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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

We started this week with the terrible news of another terrorist attack on people going about their lives in London; this time on worshippers leaving Finsbury Park Mosque, during Ramadan, in an area just over five miles away from Walthamstow. Our thoughts and prayers are with all those affected by this atrocity, particularly the fellow worshippers and families and friends of those involved. These attacks are designed to break up our very strong community cohesion. In fact, the effect is the very opposite. In the words of Jo Cox MP, who was murdered a year ago this month;

'We have more in common than that which divides us'

At school we have been focussing on community spirit and how at the most difficult of times we can all come together to support and make a positive difference, for example after the terrible tragedy of the Grenfell Tower fire. Mr Morrow's powerful assembly to the whole school about the fire and the questions being asked subsequently has prompted many girls to volunteer to raise money to help the survivors. We observed the national one minute's silence on Monday morning at 11.00am and we will be holding a whole school fire drill on Friday, as we do regularly throughout the school year. The School Council is meeting to explore fundraising through different events; you will be kept up to date with this.

On Friday evening there was a touching memorial for a former pupil who sadly passed away last year. After an intimate tribute to her in the Hewett Hall, attended by her school friends, close family friends and members of staff, we went into the grounds where a bench has been installed to commemorate her life. Her friends can sit on the bench, enjoy the lovely surroundings and remember her.

Monday 15th
May-Monday
26th June
Year 11 GCSE
Written
examinations

Thursday 15th
June - Friday
7th July.
Year 10 Mock
Examinations

Thursday
22nd June
GCSE ADT
exhibition

Friday 23rd
June
Year 11
Leavers' Day

Monday 10th
July
WSFG Music
concert
7pm

Thursday
13th July
Year 7 GREEN
Exhibition
4-6pm

It has been a pleasure this week to meet the students who will be joining Year 7 in September and their parents and carers. We look forward to seeing them again next week on the evening of Thursday 29th June and again during the school day on Wednesday 5th July.

It has been a busy week on the sporting front, with several activities taking place. On Monday a group of Student Leaders from Years 8 and 9 ran a Tri-golf event at the Waltham Forest Feelgood Centre while Ms Famiglietti took another group of KS3 students to the Olympic Park to see an international hockey match. Teams from Years 9 and 10 represented us in the borough rounders rally on Wednesday morning. I am pleased to announce that Year 10 came 3rd and Year 9 came 2nd in the borough. On Thursday, students in Year 10 had their summer interform.

On Thursday evening, it is the Art, Design and Technology Exhibition which is open to you all from 4.30-6pm. You are welcome to come and see the excellent standard of creative work produced by the girls.

The GCSE examinations are now coming to a close and so the Year 11 students will be back in school on Friday for our annual Leavers' Day celebrations; they will enjoy an afternoon of reminiscences, fun and relaxation after all their hard work-as well as the traditional strawberries and ice cream! Examinations will continue in school, however, as the Year 10 students have begun their Mock GCSEs.

As we approach the end of Ramadan we would like to wish all members of our Muslim community Eid-al-Fitr Mubarak. Please note the message from Ms King, the school Attendance Manager in this Greensheet.

Eid-al-Fitr Mubarak

Best wishes,
Meryl Davies

Year 10 Mock Examinations
Thursday 15th June - Friday 7th July.

Please see last week's edition for an overview of all subjects being examined. Students have been given individual exam timetables via their form tutors. Many thanks.

Mrs L Brickett
Examinations and Assessment Manager

**Eid-al-Fitr celebrations
Monday 26th June 2017**

Dear Parents / Carers,

The school requests that Parents / Carers inform Ms. King, the School Attendance Manager **in advance** of the day that your daughter will be absent for her religious observance.

Please put this information in writing. If you have not informed the school in advance as requested, you will receive an absence enquiry text as is school procedure.

According to the DFE and Borough guidelines, students are allowed three days' religious observance in an academic year. If your daughter's religious observance days exceed three in one academic year, the extra days will be marked as an unauthorised absence.

Eid-al-Fitr Mubarak

Ramadan

Dear Parents/Carers

Could you please ensure that if your daughter is fasting, she does so according to the sunnah method. That is 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

**YOU ARE INVITED
TO
THE
GCSE ADT
EXHIBITION**



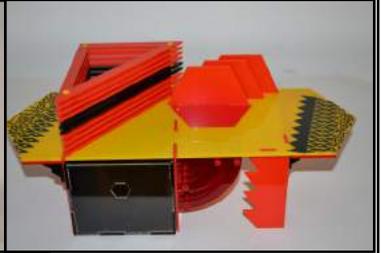
THURSDAY 22ND JUNE

4.30 - 6PM

A CELEBRATION OF HARD WORK!

