LONDON PARK SCHOOL SIXTH

Dukes EDUCATION



Prospectus

Welcome to LPS Sixth

The perfect next step

LPS Sixth is for students aged 16–18, welcoming both those continuing their journey through London Park Schools and students joining us for the first time. **Our personalised A level programme is built around each student's strengths, ambitions and future plans,** ensuring that these important final years of school prepare them purposefully for university, apprenticeships and the world of work, while continuing to foster intellectual curiosity and a genuine enjoyment of learning.

Located at LPS Mayfair, in the heart of London overlooking Green Park and Buckingham Palace, Sixth Form students benefit from dedicated teaching, study and social spaces while remaining an important part of the wider LPS community. Housed within the historic surroundings of 106 Piccadilly, our students enjoy a uniquely inspiring setting. Yet what truly defines LPS Sixth is not the building itself, but the life, warmth and energy within it. Like London itself, our community is wonderfully diverse, with British and international students learning side by side, forming friendships that broaden perspectives and enrich their experience.

This gives students the best of both worlds: the opportunity to take on leadership and mentoring roles within a close-knit school, alongside the increased independence and freedom that should characterise Sixth Form life in the heart of London.

Our approach deliberately balances independence with structure. Students are trusted to take greater responsibility for their learning, manage independent study and make mature decisions about their time, while being supported by a strong academic and pastoral framework. Teaching takes place in small classes, typically with no more than eight students, providing high levels of individual attention, regular contact with subject specialists and teaching that can respond closely to each student's needs.

Academically ambitious, highly personalised and deeply rooted in the supportive community that makes LPS Mayfair so special, **LPS Sixth is the ideal step between senior school and university.**











The Dukes difference

LPS Sixth is part of Dukes Education, a family of leading schools, colleges, and nurseries, united by a shared commitment to quality, care and curiosity.

Being part of Dukes opens wider networks and benefits, including access to:

- **Dukes Club** – an extraordinary community of parents, pupils, staff and alumni connecting families across all the Dukes Education nurseries, schools and colleges. It is a space to learn, network, take advantage of exciting opportunities and amazing rewards, and make new friends. Find out more: www.dukeseducation.com/dukes-club
- **Dukes Plus** – A comprehensive suite of industry-leading services from university application support, life-changing career and university experiences, day camps, tuition, and summer schools, including Investin, The A-List, Oxbridge Applications, the Lawyer and Medic Portals. Find out more: www.dukesplus.com
- Joint Dukes Education conferences, competitions, summer schools and experiences

Through Dukes, LPS students take advantage of the benefits of big school life; an exciting variety of trips, clubs, societies and co-curricular programmes, world-class learning and development for teachers and staff as well as stability and investment.

Structured Independence

At LPS Sixth, students enjoy a close-knit and supportive community while developing the independence, confidence and self-management skills needed for university and life beyond school. Underpinning this is a highly personalised pastoral approach, ensuring every student is known, valued and supported to thrive. At the same time, structured academic support, including supervised study sessions, regular progress tracking and dedicated mentor meetings, ensures students are appropriately challenged, well organised and fully supported in achieving their ambitions. **This careful balance of freedom, accountability and guidance helps students make a successful transition to life beyond school.**

Every student has their own tutor, whom they see each day, providing a familiar and trusted point of contact throughout their Sixth Form journey. Alongside this, a dedicated pastoral lead works closely with students to oversee wellbeing, monitor academic progress and provide guidance as they navigate the opportunities and challenges of Sixth Form life.



As students prepare for life beyond school, we encourage them to take increasing responsibility for their own time. Each week, Sixth Formers can earn an Exeat, either an afternoon away from school or a later morning arrival when they have no timetabled lessons. This flexibility develops the independence, organisation and self-discipline they will need for success at university, on apprenticeships and in the workplace.
When additional support is needed, it is readily available. Students have access to our on-site counsellor for support with wellbeing and personal concerns, while academic mentors provide targeted guidance with areas such as study skills, essay writing and independent learning. This ensures students are supported both personally and academically throughout their Sixth Form experience.

