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Week 'B'

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Spring Term

2016

End - Friday

24th March 2016

Thursday 14th

January

Year 9 Options

Evening

6-7:30pm

Friday 29th

January Staff

Training Day:

School closed to students

Thursday 4th

February

Year 11

Parent/Carer

Consultation

Evening

Half Term

Monday 15th

to Friday 19th

February

Thursday 3rd

March

Year 9

Parent/Carer

Consultation

Evening

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

A very happy 2016 to you all!

On behalf of all our staff and students we wish you a healthy and peaceful new year. Everyone returned to school on Monday, bright and refreshed after the Christmas break.

At our first meeting on Monday morning, we welcomed Ivett Csordas and Senemaa Amoakohene, two new teachers who have joined us this term.

Wednesday saw the launch of the Year 7 Identity Project which will culminate in a public exhibition in July. The girls were off timetable in the morning to explore topics such as philosophy, art through mathematics and Shakespearean drama. We will keep you updated on this over the next few months. Last year, Year 7 managed to fundraise over £700 for our link school in Ambore, Pakistan. On Friday, our competition winners, ranging from Year 7 to 11, will be making their way to see a performance of the opera *Tosca* at the Royal Opera House in Covent Garden. So already a lot of excitement for the first week back to school!

Please note a few key dates for us this half term:

Wednesday 13th January (6.30pm) College Roadshow for Year 11 Students and their parents/carers.

Thursday 14th January (6.00-7.30pm) Options Evening for Year 9 parents/carers. Please note that the provisional Options Booklet can be viewed on our website.

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Friday 29th January – Staff Training Day - school closed to students.

On this training day, staff will work with a former Her Majesty's Inspector in preparation for our next Ofsted visit, have additional training on our progress tracker software, share ideas on excellent classroom practice and also review the impact of our new marking and assessment policy.

Thursday 4th February (4.30pm-7.00pm) Year 11 Parents' Evening

(for Year 11 students and their parents/carers).

Monday 15th-19th February Half term holiday.

Best wishes
Meryl Davies

Year 9 Options Evening
14th January 2016 6-7:30pm

All parents and carers are invited to attend the Options Evening with their daughter on Thursday 14th January. The evening will begin in the Hewett Hall with a talk that will explain the options choosing process and hopefully answer many of the questions that you may have. Following this introductory talk, there will be an opportunity to talk to teachers about the subjects on offer.

The Options Booklet is available on the school website and outlines each subject that we hope to be able to offer for study in 2016-18. This may be revised as the Department for Education updates its list of qualifications that they consider relevant for students to study. We are also waiting for Ofqual to approve many of the new courses due to be offered for study in 2016.

As previously, all students will study for nine GCSEs in total with four choices to be made. In order to facilitate the choice of option subjects, our careers education programme will be delivered through the year by taking students out of their timetabled lessons to run extended, intensive sessions.

As a result of recent and continuing government educational reform, it has been necessary to review and adapt the options offered each year. We will continue to review our offer to students in the years to come in the light of new changes being implemented nationally; however our commitment remains to offer as broad a range of subjects as possible in order to meet the needs and interests of all our students.

22nd January 2016: deadline to hand in Options Choices form

Mr Shackson

Careers Focused Events

Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers

Walthamstow School for Girls will be holding two careers focused events in January for Year 11 students and their parents and carers.

The first will be the annual College Roadshow on **Wednesday 13th January in the Hewett Hall from 6:30 – 8pm**. Sixth Form Colleges and Schools from East to Central London will be visiting the school to promote their Sixth Form and offer advice on A Level options. A formal letter of invitation will be sent out shortly.

The second is **Professional Interview Day on Tuesday 26th January**.

This all day event will give your daughter the opportunity to have a face to face mock interview. The interviewers' occupations range from teaching, STEM and community support to media and sport. The students will have formal assemblies to advise them on how to prepare for interviews and will receive a hand-out they can use to compile a strong CV and application form.

For further information on either event please do not hesitate to contact me on:
020 8509 9491

Ms Ray
Careers Guidance Co-ordinator

Year 10 Work Experience Week

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last year we ran a trial of a brand new approach to work experience, which was a great success and are looking to repeat that success this year.

Work Experience this year will be held from **4th to 13th of July**, where your daughter will have the opportunity to learn valuable skills for going into her future career and a chance to experience real life working situations.

Your daughter will have an assembly to explain the process of work experience. After this she will be given a placement letter to issue to her chosen placement and a guidebook to support her application.

