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16th June 2016

Week 'A'

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Summer Term 2016
End - Friday
15th July 2016

Monday 6th - Friday 17th June
Key Stage 3
Examinations
fortnight

Monday 20th June - Friday 1st July
Year 10
Examinations

Friday 24th June Year 11
Leavers' Day

Monday 27th June
Year 11
Written examinations
end

Thursday 30th June
Year 7
Parent/Carer
Consultation
Evening

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Lessons in the Humanities Faculty and the Leadership team assemblies are addressing the implications of the **European Union vote next Thursday**. Girls have been kept informed via the factual daily updates on *The Day* which are also available to our parents and carers. If you need a reminder about your personal log in to our intranet, and access to our excellent resources, please contact the school office on: info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk. The girls will be aware that the vote that over 18s will be entitled to will affect their futures and will not be easily reversed, once made. As a school with a strong commitment to our role as part of our **global community**, we can only but endorse the notion that we are no longer an island community. Some of our Year 8 class representatives who accompanied the **Chief Executive of Waltham Forest Council**, Martin Esom, and Linzi Roberts-Egan, Deputy Chief Executive, around on their visit to our school on Wednesday felt that they had been deprived of an opportunity to vote as they felt that this is the single most important decision that UK voters will be able to take on their behalf.

An update on our **logo/uniform consultation**.

Our governors/staff/students/designer have been working hard since our consultation with you on our **logo design** and uniform. Suffice to say, following your and your daughter's representations, as well as those from staff, the **Greek Theatre** will feature in the new logo – albeit with a new and professional updated look. We will circulate the finalised design in the next few weeks.

The logo will then be represented in all aspects of the school, including on our new website, and in our letterheads, signage and uniform. Our uniform changes will be phased in. From September, for example, our **new intake** will wear a **WSFG blazer/jacket with our new logo**. This will, initially, be optional for other years, although I suspect that our current students may well be tempted by the much smarter image the new uniform will represent. I will keep you updated on these changes over the next few months.

Best wishes
Meryl Davies

Ramadan

Dear Parents/Carers

Could you please ensure that if your daughter is fasting she does so according to the sunnah method. That is they should have a full and nutritious breakfast (SEHRI) before keeping the fast.

Your daughter should not keep fast if she is feeling unwell. In addition, in the rare event of feeling very ill during a fast she should break the fast rather than allowing her condition to get worse.

As agreed by medics fasting is not at all detrimental to our health and in fact it can be physically very beneficial. However, the correct method of fasting should be adhered to.

Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions.

Mrs Ahmed, Ms Soobhany & Ms Siddiqui

**Year 7 Parent/Carer Consultation Evening
Thursday 30th June 2016.**

Dear Year 7 Parents and Carers

Your daughter will soon be making appointments with her subject teachers for a discussion on her progress.

Appointments are available **from 4.30 to 7pm on Thursday 30th June.**

We encourage all Year 7 students and their parents / carers to attend this consultation evening to discuss their daughter's progress and strategies to help them achieve their full potential this year.

We look forward to seeing you.

Mr R Morrow
Student Progress Leader, Year 7

SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2015/16

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 6th - Friday 17th June

Key Stage 3 Examinations fortnight

Monday 20th June - Friday 1st July

Year 10 Examinations

Friday 24th June

Year 11 Leavers Day

Monday 27th June

Year 11 Written Examinations end

Thursday 30th June

Year 7 Parent/Carer Consultation
Evening

Monday 4th - Wednesday 13th July

Year 10 Work Experience

Friday 8th July

Key Stage 3 Transition Event

Friday 15th July 2016

Last day of term details to follow

Year 10 Work Experience 4th July to 13th July 2016

Our Year 10s will soon be embarking on Work Experience and I would like to ask if you, or if you know of anyone, who would be willing to offer work experience in July of this year to one of our Year 10 students.

These students are primarily aged 15 and this will be their first experience of the working environment. Work experience gives a young person the chance to understand how organisations function, to experience social relationships in a working environment and to understand the behaviour expected of them at work. It gives them a chance to develop communications skills, in some cases with customers or with work colleagues, and to adapt to a different timetable rather than a school timetable.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me. I look forward to hearing from you regarding this possibility.

