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Steel Pans 40th Anniversary Concert 7pm	Dear Parents and Carers			
Good Friday Bank Holiday 30 th March	This week ends with Professional Interview Day on Friday 2 nd February for our Year 11 students. My thanks to Ms Philippou and Ms Janes for organising the opportunity for the students to apply for a mock vacancy and to convince a variety of experienced guests, involved in interviews as part of their professional role, that they would be suitable to fill the vacancy. This is excellent preparation for the future, as well as providing valuable interview practice for their college interviews.			
Easter Monday Bank Holiday 2 nd April	Also on Friday afternoon Ms Desbenoit accompanied a group of students to Sir George Monoux College for an event run in conjunction with Stella Creasy MP, "Our School, our Streets, our Safety" regarding personal safety.			
	Sporting congratulations are due to Year 10 student <i>Sophie May</i> who won the borough under 16 individual trampolining competition on Monday to become the Waltham Forest Trampolining Champion! Both the U16 and the U14 teams finished the competition in second place overall. Our Year 8 football team also finished second in the borough league – well done to all these teams and to the Year 7/8 basketball team who met Holy Family College to play in the semi-final of the WF basketball league; players were: <i>Jae-Ming, Sylvie, Arani and Rebeca (8F), Molly, Roya and Jessica (8W), Morenike (8H), Ordelda (8C) and Joni (7W)</i> . The score was 12-17 but they fought hard until the final whistle and we are so proud of them.			

We are looking forward to a week of friendly competition next week, with the Winter Interform taking place for each year group (Monday Year 8, Tuesday Year 10, Wednesday Year 7, Thursday Year 11, Friday Year 9).

On Monday and Tuesday next week all Year 11 Geography students will be attending the geography field trip in Norfolk. This course is a vital part of their GCSE and forms 15% of their final grade, so we wish them a successful trip.

Thank you for your continued support with our fund raising for trip to Zanzibar; KS3 students were Dancing in the Dark on Thursday and there will be a non-uniform day on the last day of this half term, Friday 9th February to raise funds for this exciting opportunity.

A reminder for parents of Year 9 students that there is a Parent Subject Information Evening on Thursday 22nd February (4.30-7.00pm) which is the first week following half term. Year 9 students should be making appointments for their parents to meet with their subject teachers next week. See details page 6.

In the following pages you will find details of our four candidates for the **Parent Governor vacancy**. We are very fortunate to have four candidates with such diverse experience to offer the role. Please read their statements and when you receive your individual ballot slip by email (or by post) early next week, print off the ballot slip and vote for one of them. It will be a difficult decision and I thank all the candidates for putting their names forward.

Meryl Davies
Headteacher

School Calendar for 2017-18

Spring Term 2018

Start: Thursday 4th January End: Thursday 29th March

Half Term Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

Thursday 22nd February Year 9 Parents/Carers subject Evening 4.30 –7pm

Thursday 15th March Year 8 Parents/Carers Subject Evening 4.30 –7pm

Wednesday 28th March Steel Pans 40th Anniversary Concert 7pm

Good Friday Bank Holiday 30th March -

Easter Monday Bank Holiday 2nd April

Summer Term

Start: Monday 16th April End: Friday 20th July

Thursday 26th April Year 7 Parents/Carers Subject Evening 4.30 –7pm

May Bank Holiday Monday 7th May

Monday 14th May - Year 11 GCSE Examinations

Friday 22nd June

Half Term

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June



NEGLECT NOT THE GIFT THAT IS IN THEE

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1st February, 2018

All Parents should receive a copy of this letter, together with the ballot paper and statements from candidates, by email, in the next few days. If we do not have an email address for you we will send this by post. If you do not receive a copy by 9th February, please contact Ms Royds in the school's front office – 020 8509 9448.

Dear Parent/Carer,

ELECTION OF PARENT GOVERNOR – February 2018

As you know I have been requesting nominations from parents who wish to serve on the Governing Body. This request has been repeated in consecutive editions of the Greensheet which you will have received by email and the information has been displayed on our website.

By the closing date on Friday 26th January I had received four nominations and as there is only one vacancy for a Parent Governor on the Governing Body it will be necessary to hold an election.

Each parent is entitled to one ballot paper, which should be returned to the school on or before Wednesday 28th February, 2018. On the ballot paper you will be able to vote for one candidate. Papers with more than the permitted number of votes will be disallowed. Ballot papers may be returned via your child, or if you wish may be placed directly in the ballot box in the school office.

