

7th September 2018

Dear Parent/Carer,

I am pleased to invite your son/daughter to take up LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) lessons at Etonbury Academy. LAMDA is a world class drama school in London that offers exams resulting in gualifications in both Speech and Drama that are recognised around the world through their Speech and Communications board overseen by OFQUAL.

The choices seem endless where LAMDA exams are involved. Students can try their hand at public speaking, mime, acting, verse and prose, musical theatre, reading for performance and many more communication based exams. The aim is to develop a love, appreciation and understanding of language and literature through learning and speaking aloud, to offer a progressive education and training in communication through speech.

Following a successful pilot year in running LAMDA and due to demand, Etonbury have decided to work in partnership with 'West End In' private tutors to deliver LAMDA in school. West End In, not only create and implement the LAMDA scheme but also provide the students with the top performers to teach the programs. West End use top West End performers who will teach your child and train them to the highest professional standards.

The tutors will provide intense after school 1.5 hour sessions in groups of no more than 16. These sessions will continue on Wednesday after school. Lessons run termly with a view to taking the examination at the end of the year. There will also be a special LAMDA evening in term 2, where the students will showcase their achievements in this area. Exams fees are separate and range from $£35-\pounds60$. The loan of all LAMDA resources will be available to support their examination and are included in the price.

Places for LAMDA are strictly by selection only. Students must show a strong aptitude in performance in their drama lessons and are encouraged to apply and gain a place on the course via their drama teacher.

If your child is eligible for free school meals you may gualify for a bursary from your LAMDA tuition invoices with West End In. Additionally, if you would like your child to have lessons for LAMDA but may encounter financial difficulty with this, the school may be able to help subsidise lessons if your son/daughter would like to take part. Please contact Mrs Brahmachari-Limb, in the first instance, if you would like to discuss this further.

This terms lesson dates to diary are: Every Wednesday from 20th, 27th September, October 4th, 11th, 18th, November 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th 6th Dec, (11 sessions)

Summary of LAMDA

Group Lesson 1.5 hours

Wednesday from 3:30pm to 5pm

The fees for this term are: £93.50 (11 lessons in total)

Taking part in LAMDA is a demanding process and we hope that you will encourage and support your child to practise regularly during the week between lessons so that he/she can make good progress. Should the time ever arise when you wish your child to discontinue lessons, please be aware that half a term's notice in Stotfold Road writing is required. Please make payments via Parentmail.

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If your son or daughter would still like to continue or if your child is interested in being considered for LAMDA lessons, please complete and return the attached reply slip to Etonbury Academy. Please bring any envelopes/letters directly to the Creative Faculty office and hand directly to Mrs Brahmachari-Limb.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Brahmachari- Limb. Head of Performing Arts

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