



GREENSHEET



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25th June 2015

Week 'B'

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Summer Term

2014/15:

Ends - Friday

17th July 2015

Autumn Term

2015

Starts Tuesday

1st September

(Staff Inset)

Students return -

Wednesday 2nd

September 2015

Ends - Friday

18th December

2015

Half Term:

Monday 26th

October 2015 -

Friday 30th

October 2015

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

What a pleasure it was meeting most of our new students again with their parents and carers on Wednesday at our 'Welcome Evening'. There was such a buzz of excitement! This coincided with the opening of *Titus Andronicus* by the Greek Theatre Players in our Greek Theatre. So everyone could sample our catering whilst watching Shakespearean characters wandering around in our grounds!

Our history and the legacy of others is very important to us as a school. So it is with huge sadness we announce the death of a previous Headteacher, Pat Marino. Ms Marino was Headteacher here for a long period of time, from 1986 to 2000, and is fondly remembered by all who knew her. Mr Nigel Straker, our Deputy Headteacher, who worked with Pat for fifteen years, has very special memories of her as you can see in this Greensheet. There will be a longer article in the summer Bumper Greensheet.

We were honoured on Monday to host a visit by Kasper Holton, Director of Opera at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden. He took time out from rehearsals for the current production of Mozart's *Don Giovanni* to travel up the Victoria Line to visit us. He spoke to a hundred KS3 students and staff about his passion for opera, which began when he was ten years of age, and explained to the girls the power of human emotion. His audience was treated to a dramatic scene from Richard Jones' interpretation of *Suor Angelica* by Puccini. The girls showed their appreciation of the time he gave us by loud and prolonged applause. I was also impressed by the maturity of both the students *Kalila* and *Assa* (our Dorotheys in the *Wizard of Oz*) who introduced him, and also by the maturity of the questions asked by the audience.

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The Humanities Faculty has also been busy this week. All of Year 7 have been on a field trip to Rochester. This follows on from a successful trip to Boulogne, France, last Friday, organised by the MFL Faculty.

Other events include a visit to the Donmar Warehouse by Year 9 girls for a workshop before they see a play called 'Temple' next week. Meanwhile, twenty girls from Years 7 and 8 competed in a rounders rally at Forest School on Thursday. On Monday we have a large number of Year 9 students attending what promises to be an exciting Maths Inspiration Show at the London Bloomsbury Theatre. We look forward to hearing all about it.

Best wishes
Meryl Davies

The Focus of the Fortnight 22nd June – 3rd July 2015 Noise and Movement in the School.

All members of our school community are asked within the *Out of Lesson Positive Behaviour Code* to move around the school "calmly, safely and quietly". We also always walk on the left in school corridors and staircases.

If students behave in a dangerous, noisy or inappropriate way in the school buildings or grounds, they will be spoken with by a member of staff and will have their conduct card signed. It is in the interest of all members of our community to move calmly, safely and quietly around the school at all times.

Thank you for your support in this and all school matters.

Ms Pratt
Assistant Headteacher

Sad News

It is with great sadness that we announce the death of our former Headteacher Pat Marino. Pat Marino was headteacher of the school from 1986 -2000.

Pat will be fondly remembered as an inspirational leader who led the school tirelessly for fourteen years achieving two outstanding Ofsted judgements as an endorsement of her tenure. Girls remember her as someone who led by example, taught them the value of education and that there are no limits to what women can achieve.

Those of us who had the opportunity to work closely with Pat Marino, saw her absolute commitment to raising standards and providing a quality education for all students. Pat will be remembered as somebody who fiercely championed the achievements of the girls and the achievements of the school.

At the time of writing we have no further information to share. As soon as we have more information we will pass this on to you.

Mr Straker

Deputy Headteacher



Annual Alumnae Day

The event is on Saturday 4th July, and is open to former students and former and current staff.

The day's programme includes tours of the school, musical entertainment by current students, delicious lunch with drinks, the AGM, speeches, archive display and generous refreshments.

Tickets are £16; booking is essential.

School contact; Rhiannon Finamore, Alumnae Secretary - 0208 509 4494,

Email: r.finamore@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

Closing date for bookings is Monday 29th June.

Walthamstow School For Girls
production of
The Wizard of Oz

Students at Walthamstow School For Girls will be presenting a
production of



On the 14th, 15th and 16th July 2015

Performances will start at 7.30pm.
Tickets will be available in advance from the
week commencing 29th June 2015.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Thank you,
Performing Arts

Notice to Parents and Carers
Rehearsals for Wizard of Oz w/c 29/6/15

This will be the last week of rehearsals before the Year 10 students go on Work Experience so please could all students make an effort to attend all the rehearsals:

Monday 29th June: 3.30pm-5.00pm
Tuesday 30th June: 3.30pm-5.00pm
Wednesday 1st July: 3.30pm-5.00pm
Thursday 2nd July: 12.45pm-1.30pm
Thursday 2nd July: 3.30pm-5.00pm
Friday 3rd July: 3.30pm-5.00pm



Weekend rehearsals for Wizard of Oz

We will be holding weekend rehearsals for the Wizard of Oz on the following dates:

Saturday 11th July 9.30am-4.00pm
Sunday 12th July 9.30am-4.00pm

All members of the cast will be required for these rehearsals.

