Dear Parents and Carers,

As we approach the final weeks of term, I would like to begin by congratulating our students on how well they have coped during the recent spell of very hot weather. They have shown real resilience, maturity and consideration for one another, and I am very proud of the way they have maintained focus in lessons despite the challenging conditions.

Our art exhibition continues to be a highlight of this term, showcasing the creativity and talent of our students. Due to its success, I am delighted to remind you that there will be an **additional showing on Monday 29th June**, and I warmly encourage you to attend if you are able. Some of our students' work will also be on show at the Camden Biennale.

There are also a number of important updates and events to note in this week's newsletter. On **Friday 3rd July**, we will be hosting the annual **LaSWAP Taster Day**. We are very much looking forward to welcoming our Year 11 students, alongside visitors from partner LaSWAP schools and external applicants, to experience life in our sixth form community. Please note that, on this day, **the school will be closed to students in Years 7–10.**

You will also find further details about our **uniform update for September**, which aims to balance maintaining our strong school identity with greater affordability and flexibility for families. Thank you, as always, for your continued support in upholding our high standards.

Finally, I encourage students to take part in the **Harrisons survey** to help shape our catering provision, and I hope many of you will join us in supporting our summer production of *Bring It On*. It is always wonderful to see our students' talents shine beyond the classroom.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we are helping our young people to grow in knowledge, character and confidence, enabling them to thrive and to make a positive difference in the world. **Bright Women with Bold Futures**!

Warm regards

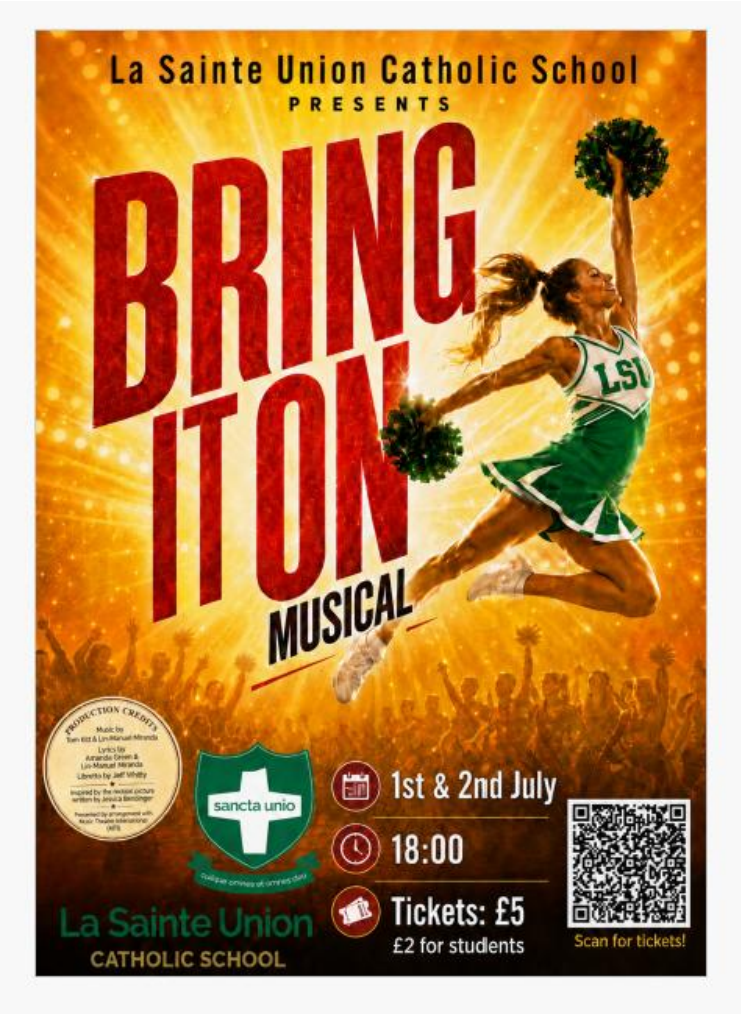
Mrs Fegan

Bright Women with Bold Futures.

Friday 3rd July

Important Date: On Friday 3rd July we are hosting the annual LaSWAP taster day, we are looking forward to welcoming our Year 11 students as well as students from the other LaSWAP schools and external applicants to get a taster of life in LaSWAP. This means that the school will be closed to students in Years 7-10 and sixth form students.

Bring it on!



If you would like to buy tickets for our summer production Bring it on, they are available to purchase here: https://app.parentpay.com/ParentPayShop/Uniform/Default.aspx?shopid=3719

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Uniform Update

Further to the letter from Mrs Fegan regarding school uniform sent to parents in April:

- The school blazer and school kilt will remain compulsory branded items, as they are central to our school identity and are designed to be hard-wearing and used over several years.
- From September, the V-neck jumper will change to a plain green V-neck jumper, unbranded, which can be purchased from a wide range of retailers, allowing families greater choice and better value for money. Students in years 8-11 in September may continue to wear jumpers with the coloured band if they have already been purchased.
- Students who do not wish to wear the kilt have the option of trousers, which are currently green and branded at Key Stage 3 and black and unbranded at Key Stage 4.
- The third compulsory item is the Black LSU polo for PE.

