



GREENSHEET



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Week 'A'

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Summer Term 2017
End:
Wednesday
19th July

May Day
Bank Holiday:
Monday 1st
May

Thursday
11th May
Year 7 Parent/
Carers Evening
4.30-7pm

Monday 15th
May-Thursday
26th May
KS3
Examination
fortnight

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

Half Term:
Monday
29th May-
Friday 2nd
June

Friday 23rd
June
Year 11
Leavers' Day

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

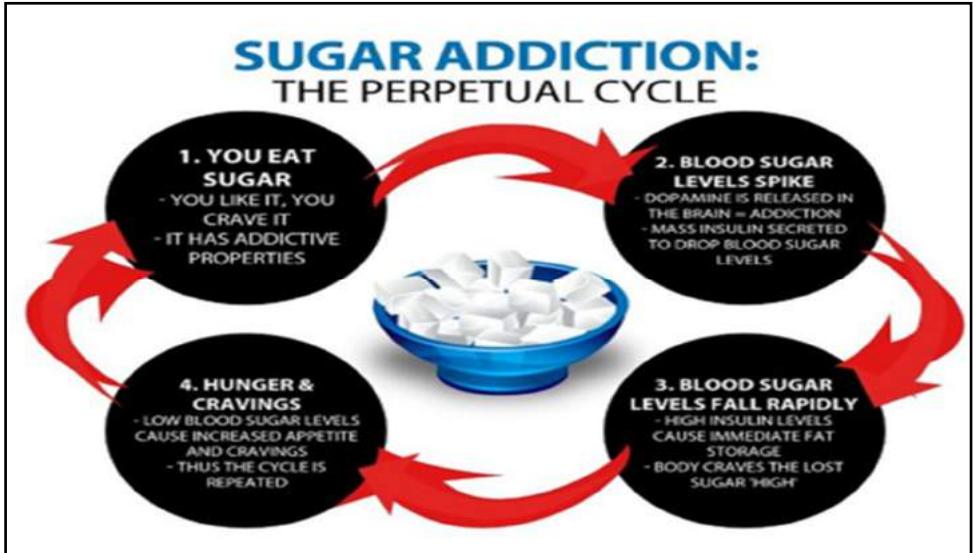
Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 11 students have had more GCSE examinations this week, including Music and their language orals. We wish them all every success between now and the end of June-and to their parents and carers during this stressful time.

Their attention was distracted momentarily in Ms Kennedy's Leadership Assembly which focused on the new sugar tax which will be introduced in April 2018. She demonstrated how much actual sugar there is in the kinds of foods and drinks that we might consume over a day and how this affects our brains, which followed on from my assembly last week on memory. She explained that by consuming over a day: granola cereal, a fruit smoothie, beans on toast, 3 jaffa cakes, pasta and dolmio tomato sauce, an energy drink and 2 hot cross buns, one would ingest 32 teaspoons of sugar (113 grams) which is well over four times our daily requirement. For young people, the risk is particularly over consumption of fizzy drinks, for example, there are 35g of sugar (7 teaspoons) in a can of Coca-Cola. Sugar, which has addictive properties, leads to dopamine release in the brain.



The impact of the dopamine on blood sugar levels is illustrated in the sugar cycle below:



Also this week we hosted a parental feedback session on our home learning pilot scheme. We will publish the results of this work in due course; meanwhile, if you have any queries, please contact Assistant Headteacher, Ms Philippou or Mr Salmon, Deputy Head of the Mathematics faculty.

We have just analysed the student surveys from the Year 8 Parents' Evening. It is encouraging to hear that 100% of the respondents (75) felt that 'teachers expect me to work hard and do my best', 99% said that 'I am taught well at this school' and 98% said 'my behaviour for learning is managed well by staff'. However a number did say that they felt there were instances of bullying, and also that they felt that not all staff treated pupils fairly and with respect. They also mentioned that homework is not regularly set. We will be following up these points with the girls. The research project we are running (mentioned above) is already reviewing our homelearning programme in KS3. In the parents' survey, two parents felt that they couldn't yet recommend the school to other parents whilst all the other respondents were overwhelmingly pleased. Do remember that you can make an appointment to see a member of staff if you do have any concerns, and I am available to meet with parents by appointment on my Monday evening 'surgeries'.

