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## LAB News

### Welcome back!

We hope that you've had a lovely Summer break and a great first week back. We're excited to share with you the first edition of LAB Weekly for this academic year. Inside, you'll find a variety of informative content that we believe will be beneficial as we embark on this new school year together.

### GCSE Results 2025

Well done to all of our students; they did amazingly well. Please find attached our [Press Release](#).

### Diary Dates for the Academic Year - 25/26

Attached is a list of diary [dates](#) for the 25/26 Academic year.  
Also attached are our [term dates](#).  
Please be aware that we have a 2 week break in October.

### Year 11 and 13 Interventions - Autumn break

We will be hosting intervention sessions for our year 11 and 13 students during the first week of the upcoming Autumn break (w/c Monday 20th October 25). Timetables will follow closer to the times.

### Reporting your child as absent

Just a reminder on our absence reporting [procedures](#).

### National College Guide

This week's guide is about supporting children going back to school and can be viewed [here](#).

### Cucina and Free School Meals

If you would like to apply for FSM's please do so via the attached [link](#). Please be aware that if your child is entitled to FSM's they will only be able to use this allowance at lunchtimes. If you would like your child to have a snack at breacktime, please ensure that you have topped up their Parentpay account.

## Parentpay login details

You should have received an email providing you with your Parentpay login details. This is the platform that we use to enable you to top up your child's lunch account. If you have not received these details, please contact your college admin.

## Reminder of communication sent on 01/09/2025

As we settle into the routine of the new academic year, we'd like to issue a quick, but important, reminder regarding the end-of-day arrangements for student safety.

To ensure a safe and smooth departure for all, we kindly ask that parents/carers do not park directly outside the academy. Please make arrangements to meet your child a short distance away from the immediate academy gates. This request is crucial given the sheer volume of students exiting the site simultaneously each afternoon; on a typical day, approximately 1150 students will be making their way home. Vehicles parked in this area invariably block essential gateways and pedestrian pavements, creating unnecessary hazards and making it considerably more challenging for students to leave the premises safely.

Your understanding and cooperation in these matters are greatly appreciated.

## Year 11 - Progress Fair

On Tuesday 16th September, all year 11 students will attend the Progress Fair at Woolwich Works. This is an important opportunity for students to see what Post-16 opportunities are available in the local area. Students must wear full uniform. They will attend P1 as normal then head to the Progress Fair with staff. Students will then leave for home directly from there. Please find attached the [letter](#) that was shared.

## Extra-Curricular Clubs & Societies - Modules 1 and 2

We are delighted to be offering a vast array of [Clubs and Societies](#) this term. Please encourage your child to attend as many as they can. It is a fantastic way to learn new skills as well as make new friends. Please note that clubs with external providers (Netball and Volleyball) will now incur a small cost for the term. If your child attends either of these clubs they will receive a letter next week with further details.

These clubs will begin on Monday 8th September and will run until Thursday 18th December. You will be able to book a place from 3pm today on either MCAS or students are able to sign up themselves via Student Portal.

## Home/School Agreement - 25/26

We are pleased to share our Home-School Agreement, a crucial document designed to foster a strong and collaborative partnership between our learning environment and your family. This agreement outlines the shared responsibilities, expectations, and commitments that are vital for ensuring your child's success. We kindly request that you take the time to read

through this attached [document](#) and then complete the accompanying [Google Form](#) by Friday 19th September 2025.

#### **Year 7 - Meet the Tutor Event - Wednesday 10th September 2025**

Earlier today we shared a [letter](#) with our year 7 families regarding our upcoming meet the tutor event next week. We look forward to welcoming you all.

#### **Year 12 - Residential Trip**

Yesterday we shared a letter with all of our year 12 students inviting them to attend our upcoming residential trip. Please see the attached [letter](#) providing the opportunity to confirm attendance.

#### **Useful Links**

<a href="#">Leigh Academy Blackheath</a>	
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