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SCHOOL CALENDAR Summer Term 2019 Tuesday 23rd April 2019 to Friday 19th July 2019

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

photographs in next week's Greensheet.

It has been a very active week for our students, as we have had four year groups (excluding our Year 11 students undertaking exams) participate in Summer Interform over the past four days. We have included a selection of images taken so far towards the end of this edition, but we will have a more detailed write up with

Additionally, after competing with students across their year group at Interform, twenty students took part in the 'Step into Dance' competition which took place at Mulberry School on Thursday evening. The Step into Dance programme is delivered by the Royal Academy of Dance and funded by the Jack Petchey Foundation with the aim of creating diverse and inclusive courses to target those who may not typically be interested in dance. Well done to the girls who participated in the competition and my thanks to Ms Wood for organising this trip.

Some of our KS3 students were also fortunate to be invited to the 'Big Youth Conversation - "Be a Councillor" Hackathon' event collaboratively organised by Shout Out UK, the Local Government Association (LGA) and young people in Waltham Forest.

The Big Youth Conversation is a project which started last year and was developed to create change in the way that the council works with the young people that it serves – giving a direct voice to the local youth. Our students were invited to take part in workshops and discussions with the event founders and local councillors, and gave their feedback in regards to the barriers that young people face getting involved in local politics and their local community. It is so important both to involve young people in local and national politics and for them to involve themselves so that they can shape their own future and the world they wish to live in, as we have seen with the recent UK Students' Strike Against Climate Change protests. We are grateful to Ms Dominique for offering to accompany the girls.

Just a reminder to you all that you should have received your Parent Governor Election voting information and slip via email. Please note that the deadline is **Friday 10th May** so make sure you cast your vote by returning the slip to the school before then!

Finally, Ramadan Mubarak to all members of our Muslim community who begin their fast this weekend.

Wishing you all a restful bank holiday weekend,

Meryl Davies Headteacher



Safe Light, Reflected Ballroom - Jane and Louise Wilson



Jane and Louise Wilson are two Turner Prize nominated British artists who together work as a sibling duo. They first began working together whilst studying at different universities, Newcastle and Duncan of Jordanstone College of art respectively, where they both submitted an identical piece of photographic work depicting the siblings in a controversial scene. A sense of darkness stemmed from their Final Degree Show and has continued throughout their work and later years.

Whilst photography has been their main medium throughout their careers, they have also produced multiscreen video installations. A common theme throughout all the works however, is the use of political and institutional spaces – an interest the siblings state came about as they were growing up during Margaret Thatcher's term in office. Art Patron Delfina Entrecanales has described their work as "...very dramatic and often sinister, but most of all very powerful. It combines the personal, the political, and the poetic".

Rather than the more brutal and eerie photographs from the earlier stages of their career, the piece displayed in the school appears to be bright and inviting, and possibly depicting the reflection of a ballroom. However, the yellow colour was chosen for the piece as whilst many perceive it as a happy and positive colour, studies have shown that it can instead create anger and frustration. Additionally, the image of the ballroom may in fact be a hospital or laboratory, therefore returning to the artists' darker interests and themes, and making the audience question whether it is a safe light, reflected ballroom.

This work is displayed adjacent to the art rooms at WSFG.

Year 7 Parent/Carer subject evening Thursday 9th May 4.30–7pm

Your daughter is making appointments between **4.30 to 7pm** with her subject teachers for a discussion on her progress.

We encourage all Year 7 students and **their parents / carers or a family member** to attend this consultation evening to discuss their daughter's progress and strategies to help them achieve their full potential at Walthamstow School for Girls

It is a **crucial event** as it is your daughter's only parents' evening this year with an opportunity to discuss her progress targets with subject teachers. We look forward to seeing you.

Ms Fearon, Mr Morrow Student Progress Leaders, Year 7

Ramadan

Dear Parents/Carers

To all those who will be fasting during Ramadan, please ensure that your daughter fasts according to the Sunnah method. That is that she 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 Siddiqui

African Adventures

Dear Parents/Carers and Students,

As you know, we run a very exciting school trip to Zanzibar in collaboration with African Adventures. As much as we would love to, we can't take everyone, but we would like all of our students to have valuable, life changing experiences like this.



