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Week 'A'

SCHOOL CALENDAR
Autumn Term 2018
End Friday 21st December 2018

Tuesday 11th December
Early school closure at 2.30pm for Community Party

Thursday 13 December
College roadshow 6-7.30pm Year 11

Tuesday 18 December
Christmas Carol Concert St Mary's Church 6.45pm for 7pm start

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

As usual we have had a busy week with student events both offsite and onsite. All Year 8 students have been taken to the Unicorn Theatre to see Philip Pullman's seasonal reworking of the Grimm Tales. From the description, I am sure they will be entertained:

Enter a world of powerful witches, enchanted forest creatures, careless parents and fearless children as they embark on adventures full of magic, gore, friendship, and bravery. But beware, these gleefully dark and much-loved tales won't be quite what you expect...



Follow the link below for our Year 10 Young Reporter review of *The Grimm Tales*

<https://www.thisislocalondon.co.uk/youngreporter/17269182.review-of-grimm-tales-at-the-unicorn-theatre-by-crystal-blankson-ocran-walthamstow-school-for-girls/>

Meanwhile Year 11 Geographers have been visiting the local area, focusing on the impact of mini Holland as part of their GCSE field work. They have settled back into their lessons once more following a tough three weeks of GCSE mock examinations which our staff have been busy marking. They will get these results before we break up.

Our Under 13 Handball team played in the Borough competition on Wednesday-at the time of writing we have no scores but we wish them well.

On Thursday, Year 8 boys from Norlington School will be joining us for a STEM Challenge Investigation day run by the International Electrotechnical Commission. We are grateful to Ms Healey for organising this. Whilst on Friday, Ms Jean-Baptiste will take some Year 9 students to the international law firm, Pinsent Masons in the City, to take part in a London wide debating competition. To end the week, Ms Warren will accompany the Year 9 netball champions for a special treat at Nando's!

Next week we will include a report from our Presentation Evening on Thursday. This is our annual award prize and certificate giving event which is attended by our former Year 11 students, their parents and carers, staff, governors and local dignitaries.

And a report of last week's Maths Inspiration visit to the Savoy Theatre attended by 30 students from Year 10. They had the fantastic opportunity to hear three inspirational maths lectures by Matt Parker, Hugh Hunt and Ben Sparks.

Congratulations to Ms West our resident artist, on being selected as one of the Jerwood Makers 2019. See page 4 and 5 for details.

Meryl Davies
Headteacher

Lost Property

Reminder to Parents/Carers.

Please make sure all clothing, including P.E. kit, is clearly labelled. Blazers should be named with labels or in indelible pen.

Students are reminded that you can collect lost property at **3.30pm** every day. Parents and carers may also collect lost property on **any day after school**.

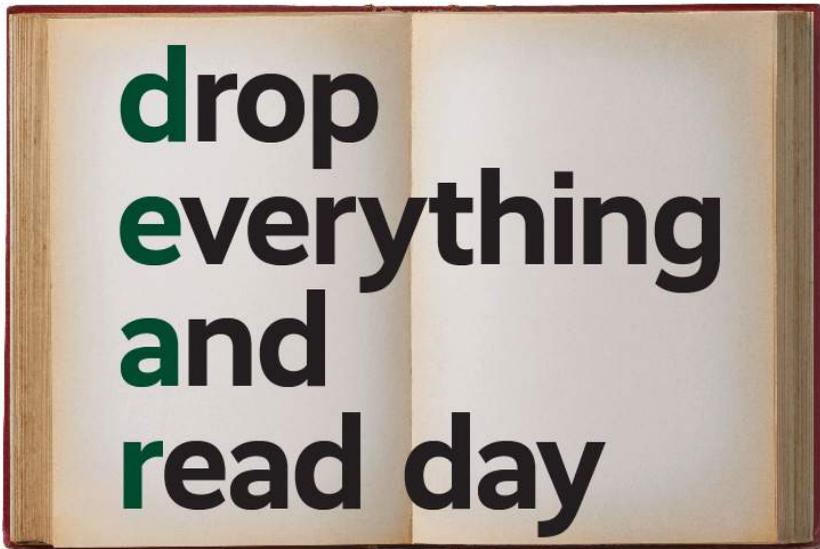
All lost property will be **removed** from the box on the last day of term. Have a lovely break.

