



- Sun 18th Feb - Maha Shivratri (Hindu Festival)
- Wed 21st Feb - International Mother Language Day
- Sat 24th Feb - Stand up to Bullying
- Fri 1st March - Women's History Month
- Wednesday 6th March - Open Morning
- Thur 7th March - World Book Day
- Fri 8th - 17th March - British Science Week
- Fri 8th March - International Womens Day
- Sun 10th March - Mothers Day
- Tuesday 12th March - Tea with SLT

Message from the Senior Deputy Head

Everything today is available 24/7; from information at our fingertips, to online shopping and takeaway delivery. In a world of so much instant gratification, the stamina for reading intricate and challenging stories that unfold gradually and draw you in, is falling. We need to find ways to encourage our children to immerse themselves in quality story-telling, where time and effort is invested to reap the benefits. As adult readers, I am sure there are books you had to persevere with and were glad that you did. I recall being in a supermarket queue buying 'Captain Corelli's Mandolin', I was advised by another shopper to stick with it until page 100. I'm glad I did!

We all know that reading is a key lifeskill. It can also be an emotional crutch, and teaches us about growing up, our emotions and is therefore a support for personal wellbeing. Reading for pleasure takes you into another world, giving you a break from the pressures and reality around you. There is nothing better than letting yourself be drawn into an imaginary world where you live with the characters, feel their emotions and can't wait to read on. Author Cressida Cowell, Waterstone's Children's Laureate, points out that enjoying books, not just reading them, is vital for academic success, mental health and even later economic success. So, please read with your children, read yourselves too and enjoy the wonderful world of literature out there.

From the very start, children who enjoy sharing books daily with their parents, even as babies, develop warm relationships and gain positive attention. They are exposed to a wide vocabulary and associate reading with a good feeling. Reading within the home is just as important as in school, so what can parents do to help
My top tip is 'model reading' - sitting alongside your

children, reading your own book and talking about the story you are reading. If it is the usual thing to do in your house, your children will see it as normal. Listening to two sides of a page before leaving your child to read independently is a good start. Alternatively, with older children, reading the same book at the same time or afterwards can lead to interesting discussions about inference and plot development.

Despite very busy schedules, we should always find time for books; books that challenge but others just for the fun of it! Good books are infectious, so get out there and catch the bug!

Mrs Erdil
Senior Deputy Head

We welcome our new staff to NLGS/NLPS Family!



Mr Sandhu
Marketing Officer



Ms Stovoci
Receptionist



Mr Tokac
Site Manager



Mr Emek
Mathematics
Teacher



Mrs Rahimova
IGO Assistant
Coordinator



Ms Shabani
Cleaner & Kitchen
Assistant



NURTURING TOMORROW SCHOOL BAKE SALE

On Wednesday 24th, our students have **We've raised** been working hard on raising funds for underprivileged children, especially those in Mawali and India.

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We are pleased that for the past few weeks, the year 10 students are actively taking steps to make a better future for everyone.



NLGS Triumphs at Oxford MUN:

Young Delegates Shine in Debates and Diplomacy

North London Grammar School's students showcased remarkable achievements at the Model United Nations (MUN) conference held at Oxford. Over three days, **the young delegates** engaged in debates covering diverse topics such as **Women in STEM and Online Terrorism** across committees like **DISEC, WHO, UNHRC, and CSW**.

Standing out as the youngest participants, they seized networking opportunities, establishing connections with prestigious colleges, including **Eton and Southbank College** students. Nestled within the hallowed halls of **Oxford University's** colleges, the students immersed themselves in debates and public speaking, demonstrating both eloquence and resilience.

Notably, **Vildan Tyurkeli and Amelia Sylejmani** were bestowed **with the Best Delegate Award**, a testament to their exceptional performance. All resolutions presented by the North London Grammar School delegates received unanimous approval, underscoring the success of their presentations.

Despite facing challenging situations, the students exhibited adept problem-solving skills, ensuring a triumphant representation for their school. This experience not only enriched their understanding of global issues but also affirmed our commitment to fostering articulate and globally-aware young leaders.



TERM DATES



Student Academic Year 2024

Spring Term 2024
Spring/1

Thursday, 4th Jan - Friday, 9th Feb

Half-Term

Monday, 12th Feb - Sunday, 18th Feb

Spring/2

Monday, 19th Feb - Thur, 28th March

Easter Holiday

Friday, 29th March - Tue, 16th April

Summer Term 2024

Summer/1

Wedn, 17th April - Friday, 24th May

Half-Term

Saturday, 27th May - Friday, 31st May

Summer/2

Monday, 3rd Jun - Wednesday, 10th July

Summer Holiday

Thursday, 11th July onwards

Thought of the Week

"All our dreams can come true, if we have the courage to pursue them." -

Walt Disney



Boarding Life



Happy Birthday !!!



