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Week 'A'

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Thursday 4th April	<p>Dear Parents and Carers</p> <p>This has certainly been a week of contrasts-we returned to school after the half term break to a blaze of sunshine. The girls spent every break relaxing outdoors; it could easily have been May or June. There is no comparison to the snow we had on this week last year, which resulted in a school closure-the very same week as our first Section 8 Ofsted inspection!</p> <p>There have already been a number of exciting additional events this week. On Tuesday, Year 8 were involved in a drop-down day exploring issues around violence to women and girls. Also on Tuesday, over fifty families attended an information evening run by African Adventures and the school, designed to launch the next trip to our link school in Zanzibar in 2020. We were very pleased by the enthusiasm of our students-despite the knowledge that there would be a lot of hard work fundraising ahead.</p> <p>We have also had two Year 11 art trips-see page 8 for more details and photographs of the visit.</p>			
7th Annual Steel Pan Fundraising Concert 7 - 9.30 pm				
Summer Term 2019				
Tuesday 23rd April 2019 to Friday 19th July 2019				
May Bank holiday Monday 6th May				

On Thursday, a drama group visited Piccadilly Theatre to see *A Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night*. We are grateful to the Performing Arts faculty for organising this additional trip so soon after the magnificent whole school musical, *Mary Poppins Jnr*.

Finally this week, we launched our celebration of LGBT History month via assemblies. The focus this year is on Peace, Activism and Reconciliation.

Our students have been reminded about the school's Equal Opportunities policy, the origin of Stonewall and the Rainbow flag and also the horrific treatment of the British Scientist and pioneer in computing, Alan Turing, and his memorial in the Apple logo.

They have also learned that being gay is still illegal in over seventy countries worldwide, and, in a number, is punishable by death. We all recognise that ignorance is a source of homophobia and, through education, attitudes can change.



Meryl Davies
Headteacher

Year 9 Parents Evening
Tuesday 7th March 4.30-7.00pm

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

We encourage all Year 9 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 GCSE targets with subject teachers.

We look forward to seeing you.

Ms Careless Pye
Student Progress Leader, Year 9.



**International School Leadership Programme
at the Institute of Education,
University College London.**

WSFG has been invited to become a placement school for this international programme. We have been selected because we are the Lead School, in the Waltham Forest GREEN Teaching School Alliance, we are 'outstanding and are a comprehensive girls' school that would give leaders a wide ranging experience in a diverse setting.

A cohort of twenty Headteachers and local leads from Saudi Arabia are taking part in this Leadership programme to improve their own practice in Saudi Arabia. This course is running from 16th January to the 1st August 2019.

WSFG will host three headteachers and local leads on Tuesdays and Thursdays for a period of six weeks and this process will be repeated three times.

Our colleagues hold important leadership positions in Saudi Arabia, with some responsible for between one and two hundred schools, they will bring new ideas and practice back to their own country. We will be providing structured opportunities to develop their understanding of the many aspects of the school such as school improvement planning, curriculum development, assessment, inclusion and pastoral care, student leadership, professional learning for teachers, initial teacher training programmes, as well as contemporary social issues, so they attend our assemblies, for example, and observe our teaching.

We are delighted to welcome our first placements this week, and look forward to working with them over time.

Mr Gunzi
Deputy Headteacher

The Focus of the Fortnight
25th February – 8th March 2019
UNIFORM

Clothing, Jewellery, Lanyards, Conduct Cards, One-Card.

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Focus of the Fortnight will be on all aspects of the school uniform. This will include clothing, jewellery, lanyards, conduct cards and one-card. It is vital that your daughter is correctly equipped for school, including wearing the correct uniform. The school has clear rules about uniform and jewellery which are detailed on page 9 of your daughter's Student Planner. The sanctions for not following the school rules are detailed below.

In addition, we are also asking that your daughter does not wear brightly coloured underwear that shows through her white school shirt as this is inappropriate for school. She must also be wearing a school skirt of a modest length and there will be a sanction applied if she is not. We expect all our students to be dressed modestly for school and if the uniform rules are followed correctly this will be the case.

