



# THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

As we come to the end of the academic year, I want to reflect upon the remarkable achievements of LNS students and the adults in school who have supported them. Throughout this year, substantial numbers of students have been awarded record numbers of achievement points and received recognition for their outstanding efforts at our reward assemblies and our whole school awards evening.

As always students have enjoyed trips and visits that not only utilise our unique location but allow the students access to a range of experiences beyond London. Our sporting teams have continued to register great success, and as always our most recent Sports Day was the highlight of the sporting calendar. Within Nautical Studies a number of our students have been forwarded the opportunity to join voyages on barges and Tall Ships alongside regular trips to the docks. Moving forward, we will continue to offer these opportunities as well as residential trips through the UKSA and an incredible new partnership with Viking Maritime that will also provide apprenticeship opportunities. I am also pleased to announce a new partnership with the Stelios Foundation. Sir Stelios, the founder of EasyJet, will kindly be donating £30,000 to the school in support of two students University fees. This presents an incredible opportunity for two current Year 12 students to have their future studies heavily subsidised by the foundation, with the likelihood of employment when finishing university. More details relating to the application process will be shared with families in the new academic year. It is anticipated that this will become an annual donation.

## **Important School Dates (including our return to school in September)**

| Date                                                                          | Event                                            | Note                                                                       |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 14 <sup>th</sup> ,15 <sup>th</sup> ,16 <sup>th</sup> ,17 <sup>th</sup> August | Summer Transition School for new Year 7 students | Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday - times and programme to be confirmed |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> August 2023 (Thursday)                                       | Results Day - A Levels                           |                                                                            |
| 24 <sup>th</sup> August 2023 (Thursday)                                       | Results Day - GCSE                               |                                                                            |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> September 2023 (Friday)                                       | INSET -Teacher Training Day                      | No Pupils in school                                                        |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 (Monday)                                       | Transition Day for Year 7 and Year 12            | Food Service - breakfast, break and lunch                                  |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> September 2023 (Tuesday)                                      | All students return to school                    | Food Service - breakfast, break and lunch                                  |

A successful and happy school depends on all of us working together. Parents make a vital contribution to children's achievements at school, and I want to develop the relationship between the school and parents for everyone's benefit. We will be holding a number of events over the next academic year, which will provide an opportunity to get together and discuss the continued development of the successful partnership we

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enjoy at LNS. Please check the school calendar as this is already looking very full and I would request that you pay close attention to the dates that apply to your son in order to not miss any important events. If you have any queries then please do contact your son's Head of Year listed below:

- Year 7 - Mr Garcia rgarcia@lns.org.uk
- Year 8 – Mr Powell jpowell@lns.org.uk
- Year 9 – Miss Mills mmills@lns.org.uk
- Years 10 and 11 - Mr Simpson csimpson@lns.org.uk
- Year 12/13 - Mr Jardim / Mr Goldsmith pjardim@lns.org.uk / jgoldsmith@lns.org.uk

### **Start of Day Arrangements (Yr. 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11)**

Since making small changes to the start of the school day from Easter, we have seen improved punctuality to school and found students with an improved mindset to their studies. I would like to thank all families for your support in making these changes so successful. Please be reminded of our procedures on our return to school in September:

- 08:30 am - Expectation that all students will be onsite (whistle will be blown at 08:35 am). Students will line up in their period 1 classes in the playground.
- 08:37 am - All students will be met in the playground by their period 1 teacher and then escorted to their lesson for an 08:40 start.
- Sixth Form students will travel directly to period 1, arriving lessons for 8:37am in preparation for an 8:40am start.

### **School Uniform and Standard Expectations**

As we continue to improve standards, I must re-emphasise the standard set of expectations we have of 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, classroom or communal areas, they will be confiscated.

### **Uniform for September 2023 and September 2024**

We look forward to welcoming our new year 7 students in September 2023, each student will receive support for their uniform jumper and Beret to the value of £70; if families have not yet confirmed a place for their son we do still have a few places left in year 7 and spaces also in years 8 & 9.