Hyde Park Trip

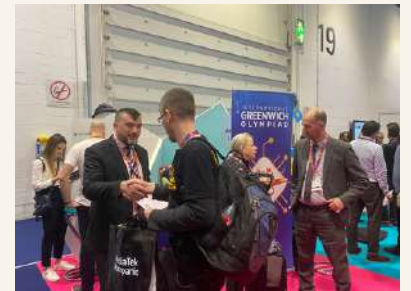


Seminar from a former boarding student on academic success



Fashion week

North London Grammar School's Prep Fashion Week dazzled with youthful flair and creativity. Amidst the historic halls, budding designers showcased their sartorial visions, blending sophistication with a dash of exuberance. From tailored blazers to chic skirts, each ensemble reflected individuality and innovation. The runway buzzed with energy as students strutted confidently, embodying the epitome of style. Colour palettes ranged from vibrant pops to understated elegance, demonstrating an eclectic mix of tastes. Amidst cheers and applause, Fashion Week at NLGS celebrated not just fashion, but the spirit of ingenuity and self-expression, leaving a lasting impression on both participants and spectators alike.



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A Hyve Event

ExCeL London
24 - 26 January 2024

Two of our colleagues, Mr Lafcioglu and Mr Akbas, recently showcased North London Grammar School at the BETT Fair held in Excel London. Their presentations covered our University Foundation Programme, school admissions, Int'l Summer School, and the International Greenwich Olympiad. The event proved to be highly productive over the course of three days, providing a valuable platform to highlight the excellence of our educational offerings. We extend our gratitude to Mr Lafcioglu and Mr Akbas for their dedication to representing our school.



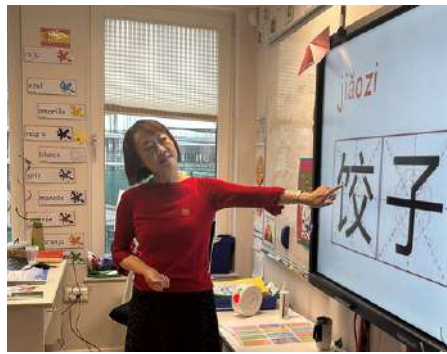
In using music as a medium to convey ideas and stories, hip-hop has emerged as one of the most popular genres that resonates across a diverse audience. Recently, BREIS, a music artist from South London and one of the many poets and musicians of Student of Life, conducted a workshop to teach more about the origins of hip-hop culture and rap history. During the workshop, students had the opportunity to improve their creative writing skills and also got a chance to get a hold of BREIS's self-titled book, "Brilliant Rappers Educate Intelligent Students," which details the inspiration behind his music and the lyrics incorporated. This program effectively promotes music and highlights storytelling in all genres, be it spoken or instrumental, and we are grateful to BREIS and student of life for spreading the importance of music to our prep school students. It is sure to have a positive impact on how they write and perceive music in a different light!



School Gallery



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Staff Wellbeing

Mediterranean Food

Veganuary

This month at North London Grammar School, staff wellbeing took centre stage with a dual approach. Embracing Veganuary, a global initiative promoting a vegan lifestyle in January, our staff enjoyed an all-vegan break featuring delectable cheesy nachos and delightful cream and jam doughnuts. Additionally, a recent staff wellbeing meeting showcased Mediterranean-inspired cuisine, creating a beautiful event where colleagues gathered in a cozy, welcoming setting. This dual initiative not only supported environmental measures and health but also fostered camaraderie and wellness among our dedicated staff members.



Notable Achievements by Sauren at Recent Swimming Event

North London Grammar School is delighted to announce Sauren's outstanding accomplishments in the recent swimming competition. Demonstrating exceptional skill and determination, Sauren clinched the Silver medal in the 200 Individual Medley and a Bronze in the 100 backstroke. His remarkable prowess in the pool has not only earned him well-deserved recognition but has also brought immense pride to the entire North London Grammar School community.

Sauren's success is a testament to his hard work, dedication, and the support of the school's sports program. The school extends heartfelt congratulations to Sauren on this remarkable achievement, highlighting his positive representation of the school in the sporting arena. We celebrate Sauren's triumphs, reinforcing our commitment to nurturing excellence in both academics and extracurricular pursuits.