AND TALENT

Just a small sample of the excellent GCSE work on display



Focus of the Fortnight
19th-30th June 2017
Punctuality to School

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Focus of the Fortnight is on punctuality to school. The school values good habits and being on time is an excellent habit to form. The school is open to students from 8am and a breakfast is available for early arrivals.

It is very clear (see page 3 of the Student Planner) that students need to be at their desks, ready for registration, by 8.45am. If a student arrives any time after that she will be given a late mark. A student may be late for a legitimate reason, such as an early morning appointment, in which case, please indicate this by writing a note for your daughter to explain her lateness. Please note that getting caught in rush hour traffic is not a legitimate excuse for being late to school.

The school sanctions for poor punctuality are detailed below.

Punctuality is also commented upon in your daughter's report / data collection throughout the year.

Thank you for your continued support.

Ms. Pratt
 Assistant Headteacher



The Sanctions

- If you are late to school (without a good reason such as an appointment – traffic is NOT a good reason) you will be given a ten minute detention at the end of each day of lateness with your Tutor.
- If you are late twice in a week, you will be given a half hour detention with your SPL the following week.
- If you are late three or more times in a week, you will be given an hour's detention with Ms. Pratt the following week.
- If you are late eight times, you will be placed on a two week punctuality report by Ms. King. Your punctuality will be closely monitored and your parents/ carers will be informed of any improvements. You will also be rewarded if you improve your punctuality.
- **Remember** - being on time is a good habit to form!

SCHOOL Attendance

Your daughters' education is very important. Regular school attendance helps pupils fulfil their potential and gives them the chance of a better future.

IT IS IMPORTANT TO NOTE THAT :

- Every day absent from school is an opportunity missed.
- Each day of absence from school means that 5 lessons have been missed.
- One week of absence means 25 lessons missed and a two week absence is over 50 lessons missed, this means your child will fall behind with her work.

You can help us to help your daughter by encouraging regular school attendance.

Ms King
Student Attendance Manager

Year 7 Parents and Carers are invited to:

Year 7 GREEN Exhibition



Raffle Draw with
fantastic prizes

entry minimum
donation 50p
under 7s free

Thursday 13th July
4-6pm



Henna Designs



at
Walthamstow School
for Girls

Tehzeeb Khan 7F

Art Exhibition

Zanzibar fundraising bake sale

Last Friday, we had a bake sale on the MUGA at lunch time to raise money for our trip to Zanzibar. There was an amazing turnout and lots of people came to help support us and buy cakes. We raised **£230!**

We would like to thank everyone who came and donated. This could not be achieved without your help and now we are even closer to raising the amount of money we need to help this school.

Thank you for your generosity!

Please come along to our ice cream sale on Friday 23rd June, same time, same place!

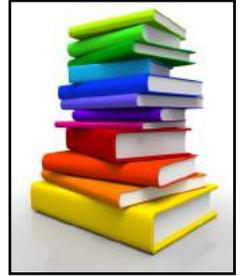
From the Zanzibar Team.



Overdue LRC Books

There are currently **360** books that students have not returned to the LRC.

Reminders have been sent out, so please support the school and your daughter by making sure that she returns her books to the LRC. If she has lost the book, you will be asked to pay for a new one.



If the book is not returned, your daughter will have to attend a detention at school, on Fridays from 3.30 to 4.00pm. She will be given a letter to take home and you will also receive a text message.

Please support us by ensuring that your daughter returns her books. Evidence from exam results shows that students who develop a regular reading habit do better in their exams. So keep reading!

Ms Kelly and Mrs Guest

Lost Property

We have a large amount of lost property.

Please make sure all clothing, including P.E. kit, is clearly labelled so that it can be easily returned

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

Any items not collected by the end of term may be disposed of.

Ms Jolliffe
Student Services



**Students in Years 8-11:
Summerstage**



Applications are now being accepted for Mousetrap Theatre Projects' SummerStage.

SummerStage is aimed at **young people aged 13 to 17** who might not otherwise have the opportunity to take part in a performing arts summer school. There are two different weeks available this year, so there are places for both young people who might be a bit hesitant to try theatre for the first time and those who already know they love performing!

