

# Welcome on board

Welcome to the London Nautical School. Over 100 years ago the school was established to help all the pupils achieve their full potential, and this hasn't changed. It is a place where doing your best at all times matters, both in and out of the classroom. Taking pride in who you are, how you dress, your attendance, punctuality and also good manners, serving the community, consideration for others and respect for learning is prized most highly. Boys at LNS continue to experience an education that develops all aspects of their person and encourages them to live out our core values in their daily lives.

Our nautical ethos underpins all that we do and enables our boys to not only be successful in their studies but provides the platform to grow personally, develop morally and socially, enhance their sporting talents and further their artistic gifts. LNS is a thriving, vibrant and caring learning community within which pupils are stretched intellectually and foster a love of learning, while feeling valued, happy and safe.

Expectations of all pupils are high and our school has a reputation for being a happy, friendly, stimulating and caring environment in which everyone is given the opportunity and support to complete their studies successfully and to reach their full potential. The school is recognised for the enrichment opportunities that it provides for all its pupils and we expect all boys to be involved in the wider life of the school.

I hope that this prospectus provides you with an insight into the richness and breadth of education – not just in the classroom – that is experienced by the boys at the London Nautical School. An education that develops highly qualified, confident, rounded young men, who are prepared for the opportunities and challenges that await them as they take up their place in this ever-changing world.

I look forward to meeting you.

**Andrew Bull**  
HEADMASTER







# Our Nautical Heritage

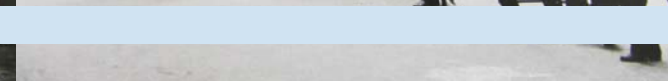
The London Nautical School was founded as a direct result of the sinking of RMS Titanic in 1912. Several nautical training schools were introduced to improve seamanship; The London Nautical School is the only one of those training schools that remains with a nautical and maritime ethos.

Our original location was in Rotherhithe as an annex of the Rotherhithe New Road School in 1915. Access to Surrey Docks enabled the school to provide nautical training classes for all pupils, leading to future careers in the Merchant Navy, as well as the UK's commercial shipping industry.


In 1937 the school moved to a new site in Silwood Street, Surrey Quays, and became known as 'The London Nautical School'.

In 1965 we moved to Broadwall, Waterloo, and then into our current building on Stamford Street, Blackfriars, which was formerly The London College of Printing.

We became a Foundation School in 1999 and in 2003 were granted Sport's College status, enabling us to develop our sporting and nautical curriculum.







*“I feel really stretched at school, the teachers like to challenge us and get us to think about our learning.”*

YEAR 9 PUPIL

# Study at LNS

## – curriculum and assessment

At the London Nautical School we provide an exciting and challenging learning experience through lessons and cross curricular activities. We develop all pupils alike; high achievers and students with ambition, by building up their resilience and self reliance.

We offer a pioneering standards based assessment programme that allows pupils to 'unlock' achievements covering a range of knowledge and skills. We identify whether our pupils have learnt new skills or mastered them, enabling us to offer the right support for them to succeed.

We are privileged as we get to know our pupils as individuals and understand how each learns best; building lasting relationships and fostering confidence in our young people.

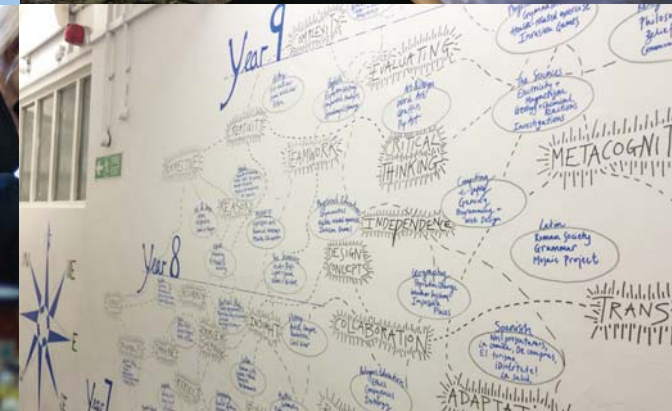
We believe passionately in developing authenticity and independence and we nurture our pupils, offering advice and guidance throughout their time at our school, focussing on key transition stages from Year 6 through to life after Sixth Form.

The London Nautical School is an inclusive school and for those requiring additional support, including pupils with special educational needs and those for whom English is an additional language, we have extensive support mechanisms. Since September 2015 we also have a dedicated Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD) Unit.



**Teachers have high expectations of students in terms of both work and behaviour. They are knowledgeable and passionate about their subjects.**

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# 20 BOATS



FROM BEGINNERS TO HIGH PERFORMANCE • STRATOS • PICOS • FEVAS • LASERS



# Sailing skills

The school is founded on the basis of duty, resilience, confidence and independence. For a century we have upheld and revered the tradition of seamanship and acknowledge its contribution to educating young men of strong fibre. This is a living legacy from our past. Accordingly, bound in the ethos and expectations of our school's unique nautical curriculum are activities which develop these core characteristics in our pupils.

Have you ever wondered who operates the Thames Barrier? Who steers a Thames clipper? Who opens Tower Bridge to let ships through? Via which path a young man becomes the First Sea Lord? In order to answer this, for one hundred years, one has had to look to former pupils of The London Nautical School.

