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**Dear Parents** 

LAMDA was introduced to Gayhurst at the start of the Spring Term 2017 and there are now over ninety children from Year 1 to Year 6 enjoying LAMDA tuition. LAMDA Communication exams, concerts and assembly performances are now a regular part of school life.

We are welcoming new registrations from pupils keen to start in September. Lessons are half an hour in length; they can be taken individually or in pairs and are arranged on a strict weekly rotation so that the same class lesson is not missed regularly across the term. Group lessons are also available at break times. Payment is made directly to the LAMDA teacher at a cost of £20.00 per individual lesson, £14 per paired lesson, and £80 per term of group lessons.

To enrol your child(ren) for LAMDA tuition, please follow the link below:

LAMDA Questionnaire - June 2018

NB: Please note registrations will be accepted on a first come first served basis. You do not need to re-apply for lessons if your child is already receiving them. A half term's notice is required if a pupil wishes to discontinue lessons.

LAMDA (London Academy of Music and Dramatic Arts) is possibly the best kept secret! It is one of the UK's oldest and most respected awarding bodies and they have been

offering practical examinations in communication and performance subjects for over 130 years. In this time, their qualifications, recognised by Ofqual, have united learners of all ages, abilities, backgrounds and cultures in an enthusiasm for the English language, and helped them to develop lifelong skills.

In studying for LAMDA we concentrate on the power of words and how to put them across in the most natural and effective way possible. It encourages focus and concentration that can hugely compliment academic studies.

Shyness and overconfidence can find a happy medium and each child can find their voice - and in a way that makes people want to listen! Speaking well is a skill and if we learn to do it well from a young age, it benefits us every step of the way - whatever path we choose to take in life.

I love seeing the children develop their own natural skills that every child possesses and above all enjoying themselves. I really hope to welcome some new faces - and voices - next term!

Yours sincerely

Shirley Moon

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