The voting paper should be sealed in an unmarked envelope which should then be sealed in an outer envelope marked "Parent Governor Elections" with your name on the outer envelope. Once the name has been checked against the list of those eligible to vote, the outer envelope will be discarded and the inner envelope placed in the ballot box.

The following are copies of the statements written by the candidates saying why they wish to become parent governors; these may help you to cast your vote.

The votes will be counted on Thursday 1st March, 2018 and the outcome will be advised in the following edition of the Greensheet.

Yours sincerely,

Meryl Davies
 Headteacher

Attached: Voting Slip
 Candidates' statements.





Individual No: WSG2

BALLOT FORM – ELECTION FOR PARENT GOVERNORS – February 2018

Please vote for no more than one Governor

Mr Paul Julien	
Ms Claire Landon	
Dr Rhys Morgan	
Mr Ifzal Rehman	

Please put a cross in the box beside the name of the candidate you would like to vote for.

There is a vacancy for one parent governor only.

If you vote for more than one candidate, your paper cannot be included in the ballot.

Please return this ballot paper to the school on or before Wednesday 28th February, 2018. Please enclose the ballot form in a plain envelope inside another envelope marked "Parent Governor Election" and with your name on the outside envelope only. Alternatively you are welcome to come into school and place the ballot form directly into the ballot box.

Each parent is entitled to one ballot paper **ONLY**.

Each ballot paper has an individual number to avoid duplicate voting.

Statements from Parent Governor nominees

Parent Governor nominees were each asked to write a short statement explaining why they would like to represent the Governing Body of Walthamstow School for Girls as Parent Governor. These statements are reproduced below in the order that they appear on the ballot form.

I've served as a primary school governor and have had several charity Trusteeships. I would love to develop my skills at secondary school level.

I'm the parent of a pupil in Year 7, who loves the school and I'd like to become more involved.

I work as a senior manager in the charity sector, but I've also worked as a classroom assistant, special needs teacher and music teacher in my younger days – so could bring different perspectives to governance issues. I am currently also Chair of Governors at a local primary school.

Paul Julien

I'm running for parent governor because I'd love the opportunity to know WSFG from the inside. Our oldest is so happy in Year 7, already responding to the school's supportive, enthusiastic atmosphere. With another two daughters, we'll be part of the school community for the next 15 years.

My background is in journalism, communications and languages – areas where I'd be delighted to help.

Broadly speaking, my interests are: promoting the arts and humanities as a natural partner to STEM; encouraging confidence by exposing girls to mentorships and real-life work experience; and supporting state education amid increasing budgetary constraints.

Claire Landon

I have long-standing experience in UK education. I am currently Education Director at The Royal Academy of Engineering, the UK's national academy for engineering and also lecture at Imperial College London.

I advise Government policy to increase the number of young people studying Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) subjects in school. I'm passionate about increasing diversity, in particular women and ethnic minority groups in STEM.

I've previously served as Chair of Governors at Kelmscott School for three years. I have a daughter in Year 7 and keen to use my experience to make WSFG even better!

Vote for me!

Dr Rhys Morgan

I have lived in the area (Waltham Forest) all my life and I want to give something back to the local community. My family has a long affiliation with the school with my sister, nieces and now daughter attending the school. One of my nieces is a teacher at the school.

From a professional perspective, I am a senior audit manager and qualified accountant at one of the leading accounting firms in the City. I have experience of dealing with commercial as well as not for profit organisations and I feel my background and experience would undoubtedly benefit the school. Even if I am not successful, I would like to support the school in any way I can.

Ifzal Rehman

Year 9 Parents/Carers Subject Evening
Thursday 22nd February

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 Jean Baptiste
 Student Progress Leader, Year 9.

Focus of the Fortnight
29th January – 9th February 2018.
Noise and Movement in the school corridors



Dear Parents / Carers,

All members of our school community are asked within the Out of Lesson Positive Behaviour Code to move around the school “calmly, safely and quietly”. We also always walk on the left in school corridors and staircases etc. If students behave in a dangerous, noisy or inappropriate way in the school buildings or grounds, they will be spoken with by a member of staff and will have their conduct card signed. It is in the interest of all members of our community to move calmly, safely and quietly around the school at all times. Thank you for your support in this and all school matters.

Ms. K.H.Pratt
 Assistant Headteacher

The Out of Lesson Positive Behaviour Code states that we move around the school “calmly, safely and quietly”.

It also states that we walk on the left.

The corridors are not for social gathering as they need to remain clear.