African Adventures have contacted the school to let us know that they have launched their Youth Development Program which runs next summer for 16 to 18 year olds.

Individuals can choose between trips to Ghana, Kenya and Zanzibar. Although this trip isn't run through school, we would highly recommend African Adventures and the opportunities they offer. This will also be a fantastic opportunity to meet other like minded young people and to make new and exciting connections.

You can find all of the details at www.african-adventures.co.uk/ydp. It would be fantastic to see some of our students get involved. If you have any further questions you are welcome to email me on mphilippou@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

If I am unable to answer your query, I will pass it on to the African Adventures Team.

Good luck! Ms Philippou Assistant Headteacher



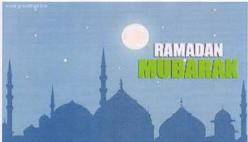
Photos from the 2018 trip





WSFG Diversity Calendar for the Month of May









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Faculty News

The Half God of Rainfall Reviews

Earlier this week, Ms Cornford, Mr Ramlagan and I took students to watch a wonderful play written by the award-winning poet and playwright Inua Ellams (Barber Shop Chronicles; An Evening With An Immigrant).



The Half God of Rainfall is a contemporary epic that weaves poetry and storytelling in a majestic

journey that transports us from a tiny village in South West Nigeria to Mount Olympus, to the further reaches of our galaxy and beyond.

It was a wonderful evening and the students were a credit to our school. Here are some of their reviews:

"It was a thoroughly engaging and inventive play which explored, modern day serious themes through the format of ancient myth. I really liked how they incorporated comedy at points as well, despite the serious tone as it kept the audience entertained."

Emma 11C

"I really enjoyed the play we went to see which was based on an ancient story. The parts I enjoyed were the sound effects they included and how they included people from the audience in the play."

Seahar 11C

"The sound effects were well thought through and synchronized.

I especially enjoyed the multi-rolling as the actors clearly portrayed each role."

Charlotte 11C

"I really enjoyed the play. Both performers worked well together and they remained engaged with the audience making it a really enjoyable experience!"

Orla 11C.

Well done and please keep an eye out for more Diversity / Performing Arts events coming up!

Ms Desbenoit
Diversity co-ordinator



This week we had a visit from Gary Nash, the founder of Eat or Heat, our local foodbank, which we have been supporting now for a number of years. He came to talk to the students and staff who have been involved in fundraising and collecting on their behalf, including why the charity was set up and how it works. We also presented him with a cheque for £1000.00 raised by the school over the last couple of years.



Demand for their support has risen by over 40% in the last year, and so your donations are more important than ever. We will soon be setting up a permanent food collection point in school to enable us to continue to do our bit to help. They are inundated with donations during the Christmas period, but struggle at other times of the year, when the demand is just as high.

Families often face the biggest challenges during the school summer holidays when their children no longer get a free hot meal each day.

Here are the reactions of some of the students in the Eat or Heat Group:

The money we raised through cakes sales etc. will have a huge impact on the Walthamstow Food Bank as food has to be bought regularly because of a lack of donations. They also have to pay for shelving and bills to keep the centre open. All this charity work is created out of the goodness of their hearts - no profits are made. In the future we will have the opportunity to take part in helping out at Eat or Heat and we will collect donations in a permanent collecting bin in the school. Gary's dream is to one day close all food banks, as that will mean everyone is in a safe and secure position. We have helped - as a school - to take the first step towards a hopeful future.

Yesterday, the Eat or Heat Team had the wonderful privilege of meeting the Eat or Heat founder Gary Nash— to increase our knowledge of the charity. We learnt about how the charity donates to people in need Waltham Forest. We also realized the large amount of suffering families they need to give to and how they are struggling to meet the demand. From the experience, we got to gauge a little bit of the responsibility the volunteers have every day of the year; not just Christmas and the holidays, and hopefully we will be able to help them in the future by setting up a permanent donation bins in the school and possibly volunteering in their Walthamstow base. Thank you to Gary for showing us the importance of the charity.

Flora 8F

It was a great honour to meet Gary and learn about how he founded the charity and ran it. It was also very interesting that rather than wanting Eat or Heat to exist all across the country, he does not want it to exist at all.