Football Club at Prep School



Our Prep School is making strides in football. The young talents exhibited remarkable skills in a recent match, showcasing teamwork and sportsmanship. Coached by dedicated staff, the football club is fostering a love for the game among students, emphasizing both skill development and enjoyment on the field.



2024-2005 Term Dates

1st Term

September 5, 2024: First Half Term begins

October 18, 2024: First Half Term ends

November 4, 2024: Second Half Term begins

December 13, 2024: Second Half Term ends

2nd Term

January 7, 2025: First Half Term begins

February 14, 2025: First Half Term ends

February 24, 2025: Second Half Term begins

April 3, 2025: Second Half Term ends

3rd Term

April 23, 2025: First Half Term begins

May 23, 2025: First Half Term ends

June 2, 2025: Second Half Term begins

July 9, 2025: Second Half Term ends

To see the detailed list, please visit:

northlondongrammar.com/term-dates-24-25/



North London
Grammar and Preparatory School

OPEN MORNING



REGISTER NOW!

9:00 A.M - 11:00 A.M

6TH MARCH 2024

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NETBALL CLUB

Our students are honing their netball skills through regular practices at Burnt Oak Leisure Centre. These sessions serve as a platform for them to excel, fostering teamwork, coordination, and sportsmanship. The dedicated approach to netball training not only enhances individual abilities but also promotes a sense of community within our school.



Handball Club

Our dedicated athletes continue to excel on the court, showcasing skill, teamwork, and sportsmanship in every match. From thrilling victories to hard-fought battles, our club members demonstrate resilience and passion for the sport. Join us in celebrating their achievements and supporting their journey towards success. Together, we're building a strong handball community at NLGS, where players grow both on and off the court.

HALL HIRE AVAILABLE

Our spacious and elegant dining hall is available for a variety of events, including community gatherings, weddings, meetings, activities, or charity events. If you're looking for a venue that combines sophistication and versatility, our dining hall is the perfect choice. The beautiful surroundings and accommodating space create a warm and welcoming atmosphere for your special occasions. For booking inquiries or to learn more about our dining hall hire options, please contact our Business Manager at businessmanager@northlondongrammar.com.

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Available
for hire!



More **ABLE** and **Talented** Program



We're thrilled to introduce the More Able and Talented Program at North London Grammar and Prep School. Led by Miss Chimentepe, our Senior School Science Teacher and Head of Year 8, this initiative aims to recognise, support, inspire, and challenge students' full potential. The comprehensive identification process involves analysing test scores, teacher nominations, and your valuable input as parents. Look out for a text message to share your child's interests and

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achievements. Selected students will join the program, receiving tailored challenges to nurture their unique skills. Our goal is to provide an environment that encourages exploration and excellence beyond current levels. We appreciate your active involvement, making our school a place where every student can shine. Thank you for your ongoing support.



Chinese Language & Culture Club

North London Grammar & Prep School



Chinese 汉语

Chinese Language & Culture Club

Mandarin 普通话

Discover China



By Helen Wang

Our Chinese Language & Culture Club is now open to Secondary School students, expanding the cultural horizons of our vibrant community. Embracing diversity, we invite students to delve into the richness of Chinese culture, fostering a deeper understanding through language, traditions, and activities. We are committed to providing engaging opportunities for students to explore, learn, and appreciate the world around them.

KALESHA'S SWEETS AND TREATS SALE !

NLGS hosted Kalesha's Sweets and Treats sale on February 7th, bringing a delectable array of goodies to our community! From mouthwatering cookies to irresistible candies, the event was a delightful celebration of flavors and fun. With every purchase, attendees supported a worthy cause, contributing to charity initiatives championed by NLGS.



Thank you to everyone who joined us for this sweet extravaganza, making it a memorable day filled with sweetness, joy, and generosity! Thank you to everyone who joined us for this sweet extravaganza, making it a memorable day filled with sweetness, joy, and generosity!

Important To Remember

We would appreciate it if you could send an email to

reception@northlondongrammar.com before 8 am daily to inform us of **your child's absence**.

Additionally, we kindly request that you **schedule any appointments outside of school hours** whenever possible. If it's unavoidable during school hours, please **email the appointment details** to **reception@northlondongrammar.com** at least **24 hours in advance**.

A friendly reminder: NLGS commences promptly at **8:20 am**, and NLPS starts at **8:40 am**.

Punctuality is crucial, and students arriving late are kindly asked to sign in at the reception.

NEED TO KNOW



CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF THE TIGER - DRAGON 2024!



2024



On 5th February, North London Grammar School transformed into a colourful and lively hub as students, staff, and parents joined hands to commemorate the Chinese New Year. The festive atmosphere was contagious, and the spirit of unity was palpable throughout the school.





