

## Camden School for Girls Learning Support Departmental Information

The school has a long and continuous history at its present site. The standard number on roll for 11+ entry is 120 per year group and the school is heavily over-subscribed. Many students transfer at 16+ to Camden from other schools. Numbers in the sixth form varies slightly each year but is aorund 450 students. The sixth form is co-educational. There are currently fifteen students with Education, Health and Care (EHC) Plans, four of whom are in the sixth form. The number of SEN students receiving support varies depending on the specific year group.

The learning support department currently comprises the Head of Department (SENDCo), one part-time teacher and seven Learning Support Assistants (LSAs). Teaching by the Learning Support Teacher is mainly carried out in one of the Learning Support rooms, with a focus on literacy and study skills. One of our LSAs is qualified to run numeracy interventions and two are qualified to work as emotional literacy support assistants to provide early intervention talking therapy but the main element of our work is to liaise with subject teachers to support SEN students in the classroom.

In the most recent Ofsted inspection in December 2007 the school was praised: "The quality of support given to pupils is very good. Pupils are tracked carefully and there is a network of formal and informal provision. The school is very inclusive. It works hard to meet the needs of individuals by personalising their educational experience." The report also mentions that, "Overall, pupils with special educational needs achieve very well, as do pupils with English as an additional language."