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Dear Y2, Y3, Y4, Y5 and Y6 Parents and Carers,

I am delighted to be able to offer your children the opportunity to gain a formal 'speech and drama' qualification from The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art (LAMDA).

What are LAMDA examinations?

LAMDA has been offering examinations for many years. They have an enviable reputation for delivering excellence in performance and communication exams in the UK. The introductory exams are the perfect start for both young learners and those who have never taken an exam before. By learning the words of the likes of Michael Rosen and Valerie Bloom, introductory learners are developing the ability to express themselves whilst also improving their memorisation and recall.

Not only that, but they are also gaining in self-confidence as they talk about the things they love, like their favourite book or place. These conversations encourage the learners to feel at ease with answering questions, listening and using description.

LAMDA examination opportunities

The next set of LAMDA examinations will take place in the Spring and Summer of 2026. An exact examination date will be issued about 2 weeks before the exam. The exams take place in Hope Street in Liverpool City centre. Parents/carers must be responsible for transporting their child to and from the examination venue. Absence from school for the exam would be authorised. Details about the examinations will be shared, nearer the time, with the children who sign up.

What will my child have to do?

They will be examined on their performance of a short poem. The examiner will check that they can recite it and speak it clearly with confidence and some expression. After the poem, the student will have an informal conversation with the examiner all about their chosen book or picture. The questions are shared in the syllabus so that learners know exactly what they will be asked on the day.

Tuition and Examination Fee

For your child to prepare fully for their examination, they will need to attend the LAMDA exam sessions which are run by our resident LAMDA teacher Miss Williams. Miss Williams holds an Associate diploma with LAMDA and has a 100% pass rate for drama exams. These lessons will take place weekly, during Monday lunch times).

21st Sep-14th Dec- 12-week block.
£72.00 lunch time exam tuition.

This will include all the resources and materials required to prepare for the examination. In addition to this, you will need to pay an entry fee of £38 which will be paid directly to LAMDA. Once your child has started their LAMDA examination lessons, you will be provided with details on how to pay this directly to the LAMDA exam board shortly after the tuition has commenced.

Children will gain Children's University credits for their attendance at the tuition and exam. Please contact Miss Williams directly via LimelightLiverpool@outlook.com if you would like a place for your child. We hope to be able to allocate all those interested a place, but if not, names will be drawn from a hat.

Many thanks,
Miss Sharrock
Assistant Headteacher