Ms Jolliffe
Student Services





Monday 10th December is



All students in Years 7 to 10 read a book.
Teachers and students reading together.
10-15 mins reading in periods 1, 2 and 3.



Faculty News

Art

I am very happy to tell you I have been selected as one of the Jerwood Makers 2019 and I am very excited to embark on new work. I have proposed to make a hall of black mirrors in the mode of a fun fair, to be exhibited in June 2019. Together with Ms Wills, we will share the development of this project with the students and hope to make connections to the curriculum.

<https://www.artlyst.com/news/jerwood-charitable-foundation-announces-twelve-recipients-100k-fund/>

Ms West



Ms West pictured with the Jerwood Charitable Foundation recipients of awards and commissions



The Commissions and Awards

Jerwood Solo Presentations – launched in 2016 and presented annually, these new commissions aim to discover, nurture and develop early-career artists at a critical stage in their careers. The resulting work by the artists will be shown at Jerwood Space from 16 January to 10 March 2019.

The Jerwood Charitable Foundation has announced the 12 recipients of awards and commissions that will form the 2019 visual arts development and exhibition programme at Jerwood Space, London and on tour nationally. The total value of grants directly awarded to artists is just over £100k.

The 12 new artists include our own artist in residence, Tana West (Jerwood Makers Open).

The artists will receive dedicated specialist support in the form of time, space, mentoring, advocacy and funding to experiment and develop ambitious new work that has the potential to transform their practice and career.

Jerwood Makers Open – launched in 2010 and presented biannually, the award offers a development, exhibition and touring opportunity for makers, applied artists and designers with the vision and ambition to take their practice to the next level who are within 10 years of beginning a practice.

The resulting work by the artists will be shown in a group exhibition at Jerwood Space in summer 2019. A curatorial development programme to run alongside the exhibitions will be made possible with Art Fund support.

Tana's previous work



Year 11 Information

**College Roadshow at WSFG
Thursday 13 December 2018:
6-7.30pm**

During this term, students in Year 11 will be receiving information about continuing their education after they leave this school. Most of our students choose 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, and continuing education is an important 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. Currently we have 28 stall holders attending to offer guidance and information about courses, University options, GCSE requirements and job opportunities for post 16 year olds.

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

Mr Shackson
Assistant Headteacher

College References

If you require a college reference you need to hand in your completed application form to Student Services in the morning before registration. You will then be able to collect it after school that day.

Any applications/requests received after break may not be completed until the following day.

We have to adopt this procedure as hundreds of requests come in each year and they all need to be logged and completed.

If you need your reference before the Christmas holidays it will contain your forecast grade from your end of Year 10 exam results. After Christmas this will be updated and your college reference will have a forecast grade based on your Year 11 mock exam.

For on-line applications, where a contact e-mail address is requested, you should use the following address:

rjolliffe@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

If you have any questions please see Ms Desbenoit Warren or Ms Jolliffe.



CHRISTMAS
CAROL

**Carol Concert
Tuesday 18 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





Christmas Collection

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 Oil
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



C.J.CATERING AND TRAINING
Master Class One Day Short Course

(NEW DATES FOR DECEMBER)

Open to students, parents/carers and staff

- Course 1 **BREAD BAKING CLASSES £25.50**
 or
 Course 2 **PASTRY CLASSES £29.50**

Our classes are fun, relaxed, informative and interactive. Whether you are a beginner or have more experience come along and let our chefs guide and inspire you and boost your confidence.