The Sanctions.

The student breaking these expectations will
 be spoken to by a member of staff.

The student's Conduct Card will be signed
 if this expectation is not met.

Mosaic Workshop

Walthamstow School for Girls has been successful in getting funding for a large mosaic to go up on the red brick wall outside school. This mosaic will be based on the wildlife of the local area combined with influences taken from William and May Morris, as well as the work of Morris' close friend, the ceramicist William de Morgan.



Last week several students were involved in the initial stages of this exciting project.



Students in Year 10 Art spent the morning making a selection of beautiful ceramic tiles and feathers for a peacock's tail.



Whilst students in Year 8 worked on some hand drawn and painted designs to influence the composition of the final mosaic. Students worked hard with several local artists to complete the work. I look forward to seeing the outcome up on the wall outside school in Spring.



Ms Wills



P.E. News

Congratulation to the Year 8 football team who came 2nd in the borough out of ten local schools.

Please feel free to congratulate them

<i>Roya</i>	8W
<i>Jessica</i>	8W
<i>Karima</i>	8W
<i>Jessica</i>	8F
<i>Sylvie</i>	8F
<i>Molly</i>	8G
<i>Grace</i>	8G
<i>Siwan</i>	8H
<i>Deja</i>	8H
<i>Julia</i>	8H

Ms Wood

I have just received the results from the borough trampolining championships and I am delighted to say that both the U16 team and the U14 team finished in 2nd place overall.

The Team

Anna, Eve, Marley Joy, Sophie May,
Sophie, Ruby, Amber, Sienna



I am also pleased to let you know that *Sophie May* won the Under 16 individual competition and so she is the Waltham Forest Trampolining Champion.

These are fantastic achievements and the girls worked really hard on their routines so please congratulate them if you see them.

Ms Warren

U16 Borough Champion – Sophie May



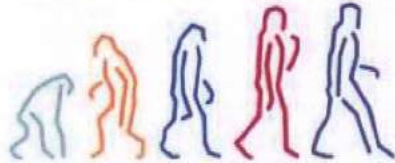
CELEBRATE WOMEN GETTING THE VOTE
LUNCHTIME in the LRC on
THURSDAY 8TH and FRIDAY 9TH FEBRUARY



WSFG Diversity Calendar for the month of February



Darwin Day



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February 2018



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

February is National Heart Month | Lesbian Gay/Bisexual Trans History Month | Raynaud's and Scleroderma Awareness Month | Cholangiocarcinoma Awareness Month

Last Quarter
 New Moon
 First Quarter
 Full Moon

Special Days

- 1st Imbolc – Lughnassadh – Wiccan/Pagan Northern and Southern hemispheres
- 2nd Candlemas (Presentation of Christ in the Temple) – Christian
- 3rd Saint Blaise Day – Christian
- 3rd Sebubun-jal – Shinto
- 4th World Cancer Day
- 4th Four Chaplains Sunday – Interfaith
- 4th Safer Internet Day
- 8th Nirvana Day – Buddhist
- 11th Our Lady of Lourdes – Christian
- African Sunday
- Meatless Sunday – Orthodox Christian
- 12th Red Hand Day
- Darwin Day
- 13th Shrove Tuesday – Christian
- Maha Shivaratri – Hindu
- 14th Saint Valentine's Day
- Ash Wednesday – Christian
- 15th Nirvana Day – Jain
- International Childhood Cancer Day
- Presentation of Christ – Orthodox Christian
- 16th Chinese New Year – Confucian, Daoist, Buddhist
- 18th Cheesebake Sunday – Orthodox Christian
- 19th Great Imitation begins – Coptic Monday – Orthodox Christian
- 20th World Day of Social Justice
- 25th Intercalary Days (shaf) – Baha'i

All Jewish holidays begin at sundown on the evening before.

Zanzibar July 2018

You may already know that fifteen Year 10 students and two members of staff (Ms Philippou and Ms Desbenoit) are travelling to Zanzibar this July to volunteer in a school for ten days.

We are very excited as our trip approaches!

We will be working in the classroom, with construction work and as sports coaches.

We are fundraising the full amount for this trip – as a group that means raising £31,000 altogether. We're doing well so far and have raised a bit more than two thirds of this, but we still have a lot to raise.

We would really appreciate your support! If you are able to make a donation to our volunteering experience, you can click on the link below:

<https://www.fundmytravel.com/campaign/fudPSqYf4I>

This page has been set up by Ms Philippou and Ms Desbenoit to raise money for their trip – we assure you that any donation that has not come from a relative or friend of Ms Philippou or Ms Desbenoit will go towards funding the whole group.

