

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK IN WALTHAMSTOW AND BEYOND

WALTHAMSTOW

FRIDAY 19TH SEPTEMBER AND EVERY FRIDAY: NEW STREET DANCE CLASS FOR TEENAGERS, SHERNHALL STREET METHODIST CHURCH, SHERNHALL STREET, E17 9DH, 7.45PM. Ring 07814 781 642 or email avoladance@hotmail.co.uk.

SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER: BLACKHORSE MARKET, 1-2 SUTHERLAND ROAD PATH, E17 6BX, 10AM- 4PM, FREE. Catch the monthly market at Blackhorse Workshops, which features stalls & delicious street food! For more information, ring 0208 531 1612, or visit: www.blackhorseworkshops.co.uk/market

SATURDAY 20TH SEPTEMBER AND EVERY SATURDAY IN TERM TIME:

JUNIOR GUITAR CLUB, HORNBEAM CENTRE, 458 HOE STREET, E17 9AH, £8 FIRST TASTER CLASS, THEN TERMLY FEE. This is open to anyone who wants to learn the guitar aged 11 +; classes are taught by Christian Karlsson. Ring 07958 471 083.

SATURDAY 20TH AND SUNDAY 21ST: OPEN HOUSE AT ST MARY'S CHURCH AND OTHER SIGNIFICANT BUILDINGS - PART OF THE LONDON WIDE OPEN HOUSE ARCHITECTURE FESTIVAL, FREE. See Walthamstow Village from the Church Tower & visit the Church between 10am and 5pm on Saturday, and from 1-5pm on Sunday. Walthamstow Town Hall and Central Library are also open this weekend. See: www.openhouselondon.org.uk for details.

SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER: ST JAMES STREET BIG LOCAL JUMBLE TRAIL, ST JAMES STREET E17 AND ADJACENT STREET, 10AM- 3PM, FREE. This new event is part of a National Lottery funded project to revitalise the St James Street area of Walthamstow. Stalls selling bric-a-brac/jumble, vintage items, books, food, plants etc - as well as a trail around the area. To book a stall, contact Neesha Badham on 07881 015 873 or visit www.stjamesbiglocal.co.uk/jumbletrail or [jumbletrail.com](http://www.jumbletrail.com)

SATURDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER- ADVANCED NOTICE- MINI JALE'S GIANT VICTORY PARTY IN AID OF THE TEENAGE CANCER TRUST, ASIAN CENTRE, ORFORD ROAD, E17, 7-11PM, £5 UNDER 18s, £10 ADULTS. Former WSFG student Jale Turner is organising this family event to raise funds for a charity close to her heart. The evening will include delicious food, live performances and a great raffle - all welcome! Tickets may be obtained through Just Giving: <https://www.justgiving.com/Mini-jale-victory>

BEYOND WALTHAMSTOW

SATURDAY 20TH AND SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER: OPEN HOUSE LONDON CELEBRATES THE ARCHITECTURE OF THE CITY, WITH FREE ACCESS TO OVER 800 BUILDINGS ACROSS GREATER LONDON. Nearby venues include: Leyton Pavilion, Leyton High Road E10, home of Essex County Cricket from 1886-1934 and Queen Elizabeth's Hunting Lodge and The View, Rangers Road E4. See www.openhouselondon.org for full details.

SATURDAY 20TH AND SUNDAY 21ST SEPTEMBER: THE THAMES FESTIVAL CONTINUES, WITH TERRIFIC TALES OF THE THAMES, HMS PRESIDENT, VICTORIA EMBANKMENT, EC4Y 0HJ, TICKETS FROM £5. This month long festival celebrates the history and traditions of the Thames; this weekend there is a series of talks by Thames experts on board HMS President, £15 for a day pass, or £7.50/£5 per talk. See <http://totallythames.org/events> for the full programme of events for all ages. Nearest tube: Blackfriars.

Enjoy your free time!
Mrs Finamore



No. 03/14

Week 'A'

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Autumn Term 2014

Start -
Monday 1st
September
2014

End -
Friday 19th
December 2014

Year 11 Work Experience

Monday 15th
September to
Friday 26th
September
2014

Half Term

Monday
27th October
to Friday
31st October

GREENSHEET



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Website: www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

Student Absence Line: 020 8509 9444

18th September 2014

Dear Parents and Carers,

The school now feels much emptier again with all our Year 11 students out on their work experience. Every student will be visited by a member of our staff to see how they are getting on and I look forward to sharing some of their experiences with you in the Greensheet. For the majority of our students, the world of work comes as quite a shock!