Here's the link to the Spring issue of the Bumper Greensheet:

http://wsfg.waltham.sch.uk/downloads/doc_download/908-greensheet-spring-2017

Let us hope that the weather warms up for the bank holiday

Best wishes,
Meryl Davies

Medical or dental appointments during school time.

Information for Parents/Carers

Dear Parents/Carers

As you know the safety of the students is paramount at Walthamstow School for Girls. We have a concern about students signing out of school to attend medical or dental appointments during school time.

Our attendance policy states that unless unavoidable or in emergency circumstances, medical or dental appointments should be made out of school hours.

If your daughter has an unavoidable medical or dental appointment, the school requires that you send in the letter or appointment card as well as an accompanying letter from yourself requesting that your daughter be allowed to leave school.

The school needs to see evidence of the appointment before we allow the student to leave the premises. We will also be “spot checking” by telephoning parents of students who wish to leave the premises to ensure that the appointment is genuine.

I hope you understand that we require this further information to ensure the safety of your daughter at all times.

Thank you for your co-operation in this and all school matters.

Ms King
Student Attendance Manager

YEAR 11 Summer 2017 Written Examination timetable

The Year 11 Summer written examinations begin on **Monday 15th May** and finish on **Monday 26th June 2017** a copy of the timetable can be found on the school's website under the Exams section.

Please be aware that all examinations are set externally by the examination boards and the school cannot make any changes and is not accountable for any changes made by the examination boards. It is also important to remember that these examinations **cannot be taken at another time** so attendance is vital to ensure grades are achieved.

Many thanks,

Mrs Brickett

Examinations and Assessment Manager

Focus of the Fortnight
Lunchtime Behaviour
2nd – 12th May 2017.

Dear Parents / Carers,

The Focus of the Fortnight is about the Lunchtime Behaviour of the students. All students are allowed in their form rooms at lunchtime but to ensure that good behaviour is maintained there is a clear Lunchtime Code they have to follow. This is displayed on the wall of each form room and Students are now familiar with its contents. All students are expected to follow the Code and form rooms are required to be clean, tidy and ready for learning and teaching at the end of break and lunchtime. Each form group has two “Room Reps” who have extra responsibility in ensuring that form rooms are used well and are ready for lessons.

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

Ms. K.H.Pratt
 Assistant Headteacher.



The Sanctions

If a student breaks the Lunchtime Code, she will be excluded from her form room for two lunchtimes. She will spend one of those lunchtimes in the Duty room as arranged by her Student Progress Leader. The conduct card will be signed.

Remember

- The school has a clear Lunchtime Code for use of form rooms, which is on the wall of every form room in the school. Doors must be open, lights on and students seated on chairs etc.
- Please respect the fact that you have the privilege of going into your form room and ensure that it is used following the code at all times.
- If the code is not followed, individuals or the Tutor Group risk being locked out of the room by the SPL.

Parent Information

Dear Parents/Carers,

In an attempt to save time and paper, WSFG would like to keep you informed of important communication, including our weekly Greensheet by using email. We currently hold parent/carers email addresses for around 840 of our students.

Please take a moment to inform us of your email address, if you have not done so already, via info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk.

Please ensure that the school has up to date contact details

Your email address will not be shared or used for any other purpose.

Thank you.