We also continue to run lots of activities in and out of school such as bag packing at Sainsbury's, dancing in the dark and non-uniform days.

Many thanks in advance for your generosity.

The WSFG Zanzibar 2018 team



Careers Fair

Thirty Year 10 students went to Forest School for a Careers and HE fair last week. The trip was very informative and interesting. Pupils had the opportunity to speak to representatives from universities and industry at this exhibition fair-style event.



There were over 90 representatives from industry and higher education, including some of the best universities in the world like Oxford and those specialising in the Arts such as British and Irish Modern Music Institute BIMM, high-profile employers such as Barclays, professional institutions and a selection of Gap Year activity companies. Our students were well behaved and made the most of this opportunity. Here are some of their thoughts on the event:

"The overall experience was very enjoyable, with many different opportunities and ideas for future education. I found it very interesting going round to different sixth forms and universities and seeing different opportunities for gap years. I don't think there were as many sixth forms or colleges as there were universities but it still opened up our opportunities to see what our futures could be. There were a few creative arts options which was good."

Sammy 10S

"It was very interesting and informative and I enjoyed it a lot. Although the universities provided a lot of information, I feel that it was a little early for us as we didn't know much about the qualifications they were mentioning. I think it was more about universities than career options and we should have similar opportunities related to sixth form/A-level options and advice, making it more relevant to us now."

Ramaarah 10S

"It was a very interesting afternoon with lots of facts given. I now have a wide range of knowledge and I have information from my desired universities. It was fun seeing other schools attending the afternoon along with us so it wouldn't have been awkward. It would have been even better if they had more colleges and sixth forms so that it's more helpful towards us right now. All the people from the universities were very welcoming and equipped us with so much information. Thank you Ms Desbenoit and Ms Philippou for organising this trip."

Tenzin 10S

Ms Desbenoit and Ms Philippou.





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Fundraising
Concert



WEDNESDAY 28 MARCH 2018

7PM HEWETT HALL £6 ADULTS & £3 CONCESSIONS

lwinter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

TICKETS ARE LIMITED - Reservations must be made in advance on a first come first served basis. - Payment in advanced to Lesley Winter or on the door on the night (reservations only)

Community Events



SPURS LADIES SOCCER SCHOOL

Tuesday 13 February - 9:30am to 3pm
Frederick Knight Sports Ground

Girls aged 5-15 will learn how to play the 'Tottenham Hotspur Way'

Coaching by our FA and-UEFA qualified coaches

Special guest appearances by Spurs Ladies first team players

Chances to win fantastic prizes and goodies

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We are delighted to announce that Spurs Ladies will run Soccer School programmes during school holidays throughout the year. Our holiday Soccer Schools will give young girls aged 5-15 years a taste of training like a full-time football player!

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- Girls learning to play the 'Tottenham Hotspur Way' which includes goal scoring, defending, possession and domination
- Special guest appearances by Spurs Ladies first team players
- Coaching by our FA and-UEFA qualified coaches
- Chances to win fantastic prizes and goodies

The day will run on **Tuesday 13 February** from **9.30am to 3.00pm** at **Frederick Knight Sports Ground, Willoughby Lane, Tottenham, London, N17 0SL.**

Prices start at £15 when you book online at spursladies.fawsl.com or £20 when you pay on the day. If you have any questions email marketing@spursladies.co.uk*

Give your junior the chance to share their passion for football with their love for Spurs!

*If you intend to pay on the day please email your junior's details to marketing@spursladies.co.uk. Please note all players are required to bring suitable clothing (change of clothing) for wet conditions, moulded boots and astro trainers plus a packed lunch and plenty of fluids. Parents are not permitted to stay for the duration of the day.



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LEADERS PERFORMING ARTS SCHOOL

Time:	Singing:	Drama:	Dance:
2:00 - 3:00 PM	10 - 13 Years	14 Years +	7 - 9 Years
3:10 - 4:10 PM	14 Years +	7 - 9 Years	10 - 13 Years
4:20 - 5:20 PM	7 - 9 Years	10 - 13 Years	14 Years +

You can book for a block of sessions as follows:

Block One: 25th November - 16th December & 6th January - 10th February [10 Weeks]

Block Two: 17th February - 31st March & 14th April - 28th April [10 Weeks]

Block Three: 5th May - 26th May & 9th June - 14th July [10 Weeks]



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