Please contact me on the usual school number 0208 509 9446.

Thank you.

Ms Philippou
Assistant Headteacher

Lost Property

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**.

We have many pairs of glasses.



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.



Please remind your daughter, if she has lost anything in school, to check the box regularly.



Ms Jolliffe
Student Services

Challenge News

Talk Like TED

TED talks were recommended on our recent trip to the University of Cambridge. They help you to develop a depth of knowledge that is beyond the school curriculum.



This week, we have another recommendation from Mr Capps:

The Why and How of Effective Altruism

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Diuv3XZQXyc>

Each week there is a link to the latest recommendation on FRONTER.
What is your favourite TED Talk?

Oxbridge Question

Each week there will be a question from an Oxbridge interview;

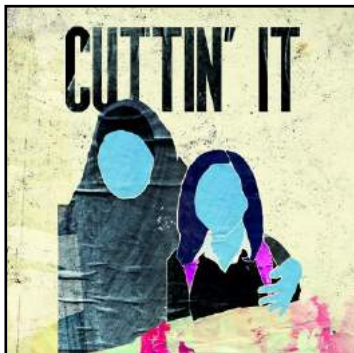
Is it moral to hook up a psychopath (whose only pleasure is killing) to a reality-simulating machine so that he can believe he is in the real world and kill as much as he likes?

(Philosophy, Cambridge)

Discuss with your friends and family to help develop your HOTS (Higher Order Thinking Skills).

Ms Robinson

Cuttin' It Reviews



Following on from our Rise against FGM conference, twelve students from our Equal Opportunity group and Drama students went to see **Cuttin' It** at the Young Vic Theatre.

Tackling the urgent issue of FGM in Britain, this devastating new play reveals the price some girls pay to become a woman.

Here are their reviews:

It was incredibly thought provoking to realise that many people don't even understand the reasons for practising FGM and only continue it as it is their "culture". It just solidified the thoughts that I've had since I got involved with Rise against FGM. It is child abuse and should never even be attempted to be justified.

Tosin Ajayi.

It really opened my eyes even more to how big of a problem FGM is and how deeply rooted it is in certain cultures. It was a very sad play but I would definitely recommend it to anyone who wanted to learn more about FGM.

Hope Terry O'Neill.

The actors were also incredible because they made it seem as if everything was real and you were in this situation with them. Most importantly, it raises awareness of the issues of FGM and how this should not be a tradition as it is only torture for children.

Gabya Nakrosiute.

***Cuttin' it** was a very moving and emotional play. I really liked how there were only two main actresses which I found very unique and effective."*

Rebecca Dan

The story based on two girls born in the same world but living in different mindsets helped understand the pressure of tradition to carry out this child abuse.

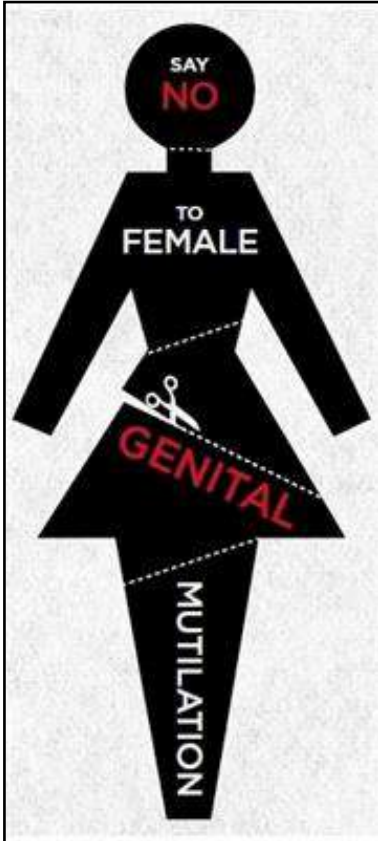
Jeevan Kaur

The play was not afraid to face the problem head on and the audience saw not only the view against it but also considered why the practice continues.

