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#LongRoadLife

LONG ROAD SIXTH FORM COLLEGE APPLICANT NEWSLETTER

HAVE A GREAT SUMMER

Hello, from Long Road!

This is our final edition of #LongRoadLife! As the academic year comes to a close, we just want to say how much we are looking forward to meeting you in September. Until then, we hope you have a wonderful summer relaxing and enjoying time with family and friends.

While this is our last #LongRoadLife newsletter of the year, we will be continuing to send you lots of important information over the summer about the next steps before joining us as a student - so keep checking those emails!

Best wishes, Long Road



ADMISSIONS UPDATE

TIGER BUS PASS

POLITICS TRIP TO COLCHESTER

HISTORY TRIP TO GREAT ST MARYS CHURCH

DUKE OF EDINBURGH GOLD AWARD



WE'RE HERE TO HELP

Our friendly Admissions Team are here to support and guide you through every stage of your Long Road application.

If you have any questions, please get in touch!



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ADMISSIONS TEAM UPDATE

PREPARING FOR GCSE RESULTS DAY & ENROLMENT

Whilst you are enjoying the summer break do keep a check on your emails for updates from us!

Your Enrolment Pack should have reached you with all the information you need for the coming weeks. Do make sure you have a read through so you are ready for results day and what happens next.

Please check now that you can log in to your Admissions+ account. You will need to log in to upload your grades on GCSE results day.

PRE-ENROLMENT CHECKS

There are a few things you can do now in preparation for September Enrolment:

- Submitting a photo for your college ID
- Completing Step 3: Medical Information of the Personal Details From

The above, as well as checking your address and other contact details are up-to-date, can be done via the Personal Details Form on your <u>Admissions+</u> <u>account</u>.



YOUR APPLICATION TIMELINE

Your application timeline will help you keep track of where you are in the admissions process and keep you informed of what happens next. Look for the arrow location to see where we are in the process!



21 AUGUST 2025

GCSE Results Day Good luck! We're keeping our fingers crossed for you!

27 & 28 AUGUST 2025

Virtual Enrolment Our Enrolment will follow Results Day. Activities will be completed online and via a scheduled telephone call.

SPRING & SUMMER 2025

Virtual Guidance Meetings & Conditional Offer Discuss your options with an experienced

member of staff. You'll receive a conditional offer via your Admissions+ account shortly after your meeting.

30 JUNE 2025

Welcome Day

Spend the day as a Long Road student; try out your conditional offer subjects and get a taste of Long Road life.

> Auditions for Performing Arts subjects will be held during Welcome Day.

4 SEPTEMBER 2025

New Student Orientation

Welcome to Long Road! Orientation activities will ensure you are prepared for your first day of college.

8 SEPTEMBER 2025

Start of Academic Year 2025/2026 Time to start your Long Road life!



GET YOUR TIGER PASS TODAY

To apply for your Tiger Pass, <u>please click here</u> to visit the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority website.

NOT COVERED BY THE TIGER PASS?

We're continuing to campaign for the areas covered by the Tiger Pass to be increased. Until then, check with your bus provider for what Student Bus Passes they offer.

TIGER BUS PASS

The Tiger bus pass is free of charge and designed to make public transport more affordable for young people. Launched by the Cambridgeshire & Peterborough Combined Authority, the Tiger Bus Pass gives you access to £1 travel across a range of bus operators and routes.

Just show your Tiger pass to the bus driver when boarding to enjoy a £1 fare.



Where can I use my Tiger Pass?

The Tiger pass can be used to travel on the bus anywhere within the Combined Authority region, including services going out of the area that start within the region.

Operators participating are:

- Stagecoach
- Whippet
- Dews
- A2B
- Stephensons
- FACT
- Star travel
- First

Please note: The £1 single fare will not apply to bus services starting or running from outside the region to within.





SUMMER WORK 2025

One of the most important activities to help prepare you for your studies as a Long Road student is completing the summer work tasks for each of your A Level, Level 3 Applied and Level 4 subjects.

These activities aren't here to trip you up or catch you out, they're designed to give you an extra insight into what you will be learning during your time at Long Road. We hope you enjoy completing them!

All of our summer work is now LIVE on our website! <u>Click here</u> <u>to get started.</u> All Summer Work should be completed and ready to hand in during your first lesson at Long Road (week commencing 8 September 2025).

