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SCHOOL CALENDAR Autumn Term 2018 End Friday 21st December 2018

Thursday 11th October Early school closure at 2.30pm for Open Evening

Friday 12th October Staff training day school closed to students

Half Term: Monday 22nd -Friday 26th October

Tuesday 30th
October
Year 7 Parent/
Carer
information
evening 6-7pm

Tuesday 6th November Year 11 Parent/ Carer information evening 6-7pm

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

Thank you to the parents/carers of our Year 9 students who came into school on Tuesday evening for the Parent Information Evening. Information was shared by the Heads of Faculties about Science and Maths at KS4 and Mr Shackson gave an introduction to GCSE options as well as other information of particular relevance to parents of this year group. This is an important year for this group of students who will need to start thinking carefully about their choices for GCSE courses next year.

Our Year 11 students also have an eye to the future as the first of our lunchtime careers assemblies took place this week, led by Tottenham institutions, London Academy of Excellence on Tuesday and Harris Academy on Thursday, with Waltham Forest College due to visit us on Wednesday lunchtime next week.

On Monday evening all the staff met together after school for our own information sharing meeting.

The meeting started with a presentation from the 14 students who, with two of our teachers,

Ms Desbenoit and Ms Philippou, had the experience of a lifetime when they visited Kinuni School in Zanzibar at the end of the last school year.



The students shared some fabulous photographs of Kinuni School and the stunning scenery in Zanzibar, and spoke enthusiastically about the activities they had been involved in, which included teaching English (in pairs) to a class of about 180 students, teaching them to play rounders and helping to renovate their classrooms.

The Year 10/11 netball team played their first games against South Chingford Foundation School (formerly Rushcroft) and Holy Family College and won both matches 8-2. Congratulations to team members *Maria* (11F), *Melissa* and *Amie* (11S), *Eva, Jasia* and *Anna* (10C), *Deepthighaa, Shani* and *Marianne* (10H), *Olivia* (10G) and *Aini* (10W) on a great start to the league.

Alongside these strong performances our Year 9 netball team excelled in the Waltham Forest Netball Rally on Wednesday. We are delighted that they finished in second place overall to Forest School having won games against Buxton, Chingford, Connaught, Highams Park, Holy Family and Normanhurst Schools to reach the final. This means that they have progressed to the next stage of the competition and will compete in the Essex Met County Rally on 18th November, facing the top teams in a number of East London boroughs. It is at least 8 years since a team from WSFG progressed to this stage of the competition and is a fantastic achievement. Congratulations to the team: Our captain, *Mollie* (9G), *Morenike and Deja* (9H), *Sylvie, Jessica, Rebeca and Jai-Ming* (9F), *Grace* (9G) and *Jessica* and *Roya* (9W) - and good luck to them in the next stage.

On Wednesday evening the GREEN Exhibition went ahead in the orange sofa area of the school. Year 8 students proudly showed the self-portraits and poetry they had completed in Year 7 and over £240 was raised for the charity Fairy Bricks.





My thanks to Ms Philippou and other members of staff who helped run the exhibition with the Year 8 students and to Ms Appleby and Ms Healy who sold refreshments.

Year 9 students will be working with a theatre company, Box Clever, on a project to address bullying "The Hate Play". A group of students had the opportunity to attend an open rehearsal on Wednesday with Ms Cornford ahead of a performance to all Year 9 students in a couple of weeks.

On Thursday 11th October we will be opening our doors to Year 6 primary students and their parents/carers to give them the opportunity to look around WSFG as they prepare to make their choices about where to apply for secondary school. The Zanzibar students will be at Open Evening to speak about their trip and to provide refreshments to our visitors. I will be addressing the parents in the Hewett Hall and visitors will be touring the school with student guides to see the work that goes on in the various faculties. I am sure many of you will remember attending an Open Evening with your daughters in the past.

School closes to students at 2.30pm on Thursday 11th October to allow us to prepare for Open Evening. Doors open to the public from 5.30pm- 8.00pm.

The following day, Friday 12th October, school will be closed to all students for a staff INSET day.

