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Dear Parents/Carers,

We are excited to offer students in Years 9, 10 and 11 the opportunity to participate in the LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) Graded Examinations in Communication: Verse and Prose Examinations. LAMDA exams are an excellent complement to GCSE studies and help students develop a range of skills and attributes including:

- Through preparation and performance, students develop self-confidence and improve their ability to communicate effectively.
- Studying verse and prose develops literacy skills, encourages a deeper understanding and appreciation of literature and enhances reading and comprehension skills, making it a valuable support for English Literature revision.
- By learning how to present and perform, students gain public speaking and presentation skills and develop dramatic performance elements

The students will be prepared for grades 6, 7 and 8, which are level 3 exams (AS or A level equivalent) and carry UCAS points, as follows:

- **Grade 6:** 8 UCAS points (Pass), 10 points (Merit), 12 points (Distinction)
- **Grade 7:** 12 UCAS points (Pass), 14 points (Merit), 16 points (Distinction)
- **Grade 8:** 24 UCAS points (Pass), 27 points (Merit), 30 points (Distinction)

These points can be a valuable addition to applications for higher education, demonstrating their extracurricular achievements and dedication.

Preparation sessions will take place after school on Fridays 3.30-4.30 with the exam taking place at the end of the academic year. There will also be opportunities to perform at a variety of school events. Commitment and regular attendance is essential in order to gain the necessary skills and achieve the level required. The LAMDA sessions are free of charge but there will be a charge for the exam entry. The current fees are:

- **Grade 6** £86.50
- **Grade 7** £95.00
- **Grade 8** £108.00

Students who receive pupil premium funding, please contact the school for advice.



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If your son/daughter is interested in joining the LAMDA sessions, please complete the Google Form below by Friday 25th October.

[LAMDA enrolment form](#)

Please email us if you have any questions or need further information. We look forward to working with your son/daughter on their LAMDA journey.

Yours sincerely,

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