

LONDON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

EXCELLENT EDUCATION IN THE HEART OF LONDON



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WELCOME TO LONDON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

London Christian School is an independent primary school with a community feel that exists to provide an excellent Christian education for children in London.

At LCS we believe that pupils flourish in a secure, caring and fun environment, with clear expectations and firm boundaries. Our class sizes are kept small to allow us to strive for academic excellence, while treating children as individuals.

LCS children go on to top independent London day schools, a number with academic, music, sport or drama scholarships.

Since the school's start in 2007 with 4 pupils, we have flourished and grown. As we approach our 20th anniversary, I am excited about the development plans for the recently purchased adjoining premises. This will allow more space for the children and greater opportunities in art, science and technology.

We hope that you enjoy finding out about London Christian School. Please contact us to arrange a tour. We look forward to meeting you.



Nicola Collett-White Head Teacher

Nicola worked as a solicitor for 5 years before deciding that the education profession was for her. She has worked mainly in independent prep and primary schools in Surrey and London. She is thoroughly enjoying the small, warm and lively teaching and learning environment that is LCS.

WHY CHOOSE LONDON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL?

Our curriculum combines a rigorous academic focus with an engaging approach. It is underpinned by a Biblical worldview, which makes for exciting links, wide-ranging respectful debate and thoughtful questioning.

Our website shows the breadth and depth of the curriculum and the links we seek to make. We balance the child's need to discover things for themselves with the imparting of knowledge and giving the children the content they need in order to discover even more.

We keep class sizes small so that the children can be challenged in line with their abilities. There are frequent opportunities for one to one and small group engagement with teachers and teaching assistants, whether that be to support or extend. Small class sizes also contribute to a loving, caring environment.

We take advantage of our unique location to complement the curriculum. Children visit the Greenwich Observatory, the British Museum, the Imperial War Museum, London Zoo, the local Unicorn Theatre, the British Library and Fulham Palace to name but a few.



Pupils display positive attitudes to their learning in which they engage with high levels of enthusiasm and interest. In this they are well motivated by staff with consistent praise and encouragement. Pupils respond well to challenge and show determination, concentration and perseverance. ISI Inspection report 2022

HOLISTIC APPROACH

We believe that children make the best academic progress when they are happy and safe. They are also more likely to feel happy when the work is pitched at the correct level, neither too easy nor too hard. That is always our aim.

The atmosphere of the school is intimate and friendly, with capacity for about 120 children (increasing to 150 children over the next few years as we develop our new premises).

Pupils show notably high levels of respect for diversity and an appreciation of other cultures. This is reflected in the way they speak of and to others. They are inclusive, tolerant and sensitive. Pupils acknowledged the consistent modelling they receive from teachers on mutual respect. ISI Inspection report 2022

CHRISTIAN ETHOS

We teach and model values that have stood the test of time. This helps us establish a loving atmosphere and close community within the school. All our class teachers are committed Christians, and every area of school life is informed by and built on our Christian foundation. We are delighted to welcome children from any background, regardless of religion or belief.



'Who we are' colourful self portraits proudly on display

The Christian ethos underpinning and running through the school is clearly understood and appreciated by pupils who value the caring community to which they belong.

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HOW YOUR CHILD WILL BENEFIT

EXCELLENT BEHAVIOUR

We believe that children flourish in a secure and fun environment. Our standards for behaviour are high, allowing pupils to be spontaneous and express themselves within carefully placed boundaries. We guide children in learning exemplary behaviours and attitudes, encouraging them to take responsibility for their actions. We expect our pupils to be polite and to show respect for both people and property.

EXCEPTIONAL FACILITIES

Our school enjoys an enviable position in Borough, just south of the City of London. Our purpose-designed building provides outstanding facilities for our pupils and includes a rooftop sports pitch. In our new building, we have a large hall space for performances, our art exhibition and school community events such as the Christmas market, one of the highlights of the year. We will also be building bigger classrooms and spaces that allow for greater creativity and longer term projects that can be kept and displayed.

PARENT PARTNERSHIP

We place a high value on the partnership between parents and teachers. This is reflected in effective communication through regular reports, parent-teacher interviews, a weekly class newsletter, and more informal dialogue in each pupil's Parent Communication Book. The involvement of our parents in so many areas of school life greatly enriches the school community.