Visitors

We're thrilled to welcome back accomplished professionals who once walked our halls. From entrepreneurs blazing trails in tech startups to leaders shaping policy in government, our alumni continue to inspire. Join us in celebrating their achievements and the impact they've made on society. Their diverse journeys serve as a testament to the quality education and supportive community fostered at NLGS. Stay connected with our vibrant alumni network for mentorship opportunities, career insights, and lifelong friendships.

Together, we continue to uphold the spirit of excellence and camaraderie.



UKMT Intermediate

Sixty-three KS4 students represented NLGS at the UKMT Intermediate Challenge. At NLGS, we encourage all our students to challenge themselves and realise their true potential. We are confident in receiving amazing results and can't wait to share them with you. We congratulate all participants for taking on this challenge. Regardless of the results, they are all winners as they put in the effort and invested their time in learning Maths instead of staying in their comfort zone.



Holocaust Memorial Day



We hosted a poignant assembly on the 26th of Jan, by GCSE history students, to remember the Holocaust. The event featured insightful presentations and survivor testimonies, emphasizing the importance of remembrance and tolerance. The students effectively conveyed the gravity of the atrocities, fostering a deeper understanding among their peers. This assembly underscored the school's commitment to instilling empathy and educating students about the historical significance of the Holocaust.



Omar Miah Advances to Middlesex Cross Country Championships



After achieving the bronze medal in the Barnet Cross Country Championships, Omar Miah from Year 9 qualified for the Middlesex cross country championships. The top 5 from this competition would qualify for the English school's cross-country championships. Omar finished in the top 25 out of 50 runners an impressive feat considering this isn't his main sport, he can take pride in being one of the strongest runners at his age group in the whole of Barnet.



Our youngest visitor of the year, little **Lorenzo**, brought joy to our school. **Alison**, our delightful receptionist, shared a special moment as she, accompanied by her partner, introduced us to the adorable bundle of joy.

Climbing Trip

On the 5th of February, our students from years 7-11 had the opportunity to participate in a climbing trip to our local climbing centre - The Arch. Students unleashed their inner adventurer, fearlessly climbing to the top of the wall, despite some of them being complete beginners to the sport. Indoor climbing offers great mental and physical training and is therefore a great opportunity to strengthen the body and the mind. The two-hour climbing session was topped off by well-deserved pizza which was thoroughly enjoyed by all!



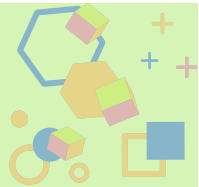
Year 8 GCSE Option Assembly and Evening for the Parents

We hosted the Year 8 GCSE Option Assembly and Evening for parents at NLGS, organized on the 1st of February 2024. It was an informative session where students and their families gained insights into the available GCSE options. The assembly provided a platform to discuss academic pathways, subjects, and future career prospects. Parents had the opportunity to engage with teachers, ensuring a collaborative approach to their child's education. The event aimed to facilitate well-informed decisions for the upcoming academic journey. We appreciate the active participation of parents, contributing to the success of this crucial event in our school calendar.





Prep **MATHS** Week



North London Grammar School recently hosted Prep Maths Week, a dynamic event tailored for prep students to enhance their mathematical skills. The week-long initiative featured engaging activities, interactive workshops, and challenging puzzles designed to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation for mathematics. Students enthusiastically participated in various mathematical challenges, showcasing their problem-solving abilities and collaborative spirit. Prep Maths Week aimed to inspire a love for numbers and critical thinking while providing a supportive environment for students to explore mathematical concepts. It was a resounding success, leaving participants energized and empowered to excel in their mathematical journey.





Berlin Trip GERMANY



We are pleased to invite our Y10 & Y11 GCSE students for an educational expedition to Berlin for historical, cultural, and academic enrichment opportunities. This four-night school trip will take place between 9 Feb – 13 Feb. The trip has been designed to complement our AQA History GCSE curriculum, especially the module on Democracy and Dictatorship – Germany, 1890 – 1945.



Highlights of the Trip:

- **Historical Significance:** Berlin offers a unique backdrop for academic exploration. Our students will have the privilege of visiting key sites, including the **Topography of Terror Museum**, a guided tour of **Sachsenhausen Concentration Camp** and **Berlin-Karlshorst Museum**. These museum visits will directly support our curriculum and students will benefit from enhancing their understanding of the history of Germany.
- **Cultural Enrichment:** The trip will include visits to cultural sites in Germany such as the **Berlin Wall**, **Brandenburg Gate** and a **river cruise**. These visits will provide our students with the opportunity to appreciate the diverse cultural offerings of Berlin.
- **Academic Relevance:** Tailored educational sessions aligned with the GCSE curriculum will be conducted, enhancing students' understanding of historical events and socio-political contexts. These sessions will complement classroom learning and provide a unique perspective on the subjects studied.