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Curriculum

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Teaching takes place in **small classes, enabling a level of discussion, debate and individual challenge more akin to a university tutorial than a traditional school classroom**. Students benefit from regular contact with subject specialists, including experienced examiners, who can tailor teaching to their strengths, interests and aspirations while stretching them beyond the examination syllabus. Combined with **our strong track record of securing places at leading universities, this creates an academically ambitious environment that prepares students to compete successfully for highly sought-after post-18 destinations.**

The LPS Sixth programme focuses on developing academic independence alongside the skills, experiences and confidence needed for success in higher education and work. The programme focuses on developing students' skills in:

- Independent research through the EPQ and subject-specific projects
- Critical evaluation developed through super-curricular reading and academic discussion
- Sophisticated argument construction through essay writing and competition entries
- Confident communication through seminar-style teaching and debate
- Academic writing tailored to university-level expectations
- Presentation and public speaking through talks, presentations and leadership opportunities
- Specialist preparation for competitive university applications, including Oxbridge support and admissions-test preparation (UCAT, LNAT and TMUA)

LPS Sixth empowers students to take ownership of their futures, ensuring a smooth transition to university or work.









A Level options

At LPS Sixth we build our A level programme around the preferences and ambitions of our students rather than asking students to fit into a predetermined pathway.

At LPS Sixth, students are not restricted by a pre-set curriculum model. Instead, **we design our A level subject blocks to maximise choice, allowing students to pursue the combinations most relevant to their interests and future aspirations.** Whether that means combining Mathematics, Further Mathematics and Physics for Engineering, or selecting the specific subjects required for Medicine or Economics, our flexible approach helps students keep their options open and follow the path that is right for them.

This personalised approach allows us to retain a broad curriculum while responding directly to the interests, strengths and future aspirations of each Sixth Form cohort.

Most students study three A levels, with ambitious students encouraged to extend their academic profile through Further Mathematics, a fourth A level or the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ), particularly where this will strengthen applications to highly selective university courses. Alongside this, supervised independent study, PSHCE and a broad enrichment programme help students develop the intellectual curiosity, self-discipline and confidence needed to thrive at university and in their future careers.

A-level subjects

- Art & Design (Edexcel)
- Biology (AQA)
- Business (AQA)
- Chemistry (AQA)
- Computer Science (OCR)
- Design Technology (AQA)
- Drama (AQA)
- Economics (Edexcel)
- English Literature (OCR)
- French (AQA)
- Further Maths (Edexcel)
- Geography (Edexcel)
- History (Edexcel)
- Maths (Edexcel)
- Media Studies (Eduqas)
- Music (Eduqas)
- Physical Education (OCR)
- Physics (AQA)
- Politics (AQA)
- Psychology (AQA)

Available if there is demand

- Classics
- Philosophy
- Religious Studies
- Spanish













Academic writing, research skills and the EPQ

We recognise that success at university requires more than excellent examination results. **Students need to be able to research independently, evaluate information critically, construct sophisticated arguments and communicate their ideas with clarity and confidence.**

For this reason, all Year 12 students complete a rigorous academic writing and research skills programme during their first term. Students develop the core skills required for advanced study, including academic writing, research methodology, critical analysis, referencing and citation, evaluating the reliability of sources, structuring extended arguments and avoiding plagiarism. These skills are then applied in a substantial assessed research essay, which requires students to conduct independent research, engage with academic sources and produce a fully referenced piece of analytical writing. The result is a piece of work that closely mirrors the expectations of university-level study and provides an excellent foundation for future academic success.

AI, research and academic integrity

An important part of this programme is developing students' understanding of Artificial Intelligence in research and academic work. Students learn how AI can be used responsibly as a tool to support research, exploration and learning, while also understanding its limitations. Emphasis is placed on academic integrity, verification of information, appropriate acknowledgement of sources, and the distinction between using AI to support thinking and submitting AI-generated material as their own work. These skills provide an important foundation not only for the EPQ, but also for A level coursework and future university study.

Extended Project Qualification

The Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) provides students with the opportunity to take these skills further by completing a substantial independent research project on a topic of their own choosing. Students may select an area connected to their intended university course or career ambitions or pursue a question arising from a particular academic or personal interest.

At LPS Sixth, the EPQ programme begins after Easter in Year 12 and continues through to October of Year 13, enabling students to complete their project before the majority of UCAS applications and university interviews. As a result, students can reference their project in applications, discuss it at interview and showcase the academic independence and research skills sought by competitive universities. Students benefit from two hours of dedicated EPQ time each week, supported by taught sessions, individual supervision and clear milestones. By the time applications are submitted, students have produced a substantial piece of independent research that not only strengthens their academic profile but also provides an excellent foundation for university-level study.

