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Dear Parents and Carers

On Monday a group of Year 10 students gave a presentation to staff on the LORIC Leadership Programme they are currently involved in. LORIC stands for Leadership, Organisation, Resilience, Initiative and Communication, and is designed to develop attributes and skills which are essential for the students' future life chances. The students told us what they have done so far to build these skills and work towards their accreditation. Their leadership activities include creating an interform quiz for Year 8 students; running a Christmas Form Room Decoration competition for younger students, including poster design and a prize giving in assembly; chairing and leading a meeting for Sports Captains in Years 7 and 8 and initiating a discussion on how they would like PE and sport to develop; chairing and leading a Charity Rep meeting and promoting and running a charity collection later this term. Well done to the students involved: Amna and Aini (10W), Aamira and Muskaan (10S), Sabrina and Imaan (10F), Zaynah and Iris (10G), Deepthighaa and Shanai (10H). I would like to congratulate them on the confidence with which they spoke on Monday evening. We are all looking forward to seeing how their various initiatives develop.

This programme was devised for for secondary schools and sixth forms by PiXL, (Partners in Excellence) an organisation with which the school has a long-running partnership and has been adopted by a number of schools nationally. Other leadership initiatives include running our own TedEx, a student version of the highly informative Ted Talks. The stimulus for this followed on from a visit to Sir George Monoux College last year and you can read more about this development in other editions of the Greensheet.

On Thursday, as part of our Teaching School work, we hosted fourteen teachers from schools and academies from across London. This formed part of a new scheme organised by the SSAT to encourage teachers early in their career to take on leadership positions later on.

On Friday, Ms Healy is taking a group of Year 9 students to a STEM event at the V&A. They will be participating in workshops and attending lectures on architecture, engineering and video games design. I look forward to hearing about the visit next week.

Once again we will be collecting donations to support our local foodbank "Eat or Heat" for Christmas. They are really busy this year with a high rate of referrals and need our help more than ever. There will be collection points in all tutor rooms and the front foyer, from Monday 3th until Friday 14th December. See page 9 for details of accepted items.

Finally, a reminder for all parents and carers with daughters in Year 8 that there is a Parent Information Evening on Tuesday evening at 6pm where important information relevant to the entire year group will be shared.

Meryl Davies Headteacher

Important dates for Parent /Carers				
Parent Information Evenings 2018-19 (special information pertaining to your daughter's year group).				
Tuesday 27 th November	6.00-7.00pm Year 8			
Thursday 13 December	College Roadshow 6-7.30pm Year 11 See page 6 for details			

SCHOOL ---- KEEP ---- CLEAR --

Polite reminder to parents and carers

Please do not stop or wait on the road markings outside the school. Please be considerate towards the local community and other road users if you bring your daughter to school as this endangers the lives of our students and the local community.

Highway Code Rule Rule 238 states

You **MUST NOT** wait or park on yellow lines during the times of operation shown on nearby time plates (or zone entry signs if in a Controlled Parking Zone)



Double yellow lines indicate a prohibition of waiting at any time even if there are no upright signs.

You **MUST NOT** wait or park, or stop to set down and pick up passengers, on school entrance markings when upright signs indicate a prohibition of stopping.

Also a reminder to parents picking up their children to turn their engines off when parked in nearby streets.

Thank you



Parent Information

Dear Parents/Carers,

In an attempt to save time and paper, WSFG would like to keep you informed of important communication including our weekly Greensheet by using email.

Please take a moment to inform us of your email address, if you have not done so already, via info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk.

Please ensure that the school has up to date contact details.

Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose. Thank you.

Ms N Janes Administrative Manager



Community Christmas Party.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Each year at WSFG we host a community Christmas party. This is a very special event which is really important to us when the whole school comes together to organise a celebration with food, gifts and entertainment for the elderly members of our community. We like to show them how much we appreciate and value them and to make sure they have a good time with some great company.

This year, our community party will take place on the afternoon of Tuesday 11th December.

We are starting to organise the event and to send out invitations to our elderly guests.

If you have any elderly relatives, neighbours, friends or contacts who you would like to invite, please provide us with their full name(s) and address(es) so that we can contact them. This could be via phone (020 8509 9446) email (<u>info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk</u>) or via your daughter(s).