Ms N Janes
Administrative Manager



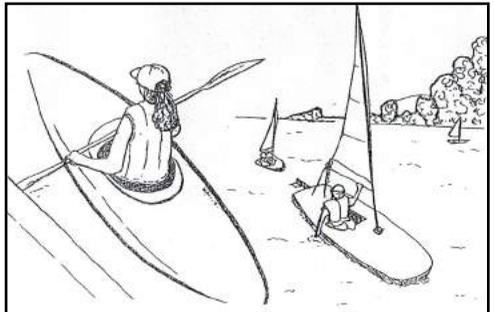
Year 8 Outdoor Adventurous Activities Trip 10th July 2017

This is a reminder that the **payment of £25** for this trip should now have been paid in full.

If you have not done this, please send in your payment as soon as possible - pay by cash or cheque (payable to Walthamstow School for Girls) - and hand in to Student Services.

Should you have any queries or concerns regarding this, or are unsure as to what you have paid, please contact me urgently.
Many thanks.

Ms Famiglietti.



Miranda Brawn talk to Year 10

Dear parents/carers of Year 10

Inspirational speaker Miranda Brawn founder of Diversity Leadership Foundation will be coming to talk to Year 10 on Tuesday 9th May.

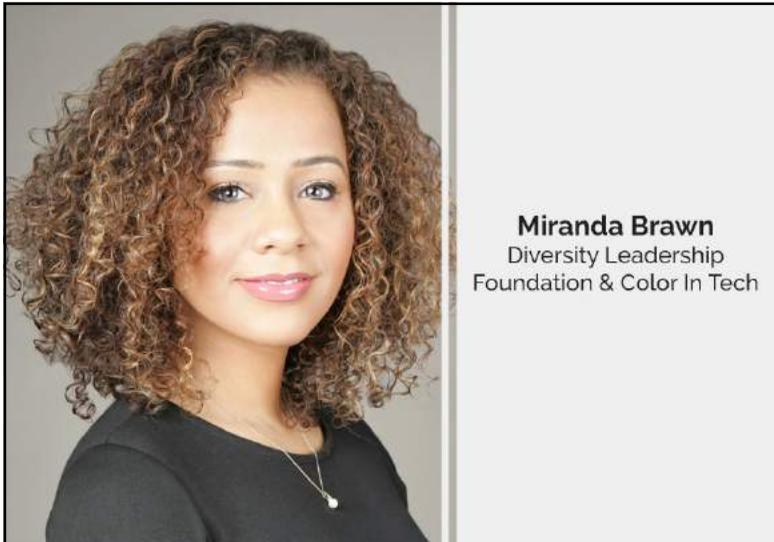
'Miranda is a multi award winning senior business, legal and diversity executive, barrister, board advisor, patron, philanthropist, social entrepreneur, founder of the Miranda Brawn Diversity Leadership Foundation, media contributor, public speaker and one of the UK's top diversity leaders.'

Miranda Brawn, set up her eponymous foundation, The Miranda Brawn Diversity Leadership Foundation, to provide the next generation of BAME (Black, Asian and minority ethnic) future leaders with opportunities for success via diversity lectures and scholarships which include funding, mentoring and work experience.

Miranda Brawn has also launched the UK's first diversity lecture which is called "The Miranda Brawn Diversity Leadership Annual Lecture".

Please see her website for any further information <http://mirandabrawn.com/> .

Ms Philippou



Miranda Brawn
Diversity Leadership
Foundation & Color In Tech

See our Autumn Greensheet plus 2016 for further details

http://wsfg.waltham.sch.uk/downloads/doc_download/866-greensheet-plus-autumn-2016-

Hospitality Event Afternoon Tea

This year the GCSE Hospitality event was able to go 'al fresco' due to the wonderful summer evening that graced us.

Our students planned, investigated and fund-raised in order for the event to happen.

They were also very fortunate in being supported by a local business, 'Gods own Junk yard' which loaned them lights for the event and added to the authenticity and ambiance on the day.



A huge thank you to
Gods Own Junk Yard
for their kind and
generous support.



Ms Dominique

School History: Your Archives Need You!

