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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2020-2021

SCHOOL IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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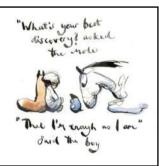
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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Students



This week, we have been focusing on wellbeing activities with our KS3 students so that they could have some time away from the screen and enable them to come to school to collect books and resources, as well as to take part in creative and mindful activities. We have had Thoughtful Tuesday, Wellbeing Wednesday and Feel-Good Friday for different year groups, resulting in some of the lovely work included below, produced by both students in our KWV provision and students working from home.

As we head towards half-term, please encourage your child to take a break from school work and to make the most of the holidays, despite the limitations of lockdown. There are lots of activities taking place which are listed later in the newsletter. More than ever, it is important that we look after our mental health and ensure that the 'Five Ways to Wellbeing' are part of our daily lives: connect / be active/ take notice/ learn / give. There is more information here from the MIND website: https://www.mind.org.uk/workplace/mental-health-at-work/taking-care-of-yourself/five-ways-to-wellbeing/

Observing these principles is helpful in building Resilience, one of our GREEN values, at a time when it is much-needed.









Chinese Lunar New Year



Today marks the start of the new lunar cycle and this new start is celebrated by many Asian communities. Within Chinese culture, each lunar new year is celebrated by an animal in the zodiac and this year marks the Year of the Ox, In Chinese culture, the Ox is a valued animal because of its role in agriculture, and similarly in the zodiac, the Ox is seen as hardworking,

positive and honest. Whilst most widely associated with Chinese culture, lunar new year is also celebrated in other countries such as South Korea, Singapore, Vietnam, Tibet and many more: all with their own unique meanings and celebrations. However you are celebrating, we wish to all those in our school community a happy and prosperous new year

Teaching School Hub Success for WSFG

WSFG has been selected to become a teaching school hub which will cement our role as a centre of excellence for teacher and leadership training and development across Waltham Forest, Redbridge and Haringey. It will create new opportunities both for our own staff training and development, as well as to share our outstanding practice with other schools.

WSFG is one of only 81 schools in England selected to be designated as a new teaching school hub. The aim is to further level up the quality of teaching, allowing every child to receive a world-class start in life no matter where they are born.

Thank you to Ms Davies for all her work in preparing and submitting the teaching school hub bid. Well done to everyone who has been involved with the teaching school in the past, helping to put us in a strong position for the award of hub status.

Headteacher Challenge: Spring into Action

Following all of the wonderful entries received for my Headteacher Challenge in January, I would like to launch a second challenge. The theme of this challenge is 'Spring into Action', inspired by the prospect of spring being on the horizon, despite the snow this week! Students are welcome to interpret this in any way they choose, in any form of media, including practical work, photography, writing, painting etc.

Here are some examples of ways you could explore this theme:

- Reflections on the season of spring and changes in nature
- A STEM project using springs
- Thoughts and ideas about emerging from lockdown
- Responding to difficult circumstances through leadership and activism.

The winners will be rewarded with Love2shop vouchers. The deadline for submissions will be **Wednesday**, **3**rd **March at 3p.m.** Please send to the info@ email, using the subject 'Headteacher Challenge'.

Ms H Marriott Headteacher

LGBT History Month

As part of this year's LGBT History Month's celebrations, students have been designing some PE uniforms to go with this year's theme which is Body, Mind, Spirit.

The Sports' Kits could be for any sports.

Here are some fabulous examples:



Ms Desbenoit
Diversity Coordinator



Isobel 8F Aimma 9W







Shreya 7C Charlotte 7C

Klea 8F



Jessica 8F



Manahel 8F



Faculty News English, Drama News

https://fb.watch/3bISoidMUw/



Streaming From 13 Feb For 1
Week Only

Don't miss a brand new filmed adaptation of 'Romeo and Juliet, starring Olivier Award Winner Sam Tutty and narrated by Derek Jacobi! fb.watch

Year 7 and 9 Origami Shapes.

Our Year 7-9's have been putting their maths and art skills to good use this week making Valentine's themed mobius loops, Scandinavian basket hearts and origami shapes.