Additionally, if you have any unwanted (brand new) gifts that we could offer our guests, please send them to the Humanities office via your daughter(s). Last year was one of our best ever community parties and, with your support, we'd like to make sure this year is even more memorable. Thank you.

Ms Philippou Assistant Headteacher





Focus of the Fortnight 19th- 30th Nov 2018 The focus will be on NOT Eating and Drinking in the corridors and classrooms.

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Focus of the Fortnight is on the students NOT eating and drinking in corridors and classrooms. All students are allowed in their Form Rooms at break and lunchtime but to ensure that good behaviour is maintained there is a clear Code they have to follow. This is displayed on the wall of each Form Room and Students are now familiar with it's contents. All students are expected to follow the Code and NOT eat or drink in their Form Rooms or in the school corridors. There are clear designated areas of the school where eating and drinking are allowed. Thank you for your support in this and all other school matters.

Ms. K.H.Pratt Assistant Headteacher.



Eating and Drinking is ONLY allowed in the dining areas (inside and out) and in the school grounds.

Sanctions to be applied.

- If a student is found to be eating or drinking in banned areas of the school her Conduct card will be signed.
- If a student is found to be eating or drinking in her Form Room at break or lunchtime, her conduct card will be signed and she will be banned from the room for 2 days. On one of the days she will be required to spend the lunchtime in the Duty Room.

What I like about WSFG

WSFG is a school for girls who want to succeed and help the world.

The amazing teachers and ethic are what I love about Walthamstow School for Girls.

In this article, I will be telling you about all my favourite things about the school and what I think makes up the wonderful environment.

Our Values

Our values are growth, resilience, energy, empathy and newness. I think these values beautifully reflect an intelligent, well-mannered and kind member of the community.

Our Clubs

We have many opportunities in the school and our clubs provide a whole range of creative activities.

I am very thankful for them a I have been involved in many sports clubs over the last yet and a half.

The People

At WSFG the teachers and my peers are both very helpful and kind. Every day, I am reminded of the extraordinary atmosphere they create and I can be as amazing one day. I hope!



Flora 8F

College Roadshow at WSFG Thursday 13 December 2018: 6 to7:30pm

During this term students in Year 11 will be receiving information about continuing their education after they leave this school. Over the last few years more and more students have chosen to go to colleges/sixth form schools to extend their skills and qualifications. At the present time the number of job vacancies for school leavers is small. Employers increasingly prefer applicants with a good variety of skills, abilities and interests. Continuing education is one way of increasing these.

Our College Roadshow is an excellent opportunity to meet and discuss options with established providers of A Levels, BTECs and Apprenticeships. At least 25 stall holders will offer guidance and information about courses, University options, required GCSEs and job opportunities for Post 16 year olds.

We hope as many students as possible, accompanied by their parents/carers, will be able to attend this event.

Mr Shackson Assistant Headteacher

Faculty News

Drama The Hate Play project



This term, we have been working with Box Clever Theatre Company on *The Hate Play* project. The whole of Year 9 saw the play performed in the Hewett Hall last month, and a focus group of 30 students have been involved in helping the company to develop a sequel.

All 30 students participated in two follow-up workshops with the Artistic Director of the company, Michael Wicherek. In addition, 20 of the group went to observe an open rehearsal of the show, which provided insight into the professional rehearsal process, something we don't often have the opportunity to experience.

The remaining 10 students from the focus group visited City Hall on Monday for an ideasharing session with the three other schools participating in the project. The students involved have been very impressive in all of these activities and we are very much looking forward to seeing the finished product some time next year.

Ms Cornford Head of Performing Arts



Carol Concert Thursday 20 December St Mary's Church Church End Walthamstow 6.45 for 7pm start

Featuring the steel pan bands, the choir and orchestra.

All parents, carers, students, staff, governors and alumnae are warmly invited





Dear Parents/Carers, students and staff

This year we will be collecting donations to support our local foodbank, "Eat or Heat", for Christmas. They are really busy this year with a high rate of referrals and need our help more than ever. Items urgently needed include ...

