



THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL
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21st December 2022

Dear Families,

As we come towards the end of term and the Christmas break, it is clear that it will be well-deserved by the staff and students alike. A huge amount has happened in these few months. We have had a number of extra-curricular activities that have enabled students to engage fully in their learning. As always, it has been great to see our students enjoying educational trips and visits and accessing the range of extra-curricular clubs on offer. We have welcomed a number of visitors to the school with The Royal Navy kicking off the year with our new Year 7's in August, introducing them to LNS through a range of team building activities - they have also worked with our Year 8 cohort and will be returning throughout this academic year. We have also been able to run our 'Splash Days' at the AHOY Centre; attended and hosted sporting fixtures and competitions; participated in the annual Seafarers Concert at St Paul's Cathedral; attended the annual Remembrance Service at Tower Hill; as well as providing trips to theatres and galleries for all year groups to name but a few. A more comprehensive breakdown can be found in our latest edition of 'Navigate'.

This letter contains some key information about our return to school in January and some of the support that is on offer during the Christmas break:

Return to school information:

- **Tuesday 3rd January 2023: Staff training day, the school is closed to students.**
- **Wednesday 4th January 2023: All students will return to school.**

However, due to the rail strikes that are scheduled for the remainder of this week, it has become necessary to adjust the timings of the school day:

- Wednesday 4th January 2023 **(9:40 am - 3:00 pm)**
- Thursday 5th January 2023 **(9:40 am - 3:00 pm)**
- Friday 6th January 2023 **(9:40 am - 3:00 pm)**

Free School Meals

For those families whose sons are entitled to Free School Meals, Tesco vouchers will be distributed today, Wednesday 21st December, 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.

Winter of Fun and Food Programme

Lambeth will be running their annual Winter of Food and Fun Programme, which is designed to give local families access to free, healthy food and fun activities over the winter holidays. The programme will run from 19th to 23rd December 2022 and 28th to 30th December 2022. More information, including a letter from Cllr. Kind and Cllr. Hashi, Lambeth's Cabinet Member for Children and Young People and Cabinet Member for Safer Communities, can be found on the website: www.lambeth.gov.uk/winterfoodandfun

Staffing:

At the end of this term we say farewell to our Head of Year 9, Mr Bradstreet, after 6 ½ years of service to the school. I would like to wish Mr Bradstreet all the very best in his future endeavours. Mr Dave Edmonds will be joining the school in January as Lead Teacher in Science. Mr Simpson, will be taking on the Head of Year 9. This will be in addition to his current Head of Year 10 role.

Standard Expectations:

I am conscious that this letter contains a significant amount of information, however, 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 but may not be out at any time. All pupils will be asked to switch their phones off before entering the school site. If they are seen in corridors etc. they will be confiscated.

Finally, on behalf of the staff and governing body I would like to thank you for your ongoing support and wish you all a peaceful, happy holiday and prosperous New Year.

Your sincerely,



Mr. M Schofield

Headteacher