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

Ms.K.H.Pratt / Assistant Headteacher

Sanctions

- If a student is wearing a non-uniform item, it will be confiscated and she will be asked to change into an item of correct uniform provided by the school. The student will collect any confiscated uniform items at the end of the day from her SPL. The conduct card will be signed.
- If a student is wearing a skirt that is too short, she will be asked to adjust it but if it is still too short, she will be asked to change into an item of correct and appropriate uniform provided by the school. The conduct card will be signed.
 If a student is wearing her school skirt rolled up at the waistband to shorten it, the conduct card will be signed for a uniform infringement.
- Any items of non-uniform jewellery will be confiscated and Parents / Carers will be sent a letter asking them to collect the item just before the next half term holiday. (This will NOT be returned at the end of the day). The conduct card will be signed.
- If the lanyard or conduct card are not worn, there will be an automatic one hour detention that the Parents / Carers will be informed of by letter. The conduct card will be signed.
- Please see page 9 of the Student Planner for uniform and jewellery regulations at WSFG.



Blazers are **COMPULSORY** for Year 7, 8 and 9 students and they **MUST** be worn at all times in school unless permission is given by staff to remove them.

Zanzibar 2020

Dear Year 9 and 10 students, parents and carers,

As you know, Zanzibar 2020 will be open to Year 9 and 10 students this year. We were overwhelmed by the huge number of families that attended the information on Tuesday evening.

If you wish to apply for this trip, which will take place in June/ July 2020 you will need to submit an application to Mr Caps by **Tuesday 12th March 2019.**

In your application you should look to include the following:

- Why you are applying
- What skills and experience you will bring to the team
- What you hope to develop and get out of this trip for yourself
- Any other information that you think is relevant

Applications can be sent via email to ccaps@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk or handed in in person to Mr Caps in the Humanities Corridor.

We look forward to reading your applications!
Ms Philippou, Mr Caps and Ms Simpson

Ms Philippou
Assistant Headteacher



Faculty News

English

This half term the English faculty have been busy celebrating a variety of events and competitions. Year 9 have been following the 'Up for Debate' scheme of work which develops oracy and provides thought-provoking and challenging motions for pupils to debate. In addition to interesting and informative debates within lessons, the English Faculty is also pleased to announce that the following students have made it to the Year 9 debating final at WSFG: *Jessica, Rachel, Beatrix, Amanta, Saahirah, and Keira*. These students debated in an assembly before half term, the motion they were proposing or opposing was: 'This house would allow performance-enhancing drugs in sport.'

Technology is advancing so rapidly and it has changed the way we educate our young people. At WSFG this half term 7F have been trialling iPads in their English lessons and have been using them to explore non-fiction texts. They have embraced project based learning and have been busy working collaboratively to plan and create their own digital magazines! The completion deadline was Friday 15th February and Ms Simpson is looking forward to presenting the magazines to parents and carers once completed.

In addition to exciting lessons, Year 11 students had the opportunity to attend a Jane Eyre lecture delivered by Professor Dasgupta of Oxford University. The lecture explored key themes in the novel and allowed students to delve into alternative interpretations of their GCSE text. Many students felt inspired by the lecture's content and felt encouraged at the prospect of one day attending such a prestigious university.

Furthermore, the English faculty is also pleased to celebrate our students' success beyond the classroom. Students have been invited to submit their entries to the Young Writers competition 'Poetry Escape'. This competition inspires students to express themselves through poetry and voice their opinions, to break down barriers, destroy stereotypes and liberate their creativity. We have seen impressive entries and hope that someone from WSFG wins the competition.


Our Young Reporters have been busy writing for the yearlong scheme and have published an array of insightful and stimulating articles about local issues. Most recently we have seen *Ying Hang* discuss the minimum age for voting,

Crystal considering the importance of Holocaust Memorial Day, *Kitty* examining fitness in the UK, *Iris* celebrating Walthamstow hosting some of the London Borough of Culture celebrations and *Safa* reviewing a West End musical! The articles written by our students are available on This is Local London: <https://www.thisislocallondon.co.uk/youngreporter>


Ms Simpson

Mathematics

Challenge puzzle of the week



Entries open: 25/02/19
Entries close: 03/03/19



scan to enter

puzzle number
88

		30 cm ²	40 cm ²
36 cm ²	28 cm ²	28 cm ²	28 cm ²
28 cm ²		28 cm ²	48 cm ²
63 cm ²	28 cm ²	42 cm ²	28 cm ²

7 cm

Diagram not to scale

What is the area of the red rectangle?