JOINING IN

At LCS, we have a phrase "do join in", and plenty of opportunities are given to do so. There is a School Council, an Eco Council, Digi Leaders, Library leaders and playground helpers. Initiatives include organising sponsored walks, collaborating with the local authority to develop a nature space in the local park, litter picking, leading assemblies and many other exciting acts of service.



Pupils have a strong sense of service and make excellent contributions to the life of the school and to the wider community. ISI Inspection report 2022

WHAT YOUR CHILD WILL LEARN

EARLY YEARS FOUNDATION STAGE (EYFS)

The learning environment in the Early Years is a rich and varied one. Key areas of growth for pupils in Early Reception and Reception are Personal, Social and Emotional Development, Communication and Language and Physical Development. These underpin all activities in EYFS classes and are delivered within an inspiring environment.

Specific areas of learning include Literacy, Mathematics, Understanding the World and Expressive Arts and Design.

There are plenty of opportunities for the children to talk, develop friendships, listen, play, build, make, discover and explore. In this environment, they also learn how to read, write, enjoy stories and manipulate numbers.

CORE CURRICULUM

English and mathematics form the foundation of your child's education and we teach these subjects to all pupils every day. Science is also a core subject and one of the main drivers for developing the new premises is to provide excellent science facilities.

The school proactively involves parents in key events throughout the year... you really do feel part of your child's educational journey

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FOUNDATION SUBJECTS

Alongside these subjects, the children enjoy lessons in art, drama, computing, PSHE, physical education (PE), Biblical studies, history, geography, religious education, Mandarin Chinese and music.

MUSIC

Our specialist music teacher delivers music lessons to all pupils on a weekly basis. The children learn the ukulele from Years 3 to 6.

Individual instrument tuition with classically trained tutors is available from Year 1 and a variety of performance opportunities are given in assemblies and at the annual Music Showcase.

Our choir has sung in a number of local venues including the Shard and Guy's Hospital.

SPORT

Our physical education programme aims to develop skills and increase the fitness levels of all pupils. All the children have PE lessons from a specialist teacher. Pupils in Years 3 to 4 have weekly swimming lessons and those in Years 4 to 6 have fencing lessons once a week delivered by a fencing specialist. Pupils also have the opportunity to take part in ISA sports tournaments and competitions.

LANGUAGES

Pupils learn Mandarin from Reception and French from Year 3 with lessons delivered by specialist teachers. Children will also study Latin from Year 5. In their final year at the school, the children go on a residential trip to France.

COMPUTING

Technology is used throughout the curriculum to enhance learning opportunities. Children develop their computing skills and digital literacy using a variety of software and hardware, including Chromebooks, iPads and Lego robotic kits. Pupils are taught to construct, manipulate and debug computer code for purposeful outcomes all within the framework of encouraging children to stay safe online and to use technology wisely and creatively . The school is accredited for its incorporation of technology into the curriculum and its online safety standards.

AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Our staff and outside specialists run a variety of specialised after school clubs, including art, dance, drama, music and sport. Wraparound care extends to 5.30pm and includes homework supervision.



PREPARATION FOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Through a series of one-to-one meetings with senior staff, we guide parents along the path to secondary school selection. Our goal in the senior years is to make sure that our pupils are prepared for the 11-plus assessments and are ready for admission into outstanding secondary schools.

TUITION IN ENGLISH AND MATHS

With the 11-plus assessments in mind, there is a focussed time each week for the children in Years 5 and 6 as they prepare for the assessment process.

ASSESSMENT

Pupils from Year 2 upwards sit a combination of standardised tests, school written tests and Cognitive Abilities Tests (verbal and non-verbal reasoning). This allows us to carefully track pupils' progress towards the 11-plus against external markers.

AND AFTER LCS?

Over the last few years, pupils from LCS have achieved entrance (and in some cases scholarships) to some excellent schools including: Alleyn's, City of London Boys, City of London Girls, Dulwich College, Eltham College, Francis Holland, St Dunstan's College and Westminster.

All the staff clearly care deeply about the school, the children and what they go on to become

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COME AND SEE US

The best way to judge for yourself whether LCS is the right fit for your child is to come and see us. It would be our pleasure to welcome you for a private tour of the school.

Please contact us on 020 3130 6430 or admissions@londonchristianschool.com

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