Thank you,
Performing Arts

Royal Opera House Director visit

Kasper Holten, the Director for Opera at the Royal Opera House, Covent Garden visited Walthamstow School for Girls this week to speak to students in Years 7-9.

Speaking of his admiration for the excitement of live performances, the courage, skill and passion of performance and his good fortune at working with the world's greatest voices, Mr Holten convinced over 100 young people that opera is not elitist but accessible to all.

Mr Holten's visit was arranged by the charity "Speakers for Schools"

More on this visit will appear in the Summer Bumper Greensheet



Walthamstow School For Girls Summer Concert

The annual Walthamstow School For Girls Summer Concert will take place on Monday 6th July in Norris Hall, starting at 7.00pm.

Featuring performances from students across the school, it promises to be an exciting evening. Tickets are available in advance from Mr. Burstow from the week commencing 29th June 2015. Tickets are priced at £4.00 for adults and £2.00 for concessions.

Thank you,
Mr. Burstow

Alumnae Day

Saturday 4th July 2015
At Walthamstow School for Girls
10:30am to 3:30pm

£16 per ticket
Includes Lunch and Entertainment
Advance booking essential



For more information please contact
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STUDENT ABSENCE

We would like to remind you that if your daughter is absent from school, including the day following an illness/incident which has led her to be collected from school, you should notify the school office by **9.30am**.

Please note the telephone number for student absence is: **020 8509 9444**

Ms King
Student Attendance Manager

EVENTS, ACTIVITIES AND INFORMATION - OUT OF SCHOOL

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Requiem

MOZART

Piano Concerto No. 23 in A Major

Forest Philharmonic Orchestra

James Sherlock
conductor and piano

Jenavieve Moore *soprano*

Carris Jones *mezzo-soprano*

Thomas Atkins *tenor*

Ashley Riches *bass*

Saturday 4 July 2015

7.30pm

Walthamstow Assembly Hall
Forest Road, Walthamstow, London E17 4JD

Tickets: Balcony: £18 (£16 and £14 concessions - in advance)

Stalls: £16 (£14 and £12 concessions - in advance)

£3 Under 18s

Tickets available online at choir website below or by telephone: 020 8554 2830
(07895 090706 concert day only)

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WHAT'S ON IN WALTHAMSTOW AND BEYOND

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK IN WALTHAMSTOW

SATURDAY 27TH JUNE: GIVE AND TAKE DAY, ASIAN CENTRE, ORFORD ROAD, E17 9LN, 12-3PM, FREE. Forest Recycling Project are back to help us de clutter for summer! Bring any items you no longer need (books, toys, bric-a-brac, even small furniture) between 12noon and 1.45pm, and choose something you'd like to take from 2 - 3pm. Items must be in good condition; collection and delivery of larger items can be arranged; ring Manuela on 0781 123 7329 or visit www.giveandtakedays.weebly.com Advice re repairs and up-cycling available.

SATURDAY 27TH JUNE: THE COLOMB STREET 5 WIND QUINTET AND FRANCES TAYLOR, MANDOLIN, IN CONCERT AT ST PETER'S IN THE FOREST CHURCH, WOODFORD NEW ROAD, E17 3PP, 7PM, £7. This concert is the finale of a day long programme of events to celebrate the 175th anniversary of this local church; contact: peterhousecentre@btconnect.com for full programme, and to book concert tickets, or ring 0208 509 1811.

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE: STONEYDOWN PARK FOLK FESTIVAL, PRETORIA AVENUE, E17 6JY, 2-6PM, FREE. Now in its 5th year, this popular event organised by the Friends of Stoneydown Park and Walthamstow Folk will feature live music from local artists, side shows, craft stalls and refreshments. Ideal for music lovers of all ages!

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE: SUMMER VINTAGE-A-FAIR, ORFORD HOUSE, 73 ORFORD ROAD, E17 9QH, 11AM - 5PM, £1, FREE FOR UNDER 15s. Auntie Maureen's stylish fair includes vintage clothes, jewellery, books, prints, vinyl records and homewares, accompanied by music from the 1920s, 30s and 40s on the gramophone. Contact: ask@auntiemaureen.info

SUNDAY 28TH JUNE: FOREST PHILHARMONIC'S SUMMER CONCERT, WALTHAMSTOW ASSEMBLY HALL, FOREST ROAD, E17, 6.30PM, TICKETS FROM £8 (CONCESSIONS). The lively programme includes Ravel's Bolero, Handel's Music for the Royal Fireworks and Strauss' Alpine Symphony, featuring 20 horns and a wind machine! Contact: tickets@forestphilharmonic.org.uk or buy at the door. Refreshments available.

Enjoy your free time!

Mrs Finamore