Meryl Davies Headteacher



sQuid – The cashless, online payment system that provides safety and security for you and your children.

sQuid is the essential payment system required by school allowing you direct access to purchasing items, paying for trips and music lessons or keeping your child's lunch money topped up. sQuid allows you to view paid transactions online through a secure online portal. Make top-up payments any time of the day or night removing the need for pupils to bring cash into school; cash that can otherwise be easily lost.

Getting started is easy as your personalised *sQuid* details can be obtained from Student Services (020 8509 9430) with simple to follow instructions. Alternatively, check the video clip on the school's website which provides step by step process making set up quick and easy. Activate your account and you are ready to go. Simply find the service you are looking for and allocate your money. An easy to use, safe and secure tool.

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Year 10 Duke of Edinburgh Award Applications

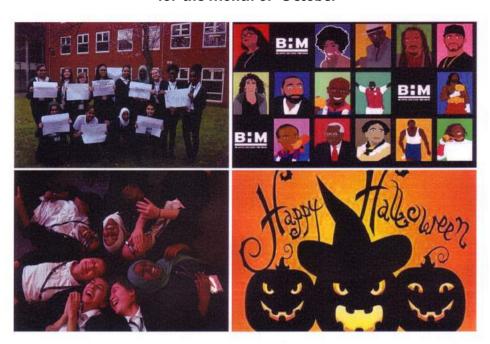
Applications are now open for Year 10 students to be considered to take part in the Duke of Edinburgh Award.

You should write not more than one A4 sheet on why you should be considered and give this to **Student Services no later than 11**th **October**.

Further details of the scheme can be found on the D of E noticeboard in the Humanities corridor and on the website https://www.dofe.org/

Ms Black

WSFG Diversity Calendar for the month of October



October 2018



World Mental Health Day

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thunday	Friday	Saluday	Sunday	
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Year 11 information Sixth Form /College Open Evenings

Woodford County High School for Girls

High Road, Woodford Green, Essex IG8 9I A

Phone: 020 8504 0611

6formadmissions@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

6pm 15th October, with last admittance at 7.30pm

Students and their parents/cares are invited to Woodford to discover more about the range of

A Levels offered in addition to science and mathematics.

The A Level Options Evening includes a talk on choosing A Levels and applying to the Sixth Form, plus workshops focusing primarily on the Arts, Humanities and Languages at A Level.

The event starts at 6pm on $15^{\rm th}$ October, with last admittance at 7.30pm. No pre-booking is required.

There is no parking on site, but plenty of space is available at the Sir James Hawkey Hall car park on Broadmead Road, which is a short walk from the school.

Waltham Forest College

Revised dates for 2018/2019 Open Events:

Wednesday 7th November 2018, 4.30pm - 7.30pm

Saturday 26th January, 10am – 1pm Wednesday 20 March, 4.30pm – 7.30pm Wednesday 15th May, 4.30pm – 7.30pm

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WSFG GARDENING CLUB
WANTED DONATIONS
of SEEDS, PLANTS & CUTTINGS
Please bring to the GARDENING CLUB
every FRIDAY lunchtime



CELEBRATING BLACK HISTORY MONTH IN LIBRARIES

Black History Month with Joanna Brown at **Chingford Library Friday 19th October 4pm - 5pm.**

Leytonstone Library Fri 26 October at 7pm to 9pm.

Poetry event featuring Joanna Brown, mother of Alexander Paul talking about his life and legacy. She will be accompanied by young readers who will showcase some of Alexander's poems from his book 'Climbing Clouds Catching Comets.'

Limited Tickets so don't forget to book your free ticket on Eventbrite.

Free event Ages 16+

The Black History Month Comedy Show Friday 19 October 2018, Walthamstow Assembly Hall. A great family night out...suitable for 12+, Hosted by the fantastic duo of Eddie Nestor and Robbie Gee. Tickets: £18 Concessions: £13 (under 16's over 60 and disabled, proof required). Tickets on Eventbrite. Doors open at 6pm, Show starts at 8pm.

Black History Month – Film, Black Panther PG- 12A, Leytonstone Library Fri 26 Oct 2018, 2:00pm to 4:00pm Free event, Book online.

Black History Month Event - Author talk with Barbara Ellis, Leytonstone Library Fri 26 Oct 2018, 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Barbara Ellis will talk about her new book ' An African Journey Book 2: Emancipation 1838 to 1948, the 'Windrush and the Mother Country.' Free event, Book online.

