a day! Claudia's passion for Reggae and R&B music feature across all her artwork, as well as popular cultural imagery and design of the 1970s and 1980s, using bold and bright colours. Text features throughout the work, and Claudia includes her name and the date the work was created, along with song lyrics and names of people and musicians. Pupils worked in the art lesson, while seeing and drawing live with Claudia on the big screen in the classroom, while listening to a curated playlist by the artist. Thank you ActionSpace!



### Creating Portraits with the Artist Claudia Williams



— Ms Mendonça



## World Book Day: A Day of Stories, Costumes and Competition!

World Book Day was a fantastic success at Lansdowne School this year, with students and staff alike embracing the joy of reading and storytelling. The school came alive with colour and creativity as both students and staff arrived dressed as their favourite book characters. It was wonderful to see everyone's enthusiasm for bringing their beloved characters to life!

### The Great Big Booky and Footy Quiz

Adding to the excitement this year, classes competed in the Great Big Booky and Footy Quiz – a brilliant combination of literature and sport that had everyone engaged and eager to show off their knowledge. Every class competed, with teams working together to answer challenging questions about books and football.

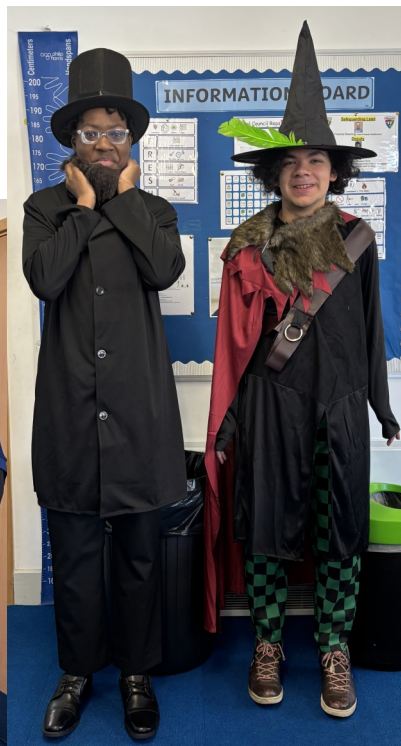
### And the Winners Are...

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🏆 9LC

Well done for everyone who took part in World Book Day.  
Keep reading, Lansdowne!

—Miss Line



## Lambeth Autism Advisory Service: Behaviour as Communication — Free Parent/Carer Workshop

When: Monday, 9th March from 10-11.30am

Where: Woodmanstern School, Stockport Road, London SW16 5EX

This workshop will cover the following areas:

- To consider what may trigger a behaviour(s) and what steps can be taken to avoid behaviours.
- Begin to understand differences in behaviour and the causes of these behaviours.
- Understand the 'acting out cycle'.
- Explore tools to analyse behaviour and think about solutions.
- To explore a range of positive strategies.

### Lambeth Autism Advisory Service Sign-up For Our Parent Workshop



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### Dates for your Diary:

- ◆ Year 9, 10, 11, 12, 13 or 14 Parents/Carers Open Evening on Wednesday, 11th March from 4-6:30pm at Lansdowne School.
- ◆ Enterprise Café Event on Wednesday, 18th March.
- ◆ Last day of this Term is on Friday, 27th March. We finish at our regular time of 3.30pm.

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