Here is a link to a website where you can find more ideas for mathematical art activities for half term....

https://www.artfulmaths.com/mathematical-art-lessons.html

Here is a selection:

Ms Kelly Maths faculty























Mathematics



Puzzle of the Week

Here is the link to this week's puzzle: http://www.puzzleoftheweek.com/





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WALTHAMSTOW
LIBRARIES
ARE OFFERING A
'CLICK and COLLECT SERVICE!

It is free to join and borrow books from your local library, so go online today at

https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/service-categories/libraries

Mrs Kelly LRC

Good luck!

Maths Faculty

School History

Our school was founded in 1890 and stories of the women who attended our school are recorded in our school magazine, 'Iris', which was started in 1906. Many of our students went on to work in the field of medicine and as a tribute to those still working to support us during this period, I thought I would share some of their stories.

Mrs Kelly, LRC.

Honouring our Women of Medicine. Hilda Kate Whittingham, O.B.E. M.B. Lond. D.P.H., 1876-1965.

Hilda qualified as a Doctor in 1903 and went on to work at the London School of Medicine for Women and the Royal Free Hospital.

Her father, William Whittingham, was the person responsible for setting up our school and interviewed our first Head, Miss Hewett. Her family home was Comely Bank, which is now the site of a health centre. Hilda and her sister Maggie are one of the first names listed on our Honours Board in Hewett Hall.

During the 1914-18 war she worked with the bacteriological and hygiene section of the Royal Army Medical College at Millbank. She was awarded an O.B.E. for her work during the war years. In 1917 she became the first pathologist of the South London Hospital for Women, and she worked there for the next 30 years. Sadly, her brother and brother-in-law were both killed during the war. A friend remarked that she was 'an enthusiast and a perfectionist and her love of life was infectious'.





Artyface Mosaic Map









Ongar Music Club

The John Lill Awards

for the



ESSEX YOUNG MUSICIAN OF THE YEAR

Entry is open to singers and instrumentalists * aged 26 or under on the 4th July 2021 who were born in Essex (including the old Essex towns of Ilford, Wanstead and Woodford), whose home address is in Essex, or who attend school or college in Essex

1st Prize

- £1,000
- Recital engagement

Other generous cash prizes

Final Round Sunday 4th July

Special arrangements are in place for 2021 and these are detailed in the prospectus see below for details

The Essex Young Musician of the Year Competition was established in 1984 through the enthusiasm of key members of Ongar Music Club. It aims to support and encourage young Essex musicians of talent and potential, who will enjoy competing and performing in a welcoming, pleasant environment. Past prize winners have gone on to enjoy successful professional careers.

John Lill CBE. the distinguished Essex-born planist and president of Ongar Music Club, has generously supported the competition and has consented to the awards being in his name.

Full details are in the competition prospectus which is available online at www.ongarmusicclub.org.uk

Enquiries: administrator@ongarmusicclub.org.uk

Closing date for entries: 31st May 2021

^{*}not organists, unfortunately, due to the lack of a suitable instrument

Year 11 College Information

For regular updates on college information please see: 'Open Evenings/Virtual Tours' on the Year 11 page of the school website.



Online Open Evening where your students can join us as we go behind the scenes with LIVE interactive tours of each campus! These will be held on the below dates and times:

Tuesday 09 February 2021 at 5pm-7pm

- Havering Ardleigh Green Campus
- · Havering Rainham Campus

Wednesday 10 February 2021 at 5pm-7pm

- · Attlee A Level Campus
- Epping Forest Campus
- · Hackney Campus

Thursday 11 February 2021 at 5pm-7pm

- · Redbridge Campus
- Popular Campus
- · Havering Wingletye Lane 6th Form Campus

The Open Evening schedule is as follows:

- 'LIVE interactive campus tour' with our students and staff from 5-6pm
- · Access our 'Live curriculum talks on demand' from 6-7pm
- Ask any burning questions through our 'Online Live Chat' with our friendly staff between 6-7pm

Students will need to register for this event and can do so here.

Students are able to submit an application via our <u>website</u>. If there are any further queries regarding applications, they can contact a member of our Customer Services Team at info@ncclondon.ac.uk or call us on **0330 135 8000**.