Accepted Items:					
Large and Small Boxes of Cereal	Canned soup	Canned spaghetti	Canned fish	Canned meat	
Canned tomatoes	Canned potatoes/ Instant mash	Canned vegetables	Canned fruit	Canned dessert	
Sugar	Long Life milk / Milk Powder	Teabags	Instant Coffee	Pasta Sauce	
Squash	Porridge	Pulses	Kidney Beans	Chick Peas	
Pasta	Rice	Couscous	Noodles	Cooking Oi	
Soap	Shower Gel	Tooth Brush	Tooth Paste	Shampoo	
Razors	Sanitary Towels	Tampons	Washing Powder/Tablets	Baby food	
Nappies	Dog food	Cat food	Flour Self-raising and plain	Men's toiletries	

Additional items for the festive season, the following treats ... Christmas puddings Christmas crackers Mince pies

Sweets/chocolates

Biscuits



There will be collection points in each tutor room and the front foyer until **Wednesday 12 December**



Thank you in advance for all your kind donations.

The Eat or Heat Team Ms Dowling, Ms Hayns, Ms Winter 9



ARCHI'VE UNLOCKED

Explore Your Archive at Vestry House Museum Saturday 24 November 2018, 10.30am-5pm. Free entry.

Explore a display of archives and printed sources, browse local history society stalls and drop in for local history talks and book signings.

Waltham Forest Archives and Local Studies Library Vestry House Museum Vestry Road, Walthamstow London E17 9NH

020 8496 4391

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Community Events

Friday 23 November, E17 Designers Night Market, William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, E17 4PP. Annual William Morris Gallery Christmas Shopping. 6.30-10pm £1 entry donation to the gallery <u>e17designers.co.uk</u>

Saturday 24 November, Stones Throw Market, St John's Church, Leytonstone, High Road/Church lane E11 1HH. The first of two Christmas markets 11am-4pm free.

Sunday 25 November, From Monoux and Morris to Beer and Bacon and Jam. Meet at William Morris Gallery, Forest Road, E17 4PP. Guided walk exploring E17's fascinating history. 2-4pm, £12, £9 conc. With £1 going to Prostate Cancer UK. <u>bit.ly/E17MoncrieffWalk</u>

Thursday 29 November, Stow Film Lounge presents Mandy, (2018 cert18). Wild Card Brewery, Unit 2 Lockwood Way E17 5RB. Doors open 7.15pm, film 8pm, close 10.15pm. Tickets £8.50/con £6.50 on the door. Pre booked tickets incurs booking fee. Pre-booked tickets and pizza offer £15.25. <u>stowfilmlounge.com</u>

Saturday 1 December, Leyton&Stone Designers Christmas Market, Leytonstone Library, 6 Church Lane, E11 1Hg. 22 stalls of gifts cards and seasonal treats from local designer/makers. 11am-4pm Free. <u>Leytonandstonedesigners.co.uk</u>

Sunday 2 December,E17 Designers Christmas Market, Waltham Forest Community Hub, 18a Orford Road, E17 9LN. 30 designer/makers, 2.30-5.30pm Free <u>e17desingers.co.uk</u>

Sunday 9 December, Hoe Street Market, Walthamstow Trades Hall, 61-63 tower Hamlets Road E17 4RQ.Shop for Christmas and support local artists, makers and bakers, 12-5pm free.

Tuesday 11 December, Walthamstow Village Carols, Village Square, corner of Orford Road and Eden Roads, E17 9NJ. Carols around the Christmas tree with East London Brass Band. 7.15-8.30pm free donations welcome. <u>walthamstowvillage.net</u>

Monday 17 December Christmas Carol Concert, St Mary's Church, Church End, E17 9RL. Doors 7.45 8-9pm free. <u>Stmaryswalthamstow.org</u>

School Calendar Dates 2018-2019

Autumn Term 2018 Monday 3rd September to Friday 21st December 2018

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	evening 6-7pm	
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Thursday 20th December	Christmas Carol Concert	

Spring Term 2019 Monday 7th January 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019

Tuesday 9th January	Year 9 options evening
Thursday 31st January	Year 11 Parent/Carer subject evening
	4.30- 6pm
Thursday 7th March	Year 9 Parent/Carer subject evening
	4.30- 6pm
Thursday 21st March	Year 8 Parent/Carer subject evening
	4.30- 6pm

Half Term: Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February 2019

Summer Term 2019

Tuesday 23rd April 2019 to Friday 19th July 2019

May Bank holiday Monday6th MayThursday 9th MayYear 7 Parent/Carer subject evening4.30- 6pm

Half Term: Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019