Extension: Try more area mazes in Naoki Inaba's book ([The Original Area Mazes](#)) or at [areamaze.com](#)

@ashapeducator

Puzzle written by Andrew Sharpe, inspired by Naoki Inaba

www.puzzleoftheweek.com

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Check the website for our current position;

<http://www.puzzleoftheweek.com/results/school-results>

Ms Robinson Challenge Coordinator

Art, Design and Technology

Art visit

This week students from Year 11 visited the Parasol Gallery to see the work of Hyon Gyon, a Korean Artist. It was great to see how engaged students were with the large textural paintings and sculptures. Students were particularly interested by Gyon's interest in using materials to show emotion and some of them will use this theme to inspire their exam unit theme 'Reflection'.

Ms Wills

Head of Art



Celebrating International Women's Day

Saturday 16th March 2019

Vestry House Museum

Eunice Black (née Holden)—A Free Spirit



Oona Kelly, Librarian at Walthamstow School for Girls, will be giving a talk about former pupil, Eunice Black .

A character actress best known for her role as 'Ada' from 'On the Buses,' you will hear about her time at the school and beyond. She spent her early years in Walthamstow and Highams Park.

The Open Day is from 10.30-4pm

and the talk will start at 11am.

For more information contact info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

WSFG Diversity Calendar for the Month of March



March 2019



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Week 9					1	2	3
Week 10	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Week 11	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Week 12	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Week 13	25	26	27	28	29	30	31

March is Women's History Month | Prostate Cancer Awareness Month
Ovarian Cancer Awareness Month

Last Quarter
 New Moon
 First Quarter
 Full Moon

- ### Special Days
- 1st Saint David's Day - Christian
 - Intercalary Days (end) - Bahá'í
 - UN Zero Discrimination Day
 - Self Injury Awareness Day
 - 3rd Mardana Sunday - Orthodox Christian
 - 4th Maha Shivaratri - Hindu
 - 5th Shrove Tuesday - Christian
 - 6th Ash Wednesday - Christian
 - 8th International Women's Day
 - 10th Cheesebake Sunday - Orthodox Christian
 - 11th Great Lent begins - Clean Monday - Orthodox Christian
 - 17th Saint Patrick's Day - Christian
 - 19th Saint Joseph's Day - Christian
 - 20th Spring Equinox
 - Ostara - Wicca/Pagan
 - 21st Now-Riz (New Year) - Bahá'í
 - Holi - Hindu
 - Purim - Jewish
 - Magha Purnima (Sankha Day) - Buddhist
 - Lord's Evening Meal - Jehovah's Witness
 - Christian
 - Hola Muhalle - Sikh
 - World Women's Solidarity Day
 - International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination
 - 22nd World Water Day
 - 24th World TB Day
 - 25th Annunciation to the Theotokos - Orthodox Christian
 - 26th Z'horodot Sol (Birth of Prophet Zarathushtra) - Zoroastrian
 - 31st Multilingual Sunday
 - British Summer Time begins
 - Transgender Day of Visibility
- All Jewish holidays begin at sundown on the evening before.



Part-time Site Services and Lettings Assistant
Scale 3 – 4 (£21,591 - £23,607) pro-rata
Minimum 10 hours per week, 52 weeks per year
Required as soon as possible

Walthamstow School for Girls is a highly successful, multi-cultural “Outstanding” school providing a high quality education in all areas of the curriculum.

We are looking to appoint a part-time Site Services and Lettings Assistant for weekday evenings and weekend work to start as soon as possible.

The successful applicant will be required to work flexibly from 4 pm to 8 pm on one weekday night a week. There will also be a requirement for regular weekend work and so there must be a commitment to work at least one weekend day shift a week (typically 9am - 3pm). There will be the opportunity for additional over-time hours on specific days and nights to cover planned absences for the Site team as required. The post holder must have a positive can-do attitude and the ability to provide effective: reception, site services and lettings support. The post will involve regular interaction with parents, staff and the local community and therefore excellent communication skills are essential.

Closing date: Tuesday 12th March 2019 (noon)
Interview date: Week commencing Monday 25th March 2019

An application form and recruitment pack can be downloaded from the school website: www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk. Completed applications should be returned to Mrs Mandy Madhani, HR Manager by email to m.madhani@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk. Please note CVs will not be accepted.