Lily Down.

Ms Desbenoit (Diversity Coordinator) and Ms Cornford (Head of Drama).

Rise against FGM Logo Competition



Calling all creative and passionate students about this issue!

Following on from the conferences and assemblies to raise awareness about FGM, we are looking to create a logo for our school to highlight our position against FGM.

If you are interested in contributing to this exciting opportunity, please give your logo entries, your name and form to **Ms Desbenoit in G05 / Ms Pratt** or submit a copy in **Ms Desbenoit's / Ms Pratt's** work postbox by **Friday 24th June**.

Dear Students at Walthamstow School for Girls

Short Story Writing Competition – International Literacy Day

Soroptimist International is a global volunteer movement working together to transform the lives of women and girls. There are 80,000 club members in 132 countries and we work at a local, national and international level to educate, empower and enable opportunities for women and girls.

We at the London Central and South West Soroptimist Club are introducing a new venture in partnership with schools in London and we are delighted that your school will be our first!

We are launching a competition focusing on International Literacy Day to celebrate literacy and as an opportunity to learn something about girls and women in other countries. You will find a number of photographs displayed in various locations around school, including the noticeboard outside the front office, together with the name of the country where each was taken.

To enter the competition, please write a short story using the people in one of the photographs as your inspiration. Use your imagination! Please include some details about the country where your chosen photograph was taken in your story.

Word limit: max 1000 words

Our Club will award book prizes for the winning entries at around the time of International Literacy Day on 8th September 2016. We look forward to reading your stories!

Please submit your entries by 10th July to info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk; marked for the attention of the London Central and South West Soroptimist Club and these will be passed to the competition adjudicators shortly after the closing date. Please include your name, the country and the number of the picture you have chosen.

Thank you for taking part,

Yours sincerely

Caroline Rogers and Barbara Diamant and all the members of the London Central and South West Soroptimist Club

Please see below the images which we hope will inspire your story writing:



Rwanda picture 1



Rwanda picture 4



Nepal picture 5



G.R.E.E.N. FunDay!

Year 7 students and their families are invited to Walthamstow School For Girls very own G.R.E.E.N. Funday for a day of complete enjoyment in aid of Ambore School, Pakistan.

Saturday 9th July 2016

From 11:00am to 2:00pm

At Walthamstow School For Girls, Church Hill, Walthamstow,
London E17 9RZ

Events of the day include:

Art Exhibition

Henna Designs £2/£1

Live Performances

Celebrity Guests

Refreshments for sale

Raffle

Celebrity Photos



For all enquiries contact –

Ms Philippou

Mrs Finamore

Entrance by ticket only.

Adults £1

12's and under 50p

The Boys are Back in Town!

Greek
Theatre
Players



MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING



**Performance at
Walthamstow School
for Girls**

**Entrance in Woodbury
Road**

For more information go
to
[www.greektheatreplayers
.co.uk](http://www.greektheatreplayers.co.uk)

Or ring 020 8551 2958

The Open Air Theatre

Woodbury Road E17 9RZ



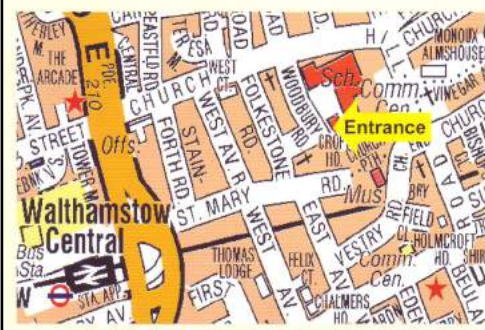
Wednesday 22nd June to Saturday 25th June @ 7.30 pm
plus Saturday 25th June @ 3.00 pm

Gates open 40 mins early for Live Sicilian Music Bring Cushions and a Blanket

Admission £9

Concessions £7

Students £3



The Greek Theatre
Players hope you'll
join us and enjoy
summer in the
unique Open Air
Theatre... the
magical venue
hidden in the heart
of Walthamstow
Village.

