



Dear Parents

## **LAMDA Lessons**

LAMDA (The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art) is one of the most prestigious drama schools in the world. It offers practical examinations in communication and performance subjects. LAMDA qualifications have helped hundreds of thousands of candidates of all ages and abilities to develop lifelong skills.

LAMDA exams are about achievement – recognising and rewarding the endeavours of each individual – but also about empowerment, providing the opportunity to develop life skills: attributes such as self-confidence, the ability to communicate clearly and present ideas. LAMDA is QCA accredited and those students who achieve a Bronze medal or above, are rewarded UCAS points for university entry. The communication techniques developed through taking LAMDA exams are extremely beneficial when attending interviews for University or for future job interviews.

The cost of a 30 minute private lesson is £12 (Prep School) or £13 (Senior School) this cost can be divided between two students wherever possible. Alternatively I offer 15 minute private lessons (Prep School students only). Normally, students have one lesson per week.

LAMDA lessons are available in Verse & Prose, Mime, Acting, Devised Drama, Public Speaking, Musical Theatre, Shakespeare and Reading for Performance. Preparation for these exams involves vocal training: diction, enunciation, expression, modulation and voice control. I am committed to ensuring that each pupil reaches their best potential within the LAMDA framework and my students have a 100% pass rate.

Many of my Stover students also enter the Torbay Speech and Drama Festival which provides them with an additional opportunity to perform in front of an audience, gaining greater confidence and experience.

If you would like any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached on 07976 594992 or at melanie\_downs28@hotmail.com

| Best wishes                                     |                 |                  |
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| Melanie Downs<br>_AMDA Speech and Drama teacher |                 |                  |
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| Please return to Stover Prep School office.     |                 |                  |
| would like my child                             |                 |                  |
| o participate in LAMDA lessons.                 | Shared lesson □ | Private lesson □ |
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