The courses include

- Understanding different types of YEAST (dried and fresh) or PASTRY
- Using sight, smell and touch to guide your dough/pastry making
- Baking two different styles of bread dough (including brown and Italian bread dough)
- Baking three different styles of desserts (including a sponge base, short crust pastry, Viennese biscuits and choux paste)

What is included

- All ingredients (the food is yours to take home)
- A kitchen apron will be provided (please hand in at the end of the session)

What you need to bring

- Flat soled shoes
- Long trousers and a long sleeved top

When

Course 1 Saturdays 9.30am-11.30am or 12-2pm
01, 08, 15 December 2018

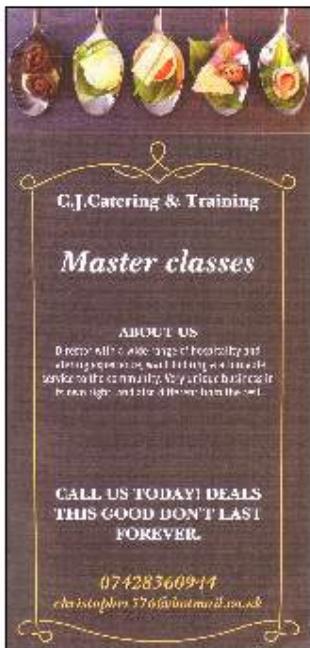
Course 2 Saturdays 9am-12pm or 12.30-3.30pm
01, 08, 15 December 2018

Where

Walthamstow School for Girls, Church Hill
 E17 9RZ

To sign up please contact Christopher
 Mob: 07428360944

Email: christopher576@hotmail.co.uk
 Cash or Card payment accepted on the day



Community Events

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.

Sunday 9th December, St James Street Big Local Carol Concert

From 5pm. They will be singing, providing food and mulled drinks, and an Christmas tree decoration activity for the children. This will all be accompanied by Forest Brass Band. This event will take place next to the Christmas tree at the St James Street end of Walthamstow Market.

Sunday 9th December, St Barnabas Christmas Fayre

The Stow Roses will be at the Christmas Fayre at St Barnabas Church Hall in the Markhouse area. The event runs from 11am until 5pm. They still need volunteers to run this stall if you can help [please let them know](#). Setting up from 11:00 and the stall runs until 5pm.

Sunday 9th December, Christmas Craft Fair

The event will run from 2pm - 5pm at Orford House Social Club on Orford Road. Entrance is £1 and this is a fundraiser for Samaritans Waltham Forest.

Monday 10th December, Waltham Forest Music School Christmas Concert

There will be two festive family concerts showcasing the musical talent of young people from Waltham Forest. Bands will perform seasonal music including rock, pop, funk, soul and classical. Starting at 5pm for beginner groups and 7pm for advanced groups, this concert takes place at Walthamstow School for Girls on Church Hill. Tickets are £5/3 on the door and under 16s are 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. walthamstowvillage.net

Sunday 16th December, Friends of Lloyd Park Christmas Sing-A-Long

2-4pm the Friends of Lloyd Park will be holding an afternoon of festive cheer in the park. They will have music from a Choir and christmassy food and drink including mulled wine, hot spiced apple juice (with optional rum), mince pies, biscuits and homemade bakes. The William Morris Gallery will be running crafty family activities too.

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

Gnome House Winter Warmer - Sat 15 Dec



Please join us on Saturday 15th December 2018
for our annual 'Winter Warmer.'

Time: 12pm – 7pm

Location: 7 Blackhorse Lane, E17 6DS

Carols – Father Christmas – Coffee from Perky Blenders

Craft Beer from Left Bank Brewery

Sweet and Savoury Vegan Snacks from Marli's Kitchen

African Drumming – Art Exhibition

Arts and crafts activities for children

Face Painting and more!

The festive programme also includes:

12.00 Doors opened by Father Christmas

12.45 Christmas Carols by the Roger Ascham Primary School Choir

1.15 Tree planting with Father Christmas in our new garden

1.30 Meet Father Christmas

1.45 Mbilla Arts CIC African Drumming Circle. Plus an opportunity to use the drums after the performance (with Father Christmas)

School Calendar Dates 2018-2019

Autumn Term 2018

Monday 3rd September to Friday 21st December 2018

Tuesday 11 th December	Early school closure at 2.30pm for Community Party
Thursday 13th December	College roadshow 6-7.30pm Year 11
Tuesday 18th 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 Monday 6th May

Thursday 9th May	Year 7 Parent/Carer subject evening 4.30- 6pm
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Half Term: Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019

Monday 13th May—Tuesday 18th June	GCSE Examinations Year 11
Monday 3rd June—Friday 28th June	Year 10 mocks