

ACADEMY
LANGLEY

Weekly Newsletter

HEADTEACHER UPDATE



We issued the first ever Weekly Newsletter for Q3 Academy Langley on Friday 9 September 2016, so today is not quite ten years but we have been celebrating and reflecting on such a memorable journey since we returned this week.

The Bank Holiday made our usual staggered arrangements slightly condensed, but it was great to welcome colleagues old and new alike for a day of training. A huge thank you to our new Designated Safeguarding Lead, and now Deputy Head, Mrs Fogarty, for her update on KCSIE for all colleagues – including some from across our Trust like our HR Lead Mrs Patel, who joined us for the morning. We welcome two new members of the Senior Leadership Team – Mrs Francome and Mrs Mackie. Both are vastly experienced, having worked in a number of schools and settings, and are already adding significant capacity and a new energy to the team. We were without Miss Gilhooley and Mr Dale at the start of term, following the birth of their first child; we wish them both well! Furthermore, we welcomed Ms Tranter – Head of Year 8, Mrs Harrison, our new Leader of Learning (History), and Ms Hill our new ACE teacher. We welcomed back Mr Curtis, formally here as part of Kick mentoring but returning as a new Student Support Champion. Furthermore, Mrs Grove formally started her new role as Assistant SENCo, following promotion in the last few days before we broke up!

We have made some slight tweaks to job titles – PLDs will now be referred to as Heads of Year, Curriculum Directors as Heads of Faculty and Lead Professionals as Heads of Department. The biggest change is that our teaching staff will no longer be described as Learning Consultants – merely teachers.

Mrs Gunn had previously joined us in July and she – alongside the team – have made an amazing start to life with our new Year 7 cohort. Mrs Fogarty reported we had never had such high attendance on the very first day – and I listened intently to Family Lunch – hosted expertly by Mr Anderson – on the first day and even received an appreciation!

Many of you who follow our socials will have seen the piece ITV Central produced on our Results Day a few weeks ago – I am so proud of the #Classof2026 – and thought it really captured the energy, excitement and buzz of the morning. We also received some fantastic Y9 Citizenship results – so well done to those students. In addition, we held our first Time 4 Tea on Friday with Seti Hassan Zadeh (11L1), Lily Taylor-Thorpe (11C2), Fletcher Smith (9A2), Samantha Martinova (8D2), ZeynepYilmaz (11S2) and Artezina Kontopoulou (11C1) – who have all embodied our Academy ethos to seek for that which is good, right, and true for a variety of reasons!

Today – at the end of the day, all students were gifted a special commemorative “Q3 Langley 10” badge to mark the anniversary. We hope that they wear this proudly on their blazer and we were also joined by our Chair and Vice Chair of Governors for some celebratory drinks and cake at the end of the day. I’ve got to dash to catch a train, however, as I am thrilled to speaking at the national researchED Conference on Saturday morning down in London near Parliament.

Best wishes,

Peter Lee

Headteacher



Well done to our Stars of the Week, beginning 31st August 2026. They are:



James
Murphy
7A1



Freddie-
James Lunn
7C1



Lateefah
Owolabi-
Ademola
7D1



Leo
Hutchinson
7L1



Chloe
Turton
7S1



Jerry
Ewoniah
10C1

MENU FOR WEEK COMMENCING MONDAY 07/09/2026

Day	Meat	Vegetarian	Dessert
Monday 7th September		Mixed Bean Chilli (V) Nacho Crumbs Mixed Rice & Sweetcorn	Ice Cream
Tuesday 8th September		Veggieball Bake (V) House Salad	Chocolate & Orange Brownie
Wednesday 9th September		Vegetable Roll (V) Roast Potatoes Seasonal Vegetables	Fresh Fruit
Thursday 10th September		Cauliflower Cheese Pasta Bake (V) Mixed Salad	Raspberry Ripple Tray Bake
Friday 11th September		Veggie Burger Lettuce & Perinnaise (V)	Vanilla Cookie

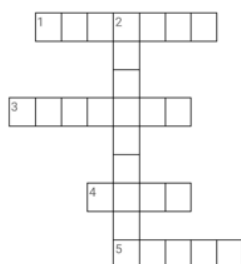
(V) Suitable for Vegetarians (H) Halal Meat. The menu is subject to change at short notice.



SABIN'S SCRAMBLE

We are delighted to announce the return of Sabin's Scramble. We thank Mr Sabin for all of his contributions last term and long may the crosswords continue into this term! Enter the weekly competition for a special mention in the newsletter and a prize!

This week's Sabin's Scramble is:



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| Across | Down |
| 1 We have family lunch in the... | 2 We always need to have our... |
| 3 We can try to earn lots of... | |
| 4 We seek for that which is good, right and.... | |
| 5 When greeting people we use our.... | |

Answers should be clearly labelled and returned to Reception by Tuesday 8th September at 15:30pm. A Mars bar or financial equivalent will be awarded for the winning entry draw. The Headteacher's decision is final in this matter.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Year 11 Parent Briefing

Monday 21st September 2026 — 16:00-17:30

Open Evening

Thursday 24th September 2026 — 18:00-21:00

Open Mornings

Monday 28th September 2026—Friday 2nd October 2026— 9:00-11:00

Book via Eventbrite.

Parents' Consultation Evening 1

Thursday 15th October 2026 - 15:00-19:30

Students finish by 14:30.



SAFEGUARDING NOTICEBOARD

While many of us return from school breaks feeling refreshed and eager to learn, the transition back to school can be challenging for some students which can trigger anxiety or stress, especially for children who struggle socially or academically. Please scan the QR code for some simple, effective steps that parents, carers, and school staff can take together to support a positive return to school.