Apprenticeships with Thames Water -Webinar on Thursday 11 February 2pm GMT Local Apprenticeship opportunities

https://app.livestorm.co/gti-1/discover-your-new-career-with-thames-water?type=detailed

Target Audience: Women interested in Engineering Apprenticeships or excited to learn about careers in STEM

Open vacancies in Electrical and Instrumentation Engineering Apprenticeship - Crossness Nature Reserve - Belvedere/Erith (South East London) in the borough of Bexley. Other locations include Greenwich, Orpington, Beckton plus more.

These all are level 3 roles. To be eligible candidates need to have achieved or predicted 5 GCSE's at Grade 4 (C) and above - Including Science, Maths and English.

How to apply for this apprenticeship role: https://thameswater.gtisolutions.co.uk/ mechanical-and-electrical-engineering-apprenticeships--crossness-stw/216/viewdetails - Belvedere/Erith

https://thameswater.gtisolutions.co.uk/mechanical-and-electrical-engineering-apprenticeships--crossness-stw/216/viewdetails - Location Greenwich

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BFI: Future Film Festival For Young People Is Now Open



BFI FUTURE FILM FESTIVAL 2021

FRI FEB 18TH-21ST

FREE ONLINE FESTIVAL FOR YOUNG PEOPLE WHO WANT CAREERS IN THE FILM AND TV INDUSTRY!

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Your Cinema Productions | Thames-Side Studios, Harrington Way, Greenwich, SE18 5NR United Kingdom

Your Cinema <emails@yourcinemafilms.com>

Invitation to Virtually Explore St Aloysius' College Sixth Form

Unfortunately this year we ae unable to invite Year 11 students to visit us and meet our thriving students and dedicated teachers. We have instead put together a Digital Pack which we hope will help your students learn more about our Sixth Form, including our outstanding results, excellent pastoral care and dedicated enrichment programme.

We would like to share the good news of our impressive post 16 results with you and your students. St Aloysius' College community celebrated excellent A Level results again this summer with a 100% pass rate and our Russell Group admissions far above national average. We are delighted that this set of results reflect all the hard work of both students and staff, and represent a continued improvement. Students were delighted with their grades with many securing exceptional results and places on competitive courses at top universities, including Law at the University of Warwick, Aerospace Engineering at the University of Nottingham, Biomedical Science at the University of Kent and Accounting and Management at Queen Mary University London. We are exceptionally proud of all our students.

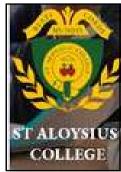
We would be grateful if you could share this news and the link to our <u>Digital Pack</u> with your Year 11 students and their parents. The pack is also accessible by visiting <u>www.sta.islington.sch.uk/SixthFormDigitalPack</u>

Students can apply by completing our <u>online application form</u> by **Monday** 22nd February.

We hope you and your community are keeping safe and well during this challenging time.

Kind regards,

The Sixth Form Team St Aloysius' College



Six 21 Applications

We will be closing our priority application window at **9am on Monday 22nd February.**

All applications received by this date will receive equal consideration, including for the Scholars' Programme. We will accept applications after this, however these will be considered only if spaces remain. This mirrors the process used for university applications.

We have emailed all students on our system today. Those who have fully completed an application and whose reference we have received need take no further action at this time. Some students have completed their application but we have not yet received their references - we know how busy things are for all of us right now but appreciate any support from you with these. If a student has submitted an application but their referee has not received the reference request please ask them to check their junk mail and then let us know if they still can't find it.

Students are still able to create a new account on our <u>application portal</u> and we hope that the advanced notice, and half term, will allow any student who is interested to apply without undue stress.

We will be in touch with all of our applicants over the next half term regarding next steps and will continue to keep you informed.

In the meantime, if you have any queries please get in touch.

Best wishes Esther Coppeard

Esther Coppeard Sixth Form Coordinator

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Tel: 020 8262 2121 ext. 174 www.school21.org.uk





Anglo European School

Law & Medicine Career Information Evening



LIVE ONLINE

5pm – 6pm Tuesday 23 February 2021

We would like to invite students in Years 9, 10, 11 and Lower Sixth from any local school who are interested in pursuing a career in either Law or Medicine, to join us virtually this year for our Information Evening. This is an excellent opportunity for students and their parents to hear first-hand guidance on applications and examples of what a career in each discipline can entail.

