

'LAMDA TUITION' 2026/27
AT THE HIGH SCHOOL LECKHAMPTON

“100% pass rate in all LAMDA Exams”

Mrs Crough will continue to run her successful 'LAMDA Tuition' programme for her 6th Year at HSL. Sessions will run on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays over 12 weeks in each term.

'FOR PUPILS STARTING IN SEPTEMBER 2026 REQUESTS NEED TO BE IN BY END OF MAY'

LAMDA is the UK's largest Speech and Drama board and a nationally recognised qualification in communication and performance and stands for The London Academy of Music and Dramatic Art. Lessons are tailor made according to the strengths and interests of each pupil. The class sizes are small which means lessons are more focused and specialized allowing pupils to further develop their drama skills. LAMDA has consistently been a successful enrichment activity at many schools throughout the UK and we are excited that this opportunity will be offered to pupils at The High School Leckhampton.

Examinations are designed to improve communication through spoken word whilst also supporting the *creative and social development of each pupil*. They also measure achievement and provide an opportunity to *develop self-confidence*. Please do take time to have a look at LAMDA's website for more information <https://www.lamda.ac.uk/>. Exams are taken each year at the end of June or early July. We have to book in our dates a year in advance so that we secure the dates we want and this is why LAMDA exams fees are secured at the end of May.

Preparation for examinations is offered for Grades 1 – 8. Mrs Crough will decide (with your child) which grade and exam is suitable for each pupil and will build on any previous examinations taken or relevant acting experience. Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) points are attached to Level 3 qualifications – Grades 6, 7, 8 which are awarded Bronze, Silver and Gold medals respectively.

Grade 6	12 UCAS points with distinction
Grade 7	16 UCAS points with distinction
Grade 8	30 UCAS points with distinction and equivalent of 1 level in points.

'Group Acting' is a non-regulated examination.

Pupils can choose from the following:

LAMDA SUBJECTS:

- **Public Speaking**
Developing essential skills for constructing and delivering talks, presentations, and speeches. Designed for (solo and duo). As part of the exam process pupils will develop communication skills and need to hold conversations with the examiners as part of their exam. Pupils will develop life skills for the future and beyond.
- **Acting**
Developing acting skills required for communicating character and context. Developing a strong, expressive speaking voice and good memory skills by learning and performing monologues and duologues. Pupils will also learn about modulation, diction and projection along side method acting using their own emotions to create real characters. Designed for solo, duologue or group (**up to 4**) performances.

Regarding duologue and group work it may not always be possible to have lessons with friends as this will depend on the pupils' timetables. We will do our best, however, if you could make a note on The Tuition Request Form as to preferences this would help.

Your teacher

LAMDA Tuition is taught by Mrs Crough who has over 20 years of teaching experience. Mrs Crough holds a BTEC in Performing Arts, HND in Musical Theatre, BA Honours in Devised Acting from Leeds University and a PGCE in the Lifelong Learning Sector from Christchurch and Canterbury University. Along with her qualifications Mrs Crough has 15 years of singing, acting and performing experience. She has performed in shows such as Guys and Dolls, Godspell and Chicago to name a few and was fortunate to perform on stage in London with the legend Stevie Wonder, which was a dream come true. Mrs Crough has taught at Thomas's Battersea in London, Bute House Girls School, The College of Northwest London, and Deakin University. She currently continues to teach Drama at The Cheltenham Ladies College. Mrs Crough is passionate about teaching Drama and thoroughly enjoys watching her pupils grow in confidence and thrive.

LAMDA lessons: Will run for 30 minutes and are conducted on a weekly basis also over 12 weeks (generally) each term. If additional lessons are needed to prepare for an exam, then parents will be contacted by Mrs Crough. Solo, duologues and groups will be taken from their normal timetabled class on a rotational basis, missing the same subject no more than twice each half term. *Lessons for pupils in year 10 and 11 will be over lunch and after school so as not to miss any important GCSE lessons. Pupils are responsible for attending the lessons on time each week and should be written in their planner please. I will support year 7s in the first term and after this time pupils will need to remember. *Grades 6-8 involve much more work and pupils begin to learn about practioners/styles of acting and will need to read more plays (max 3 plays) and study at a greater depth of knowledge. Grade 8 is the equivalent of and A level. Extra sessions are often needed at this level. If pupils do not finish Grade 8 in Year 11 then they can continue with me after school and take lessons at my home.

Cost of tuition

Tuition Fees are due 3 times a year and paid termly and in advance;

- End of February for *Summer Term*
- End of May for *Autumn term (LAMDA Tuition plus LAMDA Exam fees so I can book exam in advance)*
- End of November for the *Spring Term*.