Please find below a uniform checklist which clearly explains which items are compulsory branded items and which are generic items.

Uniform Checklist

- **Dark green blazer with LSU School Badge**
- Dark bottle green V-necked jumper (sweatshirts/hoodies are not permitted)
- **La Sainte Union kilt (length must be at the knee or longer)** or Dark bottle green trousers for Y7-Y11 (Y10 & Y11 may wear black trousers)
- White socks or black tights
- Black flat leather shoes (not boots or ankle kicker boots) [no other type/style or material allowed]
- Dark green cagoule *and/or* dark green fleece jacket
- White **V neck** shirt

PE Kit

- **Black LSU polo**
- Black rain jacket
- Black joggers or skort or shorts (All shorts and skorts should reach fingertip length or longer when standing)
- Bottle green PE bag plain

Items in **green** are compulsory branded items which can be purchased from Stevensons.

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We welcome donations of second-hand uniform items in good condition – please bring to reception, please contact Mrs Di Zazzo if you are in need of any uniform items and she can check our second-hand stock..

Thank you for your continued support and for working with us to ensure that our uniform remains **smart, practical, sustainable and affordable**, while supporting the high standards and positive ethos of our school. We would welcome your opinions on our current uniform and the provider we use for compulsory items, please take a moment to complete this short survey: La Sainte Union School Uniform – Fill in form

Harrisons Survey

Following on from the recent free meal for all students, Harrison would like to hear from all students about the quality of their offer. Please ask your child to take 5 minutes to complete this survey in order to inform the canteen provision: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/la-sainte-union-2026"

UNICEF Rights Respecting School - The ABCDE of Rights

As part of our ongoing work as a UNICEF Rights Respecting School, students have created a new display celebrating the ABCDE of Rights. The display helps students understand five key principles of children's rights:

A – rights are for ALL children, which means they are Universal;

B – rights are there at BIRTH, which means they are Inherent;

C – rights CANNOT be taken away, which means they are Inalienable;

D – rights DO NOT have to be earned, which means they are Unconditional;

E – all rights are EQUALLY important, which means they are Indivisible.

This display is a lovely example of students engaging creatively with children's rights and helping to promote a school community built on respect, fairness, dignity and inclusion. We are very proud of the students who contributed their ideas and artwork to this project.

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Message for all Year 11 students!

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LaSWAP THE SIXTH FORM OF CHOICE

We really hope your GCSE exams went well.

We would like to remind you of some key dates and outline how the LaSWAP enrolment process will work for our internal students.

Firstly, we are hoping to see all Year 11 students at the LaSWAP Taster Day on Friday 3rd July at LSU (please note this is a student only event).

Students will have already received their invitation for this event. This is an invite-only event with limited numbers.

To attend Taster Day, all students will need to register by logging in to their Applica account by clicking on this link HTTPS://LASWAP.APPLICAA.COM Booking is live now!

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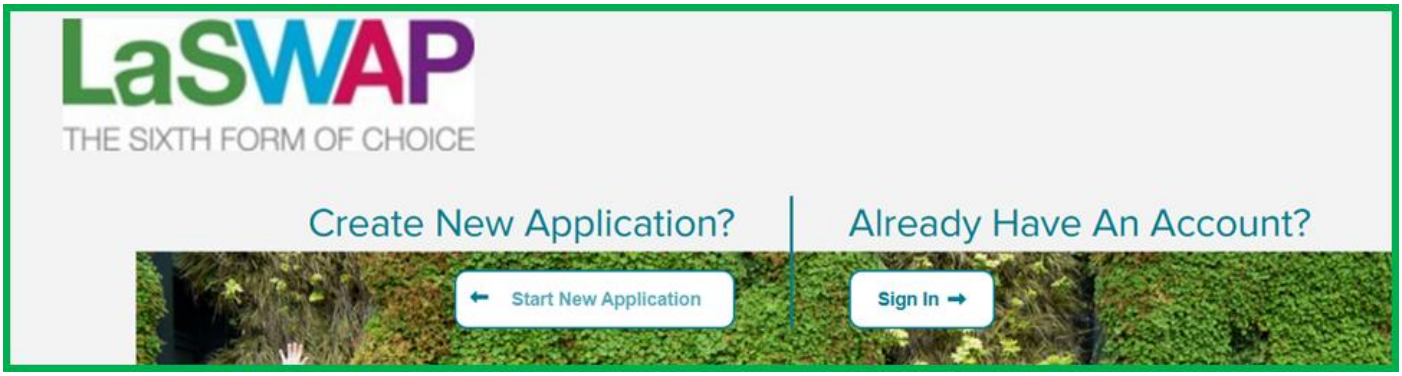

- Click on 'sign in'
- If you are not sure of your log in details, enter your LSU school e-mail address and then click the 'Forgotten Password' option
- An e-mail will then be sent to your school e-mail allow you to reset your details

Calling all Year 11 students – If you haven't done so already, book your place now!
HTTPS://LASWAP.APPLICAA.COM

Taster Day is a fantastic event that is hosted by LSU for LaSWAP; we are expecting around 1000 students to attend throughout the day. Students will have the opportunity to meet staff; ask questions about the subjects they are interested in and attend taster lessons.