Venue: Bloomsbury Central Baptist Church, 235 Shaftesbury Avenue, LONDON, WC2 H8EP

Ages: 13-17

Cost: **£60 (fully-funded scholarship places available)** - inclusive of 5 day workshops, a sandwich lunch each day and a visit to see a show in the West End.

Deadline for applying for a place on either weeks is Friday 30th June.

Please see Ms Cornford if you would like any further information or guidance on applying.



2017
Season

A
Midsummer
Night's
Dream

The
Greek
Theatre
Players

Based at the Greek Theatre, Walthamstow School for Girls,
Walthamstow, London,

*The Greek Theatre Players have been producing Open Air Shakespeare
since 1958.*

The 2017 production will be:

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Wednesday 21st - Saturday 24th June at 7.30pm

plus a Saturday Matinee at 3.00pm

£9, £7 (Concessions), £3 (Students - ID)

Buy tickets on the door.

Tickets are not sold in advance.

There is disabled access.

Gates open 40 minutes early.

**For Year 10 students -
Forest School Summer Open Evening
Monday 26 June, 4.30pm-7.00pm**



We wish to offer year 10 pupils and their parents the opportunity to visit Forest before the summer holidays and in advance of our 16+ entrance and scholarship examination in November, in order that they have the necessary information and time to make an informed decision about this next stage of their education.

The Open Evening gives prospective pupils and parents the opportunity to speak informally to our Sixth Form staff about anything from A-level choices to university applications, careers and academic support at Forest.

The Admissions Team will also be available to answer questions on the 16+ entrance examination, our academic scholarships and those offered in the areas of Sport, Music, Drama and Art, as well as our means-tested bursaries.

I have attached the programme and would be grateful if you could forward the information to Y10 parents and pupils. Parents can access a copy of the programme and the booking form for the Summer Open Evening via the School website: <https://www.forest.org.uk/forest-events/summer-open-evening/>

*Marcus Cliff Hodges
Forest School*

Key Dates For 16+ Entry September 2017

Summer Open Evening	Monday 26 June 2017
Sixth Form Open Evening	Monday 25 September 2017
Closing Date For Registrations	Friday 20 October 2017
16+ Entrance Exam	Saturday 18 November am
16+ Art Scholarship Exam	Saturday 18 November pm
16+ Non-Academic Scholarship Assessments	w/c Monday 20 November
16+ Academic Scholarship Interviews	w/c Monday 27 November
16+ Fee Paying Interviews	w/c Monday 4 December
Offers Posted	Monday 11 December 2017
Deadline For Acceptance of Offer	Wednesday 10 January 2018



The Battle of the Somme

The original 1916 film

With music by Laura Rossi performed live by the Waltham Forest Youth Orchestra

Thursday 29 June 2017

1.30pm & 7pm

Walthamstow Assembly Hall, E17 4JF

WFMS
Waltham Forest
Music Service


Waltham Forest

Smiling awkwardly at the new-fangled cameras, troops move towards the Front in the Great War. Their actions are far removed from the swagger and march of war films, but then this is real. Shot and screened in 1916, *The Battle of the Somme* was the first feature length documentary about the First World War to be filmed at the Front and depicts the preparation and first days of the Somme Campaign. It is estimated that over half the population of the UK watched *The Battle of the Somme* (a figure not matched until the release of *Star Wars* in 1977) making it one of the most successful British films ever made.

J. B. McDowell, who shot the film alongside Geoffrey Malins, ran The British and Colonial Film Company Studios on Hoe Street, Walthamstow from 1913-1924, one of the biggest film studios in Britain at the time. Join us for the film's homecoming screening, accompanied by an orchestra of young people from across the borough, performing a new score composed by Laura Rossi and conducted by Michael Whittaker.

"And these troops in the mud grinned or stared at us to a new music score by Laura Rossi, brilliantly effective."
Geoff Brown, *The Times*. *****

Tickets £8/ £5 concessions

To book go to wfculture.eventbrite.com or call 0208 496 3000

Part of Somme100 FILM, an international project bringing together 100 live orchestral performances of the IWM film *The Battle of the Somme*, to mark the 100th anniversary of the battle. www.Somme100film.com



FABER **ff** MUSIC



 ARTS COUNCIL
ENGLAND



Waltham Forest Music Festival 3rd-5th July

The Waltham Forest Music Festival at Walthamstow Assembly Hall involves 1,000 local children performing in 6 concerts over three days -

Monday 3rd / Tuesday 4th / Wednesday 5th July-

and covers music from Classical, Rock, Pop, Funk, Samba, as well as World Class musicians from the London Symphony Orchestra. The concerts are a celebration of Waltham Forest's young musical talent as students perform pieces they have been practising over the year.