Kitty 7C



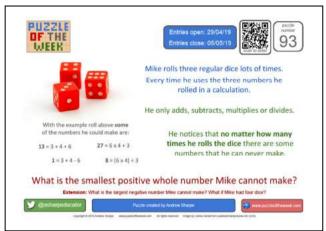
The donations collected last term.

The Eat or Heat Team

Mathematics Challenge



A free international puzzle competition for schools



Ms Robinson
Challenge Coordinator

Duke of Edinburgh Volunteering in the LRC



Ying Hang came to me in November 2018 and asked if she could volunteer in the LRC. I was delighted, as there are many roles that she could have taken on, from supporting the knitting group to library tasks.

One of the oldest, and most extensive part of our archive collection, are the examination results. These papers date from 1898 to 1967, and list the subject, such as Botany and Needlework, and the marks for those subjects. Students' names are listed and from 1951 dates of birth, however, in the early days, not all students took their final exams.

Ying Hang has been volunteering every week in the LRC and I would like to thank her on behalf of the Alumnae Committee for her diligence and commitment to this work.

Good luck to all the Duke of Edinburgh Award volunteers across the school.

Ms Kelly LRC Manager.

Our School History

Here is an poem by an unknown student in the *IRIS* magazine of June 1907. I hope the sentiments still ring true.

Ms Kelly LRC Manager.

A RETROSPECT

Once as thoughtless children we
Troop'd to school so merrily,
There our many tasks to do,
There to meet our friends so true:
Some found learning dull and dry
Some had aspirations high;
Some were quiet, careful, good —
Others in disgrace oft stood,
Always happy, fun of fun,
Till our school-girl course was run.

Though those days have pass'd away,

Lovingly we think to-day

Of the many joys reveal'd,

Of the lasting friendships seal'd:

Of the efforts to inspire

In us all a keen desire

For a Knowledge of the Truth: Happy echoes of our youth!

We shall bear them through the years

'Mid Life's laughter, love, and tears

Garden Club



At Walthamstow School for Girls Allotment for

the annual big clear up event
with training from
The Royal Horticultural Society.
Saturday 11th May 10am – 1pm.

This is followed by a healthy free lunch!



Have fun with friends in the great outdoors.

Please contact Mrs Dominique at the school if you plan to attend.



Willow Tree

We came into school on Thursday to discover one of our large established willow trees at the front of the school had fallen down.



The shredded tree will form part of our composting programme.

CREATE YOUR FUTURE OPEN EVENT



Wednesday 15th May 4:30pm - 7:00pm

Register now: www.waltham.ac.uk

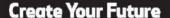














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Inter Form this week









Urgent message from our local MP Stella Creasy

European Union citizens -European Parliament voter registration form

If you are a citizen of one of the European Union (EU) countries listed below, and are resident in the UK, you can register to vote in the UK at the European Parliamentary election on 23 May 2019.

Estonia Italy Portugal Belgium Cinland Latvia Romania Bulgaria France Lithuania Slovakia Croatia Germany Luxembourg Slovenia Czech Republic Greece The Netherlands Spain Denmark Hungary

If you are a citizen of the United Kingdom, Republic of Ireland, Malta or Cyprus, you are eligible to register to vote at all UK elections and so do not need to use this form. If you have received this form you should contact us to update your citizenship in the electoral register.

Please read the following information before you fill in this form.

- You cannot vote at European Parliamentary elections in more than one country. If you fill in this form you are agreeing to vote in the UK only.
- You can cancel your registration until 7 May 2019.
- If you intend to vote in your country of citizenship at these elections, do not return this form.
 You can find out how to register in your home country at europart.europa.eu.
- Each person applying must complete a separate form. If you need more forms visit yourvotematters.co.uk or contact us.
- You must return this form by 7 May 2019 to vote in the UK at these elections

Return this form by email: electoral services@waithamforest.gov.uk

Return this form by mail: Electoral Services, Waitham Forest Town Hall, Waithamstow, E17 4JF

Privacy Statemer

We will only use the information you give us for electoral purposes. We will look after personal information securely and we will follow the Data Protection legislation. We will not give personal information about you or any personal information you may provide on other people to anyone else or another organisation unless we have to by law.

The lawful basis to collect the information in this form is that it is necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest and exercise of official authority as vected in the Electoral Registration Officer as set out in Representation of the People Act 1083 and associated regulations.

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