During the programme, students learn how to:

- Develop and refine an academically appropriate research question
- Undertake effective independent research and evaluate the quality and reliability of sources
- Reference and cite material accurately
- Plan and manage a substantial project over an extended period
- Construct and sustain an evidence-based argument
- Reflect critically on their research process and decision-making
- Produce an extended piece of academic work
- Present and defend their findings confidently to an audience

The EPQ therefore goes beyond the final project itself. It develops the research, academic writing, presentation, public speaking, communication, organisation and independent-study skills that students will need as they progress into higher education and professional life.

By completing the foundational academic writing programme in the autumn of Year 12 before beginning the EPQ later in the year, students are given the skills and confidence to approach independent research properly rather than simply being expected to learn these skills as they go.



Tailored university, apprenticeship and careers preparation

Alongside our personalised A level programme, EPQ and wider enrichment curriculum, we provide a comprehensive programme of university, degree apprenticeship and careers preparation, designed to ensure that every student leaves LPS Sixth confident, informed and well prepared for their next step.

We deliberately encourage students to consider the full range of opportunities available to them. For some, this will mean applying to leading universities in the UK; for others, an international university may provide the best academic and personal fit. Increasingly, students are also considering degree apprenticeships and other high-quality professional pathways, which combine university-level study with paid employment and substantial workplace experience. Our role is not to promote one route over another, but to help each student identify the pathway that best matches their ambitions, strengths and future goals.

Support begins early and is highly personalised. Students receive guidance on researching universities, courses, apprenticeships and career sectors, building a strong academic and super-curricular profile, and making informed choices. This includes structured support with UCAS applications, personal statements, references, interview preparation and admissions tests, alongside specialist guidance for students considering Oxbridge, Medicine, Dentistry, Law, competitive degree apprenticeships or universities overseas.

As part of the Dukes Diploma, all LPS Sixth students receive complimentary access to a range of experiences through InvestIN and the wider Dukes network. These include one-to-one consultations, parent webinars and holiday projects, such as the Oxbridge Seminars sessions. Students in Years 12 and 13 can also join online workshops exploring 15 different career pathways, helping them discover new interests, learn from professionals and make informed choices about their futures.

For students who would like further specialist support, the wider Dukes family offers the following additional services:

Oxbridge Applications

Over the last 20 years, Oxbridge Applications has helped over 70,000 students with their applications to the University of Oxford and the University of Cambridge. Through Oxbridge Applications LPS Sixth students access individual mentoring, university and college selection advice, personal statement support, admissions test tuition, mock interviews and interview preparation courses for Oxford and Cambridge applicants.

A-List Education

The leading US university admissions consultancy in the UK, A-List Education guides students through every step of the process, from preparing for tests to selecting colleges and crafting application essays. Through A-List Education LPS Sixth students access Ivy League, US and international university application guidance, university shortlisting, Common Application support, application essay coaching, SAT and ACT tuition, and advice on scholarships and specialist applications.

The Lawyer Portal

The Lawyer Portal is the definitive resource for everyone considering a career in law, whatever their stage or background. It offers a growing suite of support programmes to applicants, alongside popular, step-by-step guides. It is now working in partnership with leading law schools and law firms on a range of initiatives. Through the Lawyer Portal LPS Sixth students access LNAT courses, workshops and individual tutoring, alongside law application advice, legal career guides, apprenticeship information and programmes introducing students to the legal profession.

The Medic Portal

The Medic Portal was founded in 2015 by a team of doctors and online content experts. Now established as the leading ‘Get into Medicine’ resource, it has worked with 500+ partner schools across the UK, Europe, Asia, and the Middle East. Through the Medic Portal, LPS Sixth students access UCAT courses and individual tutoring, medical and dental school application advice, personal statement support, and interview preparation via online courses and personalised coaching.

InvestIN

Career insight days and immersive summer programmes featuring practical career simulations, workplace visits, professional skills activities, personalised career guidance and networking with industry professionals.





Flexi-Sixth

For students seeking even greater flexibility, independence and autonomy they may choose to take one A Level subject online alongside their in-person subjects. Not all subjects are suitable for online learning at A Level, for examples sciences and the creative arts, so subject availability and suitability needs to be discussed with the school.