If you do find that you have some questions then please don't hesitate in contacting the subject Course Team Leader - you will find their contact details in each summer work document.

NEED SOME HELP?

You can find the contact details for each Course Team Leader at the top of each summer work document. Feel free to contact them with any questions you have.

Remember, all teachers will be on annual leave during the summer holidays (18 July - 25 August) so you may not receive a response from them during this time period.





History lessons are really interesting.

We do a lots of discussion, and group work as well as writing.

The work can be challenging, but it's interesting and there's help available when needed

HISTORY STUDENTS TURN THE PAGES OF A 400 YEAR-OLD BIBLE!

A Level History students visited the church for a tour which tied in with their study of the 17th century. We had the opportunity to study copies of documents from the time showing how the history of the church connects with the religious history we have studied in class.

The highlight was being able to handle a 400 year old copy of the King James Bible. The church only realised they had a copy of this in 2011 when they found it in an old chest! It is rarely taken out of its glass case, but today our students were allowed to turn its pages and to feel the past beneath their fingertips. It's not something everyone would find exciting, but for people who care about history this was a really special experience.





DUKE OF EDINBURGH GOLD

I'm delighted to let you know that we will soon be recruiting from our incoming Year 12 cohort for the Gold Duke of Edinburgh's Award (DofE) here at Long Road Sixth Form College.

WHY DO DOFE?

Doing DofE is a brilliant way for you to discover just how much you are capable of. It gives you the chance to explore new things, make new friends, follow your passions, learn new skills, make a difference in our community, and embark on exciting adventures! It is non-competitive and a powerful way for every young person to develop their selfconfidence, whatever their background, interests, and abilities.

HOW IT WORKS:

To achieve the Gold Award, you complete four sections - Physical, Skills, Volunteering and Expedition - plus, undertake a Residential trip together as a cohort. You choose what you would like to do for the first three sections, and we will provide all the guidance and support you need. The Expedition involves spending four days and three nights camping in wild countryside, and again, we'll make sure you are fully prepared for your challenging and memorable trip.

DofE is a great way to engage in holistic personal development and maximise your sixth form experience. We are excited to meet you and find out what you can do, and what we can do together!

NEXT STEPS:

To express your potential interest and be kept up-to-date please email our Duke of Edinburgh Co-ordinator, Kelcy Davenport: <u>kdavenportelongroad.ac.uk</u>

> Meanwhile, for more information visit <u>www.dofe.org</u>





Politics allows students to understand both the ins and outs of how our government works and what our involvement means living in a democracy.

Every lesson is varied and having a good teacher makes it worthwhile.



LONG ROAD STUDENTS SPEND THE DAY NETWORKING WITH TRUST PARTNERS AT COLCHESTER

On Friday the 27th of June, we had the pleasure of accompanying a small group of politics students down to visit our new trust partners at the Sixth Form College in Colchester. We were hosted by the Politics and History team and the day consisted of a morning workshop in which the students worked alongside their counterparts from Colchester on a pressure group activity related to the oil industry, arguing for and against further drilling in the North Sea.

Following this activity, the students had the chance to explore both the college and the town. In the afternoon, the students attended a talk by financial lobbyist and former Colchester student Harrison Burns as he answered questions about his career both prior to and during his time as a lobbyist in parliament.

Harrison was able to discuss a varied number of policy areas that he is involved with as they have an impact on the financial sector. He was also able to speak of how being a former politics student is valuable to his current role.

Following Harrison was another former Colchester student, the



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Liberal Democrat MP for Carshalton and Wallington, Bobby Dean. Bobby spoke briefly about his life and previous work and then opened up to questions from students and staff in the room regarding his role in the House of Commons as a backbench MP and whip for the Liberal Democrats.

He was able to discuss a variety of issues, including the war in Ukraine, his opposition to the government's current welfare changes and his support for the recent assisted dying bill in its progress through Parliament. Both speakers were very open to discussing their work and were a credit to their professions.

This day was a great chance for students to engage with their counterparts at our new Trust partner college and to hear from two professionals who owe some of their current roles to their A Levels in politics. Many thanks go to lan over at Colchester for inviting us down for the day and thanks to Harrison and Bobby for engaging with us. Whilst our students were out exploring Colchester town the teachers had a very intense lunch break... indulging in a charity penalty shoot-out against Colchester staff and the Vice Principal

We're pleased to announce Long Road won the penalty shoot-out 4-2!!



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