Shakespeare 2016



2016 marks the 400th anniversary of the
death of **William Shakespeare**

To commemorate this important event
the LRC will be selling commemorative
key rings of our Greek Theatre for £1

All proceeds go towards the Walthamstow School for Girls Alumnae

WHAT'S ON THIS WEEK IN WALTHAMSTOW AND BEYOND

WALTHAMSTOW

SATURDAY 18TH AND SUNDAY 19TH JUNE: E17 SUMMER EXHIBITION, ST BARNABAS CHURCH, ST BARNABAS ROAD, E17 8JZ, 11AM-4PM, FREE. Ten local artists' work on the theme of 'refugees', to mark Refugee Week. FGM campaigner and refugee, Hibo Wadere, will give a talk on Sunday at 1pm. All welcome.

SATURDAY 18TH AND SUNDAY 19TH JUNE: WALTHAM FOREST GREEN OPEN HOMES WEEKEND AT HOMES ACROSS THE BOROUGH, FREE ENTRY, TIMES VARY. The Hornbeam Centre's annual event allows people to visit 11 real homes which are greener, warmer and cheaper to run. There'll also be furniture upcycling workshops, recycled paint for sale and lots of information and advice at the Hornbeam Centre, 458 Hoe Street, E17 9AH. See: <http://www.hornbeam.org.uk/greenhomes> for a map and details.

SATURDAY 18TH JUNE: MIDSUMMER LATE EVENT, VESTRY HOUSE MUSEUM, VESTRY ROAD, E17 9NH, 4.30-9PM, £2, CHILDREN FREE. Enjoy poetry, music and summery refreshments in the museum's garden to celebrate Midsummer. Ring 0208 496 4391.

SUNDAY 19TH JUNE: STONEYDOWN PARK FESTIVAL, STONEYDOWN PARK, PRETORIA AVENUE, E17 6JY, 2-6PM, FREE. This popular event returns for the 6th year, with music from E17 Jazz, Ukele17 and other local groups, sideshows, craft activities, food and drink for all ages. Organised by the Friends of Stoneydown Park: www.friendsofstoneydownpark.org.uk

WEDNESDAY 22ND- SATURDAY 25TH JUNE: THE GREEK THEATRE PLAYERS PRESENT : MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING, THE GREEK THEATRE, WALTHAMSTOW SCHOOL FOR GIRLS (ENTRANCE IN WOODBURY ROAD), 7.30PM, £9, CONCESSIONS £7, STUDENTS AND CHILDREN £3. Don't miss this opportunity to see one of Shakespeare's most popular plays performed outdoors in this fantastic setting! 3pm matinee on Saturday 25th June. To book, email: GreekTheatrePlayers@gmail.com or buy tickets at the door from 7pm.

BEYOND WALTHAMSTOW**SATURDAY 18TH AND SUNDAY 19TH JUNE: OPEN GARDEN SQUARES WEEKEND AT VENUES ACROSS 27 LONDON BOROUGH, £12 IN ADVANCE, £14 ON THE DAY, CHILDREN FREE.**

Explore some amazing secret gardens, public and private, historic and modern; many gardens will also have stalls, entertainment and refreshments on offer. See www.opensquares.org for map and details of opening times etc.

SATURDAY 18TH AND SUNDAY 19TH JUNE: WEST END LIVE! TRAFALGAR SQUARE, WC2N 5DN, 11AM-6PM ON SATURDAY, 12-6PM ON SUNDAY, FREE. See highlights from 25 West End productions on stage in the square, including The Lion King and Matilda the Musical. See www.westendlive.co.uk for details. Nearest tubes: Leicester Square or Charing Cross.

SUNDAY 19TH JUNE: LE TOUR DE WALTHAM FOREST AND LEYTON MIDSUMMER FESTIVAL , LEYTON JUBILEE PARK, SEYMOUR ROAD, E10 7BL, 12-6PM, FREE. Why not register to join the annual cycle rides around the borough (bronze, silver and gold for different levels of cycling ability, try the geocache walking tour or listen to the live music and storytelling in the park? See www.enjoywalthamforest.co.uk/get-involved/le-tour-de-waltham-forest/ to register for the cycle rides; www.geocaching.com for the geocache hunt. All welcome!