This week training for the successful MyBnk scheme was re-launched. Many of you will recall that MyBnk is a charity with close connections with the school; on one occasion we were filmed by Swedish television for their news programme. The charity delivers financial and enterprise educational programmes to schools whilst not going against any faith-based financial laws. Students in Year 9 run the banking service themselves and the trainer this week was most impressed by the enthusiasm, initiative and creativity of our girls. Last year we achieved our goal of becoming the biggest school MyBnk in London!

Well done to three of our students Niamh Thompson-Clarke 11W, Ceanne Harvey 11W and Thian Reid 11S, who have featured this month in the Vestry House Museum newsletter after taking part in the showcase of collar designs inspired by the Giles Deacon exhibition at the William Morris Gallery.

You may recall that we gained national publicity last term as one of the few London schools committed to producing food. Last week, our Year 9 Gardening Representatives harvested and cooked two varieties of pumpkin soup. A multitude of school-grown herbs, spices, pulses and other vegetables were added. I volunteered to sample this - thank you girls, it was delicious! Thank you also to Ms Dominique for her commitment to this project.

On a sporting update, we were delighted to hear that our school has been selected to host the regional ball girls/boy selection event next week for the Wheelchair Masters Tennis tournament at the Queen Elizabeth Olympic Park in November. We will keep you updated if any of our girls are selected.

Best wishes,
Meryl Davies

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Focus of the Fortnight for 15th - 26th September is on the Home / School Agreement.

We have a clear Home / School Agreement that sets out the expectations that we have of the Students, the Parents / Carers and also the expectations that we as the school will offer whilst your daughter is a member of our school community. During the two weeks of this Focus, please support us by familiarising yourself with and signing the Home / School Agreement that is on page 10 of your daughter's school planner 2014/15. All Parent / Carers will have signed a copy of this agreement when your daughter entered the school, but this may have been some time ago, so we wish to re-new the Agreement for this Focus.

If you have any queries about the Home / School Agreement, please make contact with your daughter's Tutor who will be happy to talk to you about it. Thank you for your continued support.

Ms. K.H.Pratt / Assistant Head Teacher

Focus of the Fortnight 15th - 26th September 2014

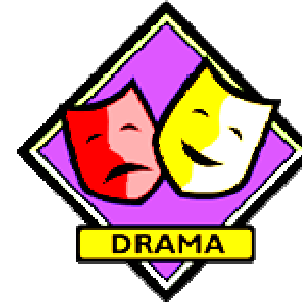
Home / School Agreement 2014/15

- Parents / Carers are asked to sign the Agreement by Friday 26th September
- Students are asked to sign the Agreement by Friday 26th September

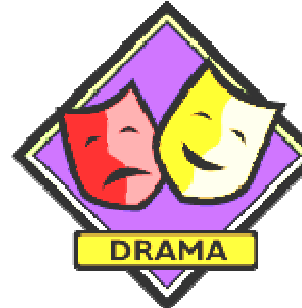
Tutors will check that all Agreements are signed and will make contact with any Parent / Carer who has not signed by Friday

(See Page 10 of your daughter's planner for the Home / School Agreement 2014/15)

Year 7 & 8 Drama Club!



**Wednesdays from
3.35pm - 4.45pm in G10**



All Welcome!

Ski Trip 2015

There are now **only 5 places left** for next years ski trip. We travel from Friday 3rd of April until Saturday 11th of April to Arosa in Switzerland. The cost of the trip is £820 for everything that you need apart from your clothing. If you would like to come, please collect a booking form from either Mr Fowler in the Maths Office, Ms Wood in the PE Office or Ms Careless in her Office.

The Trip is open to year 8 to 11.



Gardening Club

Gardening club takes place on the school allotment. Every Friday Lunchtime 12.40pm - 1.15pm.

We are a fun friendly group. All year groups are welcome to join us.

We need as many hands as possible to do tidying, care and growing on the allotment.

It would be great to see some of our older experienced Gardeners as well as new interested members. No experience of gardening is necessary, just turn up and have fun!

Mrs Dominique

Maths Support

Maths support starts again next Tuesday. It's for 3.30 pm until 4.30 pm in room F49 (different room this year).

If you need some help with your homework or the topic that you are on in maths at the moment. Perhaps you want to revise for a test, need help on a topic that you found hard before or just want to do some extra maths, then come along.

All years welcome.



The WSFG MyBnk will return on Thursday 16th October when we have our prestigious MyBnk launch! In fact, it is so high profile that the Mayor of Walthamstow is even attending!