The curriculum is a practical and theoretical induction into seafaring. From twelve years of age, our pupils find themselves at the helm of a boat upon the open water. They are all challenged to master sailing and kayaking using our extensive fleet of boats in London's docklands. They steer their course through the intricacies of the estuary just as they navigate the theorem of Pythagoras or Spanish grammar.

From Year 10 pupils can opt to further their Nautical Studies at The London Nautical School through a direct vocational pathway into an enormously diverse career. The maritime world remains an important part of British society as well as underpinning a globalised planet and its functioning.

In steering the ship of their fates our pupils are also learning how to lead in a changing world.



**The school's unique expertise in nautical education and training makes a significant contribution to students' preparation for further study and future employment.**

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# *Pursuing excellence* in sporting endeavour

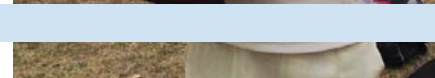
Since 2003 we have been an accredited Specialist Sports College with access to state-of-the-art facilities. These now include a fitness suite, all weather pitch and a new indoor sports hall for basketball, handball, volleyball and badminton. We also enjoy access to a wide range of external facilities.

We provide a comprehensive PE curriculum in all key stages that leads to accreditation for all, in GCSE, A-Level and BTEC qualifications. The Physical Education Department has a very extensive extra-curricular programme of clubs, activities and representative teams.

We compete in local, national and international competitions every year and the School has a well deserved reputation for the range and quality of its representative teams. This is reflected in our successes as London Swimming Champions, South London and Inner London Football Champions, with us competing in the last 32 nationally.

The number of teams abound with Basketball, Football, Rugby, Swimming, Handball, Cricket, Athletics and Cross-Country providing opportunities to develop skills and excel in their chosen area.

We are immensely proud of the large number of former pupils who have gone into professional sport and who have taken this subject forward with degree courses both in the UK and USA.





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DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD



# A world of opportunities

Through our extensive enrichment programme we offer a comprehensive range of clubs and activities which complement and extend the curriculum. We expect all of our pupils to challenge themselves and engage in experiences beyond the classroom.

Our location on the South Bank provides us with an abundance of world class performing arts organisations and city institutions on our doorstep. We engage with them in a range of projects to give every pupil real opportunities and contexts in which to learn, unlock their potential and flourish. A small sample of some recent opportunities include mock interviews with PricewaterhouseCoopers, higher level mathematics with King's College, film production at the BFI, theatre production with the Young Vic, a photography project with the National Portrait Gallery and enrichment learning with Arsenal Football Club.

Every week over 100 clubs and activities run before school, at lunchtime and after school. Every pupil is expected to join in with the huge range on offer, from building a go-kart to learning about quantum mechanics to starting a rock band to minecraft...




**The school's unique curriculum, including the very wide range of out-of-school activities, helps pupils achieve well academically. It also promotes their spiritual, moral, social and cultural development very effectively.**

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A young man with dark hair, wearing a dark blue sweater over a light blue collared shirt, is leaning over a desk in a laboratory. He is looking through the eyepiece of a white and black compound microscope. His hands are on the microscope's base, adjusting the focus. The background is slightly blurred, showing another person in a red shirt and a window with a sign that partially reads "means you", "ideas in yo", "how they", and "problem".

***“I found the facilities and opportunities first rate  
and the teaching staff and pupils very welcoming.  
I really love it here.”***

YEAR 12 PUPIL



# Sixth Form

Choosing LNS Sixth Form offers many opportunities in a school with a richly diverse and dynamic learning environment, focused on supporting pupils as they progress through their studies.

We provide quality education and use innovative engagement teaching and learning assessment methods to make learning fun and enjoyable as well as challenging and relevant.

With an outstanding record of nurturing confidence all our pupils receive dedicated academic and well being support to ensure they make the most of their time here with us and leave with a passion for learning and as outstanding members of the community.

Whilst studying is a key part of Sixth Form life we encourage our pupils to enjoy the fantastic opportunities and activities available within school and on our doorstep, for example through our links with the BFI, Young Vic Theatre and Central London Universities.



**Students in the sixth form benefit from courses that are well suited to their abilities and interests. Their behaviour is outstanding; they achieve well and they provide excellent role models for younger students.**

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*“The London Nautical is great. I enjoy learning in this environment, it is one with friendly peers and staff. I am extremely glad to be here and I know others are too.”*

YEAR 7 PUPIL





# Setting sail...life after Nautical

Admiral Sir Mark Stanhope  
GCB, OBE, ADC, DL



Ted Cheeseman  
Professional  
boxer



John Bostock  
Footballer



**“LNS has certainly left a lasting impression on me. Not only was I educated there, but I also grew and matured both morally and personally. I will be forever thankful to everybody at LNS from the staff to my peers. My memories of my time at LNS will never fade.”** RICARDO VIEIRA, EX SCHOOL CAPTAIN

**“I have only good things to say about the school. Personally for me I don't think I would be in the position I am in today regarding my career if it was not down to the members of staff and teachers who worked with me over my 4 years at the school. LNS taught me valuable life lessons that will stay with me throughout my life.”**  
MARCUS BETTINELLI, ALUMNI



Marcus Bettinelli  
England and  
Premier League  
goalkeeper



Abdul Buhari  
British athlete

**“LNS nautical training has opened many doors and given me a life long interest in sailing.”**

CLIVE MARSH, ALUMNI



**“The London Nautical School helped me become a mature individual who now has a keen interest in all things nautical.”**  
ABLE SEAMAN WOODS, ALUMNI