ARE YOU WORRIED?

All adults at North London Grammar care deeply about your health, safety, and well-being. We appreciate all children at our school, and we want to keep you safe and help protect your rights.

All adults at school are trustworthy individuals with whom you can speak at any time; the staff listed below has been carefully trained to assist you and your family.

Keeping children safe is everyone's responsibility



Ms Dhrona
Designated
Safeguarding Lead
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Mr Adak
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead
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Mr Karatas
Boarding Designated
Safeguarding Lead



Ms Erdil
Deputy Designated
Safeguarding Lead





Cinematic Explorers

"Cinematic Explorers" is sparking a passion for cinema by blending entertainment with education. Offering a diverse film selection, interactive discussions, and film analysis workshops, the club aims to foster critical thinking and cultural awareness. Members engage in film-related projects, and screenings, and gain access to a rich library of resources. The club promotes expanding horizons, developing critical skills, connecting with industry professionals, expressing creativity, and building lasting friendships.

Knitting Club

We proudly announce the inception of its Knitting Club, fostering creativity and camaraderie among students. The club provides a unique platform for individuals to explore the art of knitting, enhancing fine motor skills and encouraging teamwork. Under the guidance of dedicated staff, the club members meet weekly, embracing the tradition with a modern twist.

Engage, create, and knit the fabric of lasting memories at NLGS!



Drama Lessons

Students are enjoying enriching drama lessons, filled with excitement and productivity. The engaging sessions not only foster creativity but also provide ample opportunities for fun and learning. The school's commitment to a well-rounded education is evident in these vibrant classes, where students thrive in a dynamic and supportive environment. The drama curriculum at the independent school in London continues to inspire and nurture the artistic talents of its students, contributing to their holistic development.

Personalised Academic Support

North London Grammar School's committed team provides tailored academic support, precisely crafted to meet the distinct needs of each student. Our goal is to advance students in their academic journey by offering personalised assistance. The school acknowledges the significance of customised support in boosting overall academic progress. This dedication to individualised learning showcases North London Grammar School's commitment to cultivating a conducive educational environment.

Students can anticipate a more focused approach to tackling their academic challenges, ensuring a thorough and efficient learning experience.

The school's stress on personalised support highlights its steadfast dedication to student success and educational excellence.

NEED TO KNOW

Important Days To Know

- 12/02/2024:** Year 10 & 11 Interventions Week
- 19/02/2024:** Year 10 & 11 Mid-Year Examinations
- 06/03/2024:** Open Morning
- 12/03/2024:** Tea with SLT @ 3.20 - 4.20pm
- 13/03/2024:** Year 10 Parents Evening @ 4.30pm
- 20/03/2024:** Year 8 Parents Evening @ 4.30pm
- 02/05/2024:** Whole School Photo Session



HOW TO SUPPORT YOUR CHILD'S MENTAL HEALTH



LOVE

Be there for your child and show care and love



EXERCISE

Encourage play, exercise and sport



BEHAVIOUR

Keep an eye out for any changes in behaviour



SUPPORT

Regularly support, encourage and praise your child



REST TIME

Help your child to manage stress by building in some rest time



BE PROUD

Tell your child that you are proud of them



PATIENCE

Be patient. Don't pressure your child



HELP

Don't be afraid to seek help from professionals



FEELING

Get to know how your child is feeling



EDUCATE

Educate yourself about mental health problems



PROBLEM SOLVING

Help your child to effectively problem solve



LISTEN

Make sure you take time to listen to what your child has to say



COPING

Help your child to learn some simple coping skills such as relaxation



SYMPTOMS

Be aware of signs and symptoms



CONVERSATION

Encourage your child to engage in conversation



ENVIRONMENT

Provide a positive environment for your child where they can thrive





INTERNATIONAL GREENWICH OLYMPIAD

igolondon.co.uk

The International Greenwich Olympiad is a student-project competition, allowing students to display their creativity and skills in various academic fields.



**8th - 15th
June 2024**

LONDON, UNITED KINGDOM

**REGISTRATION
DEADLINE:
March 31st 2024**



Engineering | Computer Science | Energy |
Environmental Science | Social Science |
STEM Lesson Presentation | Short Movie | Art |
Photography | Creative Writing | Line Follower |
Sumo Challenge