Enjoy your free time!
Mrs Finamore

Community ICT Programme

Please encourage your family members and carers to come to our school ICT support sessions! They take place every Wednesday from 4pm to 5pm in F18 and they are FREE!

This is a fantastic opportunity to develop your IT skills including Data Protection and E-Safety.

Our next session is Wednesday 23rd June 2016.

Please report to our school office and sign in.
We look forward to seeing you.

Mr Ramlagan

Be a part of our Official Launch & Fundraiser in July! #Educate2Eradicate

Are you a **local business** looking to gain a **community profile**?
Do you agree that **FGM and Forced Marriage have no place in the 21st Century?**

Approximately **65,000 girls** in the UK are at risk of **being mutilated** and a further **12,000 young people** are **forced to marry every year**.

To end this we have been **training teachers to spot the signs, and protect young people**. We also **work with young people to break the silence**. For the **past year we have been hard at work** to eliminate these practices. In July we are throwing a **charity fundraising dinner to fund our work** and **officially launch** our non-profit organisation (*Reg. no: 10053867*).



You could help us!

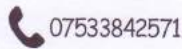
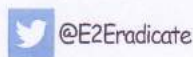
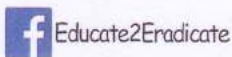
- By **sponsoring our event** (any amount between £20-£100). As we work within the community **we would love to strengthen links** with local businesses. That is why our **minimum sponsorship amount is £20**.
- By **donating an item** for our **auction or raffle**.

In return we can offer:

- A **Quarter to full-page feature** in the promotion book each of our 150 guests will receive on the evening.
- **Social media 'shout outs'** on in the run up to the event, promoting you to our followers.
- **Special mentions in the opening speech** of the evening.



If you can help- get in touch!





Free Family First Aid at Walthamstow School for Girls

This course is for anyone interested in First Aid and how to recognise signs, symptoms and possible treatments in the event of an emergency.

This is an adult only course and will run from 20th June to 4th July for three Mondays from 9.15am to 11.45am at the School.

You will also learn about:

- CPR
- How to deal with a choking casualty
- The recovery position
- How to bandage correctly and deal with bleeding
- How to spot signs and symptoms, heart attacks, stroke, head injuries, broken bones, shock and anaphylaxis
- Symptoms of diabetes
- How to deal with seizures and burns

Course details

This course is **FREE** and suitable for all parents and carers of school children. Refreshments will be provided.

“Parents who attend this course gain confidence”

Unfortunately crèche facilities are not available for this course.

Please ask at the school office or speak to Ms Finamore for more information on 0208 509 4494(direct line) or email: rfinamore@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

Application form for the First Aid Course for Parents and Carers

Name of Parent/Carer	
Telephone Number	
Email address	

Please return this slip to the Mrs Finamore via the main school office by Wednesday 15th June. Places are limited, so don't miss out!

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Waltham Forest

Provisional School Calendar for 2016-17

Autumn Term 2016

First half

Start: Thursday 1st September 2016 End: Friday 21st October 2016

Half Term: Monday 24-Friday 28 October 2016

Second half

Start: Monday 31st October 2016 End: Wednesday 21st December 2016

Spring Term 2017

First half

Start: Wednesday 4th January 2017 End: Friday 10th February 2017

Half Term: Monday 13th-Friday 17th February 2017

Second half

Start: Monday 20th February 2017 End: Thursday 30th March 2017

Easter Holiday

Easter Holiday: Monday 3rd April 2017-Monday 17th April 2017

Good Friday Bank Holiday: Friday 14th April 2017

Easter Monday Bank Holiday: Monday 17th April 2017

Summer Term 2017

First half

Start: Tuesday 18th April 2017 End: Friday 26th May 2017

Holidays

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May 2017

Half Term: Monday 29th May-Friday 2nd June 2017

Second half

Start: Monday 5th June 2017 End: Wednesday 19th July 2017

Please note: training days are to be added