Walthamstow School for Girls is committed to Safer Recruitment practices and procedures. Walthamstow School for Girls is committed to safeguarding and protecting the welfare of children. The successful candidate will be subject to an enhanced D.B.S.

Community Events



London
forest
Choir

Mozart Requiem

Schubert Mass in B flat

Saturday 9 March 2019

7.30pm

Chingford Parish Church, The Green, London E4 7EN

London Forest Choir
Brandenburg Sinfonia

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SINFONIA

Cheryl Enever soprano
Cari Searle alto
Adam Tunnicliffe tenor
Thomas Humphreys bass

Jonathan Rathbone conductor

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www.londonforestchoir.org
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AFC Leyton Girls Football Club
Salisbury Hall Playing Fields
E4 8ST

Web: www.afcleyton.co.uk
Email: info@afcleyton.co.uk



February 2019

Players Wanted

CLUB: AFC Leyton – Girls Only Football Club

WHEN: Saturdays 10am

LOCATION: Salisbury Hall Playing Fields, E4 8ST
(park or walk to the rear of Sainsburys, through the white gates)

ELIGIBILITY: Girls aged between 8 and 16 years.

MORE INFORMATION: www.afcleyton.co.uk

PLAYERS WANTED

AFC Leyton is the only dedicated female youth football club in East London. We are a successful club with 330 female players, and we are growing.

We are seeking girls aged between 8 and 16 years who would like to join a league team as well as girls that have no experience but would like to develop their skills further.

ABOUT OUR CLUB

AFC Leyton was created in 2015 and is a community football club that is also an Arsenal sister club. We are fully committed in covering all aspects of football with a common aim of building self-esteem, confidence and life skills.

Girls football is one of the fastest growing sports in the UK, however opportunities to play competitively within East London are low. A study involving more than 4,000 girls confirmed that girls who play football report higher levels of self-confidence, giving a greater positive impact than all other popular sports. This is why AFC Leyton is so important to ensure girls in local boroughs have opportunities to play proper football, in a real team.

Our vision is to grow and develop the girls' confidence and abilities both on and off the pitch by providing a safe and nurturing place for girls to have fun, build friendships and develop themselves and their interests.

Our coaches are all DBS checked and include Level 1FA, Level 2 FA and UEFA B qualified coaches.

Girls come to us from throughout East London and some of our players have gone on to higher levels of football including FA Regional Training centres such as Arsenal FC, Millwall FC, Essex FA as well as England U15 training Camps.

Yours faithfully
Tom Cruse
Head Coach
AFC Leyton



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- Mon – Thur 09.30 – 20.00
- Friday 09.30 – 18.00
- Saturday 09.30 – 17.00
- Sunday 11.00 – 17.00

[Cats on the Page](#), Fri 23 Nov 2018 - Sun 17 Mar 2019, A free exhibition

[Imaginary Cities](#), Fri 5 Apr - Sun 14 Jul 2019, Explore how our increasingly digital world could change the future of collections

[Writing: Making Your Mark](#), Fri 26 Apr - Tue 27 Aug 2019, Discover the extraordinary story behind one of humankind's greatest achievements: through more than 100 objects

[Leonardo da Vinci: A Mind in Motion](#), Fri 7 Jun - Sun 8 Sep 2019, See inside the mind of one of the world's greatest artists

London Borough of Newham

COMMUNITY
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[Newham Word Festival](#), 25 February - 25 March

Newham Word Festival is a Newham Council event produced in partnership with Discover, this email is sent to you by Newham Libraries events.

If you have further general enquiries about Newham's libraries please email:

library.activities@newham.gov.uk

School Calendar Dates 2018-2019

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th January 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019

Thursday 7th March	Year 9 Parent/Carer subject evening 4.30– 7pm
Thursday 21st March	Year 8 Parent/Carer subject evening 4.30– 7pm
Thursday 4th April	7th Annual Steel Pan Fundraising Concert 7 - 9.30pm

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– 7pm
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Monday 13th May—Tuesday 18th June—GCSE Examinations Year 11

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

Monday 3rd June—Friday 28th June Year 10 mock examinations