With regard to your son's uniform jumper and Beret these are now available at school Not via School Uniform Direct. For this year's (September 2023) Year 7 pupils one jumper and one Beret will be issued free of charge. All other items of uniform will be available from School Uniform Direct. If you would like to email admin@lms.org.uk ahead of time we will prepare your jumper for you in advance of collection.

You also have an opportunity to collect your son's jumper and Beret between 14<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> August 2023 and also on either the 1<sup>st</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> September 2023 between 08:00 hrs and 15:30 hrs. If you wish to collect uniform garments during the summer holiday break please email admin@lms.org.uk

Additional jumpers and Berets (if required) will be available on Parent Pay. The cost for jumpers will be £34 per garment for extra small and small and £36 per garment for medium, large and extra-large. The cost for Berets is £20 (we also have a small number of pre loved berets at school - please email admin@lms.org.uk for details).

### **Admissions for September 2023 and September 2024**

Please see our website here for [full details about our admissions programme](#) and please let friends and family know we have spaces available for this September 2023. For students joining in September 2024 our admissions page has all the details for you to apply for a place over the summer.

Our Autumn open events are as follows: -

- Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> September 2023 - Open Evening (5:00pm - 8:00pm)
- Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2023 - Open Morning (9:00am - 11:00am)
- Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2023 - Open Morning (9:00am - 11:00am)
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> October 2023 - Open Morning (9:00am - 11:00am)
- **Saturday** 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023 - Open Morning (9:00am - 12:00am)
- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> October 2023 - Open Morning (9:00am - 11:00am)

### **Summer Holiday School Meal Vouchers**

As per my communication last week all eligible families will receive vouchers to cover the summer holiday period week commencing 24<sup>th</sup> July 2023 (£60) and week commencing 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023 (£60) per student. Also attached to this letter is information relating to Lambeth's 2023 Summer of Food and Fun Programme.

### **School Meals (from September 2023)**

As you are all aware food price inflation is running in double figures, this is having a direct impact on the cost of provisioning our school food service; unfortunately for families who pay for their sons school meals the cost of each meal will rise to £2.75 for a hot meal and drink or dessert.

## Staffing

As ever at the end of an academic year we say farewell to some staff and we welcome others. The following staff will be leaving us this summer and we wish them the very best in their future endeavours and thank them for the significant contribution they have made at LNS:

| Name            | Post                      | Length of Service                        |
|-----------------|---------------------------|------------------------------------------|
| Mrs Cuncliffe   | Attendance Officer        | 21 years                                 |
| Miss Constable  | Head of Geography         | Maternity - Scheduled return Easter 2024 |
| Mr Strutt       | Geography                 | 2 years                                  |
| Miss Hosie-Read | English (Maternity Cover) | 1 year                                   |
| Miss Ene        | Maths/Science             | 1 Year                                   |
| Mr Salim        | Science                   | 1 Year                                   |
| Miss Allen      | HLTA (Base)               | 7 years                                  |
| Mr Koroma       | Science Technician        | 5 years                                  |
| Miss Magnani    | LSA                       | 3 years                                  |
| Miss Casagrande | LSA                       | 5 years                                  |

We welcome the following staff in September:

| Name            | Post                            |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Miss Barron     | HOD Geography - Maternity Cover |
| Miss Marini     | Teacher of Geography            |
| Miss Ciesielska | Science Teacher                 |
| Mr West         | LSA                             |
| Miss Tigka      | LSA                             |
| Miss Francis    | LSA                             |
| Mr Gerreyn      | LSA                             |
| Mr Cabido       | Cover Supervisor                |
| Mr Kusimo       | Cover Supervisor                |

## **Contact Details**

Please ensure the school has your up to date contact details, address, phone and email as we prepare for the Autumn term [admin@lns.org.uk](mailto:admin@lns.org.uk).

Finally, while like all students and staff I am looking forward to the summer break, September fills me with great optimism. Our expectations will continue to be simple and clear, and we will continue to focus on learning in lessons, participation in extracurricular and community activities, and positive behaviour and respect around the site and our local community.

I wish you all a very safe and enjoyable summer.

Yours faithfully,



**Mr. M Schofield**

Headteacher