Please encourage your daughter to pop into the Norris Hall during her lunchtime and open a savings account. MyBnk is a charity which delivers financial and enterprise education programmes to schools and does not go against any faith based financial laws.

The banking service is run by the students themselves and it is a great opportunity for your daughter to get into the habit of saving for the future.

Ms Bugden

Lost Property

Students are reminded that they can collect lost property at **3.30pm** every day.

Parents and carers may also collect lost property any day after school.

A reminder to parents and carers that if your daughter's clothing has her name and form marked in it, it can be returned to you more easily.

Front Office

Polite reminder to Parents and Carers

Please do not stop or wait on the road markings outside the school.

This endangers the lives of our students and the local community.

Thank you



PARENT/CARER INFORMATION

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2014/15

Autumn Term 2014

Start - Monday 1st September 2014

End - Friday 19th December 2014

Monday 15th September to
Friday 26th September
Thursday 9th October
Thursday 16th October

Year 11 Work Experience

Year 7 Settling in afternoon
Open Evening 6-8pm

Holidays

Half Term - Monday 27th October 2014 to Friday 31st October 2014

Christmas - Monday 22nd December 2014 to Friday 2nd January 2015

Spring Term 20145

Start - Monday 5th January 2015

End - Thursday 2nd April 2015

Holidays

Half Term - Monday 16th to Friday 20th February 2015

Good Friday - 3rd April 2015

Easter Monday - 6th April 2015

Summer Term 2014

Start - Monday 20th April 2015

End - Friday 17th July 2014

Holidays

Spring Bank Holiday - Monday 4th May 2015

Half Term - Monday 25th to Friday 29th May 2015

Details of training days and other closures to follow.



Create an account and register with sQuid

Simple to setup, simple to use

You should have received a Welcome Letter from the school with your own unique sQuid registration number (16 digits long) and a 3 digit security code.

You need to **Register with sQuid**, create an account and enter these numbers. You will then be able to top-up your account and view your balance and transactions.

Parents and Carers can be sure that lunch money is spent at school and students will not have to worry about carrying cash.

Lunchtime queues are reduced and the risk of students losing money is removed.

Please contact the school office if you have not received your own unique sQuid registration number (16 digits long) and a 3 digit security code.

See the schools website for further details: www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk



The Invictus Games 2014

I took part in the Opening Ceremony of the Invictus Games.

It was an amazing, exciting experience that I will never forget. I also met Prince Harry, he was really nice and funny. It was a thrilling experience and I was on TV!

The whole occasion was overwhelming. I was selected because I am a member of the Air Cadets. I'm so happy that I got chosen to take part in the ceremony.

Drew Barrett – 10S

WALTHAMSTOW SCHOOL FOR GIRLS



EduPayment.co.uk is a school fundraising marketplace. You can shop online at your favourite places and raise money for our school play fund at the same time.

The EduPayment retailers pay commission for purchases made through the website that is passed on to the selected school. Your purchase will cost you the same.

EduPayment.co.uk is fast and simple to use. There is no need to sign up and with over 1000 retailers (and a search engine) you are sure to find what you need.

There are over 1000 retailers, some are below. Most retailers also sell Gift Vouchers.



How to use EduPayment.co.uk

- 1 Go to edupayment.co.uk or follow the link on our school website.
- 2 Enter the school name or postcode (E17 9RZ) to ensure that the commission comes to the correct place!
- 3 Click on the retailer you wish to shop with (there are over 1000!).
- 4 Shop as usual!!!

Spread the word!

Please tell as many people as possible about our play fundraising and EduPayment.co.uk.

With your help over £1,600 has been raised through edupayment for the school!!

To All Year 7 and Year 10 Parents/Carers

Your daughter will have brought home a proof card of her photograph last week.

If you wish to purchase any photographs of your daughter, please enclose the correct amount of money in the envelope provided and return to the Front Office no later than Friday 26th September 2014.

Any photographs returned late will incur a surcharge from Braiswick Photographers

Thank you
Front Office

The Secret Life of Books

The BBC is currently showing this series which gives insight into an author's life and their works.

They are also available via the internet. Shakespeare, Virginia Woolf (Mrs Dalloway), Dickens Great Expectation, are available at the moment Mabinogion (medieval Welsh tale), Charlotte Bronte (Jane Eyre) and Mary Shelley (Frankenstein) are still to be shown <http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p024rzjl/episodes/guide>

After watching the episode about Mrs Dalloway last night, it has inspired me to read the book again.

If you are interested in writing, this series may also inspire you to write something too!

Ms Kelly
LRC