The day runs from 8.45am-3.15pm, but it is split into an AM and PM session, and when you register you will choose whether to come to the AM session (8.45am-12.15pm) OR the PM session (11.45am-3.15pm), you do not attend both.

On this day you will have the opportunity to:

- Try out 3 taster lessons of your choice from LaSWAP subject specialists
- Hear about the LaSWAP induction programme
- Find out how you need to prepare over the summer for your first lessons with enrolment assignments
- Have a snack and drink at break time, where you will get a chance to meet other students who may be your classmates in September
- Speak to staff and students about other activities and support on offer at the Enrichment Fair which is held during the break time slot.

This is a fantastic opportunity to 'taste' different subjects. We particularly recommend you go to the taster sessions of subjects you are deciding between and/or new subjects you haven't studied before, to help you make the right decisions. To help us plan, when you book you will be asked to identify one

of the subject sessions that you are particularly interested in attending. This is just to give us an indication of potential numbers.

We would also just like to remind you we are offering some new T Levels in September in Health and Business Management and Administration. This is in addition to our existing T level offer of Digital Software Development, Marketing, and Media, Broadcast and Production. Do make sure you visit these subjects if you would like to find out more.

We also have a new Level 2 Health and Social Care course that begins in September!

The Enrichment Fair will showcase many of the exciting enrichment and extra-curricular activities and clubs on offer at LaSWAP.

By the end of the day, you will know what you can expect from LaSWAP and what will be expected of you!

Registration for Taster Day will close on Friday 26th June.

We will send you a QR code entry ticket and your personalised timetable for the day in the days leading up to Taster Day on 3rd. We advise you to take a screenshot of these on your phone and add your ticket to your Apple/ Google wallet so that you can access them without using your phone data on the day.

We very much look forward to seeing you there. In the meantime, if you have any questions or need to notify us of any additional support you might need to ensure you have a successful day, please email: info@laswap.camden.school

GCSE Results Day and LaSWAP enrolment Thursday August 20th

On this day, once you have picked up your GCSE results, you simply need to enrol with one of the Sixth Form staff who will be stationed in the library. You will be able to enrol up until 1pm on results day.

LaSWAP enrolment will take place between 9am and 1pm on Thursday August 21st in the Library.

A reminder about LaSWAP Entry Requirements:

Final course enrolment is dependent on meeting our published entry criteria (links below) for the pathway and subjects you are interested in.

For the A level pathway students need to achieve at least 4 grades 6s in their GCSE and have an average point score of 5.0. Regardless of what students want to study, they will *also* need to meet the entry requirements for the specific subject/s (links below).

For the T Level pathway students need an average GCSE point score of 4.5 and a pass at grade 4 or above in both Maths and English Language.

Level 3 A level pathway = A_level_entry_reqs_2026_FINAL.pdf

Level 2 and 3 Technical and Vocational Pathways = Voc_and_Tech_entry_reqs_2026_FINAL_v3.pdf

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Entry requirements are in place to ensure that students have the learning foundations to be successful in their chosen post 16 programme of study. It is also essential to remember that nationally, students who do not achieve a 4 in English Language or Maths will have to study these subjects at GCSE level in the sixth form.

Parents / Carers are welcome to join the enrolment discussion on Thursday August 20th, but this is not a requirement. This is an opportunity to discuss with a member of senior staff the final combination of subjects that students will study in the sixth form. It is also a fantastic opportunity to celebrate the achievements of our students.

We very much look forward to continuing our work with our students as they enter the next stage of their learning with us at Key Stage 5.

Best wishes,

Ms Field (Director of Sixth Form)

Ms Boyd (Deputy Director of Sixth Form)

Careers News

JOB OF THE WEEK

JOB OF THE WEEK - EPISODE #277 - COURT REPORTER

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PSHE topics

Year 7 - Preparing class presentations

Year 8 - Romantic relationships

Year 9 - Online safety: scams and gambling

Year 10 - Cosmetic and plastic surgery

Report card for La Sainte Union can be accessed here:

https://camden.schoolreport.org.uk/school/index.html?schoolId=2025401

Alternatively, you can scan this QR code with your phone's camera:

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