An African & Caribbean Community Cultural Day, Redbridge Central Library, Gloucester & York Rooms, Saturday 27 October, 12.30pm to 5.30pm.

Programme will include; a brief history of Africa entitled 'Africa, From Then Till Now and Beyond' – a part lecture, part discussion led by historian and writer Paul Crooks on where we have been and where we are going; samples of traditional African food; Open Mic: poetry / rap / songs – a young rappers event; and much much more.

An Evening with Shami Chakrabarti & Rachel Holmes, Wanstead Library, Spratt Hall Road, E11 2RQ, Fri 12 October 2018, 7:30 – 9:30. Shami Chakrabarti's new work, Of Women, makes the case for radical positive action to promote the vindication of the rights of women, worldwide. Chakrabarti details how global gender injustice continues to impact health, wealth, education, representation, opportunity and security



in the 21st century. Of Women outlines what needs fixing and makes, clear, inspiring proposals about what we do next, putting gender justice at the centre of the progressive political agenda.

Waltham Forest Women of World War One

Talk at All Saints', Castle Avenue, Highams Park - Saturday 6th October

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This talk will focus on local women's experiences during the war. It will include, War Weddings, Wood Street Belgian Refugees, Fundraising, Nursing and Suffragettes. Find out about, 'Our Boys' and the stories of women stranded in Europe at the start of the war.



Oona Kelly, will provide an insight into how local women and their families were affected by the war, through documents held by Walthamstow School for Girls archives.

Doors open at 7.15pm - talk starts at 7.45pm

£4 entry for members £6 entry for non-members

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Community Events

Thursday 11th October AE17 Chit-Chat 4

Architects E17 are hosting their fourth Chit Chat event on **Thursday 11**th **October**, 7.00pm at the Pillars Brewery on Ravenswood Industrial Estate. There will be guest speakers as well as a discussion on 'Building Culture.' This will be held in a Pecha Kucha format, an informal style of presentation, devised in Japan, which consists of 20 illustrative slides, with no or little text, each projected for 20 seconds, producing short and dynamic presentations (6 min each ca.). The evening will be compared by one of the AE17 members and the presentations will be followed by Q&A sessions and discussions over drinks.

Sunday 14th October Walthamstow Wedding Fair

Local Businesses have organised a wedding fair in aid of the charity, The Wishing Well Foundation, on **Sunday 15th October** at the Orford Hall on Orford Road from 11am-4pm. Entry is £3 each or two for £5.

Tuesday 16th October High Street Ward Panel

The next meeting of the High Street (Police Safer Neighbourhood Team) Ward Panel is on **Tuesday 16th October** at 7pm at the Mall Shopping Centre Offices. All High Street residents are welcome and for more details see www.walthamsoft.com/high-st-snt

Saturday 20th October British Dyslexia Association Pop-Up Road Show

Waltham Forest Dyslexia Association (WFDA) are pleased to support the British Dyslexia Association's Pop-up Roadshow, delivered by BDA CEO, Helen Boden, with guest speakers, from Microsoft, SEN Legal and John Hicks. This event is aimed at parents and carers of young people with dyslexia and those who have a general interest in finding out more about this learning difference. The roadshow is on Saturday 20th October at Walthamstow Central Library from 1-4pm. Free entry but tickets must be booked in advance via email conference@bdadyslexia.org.uk

Saturday 20th October Family Portrait As Phototherapy Workshop

The Mill Community Centre on Coppermill Lane will be hosting a workshop on family portrait photography on **Saturday 20**th **October** from 11am. For more information on the project please visit

https://themille17.org/events/family-portrait-as-a-way-of-phototeraphy/



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NEW FRIDAY SESSIONS!

Develop skills and access wider opportunities:

- Tournaments
- Small-sided games
- Leyton Orient FC Match Tickets
- Workshops
- Volunteering
- Links to College Study Programme

Futsal and multi-sports
Male and females welcome
11-19 years old
FREE
Every Friday 5pm - 7pm
Indoors

(Please wear appropriate kit)

JUST TURN UP

School Calendar Dates 2018-2019

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Tuesday 27th November Year 8 Parent/Carer information

evening 6-7pm

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Community Party

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th January 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019

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

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