



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 qualifications 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 14. 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 and parents will have the opportunity to discuss their child's progress with tutors. Exams fees are separate and range from £35-£60. 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 qualify 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, the school may be able to help subsidise lessons. Please contact Mrs Brahmachari-Limb if you would like to discuss this further.

This terms lesson dates to diary are : Wednesday October 5th, October 12th, October 19th, 2nd November, 9th November, 16th November, 23rd November, 30th November, 7th December, 14th December. 2016.

There will also be a launch event for the company on Wednesday 21st September at 5pm in the school's new studio, where students and parents can find out more information on the LAMDA programme. This will give you a chance to meet the professional tutor, Andy Hutchings. Andy trained at The Guildford School of Acting and worked extensively as an actor in regional theatre and the West End including several productions at the Open Air Theatre, Regents Park.

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After several years of teaching acting to various ages groups, he is currently the General Manager of Jigsaw Performing Arts where, amongst other things, he directs the Youth Theatre Company which is staged at the Tristan Bates Theatre, London. In 2013, he directed the company in a production of Jim Cartwright's 'Mobile Phone Show' which was staged at the National Theatre.

This is open to new parents wanting to find out about LAMDA and also for existing students.

Summary of LAMDA

Group Lesson 1.5 hours

Wednesday from 3:30pm to 5pm

The fees for this term are: £80 (10 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 writing is required. The fees should be directly paid to Etonbury Academy.

If your son or daughter would 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 no later than Monday 19th September at the latest. Please bring any envelopes/letters directly to the Creative Faculty office and hand directly to Mrs Limb.

Yours sincerely

Mrs J Limb
Head of Performing Arts



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LAMDA REGISTRATION FORM

PLEASE RETURN TO MRS BRAHMACHARI-LIMB DIRECTLY

NAME : _____ Form : _____

I/We would like my/our son/daughter to participate in LAMDA lessons at Etonbury Academy and will arrange travel to and from the sessions.

I/We would like to reserve _____ free tickets for the LAMDA information evening on 21st September at 5pm in the studio.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

(Parent/Guardian)

Emergency Contact details and email. (If different to our system:

Medical details : _____

- I enclose the termly fee of £80 (I understand that these fees are non-refundable).
- I have paid £80 via my online account using the **unique code GYU plus your child's Internet Payment Code as the reference. (Bank Account Number: 79656960 Sort Code: 30-99-83)**
- I understand that exam fees are also payable once a year at a cost of between £35-60 depending on level of qualification.



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