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LANSDOWNE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Dear parents and carers,

I hope you've had a good week. It's hard to believe that next week is the last of this term. It's been a very successful start to the academic year – it was lovely to see our pupils in Years 8-13 again and to welcome our new Year 7 cohort, who have made a great start to their Lansdowne journey.

Free and low-cost activities for half term
While we all look forward to a week off, we know it can be challenging to keep children engaged during the holidays. We've put together some options for enriching and enjoyable activities available in Lambeth.

Black Prince Trust – Free Holiday Programmes
The Black Prince Trust offers FREE fun, accessible and inclusive programmes for children aged 8 and over, including:
- Multi-sports, football and basketball sessions
- Daily sessions from 10am-3pm,
- Activities split into appropriate age groups

Sessions run during February and October half-terms (1 week), Easter (2 weeks) and summer holidays (5 weeks). **How to book:** Visit blackprincetrust.org.uk/get-involved/free-holiday-programmes and check the School Holidays Programme tab. You can book your child onto as many sessions as you like.

Class of the Week in KS3
Congratulations!
9JD

Class of the Week in KS4/5
Congratulations!
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Active Lambeth Holiday Club
A fun-packed, multi-activity holiday club with high-quality care, including:
- Arts and crafts, court activities and swimming (for competent swimmers)
- Add-on activities: climbing wall, sport simulator, bowling, karaoke, ice skating and fitness classes

What to bring:
- □ Comfortable clothes and trainers
- □ A packed lunch with healthy foods (no nuts, sugary sweets or fizzy drinks)
- □ A reusable water bottle

Cost per day: Standard £26.50 | Concessionary £21.55
How to book: Visit active.lambeth.gov.uk/activities/holiday-activities

Next Friday's Assembly Class
11AG
on 23rd October at 9.35am

Free Family Days Out in Lambeth
For a wide range of FREE activities, including Lambeth's wonderful parks and attractions, visit: southlondonnews.co.uk/area-guide/free-family-days-out-in-lambeth-2026

Our recommendation: Crystal Palace Park (in Bromley, but easily accessible from Brixton) features:
- Restored Victorian dinosaurs
- A fantastic dinosaur-themed playground
- A large maze and visitor centre

Black History Month Activities
Please see the attached information about Black History Month activities taking place across the borough during half term.



School will finish at the usual time of 3:30pm on Friday, 23rd October. We hope you have a wonderful break and look forward to hearing all about your half-term adventures when we return on Monday, 2nd November!

Francis Downing
Assistant Headteacher



College Links: Roots & Shoots

Our students have been getting hands-on with nature and gardening through our Roots and Shoots sessions. With our Year 12 students, we have been busy preparing the land for our new garden. It has been a great opportunity for students to work together, develop practical skills and take pride in creating a space that they will care for throughout the year. Students have been collecting sunflower seeds, cooking them and experimenting with different recipes. This has given us the chance to discover new ways of using something we have collected ourselves, while encouraging students to try something new. Meanwhile, 13TF students have been learning about the environment and sustainability, visiting Vauxhall City Farm, where students could connect their classroom learning with real-life examples of environmental practices.

—Ms Llanos