If you would be interested in offering a placement to another student or know of a colleague or friend who would be interested, please email me at;

g.ray@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

Ms Ray
Careers Guidance Co-ordinator

The Focus of the Fortnight
4th—15th January 2016
All aspects of the school uniform

This will include clothing, jewellery, lanyards, conduct cards and one-card. It is vital that your daughter is correctly equipped for school, including wearing the correct uniform. The school has clear rules about uniform and jewellery which are detailed on page 9 of your daughter's student planner. The sanctions for not following the school rules are detailed below.

In addition, we are also asking that your daughter does not wear brightly coloured underwear that shows through her white school shirt as this is inappropriate for school. She must also be wearing a school skirt of a modest length and there will be a sanction applied if she is not. We expect all our students to be dressed modestly for school and if the uniform rules are followed correctly this will be the case.

Sanctions applied:

- If a student is wearing a non-uniform item, it will be confiscated and she will be asked to change into an item of correct uniform provided by the school. The student will collect any confiscated uniform items at the end of the day from her SPL. The conduct card will be signed.
- If a student is wearing a skirt that is too short, she will be asked to adjust it but if it is still too short, she will be asked to change into an item of appropriate uniform provided by the school. The conduct card will be signed.
- Any items of non-uniform jewellery will be confiscated and parents or carers will be sent a letter asking them to collect the item just before the next half term holiday. This will NOT be returned at the end of the day. The conduct card will be signed.
- If the lanyard or conduct card are not worn, there will be an automatic one hour detention that you will be informed of by letter. The conduct card will be signed.

Thank you for your support of the school in this focus and in all other matters.

Ms Pratt
Assistant Headteacher

Year 7 & Year 8 Accelerated Readers

Well done to all those students who have taken Accelerated Readers quizzes, here are the number of words read and quizzes taken during December 2015. Keep on quizzing in 2016!

Ms Kelly and Mrs Guest,

LRC

Form	Books Read/ Quizzes	Words Read
7W	92	4,109,290
7S	78	2,868,244
7F	235	9,846,126
7G	116	3,723,889
7C	137	6,462,985
7H	277	12,782,613

Form	Books Read/ Quizzes	Words Read
8W	182	8,856,195
8S	186	9,064,172
8F	205	10,181,492
8G	120	5,160,735
8C	124	5,572,437
8H	117	5,701,623

Attendance League for December 2015

Well done to 7S, 8S, 9S, 10H for being December winners, and a special mention to 11C, top in the school for December with a massive 99.14%!

Term winners are 7F, 8G, 9W, 10G and 11G. Well done to you all. I shall be delivering form prizes within the next week.

All certificates and pin badges for the Autumn Term will be given to your SPL this week and should be with you shortly. Please let the students know that they are allowed to pin the badges onto their lanyards.

Ms King
Student Attendance Manager

Lost Property

We have several coats and pairs of trainers.

Students are reminded that you 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.

Ms Jolliffe
Student Services



SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2015/16

Spring Term 2016

Start - Monday 4th January 2016

End - Thursday 24th March 2016

Wednesday 13th January

Year 11 College Roadshow Hewett Hall from 6:30 – 8pm.

Thursday 14th January

Year 9 Options Evening Hewett Hall 6-7:30pm

Tuesday 26th January

Year 11 Professional Interview Day.

Friday 29th January

Staff Training Day: School closed to students

Thursday 4th February

Year 11 Parent Carer Consultation Evening

Thursday 3rd March

Year 9 Parent, Carer Consultation Evening

Thursday 17th March

Year 8 Parent, Carer Consultation Evening

Holidays

Half Term - Monday 15th to Friday 19th February

Easter Friday 25th March to Monday 8th April

Olive Dining Menus for the Spring Term

All menus are subject to change. This week we are on Menu Week One.

A reminder for parents/carers that if you wish to pay for your daughter's school meals by cheque, please make the cheque payable to 'Olive Dining Ltd'.

All students have also been given usernames and passwords to enable payments to be made online via our SQUID system (see the school website for details).



