



THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

As the staff and students are about to enjoy a much-needed break over the Easter holidays, I would like to take this opportunity in thanking you all for your continued support in what has been an incredibly busy and fulfilling term. The end of the term is traditionally the time when we say goodbye to colleagues moving on to pastures new. This term we have just one colleague leaving us, Ms Blake. Ms Blake has been an exceptional colleague during her time at LNS, she leaves us to take up a promoted post at another school. She will be replaced by Mr Joshua Roy, an experienced and first-rate Head of English. Please see below for important information relating to the Easter break and our planned return to school next term:

Start of Term Arrangements

Monday 17th April - **School Closed to Students (Staff INSET)**

Tuesday 18th April - All students return to school.

Free School Meals

For those families whose sons are entitled to Free School Meals, Tesco vouchers have been distributed via email. You can reclaim these to the value of £40.00 for the two-week period. If you experience any problems with this system, please contact the school via email admin@Lns.org.uk

**IT IS ESSENTIAL THE SCHOOL HAS THE CORRECT EMAIL CONTACT DETAILS FOR YOU AS
WE CAN ONLY ISSUE THE VOUCHERS ONCE.**

As we approach the final term it is essential that our students maintain their standards during the examination period, please remind you sons that we expect the highest of standards especially when our students are out in the community representing the school.

School Uniform and Standard Expectations:

I must re-emphasise the standard set of expectations we will have all students:

- Full school uniform must be worn to and from school.
- Shoes must be plain black, have no tags, and must be polishable.
- Black or navy coats with no logos (not to be worn in school).
- No hoodies.
- A suitably sized navy or black school bag. Pouches are not permitted.
- Hair must be of a straightforward style, clear of the collar and ears.
- No lines in hair or eyebrows.
- No earrings or jewellery are to be worn.

- Mobile phones are allowed in school and must not be out at any time.
All pupils will be asked to switch their phones off before entering the school site.
If mobile phones are seen in corridors etc., they will be confiscated.

Student Timekeeping and attendance

As the current wave of industrial seems to have abated for the time being, please remember classes for students start at 08:40 am; so your son(s) needs to be on site for 08:30 am at the latest, to ensure a timely start to the school day - should your son choose to have a free bagel or make a purchase from the kitchen then please ensure that this extra time is allowed for.

If for any reason our son is absent from school, please email admin@LNS.org.uk detailing your son's full name, registration group and reason for his absence along with the expected duration of his absence.

We will advise parents in advance about the schools' arrangements should there be a further round of industrial action.

Examinations

Critical public examinations take place for our Year 11 and Year 13 students in the forthcoming summer term. For families with students in these year groups please encourage your sons to take some time to revise over the break and remember that school is offering revision classes on a Saturday morning in the summer term prior to the examinations. If you require extra work for your son or daughter, please contact his/her class teacher.

Parent Governor

The Full Governing Body of the school has a vacancy for a Parent Governor. This is an exciting opportunity to use your perspective to help the board understand a parent's viewpoint. This will help the board make good decisions and maintain a link between governance and the parent community. (As a parent Governor you are not expected to represent or speak for parents; but to bring a parental perspective to the issues discussed by Governors).

If you would like to nominate yourself or with their permission another parent please [complete the form here](#). There will be a ballot from the successful candidates and subsequent vote by parents to elect the parent governor over the course of the summer term. It is expected the role will be in place by September 2023.

Hire Bicycles

We continue to see a small number of students journeying to school on hired bikes; whilst we encourage an increase in cycling to school as part of our students' healthy lifestyle choices, we have had several complaints from the community about hire cycles being carelessly abandoned on the pavements and roads adjacent to the school.

Lambeth Food and Fun Programme

With this letter and email please find a letter from Cllrs Kind and Hashi, Lambeth's Cabinet Members for Children and Young People and Safer Communities, announcing the launch of our 2023 Spring of Food and Fun Programme, which is designed to give local families access to free, healthy food and fun activities over the spring holidays. This will run from 3 to 6 April and 11 to 14 April and is open to all families who are entitled to free school meals.

If you wish for your son to travel to school using a hire bike, please could you email the school at admin@lms.org.uk detailing your son's name and confirmation of your permission. If your son does use a hired bike to get to school, please encourage them to park the bike with consideration when they have completed their journey.

Finally, it remains for me to thank you for your continued support, and to wish you a very happy Easter holiday.

Yours faithfully,



Mr. M Schofield
Headteacher