Results

71% of LPS Sixth 2026 university entrants secured a place at their first-choice university. Destinations included Computer Science and Biochemistry at King's College London, Medical Innovation at UCL, Accounting and Finance at Exeter, Politics and International Relations at Nottingham, and Biomedical Engineering at City St George's. Students also pursued creative and international pathways, including Media Communications at UAL, Music Production and Sound Engineering at LCCM, and Dentistry at UAX in Spain.

These outcomes reflect our commitment to supporting individual ambition and helping every student find a pathway that aligns with their strengths and aspirations.

93% of grades were A*–E. 48% were awarded at A*–B.

Continuing with LPS

Moving from Senior School into Sixth Form is an exciting step, bringing new opportunities, greater independence and fresh academic challenges.

The vast majority of LPS students (from Mayfair, Clapham and Hybrid) choose to continue their education at LPS Sixth. If you are staying on for Sixth Form from an LPS school, we ensure that the transition is seamless, combining the excitement of a new chapter with the reassurance of a familiar community.

Grade requirements

Our grade requirements help ensure that students begin their A Level courses with the knowledge, skills and confidence to succeed.

- **General entry requirement:** A minimum of grade 6 at GCSE in the subject you wish to study at A Level or an aligned subject if you did not study it at GCSE
- **Biology, Chemistry and Physics:** A minimum of grades 7–7 in GCSE Combined Science or 7 in the individual triple science
- **Mathematics:** A minimum of grade 7 in GCSE Mathematics
- **Further Mathematics:** A minimum of grade 8 in GCSE Mathematics
- **Art:** Experience of GCSE Art is essential. If you have not studied Art at GCSE, please contact us to discuss your experience and suitability for the course

We recognise that examination results do not always tell the whole story. Exceptions are considered on a case-by-case basis, taking account of each student's circumstances, strengths and potential. Where an exception is agreed, we put a pragmatic and supportive intervention plan in place to help the student meet the demands of their chosen course and make a successful transition to A Level study.

Current students who may have lower grades should contact the Head of Sixth form to discuss their options.



Choosing your subjects

Year 10

Summer term: We'll start the conversation with you about your interests and ambitions and invite you to meet with the Head of Sixth Form.

Year 11

- **Autumn term:** You will be invited to attend our Open Evening in September, where you can explore the range of A Level subjects we offer. You can also attend a taster day to experience prospective subjects first-hand. Throughout the term, we will continue the conversation, encouraging you to consider your potential A Level choices and discuss them in more depth. We will ask you to submit your A Level options by the end of term.
- **End of spring term:** We'll assume that LPS students will move on seamlessly to LPS Sixth unless we hear from you in writing. We'll ask you to confirm your subject choices.
- **Summer term:** We'll invite you to attend transition events to help you get a feel for Sixth Form life.
- **Summer holidays:** Once you have your GCSE results, we will discuss and confirm your subject choices.

Fees

Visit www.londonparkschools.com/mayfair/admissions/fees to learn more about our fees.

Contact us

We look forward to meeting you soon. You can reach us by phone on **020 7491 7393** or on email admissions.mayfair@londonparkschools.com.

Joining LPS for Sixth Form

Our admissions process is designed to be simple and stress free and focuses on getting to know the individual student to ensure we understand your ambitions to fully support you in achieving your goals.

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Students with lower grades or extenuating circumstances should contact Admissions to discuss their options with the Head of Sixth Form.



Joining LPS for Sixth Form timeline

Year 11:

- Open evening: September
- Register by: Early November
- Interviews with the Sixth form team: Mid November
- Offers made: Early December
- Accept by: January

Joining LPS for Sixth Form admissions process

1. **Enquire online** to learn more about LPS Sixth and start the admissions process.
2. **Meet us in person** at a personal tour or an open evening where you will meet the Head of Sixth Form and discuss your ambitions and interests.
3. **Apply online** by completing the application form and pay the registration fee.
4. Provide a recent report and GCSE predicted grades.
5. Share details of someone who will provide a confidential reference.
6. Meet the Head of Sixth Form for an informal interview where we can find out a little more about you, discuss your A Level options and help us discover the qualities and potential you would bring to our community. We'll discuss your ambitions and goals for your future and introduce you to what LPS Sixth can offer you.
7. Receive an offer which you will have two weeks to accept and confirm by paying the deposit.
8. When you receive your GCSE results, share them with us as confirmation of grades achieved. If you didn't get what you hoped for, we're here to help and either confirm your planned A Level subjects or discuss alternatives.
9. Join us in September to commence your final years of schooling. It's the start of something special!

