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14th January 2016

Week 'A'

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

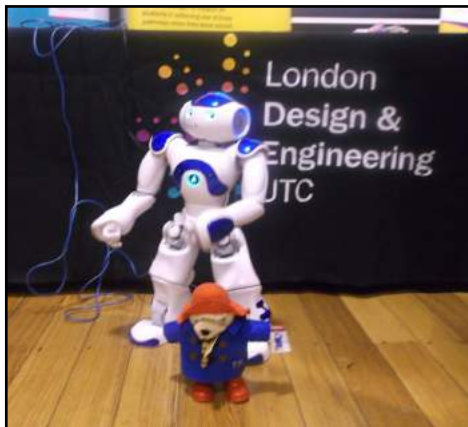
Evening

HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

On Wednesday evening our hall was packed with representatives from school sixth forms and colleges at our annual College Roadshow attended by our Year 11 students and their families.

Many of our visitors told me that they made this event a priority as our students are in such demand post-16. It was also a pleasure to talk to some of our former students who were here representing their new 6th form institutions-all of whom, without fail, said that they missed WSFG! The Year 11 girls and parents with whom I spoke felt that the evening was extremely helpful to them. Well done and thank you to Ms Ray for organising the event, and Ms Philippou who also greeted our parents and students with me. The WSFG Paddington bear also joined us for the occasion.



On Thursday the hall will again be full-this time with students and parents facing another set of choices, that of the subjects to be studied for GCSE. As usual, we will guide our Year 9 students through the process to ensure that ultimately they make the most suitable choice.

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This is the time of year when we begin to evaluate our work to date on our current year's School Improvement Plan. One of our pledges is to ensure that the girls continue to be offered a wide range of extra-curricular opportunities. Within WSFG there is a strong tradition of enriching students' broader life experiences through trips and in-school activities beyond the main curriculum. This year, to date, there have been 184 scheduled student events, activities or trips, which is a huge number! Our most recent was the highly successful visit by our competition winners to *Tosca* at the Royal Opera House last Friday. For more details, see our Bumper Greensheets.

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 will be given out on the evening. It 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 Event

Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers

Professional Interview Day, 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 the interviews and will receive a hand-out they can use to compile a strong CV and application form.

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

Ms Ray
Careers Guidance Co-ordinator

Ski Trip 2016 Parents Meeting

We now have a date for this year's meeting for students coming on the ski trip this Easter. This meeting is for students and their parents or carers, so please put the date in your diary.

The meeting will take place in Norris Hall on **THURSDAY 11th FEBRUARY 2016**
at **6.00 p.m.**

You will soon receive a letter about this meeting, along with an information sheet that should be completed and brought with you to the meeting.
See you there.

Mr Fowler.



Focus of the Fortnight
18th – 29th January 2016.
Lunchtime Behaviour

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Focus of the Fortnight is about the Lunchtime Behaviour of the students. All students are allowed in their Form Rooms at lunchtime but to ensure that good behaviour is maintained there is a clear Lunchtime Code they have to follow. This is displayed on the wall of each Form Room and Students are now familiar with its contents. All students are expected to follow the Code and Form Rooms are required to be clean, tidy and ready for learning and teaching at the end of break and lunchtime. Each Form Group has two “Room Reps” who have extra responsibility in ensuring that Form Rooms are used well and are ready for lessons.

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

Ms. Pratt
Assistant Headteacher.

The Sanctions

If a student breaks the Lunchtime Code, she will be excluded from her Form Room for two lunchtimes. She will spend one of those lunchtimes in the Duty Room as arranged by her Student Progress Leader. The conduct card will be signed.

Remember

- The school has a clear Lunchtime Code for use of Form Rooms which is on the wall of every Form Room in the school. Doors must be open, lights on and students seated on chairs etc.
- Please respect the fact that you have the privilege of going into your Form Room and ensure that it is used following the code at all times.
- If the code is not followed individuals or the Tutor Group risk being locked out of the room by the SPL.

Winter Uniform Reminders.

Dear Students and Parents/Carers,

As the weather gets colder, I would like to remind students and Parents/Carers about WSFG uniform rules:

- Tights must be black, green or flesh coloured and must be plain, with no pattern. Students will be asked to remove and change if their tights are not correct.
- Scarves must be plain black, green or white. Scarves in any other colour will be confiscated, to be collected by the students at the end of the day.
- Outdoor wear such as gloves, hats hoods etc. should not be worn inside the buildings and must be fully removed before entering classrooms.
- Black low heeled sensible boots are allowed but if worn with trousers, the trousers must be worn over the boots and not tucked in.
- During poor weather, your daughter does not need to wear trainers to school as all areas within school are frequently gritted to prevent ice. If you would like your daughter to wear trainers to and from school, she must change in to her school shoes during school hours.
- If students wish to wear a clothing layer underneath their uniform, it should be white and should not be seen under the uniform. Polo necks are not allowed.
- Leather or denim coats and jackets are not allowed in school under any circumstances.

If you have any concerns about the correct uniform, please refer to the WSFG Student Planner, page 8.

Thank you for your continued supporting this and all school matters.

Ms Pratt
Assistant Headteacher

Trampoline Club Tuesday 19th January 3:30-4:30pm.

To all Years,

If you would like to attend Trampoline Club Tuesday after school, you must sign up Monday 18th January at the Performing Arts Office either before school, break or lunchtime.

