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Dear Parents, Carers and Year 9 Students,

A Great Start to the School Year!

What an incredible start to the school year! We are so proud of our students, who have returned with a positive attitude and a clear commitment to their learning. It has been wonderful to see their focus and enthusiasm in class.

This year marks a big milestone as our Year 9 students begin their final year of Key Stage 3. This is a crucial time for looking ahead and setting goals for the future. A major focus will be helping students discover their passions as they prepare to choose their GCSE options in early 2026. We'll be there every step of the way to guide them through this important process.

Discovery Days: An Exciting New Initiative

This week, we began an exciting new initiative: **Discovery Days**. Every Tuesday, all Year 9 students will take part in a full day of immersion in our diverse range of creative subjects.

The goal of Discovery Days is to:

- Help students make informed GCSE choices.
- Broaden their horizons and authentic learning experiences.
- Cultivate transferable skills.
- Increase engagement and enjoyment in the arts.
- Support their pathways beyond GCSE.

Key Reminders for All Families

To ensure a successful year, we want to remind all families of the importance of maintaining high standards in both appearance and preparation.

Uniform, Equipment and Organisation

We strongly suggest that you encourage your child to pack their bag the night before. All students were given a **complimentary Learning waller** this week to help them with organisation, the wallet should be displayed during line up and out in class.

Please click the link for more information:

<https://www.deptfordgreen.lewisham.sch.uk/page/?title=Uniform+%26amp%3B+Equipment&pid=256>

Phone Policy



We operate a strict "no phone" policy: "See it, Hear it, Lose it." If a student's phone is seen or heard, it will be confiscated until the end of the day.

Monitoring Progress

Please check **Classcharts** regularly—at least once a week—to stay updated on home learning assignments and behaviour points. We also expect a continued commitment from all students to attendance, punctuality, effort, and respect for learning.

Place2Be

Please click the link for more information:

<https://www.deptfordgreen.lewisham.sch.uk/page/?title=Place2be&pid=243>

Safeguarding – Social Media and Getting Home Safely

<https://www.deptfordgreen.lewisham.sch.uk/page/?title=Safeguarding+%40+DG&pid=240>

Student shout outs

100% Attendance

A huge GD congratulations to the following students for 100% attendance for the whole of year 8:

Connie, Jones, Mikko, Ezra, Ife, Lakaiya, Junior L, Tiana, Ava Q, Michelangelo, Zelick, Treasure, Goddy, Jemimah, Dani, Linda and Ebenezer.

The following students have had 100% attendance for the Summer term of year 8.

David A, Marlow, TayTay, Goddy, Khadija, Connie, Lakaiya, Dario, Nigella, Linda, Minh, Summer, Junior, Michelangelo, Sol, Luna, Artan, Zelick, Megan, Rebecca, Lily-May, Zachary, Annie, Lacey, Anderson, Samuel O, Tiana, Amanda, Esther, Amaury, Desmond, Maryshe, Alejandro, Clement, George, Jones, Joshua, Oscar, Jemimah, Scarlett, Mikko, Ezra, Treasure, Dani, Ebenezer, Charlie S, Leah, Christine, David M, Ezra Scott, Ife, Ava Q, Khairo, Aaliyah, Emelie, Azalea

A massive well done on your exceptional commitment and dedication! Would love to see even more names here for this Autumn term.

For more information on attendance and punctuality please click the link

below: <https://www.deptfordgreen.lewisham.sch.uk/page/?title=Attendance+%26amp%3B+Punctuality&pid=255>

Year 9 Achievements

I want to take a moment to celebrate some of our incredible Year 9 students who have truly gone above and beyond. Starting this pivotal year with such focus and determination is a powerful statement, and their hard work has not only set a fantastic example for their peers but has also contributed to a vibrant and focused learning environment.



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A huge shout-out to the following students for their outstanding achievements:

- **Crisitan** for earning the highest number of LORIC and GREAT points in the year so far.
- **Hazel, Lily-May, Gibril, Leah, Ava Q, Ife, David E and Hadizat** for gaining the top 10 highest LORIC and GREAT points.
- **Megan and Ash** for excellent drawing skills in Science of different cell types.
- **9Y3** for an amazing start to year 9 History, so focused! Please keep up the good work.
- **Diana** for amazing participation in RE.
- **Rosie-Rae and Ellie SM** for a GREAT effort in Science, and amazing organisation this year.
- **Chardonnay** Great public speaking and contributions to assemblies recently.

This is a testament to what can be achieved with focus and dedication. We want to encourage all our students to be inspired by these achievements and to keep up the great work as they continue their journey through Year 9.

Please keep up the fantastic work!

Important Dates Coming up this Term

Tuesday 16th September 2025- Yr 9 photos

Friday 17th October 2025 Yr7-11 Flu Vaccination

Tuesday 3rd February 2026 Yr 9 Celebration breakfast and Careers drop down day

Wednesday 4th February 2026 Year 9 Parents evening and pathways fayre

Tuesday 10th February 2026 Yr 9 Pathways interviews

Wednesday 1st July 2026 Yr 9 Graduation evening

Tuesday 21st July 2026 Sports day

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The Autumn term is an important time for consolidating prior learning, making progress, and preparing for the next stage of your child's journey. As always, we are here to support every student to thrive.

Thank you for being such a vital part of our school community. We're excited to see what your children will achieve this year!

Kind regards

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