



## THE LONDON NAUTICAL SCHOOL

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Dear Families,

It's been an incredibly warm start to the new academic year, yet despite the unseasonably warm weather, I have been very impressed with how well students across all year groups have settled back into school routines, demonstrating great focus in their learning - thank you for your continued support in making this happen!

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

As stated in my previous communication at the end of the academic year, the slight changes made to the start of the school day have had an incredibly positive impact on punctuality and attendance. Please be reminded that all students are expected to be present on the school site for 8:30am, with the first whistle blown at 8:35am. Students are escorted to period 1 at 08:37am, with learning commencing at 08:40am. If students are late to school the following detentions will be enforced:

- Late - Before 09:00am = 30-minute detention.
- Late - After 09:00am = 1 hour detention.

Sixth Form students will travel directly to period 1, arriving at lessons for 8:37am in preparation for an 8:40am start.

### **School Meals**

As you may recall, I wrote at the end of the last academic year to inform you of the necessity to increase the prices of school meals. This price increase will come into effect from Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023 for families that pay for their sons' meals, with the meal deal priced at £2:75 and a breaktime snack at £1:50.

### **Home-School Agreement**

An electronic copy of the Home-School Agreement for the academic year 2023/24 will be shared with families on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The Home School Agreement outlines our expectations of all our students and parents/carers and what you, as parents / carers should expect from the school. Please can all families ensure that receipt of this document (form) is completed by **Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September 2023.**

### **Water Bottles**

All students will be issued with an LNS reusable water bottle. This is part of our drive to reduce the amount of plastic in the school and to encourage our students to be more sustainable and environmentally friendly. Students should write their initials or their name on the bottom of the bottle with a permanent marker so that we can return it to them if they lose it.

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Students are only allowed to drink water in class and should have their bottle with them so they can refill at break and lunch time. We will no longer be giving out bottles of water for students unless it is for a medical reason. All students should carry either their LNS reusable water bottle or their own reusable water bottle if they have one. We encourage our students to stay hydrated as much as possible throughout the day, particularly in this hot weather.

**All families are reminded that students are ONLY permitted to bring water onto the school site.**

### **Mental Health Support Team**

I am pleased to announce our partnership with the Mental Health Support Team. In order for the team to ensure the correct support is available to our students, please can I ask that you complete a short questionnaire which can be accessed [here](#).

### **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)

Thank you in advance for your support in ensuring your sons / daughters successful return to school. Please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions at [admin@lns.org.uk](mailto:admin@lns.org.uk).

Yours faithfully,



**Mr. M Schofield**  
Headteacher