The suggested donations for tickets are £3 and free for the under 16s (available on the door only).

For more details contact 020 8496 1584 or Music.Service@walthamforest.gov.uk

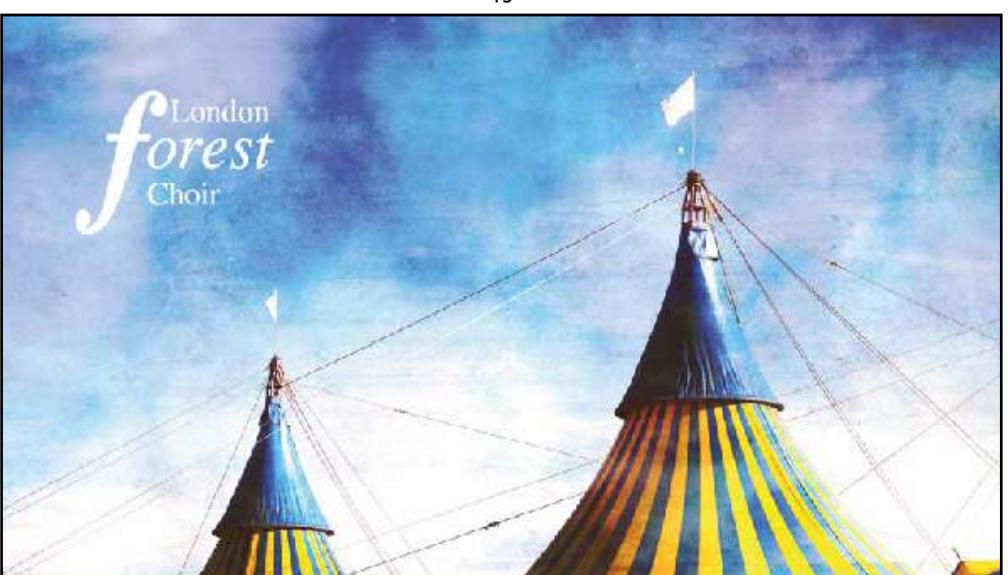
Dates and times:

- Mon 3 July: 6.30-7.30pm - Secondary School Choirs & Music School Groups
WSFG performing on this day
- Tue 4 July: 10.30-11.15am - Primary School Choirs and Ensembles
- Tue 4 July: 2-3pm - Primary & Secondary School Choirs and Ensembles
- Tue 4 July: 5-6pm - Music School Beginner Tea Time Concert
- Wed 5 July: 1-2pm - Primary & Secondary Choirs and Ensembles
- Wed 5 July: 7-8.30pm - Music School Groups and Ensembles





London
forest
Choir



A Day at the Fair

Music including *Scarborough Fair*, *Carousel Waltz*, *She Moves Through The Fair*

Saturday 8 July 2017
7.30pm

Walthamstow School for Girls,
Church Hill, E17 9RZ

London Forest Choir

Jonathan Rathbone conductor

Leo Nicholson piano

Tickets £12 on the door or
£10 in advance from
020 8281 6090, or online at
www.londonforestchoir.org.
Students and benefit recipients
half price; children £2

www.londonforestchoir.org

Registered charity no. 272799

School Calendar for 2016-17

Summer Term 2017

End: Wednesday 19th July

Monday 26th June	Year 11 GCSE Written examinations end
Thursday 15 th June -	
Friday 7 th July.	Year 10 Mock Examinations
Thursday 22nd June	GCSE ADT exhibition
Friday 23rd June	Leavers' Day
Monday 10th July	WSFG Music concert 7pm
Thursday 13th July	Year 7 GREEN Exhibition 4-6pm

School Calendar for 2017-18

Autumn Term 2017

Start: Monday 4th September End: Wednesday 20th December

Monday 4th September	Staff Inset Day
Tuesday 5th September	Students return: details to follow
Friday 13th October	Staff Inset Day

Half Term

Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October

Spring Term 2018

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

Good Friday Bank Holiday 30th March -
Easter Monday Bank Holiday 2nd April

Half Term

Monday 12th February - Friday 16th February

Summer Term

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

May Bank Holiday

Monday 7th May

Half Term

Monday 28th May - Friday 1st June