[WEEKLY MENU] Olive Dining Week 1

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish of the Day	Steak + Onion Pie topped with short Crust pastry	Chicken Parmigiana with Sicilian tomato sauce + garlic bread	Traditional Roast Beef with Yorkshire pudding	Cajun Chicken + Pepper tortillas with Sour cream + Salsa	Catch of the Day with Tareare Sauce + Mushy Peas
Vegetarian Dish of the Day	Mushroom + pepper Goulash with scented Lemon rice	Tomato + Goats Cheese puff with herb oil + Crispy salad	Bubble + Squeak with poached egg + creamy leek Sauce	Roast veg + Chickpea chilli with jalapenos + coriander rice	Ultimate Cauliflower Cheese, Caramelised shallots + parsley crumbs
Fusion Corner	Shanghai Vegetable Noodles	Tsuvian Vegetable Noodles	Char Sui meat Noodles	Vegetable Chow Mein	Tandoori Chicken legs
Fusion Corner	South African Cape chicken Curry	Thai Fish cakes with chilli chutney	Nigerian Vegetable Curry Stew	Mongolian Lamb Hot Pot	Dhal Masala with rice + Poppadum
Vegetable of the Day	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + parsley new Potatoes	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + Pesto Pasta	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + roast Potatoes	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + potato wedges	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + chips
Dessert of the Day	Apple, Caramel + Cinnamon Crumble with vanilla sauce	Lemon + Parsnip Cake with Zesty sauce	Treacle Raisin Tart with Custard	Dutch Pear Cake with Custard	Orchard Fruit Charlotte
Cold Selection	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots

[WEEKLY MENU]

Oliver 
Week 2

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish of the Day	Harissa Chicken with Coriander Rice	Traditional Sausage with mustard mash + onion gravy	Roast Turkey with stuffing + Cranberry sauce	Herb Crusted Meatloaf with Tomato sauce	Catch of the day with Tatarsare Sauce + Mushy Peas
Vegetarian Dish of the Day	Caramelised onion + Root Vegetable turnover	Pan fried Gnocchi + roasted vegetables with tomato basil sauce	Lentil + Aubergine bake	Charred Butternut Squash Macaroni + Cheese with salad	Spinach + Chickpea Pancakes with herb cream sauce
Fusion Corner	Cambodia Sereet Noodles	Teriyaki Quorn Noodles	Ginger Noodles with honey glazed halloumi + pak choi	Dang Dang Noodles	Oriental Chicken
Fusion Corner	Himalayan Beef and yoghurt Curry	Escovitch Fish with steamed rice	Lamb Kofta with Tatziki + Pita Bread + winter Slaw	Swahili Vegetable Curry	Hyderabadi Vegetable Biryani
Vegetable of the Day	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + garlic roasted new potatoes	Chef's Selection of Vegetables	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + Roast potatoes	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + Celeriac Mash	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + chips
Dessert of the Day	Banana Cake with a banoffee sauce	Apple and Cherry crumble with custard	Chocolate Beetroot Cake with chocolate sauce	Stuffed Apple Meringue	Cranberry + Orange Bakewell with vanilla sauce
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Oliver 
Week 3

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Main Dish of the Day	Jerk Chicken with rice + Peas	Lamb Cassoulet w with dauphinoise potatoes	Thyme Roasted Chicken with a garlic gravy	Spicy Beef Lasagne with garlic bread	Catch of the Day with Tatarsare Sauce + Mushy Peas
Vegetarian Dish of the Day	Falafel Stuffed Pita with tomato + coriander Salsa	Penne Pasta with creamy basil sauce + grilled tomatoes	Vegetable Quesadillas with Salsa + Sour cream	Sweet + sour Quorn with fried rice	Mushroom + Spinach Parcel with salsa Verde
Fusion Corner	Korean Stir Fry Beef Noodles	Hong Kong Mushroom + Peppers Noodles with black bean sauce	Asian Coriander and Lime Vegetable Noodles	Lamb and red pepper spice Pak choi Noodles	Mexican and Lime Chicken
Fusion Corner	Moroccan Butternut Curry	Tandoori Fish with spinach pilaf rice	Meat Jollof	Navratan Vegetable Korma	Maurielius Vegetarian Curry + Rice
Vegetable of the Day	Chef's Selection of Vegetables	Chef's Selection of Vegetables	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + Roasted Potatoes	Chef's Selection of Vegetables	Chef's Selection of Vegetables + Chips
Dessert of the Day	Lemon Ginger Sponge with a butterscotch sauce	Peach and Oat Crumble with vanilla sauce	Huckleberry cake with custard	Chocolate Brioche Bread and Butter Pudding	Carrot Cake with cinnamon cream
Cold Selection	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots	Cold Selection of Baguettes, Sandwiches, Salad Boxes, Fresh Fruit + Yoghurt Pots