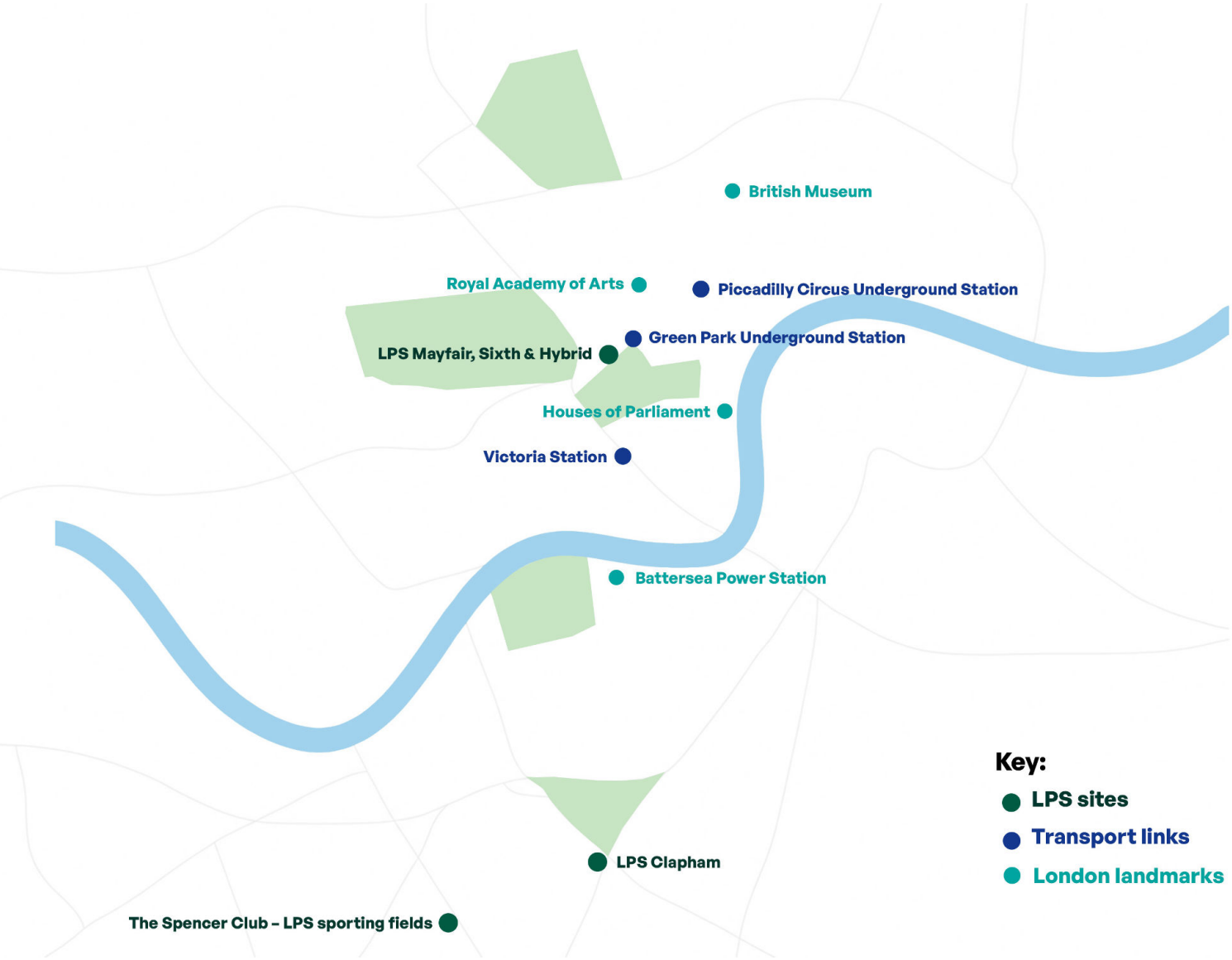
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