You CANNOT sign up on Tuesday.

This will allow you to inform your parents and carers that you are attending Trampoline Club.

There will only be 30 free spaces.

Ms Wood



PERFORMING ARTS EXTRA – CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

DAY	BREAK TIME 11:00am-11:30am	LUNCHTIME 12:30pm-1:00pm	AFTERSCHOOL 3:30pm-4:30pm
Monday	String Group - W25 Flute Group - W35	Year 7-10 Basketball (Ms Warren) SH	Yr 7-11 Tottenham Football Coaching (Ms Wood) Sports Hall/MUGA
Tuesday	Reed Group - W25 (clarinets, oboes, bassoons, saxophones)	GCSE PE Trampoline Leaders (Ms Warren) Trampoline club (Ms Wood) SH National Theatre Connections Project (Ms Cornford) F11	Trampoline club (Ms Careless) SH
Wednesday		Year 9 & 10 Volleyball (Ms Wood) SH Will fit club (MS Famiglietti) F55	TIE Project (Ms Wallace) G10 National Theatre Connections Project (Ms Cornford) F11 Year 7-11 Basketball coaching (Ms Wood) SH
Thursday		Yr 7and 8 Netball (Ms Careless) SH	GCSE PE Practical (Ms Warren) SH Year 7 & 8 Football Games (Ms Wood/Ms Careless) GOALS Choir (3.30pm-4.45pm) W33
Friday		Badminton (Ms Black) SH	



SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2015/16

Spring Term 2016

End - Thursday 24th March 2016

Tuesday 26th January

Friday 29th January

Year 11 Professional Interview Day.

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

Thursday 17th March

Year 8 Parent, Carer Consultation Evening

Easter Holiday Friday 25th March to Monday 8th April

Summer Term 2016

Start - Monday 11th April 2016

End - Friday 15th July 2016**

**Please note this change to the published date in the student planner

Monday 16th May

Year 11 Written Examinations begin

Half Term - Monday 30th to Friday 27th May 2016

Monday 27th June

Year 11 Written Examinations end

Friday 24th June

Year 11 Leavers' Day

Thursday 30th June

Year 7 Parent Carer Consultation Evening

Monday 4th July-

Wednesday 13th July

Year 10 Work Experience

WHAT'S ON IN WALTHAMSTOW AND BEYOND

WALTHAMSTOW

UNTIL 31ST JANUARY: LETTERS FOR EVERYDAY- YOUNG PEOPLE'S EXHIBITION, DISCOVERY LOUNGE, WILLIAM MORRIS GALLERY, FOREST ROAD, E17 4PP, WEDNESDAY TO SUNDAY, 10AM- 5PM, FREE. This exhibition is the result of a project in summer 2015, in which local young people explored art with a message, inspired by the work of artists such as William Morris and Bob and Roberta Smith. See www.wmgallery.org.uk for details.

UNTIL SUNDAY 17TH JANUARY: LIFE ON THE EDGE- THE WORKHOUSE IN WALTHAMSTOW, VESTRY HOUSE MUSEUM, VESTRY ROAD, E17, WEDNESDAY TO SUNDAY, 10AM-5PM, FREE. This weekend is the last chance to see this fascinating exhibition about the museum's original function as the parish workhouse for the poor and homeless of Walthamstow. See www.walthamforest.gov.uk/vestry-house for details.

MONDAY 18TH JANUARY AND EVERY MONDAY: NEW STREET DANCE CLASSES FOR 4-14 YEAR OLDS, WADHAM LODGE SPORTS CENTRE, KITCHENER ROAD, E17 4JP, FROM 5PM, £5 PER SESSION. Forward Identity's new classes in street and commercial dance should beat the January blues! Ring 07548 645 679 or email: forwardidentity@gmail.com

WEDNESDAY 20TH JANUARY AND EVERY WEDNESDAY: BEATBOX FUSION YOUTH MUSIC PROJECT, THE SOUL PROJECT, WOOD STREET, E17 3NT, 5.15-6.30PM, FREE. Musicians aged 11-18 can develop skills in beatboxing, singing and drumming and gain an arts award. Contact: info@khyalarts.org.uk or visit www.khyalarts.org.uk

BEYOND WALTHAMSTOW

THURSDAY 14TH- SUNDAY 17TH JANUARY: LUMIERE LONDON- A FABULOUS LIGHT FESTIVAL IN CENTRAL LONDON, 6.30-10.30PM, FREE. 20 artists have created spectacular sculptures in light to brighten up London's streets, including neon dogs in Trafalgar Square and a hologram elephant in Piccadilly! Download a map from: www.visitlondon.com/lumiere and explore on foot. Nearest tubes: Leicester Square/Piccadilly Circus.

FRIDAY 15TH AND SATURDAY 16TH JANUARY: THE WOODHOUSE PLAYERS PRESENT A NEW VERSION OF SLEEPING BEAUTY, THE WELSH CHURCH HALL, LEYTONSTONE HIGH ROAD, E11, £8, £5 CONCESSIONS IN ADVANCE, OR £9/£6 AT THE DOOR. Friday's performance is at 7.30pm, Saturday's performances are 2.30pm matinee and 8pm. Ring 0208 504 3872 or contact: tickets@woodhouseplayers.co.uk to book. Nearest tube: Leytonstone.

Enjoy your free time!
Mrs Finamore