Fees secure your child's place:

GROUP SIZE	TIME OF DAY	GRADE 1-8 (30 mins x12 session each term)
Solo	Rotate throughout day	£300
Duo	Rotate throughout day	£228 (per child)
Group 3/4	Rotate throughout day	£180 (per child)
*Year 10/ 11	Lunch or after school	Solo or duo same as above

Examination fees

Examinations are held within school at least once a year in late June or early July. Pupils will be advised by Mrs Crough about the best time to enter for an examination and permission along with payment from parents will be requested. **Examination fees are in addition to timetabled lessons and payments will need to be paid at the end of May (in order to book the Exam date a year ahead) via the same account as the tuition fees. Please note that this fee (below) also includes the exam fee, examiner daily fee, along with the administration cost to process arrange the exams along with the feedback sheets and certificates.**

Exam	Fees (any subject)
Entry	£80
Grade 1-3	£90
Grade 4-5	£120
Grade 6-8	£160

Once pupils have been entered for an examination, LAMDA will charge the examination fee and any withdrawals will not be entitled to a refund.

LAMDA Exams can also take place at The Cheltenham Ladies College throughout the year. To be clear there is the LAMDA Exam fee and a £30 administration fee for each application when entering at CLC.

Notice

A full academic term's notice (**of 12 weeks**) **The best time to give notice is April so that your child can stop at the end of term in June/July please.** This must be given in writing please, via email. Withdrawing a pupil can have a very detrimental effect on groups and duo's so please do discuss this carefully with your child before applying. These lessons are a commitment on the part of both parent, teacher, and pupil, with expectations of pupils to practise and do any preparation or research the teacher deems appropriate.

Ideally it is important to commit to LAMDA for the full year and experience the LAMDA Journey/process. Giving notice in April if your child wishes to stop.

Refunds will not be given for missed lessons due to illness or other commitments. This includes any additional school commitments, assemblies, including sports fixtures, outings, doctors/dentist, any tests at school etc which occur after the timetabling of lessons.

How to Apply

1. Complete the **Complete the Google Form ASAP**

<https://forms.gle/Tens3wAzK5aDRyx49>

2. Pay the Tuition Fee and Exam Fee to secure your child's place.
3. Email to: **croughfayedrama@gmail.com**

For more information, visit **www.lamda.ac.uk** and read **[The High School Leckhampton - LAMDA Tuition](#)**

'TESTIMONIALS'

Parents Feedback:

Parent of a child in Year 8 2026- Grade 1 Duologue Acting;

Since starting LAMDA lessons in September, we've seen such a positive change in Finn. His confidence has grown hugely, and it's been lovely to see him become so passionate about acting.

One of the most encouraging things has been watching his self-discipline develop - he takes full responsibility for remembering his lesson times each week and puts lots of effort into rehearsing his lines at home. He's become really committed, which was recognised when he was made a LAMDA ambassador this year - something he's incredibly proud of.

He's also developed a great friendship with his LAMDA partner, and they even meet up outside of school to rehearse for their upcoming exam. A big part of Finn's enthusiasm comes from his teacher, Mrs Crough, who has been incredibly supportive and encouraging.

We're so grateful for the guidance and inspiration Finn has received through LAMDA. It's been a fantastic experience so far, and we're excited to see where it takes him next.

Parents of a pupil in Year 8 June 2024 **Group Acting :**

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Parents of a pupil in Year 10 July 2025

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It has been wonderful to see Alex enjoy drama in this way and develop skills, confidence, and self-expression. We feel very appreciative of Mrs Crough who is supremely organised and excellent in her communication about the LAMDA lessons at THSL, ensuring that we as parents are aware of the LAMDA timetable and how to support our youngsters prepare for their classes. Mrs Crough is always approachable and went above and beyond to provide support and encouragement through the exam process, demonstrating her care and commitment to her students. We can't thank Mrs

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Pupils Feedback:

Syra in Year 8 and studying **Group Acting:**

“Mrs Crough makes it fun and is helping improve my acting skills. We play games, we use our voice I am really excited about the play ‘Little women’! 12th November 2021.

Alex is in Year 8 and studying **Duologue Acting:**

“I love my LAMDA class! I really enjoy working on improvisation, vocal projection, and acting scenes. I am developing my skills in performance, as well as in my self-expression and confidence. It is a lot of fun and I enjoy working alongside a partner. I very much look forward to my lessons every week.” 14th November 2021

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