We are in the process of cataloguing our archives with the view to having a permanent display within the school. If you have any artefacts, photographs or especially your memories of your years at the school, we would be grateful if you would share them with us.



We are always keen to keep in touch with alumnae, so if you have any news you would be happy for us to share with other alumnae in a newsletter, please get in touch! We would also welcome photographs to go with any news item too. We will be happy to return your item, please let us know.

There are gaps in some periods of our archive, particularly from 1970-2000. If you have any stories to share, or would like further details, please contact:

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or Ms Kelly

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WSFG staff after the
local authority
reorganisation of 1986



Ms Kelly
LRC Manager



Come down to Forest School's
astroturf for some free tennis coaching
and match play practice!

Saturday mornings:

Y5&6 - 9am to 10am

Y7&8 - 10am to 11am

Y9 and up - 11am to 12midday

Please bring a racket, tennis balls will be
provided.

Forest School
College Place
London
E17 3PY

Fancy yourself as the next Federer?
Do you reckon you can play like Djokovic?
So can you channel your inner Serena?

Please contact:
Liberty Morrell libm@forest.org.uk or
Charlotte Barras cab@forest.org.uk or
book your child's space



Free Tennis Coaching Forest School, College Place, London E17 3PY

Saturday mornings during term time - Starting Saturday 22nd April 2017

Year 5 & 6	=	9am – 10am
Year 7 & 8	=	10am – 11am
Year 9 and upwards	=	11am to midday

Please bring a racket, tennis balls will be provided.

Please contact for further details or to book a place ;

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[Charlotte Barras cab@forest.org.uk](mailto:Charlotte.Barras.cab@forest.org.uk)

 **f #E17DiscoSoup**

COME AND CHOP AGAINST FOOD WASTE

E17 Disco soup

#FOODWASTE @ THE SCOUT HUT, E17 3NU

We're bringing the Disco Soup revolution to Walthamstow on 30th April.

Come and chop and bop to the funky disco beat in a party atmosphere using surplus food that would otherwise be wasted. All while celebrating the launch of the Local People's Food Forum.

With disco music, workshops and games for kids (and adults!) there's something for everyone at this exciting, collaborative community event!

2 – 6pm, Sunday 30th April 2017

FREE EVENT

Find us here: The Scout Hut, 205a Wood Street, Walthamstow, E17 3NU
Or for more information search 'E17 Disco Soup' on Facebook.



East London Branch Western Front Association, Vestry House Museum and St. Mary's Church
 Find us on  Western Front Association – East London Branch or <https://www.facebook.com/groups/711297599045495/>

Saturday 6th May 10 am - 5pm **Free Admission**

A First World War Open Day



Come and meet me and hear about my experience of the Great War.



Come and see us at Vestry House Museum. You can hear about local people's experiences, search for your Ancestors on line, explore the local Roll of Honour and loads of other interesting things to do and see.



Learn about 2 forgotten local heroes, JB. McDowell, one of the men who filmed "The Battle of the Somme" and Haydn Mackey, the War Artist whose work hangs in the Imperial War Museum.



Have your medals valued by Antiques Roadshow expert, Mark Smith.

Meet local Authors and historians.



Come and visit St Mary's Church and see the war memorials, have some refreshments and find out about local history.



School Calendar for 2016-17

Summer Term 2017

Start: Tuesday 18th April

End: Wednesday 19th July

Holidays

May Day Bank Holiday: Monday 1st May

Thursday 11th May

Year 7 Parent/Carers Evening 4.30-7pm

Monday 15th May-

Thursday 26th May

KS3 Examination fortnight

Monday 15th May-

Monday 26th June

Year 11 GCSE Written examinations

Half Term: Monday 29th May-Friday 2nd June

Friday 23rd June

Leavers' Day

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

Student return at the normal time of 8.40am

Friday 13th October

Staff Inset Day

Half Term

Monday 23rd October - Friday 27th October

Spring Term 2018

Star: 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