

Year 8 Parents' Welcome Evening



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2026 Exams

GCE Results (Sixth Form)

Measure	2026
A Level Average Grade	C+
Applied General Average Grade	Dist=
A*-B	47.8%
Dist*-Merit	100%

Successes...

- ❖ Lucy Baker A*A*A*
- ❖ Sophie Ostler A*A*A*A
- ❖ Jonas Petrokas A*AA
- ❖ Oscar Keen AAB
- ❖ Jai Kotwal A*ABB

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Results for Longsands Academy in St Neots

Our first results of the day come from Longsands Academy in St Neots, with principal Umara Qureshi saying: "Congratulations to all of our sixth form on achieving another fantastic set of results."

"We are absolutely delighted for our incredible young people, whose hard work, dedication and resilience have been rewarded so brilliantly."



Lucy Baker, Jonas Petrokas and Sophie Ostler (Image: Astrea)

GCSE Results

Measure	2026
Attainment 8 score	48.08
Grades 9-4 in Eng & Maths	70.30%
Grades 9-5 in Eng & Maths	50.90%
Grades 9-7 in Eng & Maths	15.20%
Attainment in EBacc subjects	15.30

GCSEs

- ❖ Logan - 8x grade 9, 1x grade 8
- ❖ Martha - 7x grade 9, 2x grade 7
- ❖ Ben – 6x grade 9, 3x grade 8
- ❖ Carys – 5x grade 9, 2x grade 8, 2x grade 7
- ❖ Joshua - 4x grade 9, 6x grade 8
- ❖ Alicia - 4x grade 9, 3x grade 8, 2x grade 7
- ❖ Kanyiri – 3x grade 9, 4x grade 8, 3x grade 7



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Building a strong thriving community



Paving the pathway to a successful future



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Ensuring Success – Whole school

- A rich curriculum
- Exceptional teaching
- Extra literacy and/or numeracy where needed
- Regular and appropriate assessment
- Behaviour for learning
- Rewards and praise
- **Reading**
- **Communicating with parents**



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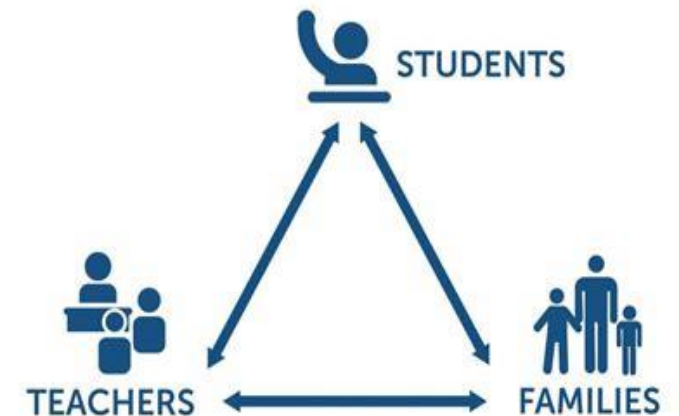
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Ensuring Success – Parents/Carers

- Start the day correctly – on time with the correct uniform and equipment
- Inform school of any problems or concerns
- Sleep – young people need to sleep – take all devices off at/around 9pm.

Turn off the Wi-Fi!

- Social time – this is needed but structured
- Family time – this is also needed
- Prioritise homework



The importance of year 8

At Longsands, Year 8 is not a year to get through. It is a year to grow through. The habits, knowledge and character developed this year will shape future success.

Small gaps now can become significant barriers later.

- Year 8 is the year where the foundations for future GCSE success are strengthened through the accumulation of knowledge over time.
- Year 8 is a crucial period for developing the habits of attendance, effort, organisation and resilience that underpin academic achievement.
- High expectations matter: every scholar should be challenged to think deeply and achieve their very best, regardless of starting point.
- Reading, vocabulary and communication skills developed in Year 8 have a significant impact on success across all subjects.
- Year 8 is about shaping character, confidence and independence, helping scholars become the young adults they aspire to be.



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Attendance matters



Average Grade vs Attendance



Attendance	Average grade
100%	6.30
97% -99%	5.90
$90 \leq A < 92\%$	5.52
$85 \leq A < 90\%$	5.00
$80 \leq A < 85\%$	3.91
$70 \leq A < 80\%$	3.97
$60 \leq A < 70\%$	1.96
$40 \leq A < 60\%$	2.30
$< 40\%$	1.33

**90% attendance
= 19 days of
school missed
every year**



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How can parents and carers support?

Simple ways to help at home:

- ✓ Check homework regularly
- ✓ Encourage routines
- ✓ Provide a quiet workspace
- ✓ Ask questions about learning
- ✓ Praise effort and perseverance

Support, don't complete the work for them! Encouragement and structure make the biggest difference.



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Clubs and Activities

Our Enrichment Programme includes all of the details of the clubs and extra-curricular activities that your child can attend.

To sign your child up to one of the clubs and activities available at Longsands Academy, please [fill out this form](#).

clubs & activities

Monday

Duke of Edinburgh

Myths and Legends

Yr13 Classics Intervention

Netball Club (boys and girls)

Rugby Club

Room/location

N1.1, N1.3, N1.4 (occasionally 1.5 - Drama space)

H3

H31

Y7 - Sports Hall changing rooms & Y10/11 - PA changing rooms

Year 7-10 Pavilion changing rooms

Timing

After school

After school

Lunchtime

After school

Afterschool

Where can my child access support?

Class Teachers and Teaching Assistants

Form/Intervention teacher

Pastoral Support Officer – Ms Jordan

Head of Year – Ms Burley

SENCO - Ms Doolan

Designated Safeguard lead – Mr Milne/ Miss Isaac

Attendance Support Officer – Ms Day



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