The evening will be held virtually, with videos from our speakers available on Monday 22 February 2021, linked from our home page at www.aesessex.co.uk. These videos will cover topics such as how to make a competitive application, what it is like to study these subjects at university and examples of the day to day nature of both professions.

This will then be followed by a LIVE Q&A on Tuesday 23 February via MS Teams at 5pm, where students and their parent / carers can ask questions directly to our respective speakers featured below, a number of which are former Anglo students.

Medicine presenters:

- Dr Florence Emond junior doctor graduating in 2018 from Bristol University
- Dr Evie Letch junior doctor graduating in 2020 from Liverpool University
- Josh Creese- current medical student at ARU
- Dr Jenefer Sargent Consultant Paediatrician GOSH
- Joe Hawke Senior Tutor from The Medic Portal.com

Law presenters:

- · Paul Mertens Barrister, Pump Court Chambers
- Tania Scoot Senior Crown Prosecutor, CPS
- Emily Warner Admissions at the University Essex
- · Current law student at the University of Essex
- Tutor from The Lawyer Portal.com

If you would like to join us at this event then please register your interest by emailing enquiries@aesessex.co.uk with 'Law and Medicine' in the subject title. We will then email you the MS Teams link for the Live Q&A on the afternoon of the event.

We look forward to welcoming you on Tuesday 23 February.



Degree Virtual Open Day 10 March, 2021 5:30 - 7:30pm

Level 4 Virtual Open Day 16 March, 2021 5:30 - 7:30pm

Level 2/3 Virtual Open Day 18 March, 2021 5:30 - 7:30pm

As we know this can be a challenging time for students considering their next steps, we have created an online resource that introduces readers to each career opportunity in the fashion industry called the:

Fashion Retail Academy's Outreach Hub.

Fashion Retail Academy, 15 Gresse Street, London, W1T 1QL, United Kingdom



What's on in Walthamstow



National Careers Week 1-5 March 2021

Live interviews plus Q&As with Waltham Forest creatives on Zoom plus on demand tutorials -

During National Careers Week, the Waltham Forest Cultural Education Partnership is offering the following free events for students interested in creative career pathways. There will be 3 live online interviews with Waltham Forest creatives with a chance to ask questions plus a 2 part on demand creative careers' tutorial. Further information and booking links below:

Mon 1st March 4.30-5.30pm- My Creative Career with Liza Fletcher, Producer & Filmmaker

Tues 2nd March at 9am - Part 1 of Creative Careers Tutorial. Premieres at 9am. Subscribe to the CEP You Tube channel to receive notifications.

Weds 3rd 4.30-5.30pm- My Creative Career with Sean Rodrigo, Virtual Reality Artist

Thurs 4th March at 9am- Part 2 of Creative Careers Tutorial. Premieres at 9am. Subscribe to the CEP You Tube channel to receive notifications.

Fri 5th March 4.30-5.30pm - My Creative Career with Sam Francis, CEO & Artistic Director of X7eaven Performing Arts Academy.

These are suitable for students from years 8-13 (may also be of interest to students in years 6 and 7). and their teachers, parents and carers.

For further courses please go to:

Waltham Forest Cultural Education Partnership mailto:wfculturelearn@walthamforest.gov.uk



Open Casting Call for Netflix's Adaptation of 'Heartstopper' by Alice Oseman

Netflix and See-Saw Films are adapting Alice Oseman's YA graphic novel series Heartstopper, and The Daniel Edwards CDG Team have just launched open casting. The eight-part TV series is an LGBTQI+ look at life for the current generation of young teens with an ensemble cast, made up of young gay, lesbian, bi and trans characters, placed firmly in the spotlight. It seeks to deliver all the fireworks of teen life, the sparks of first love, the anxieties of school... every facet of being a teenager in the UK.

They are looking for someone who is 16 years or over, able to play a 14-16y/o, and is UKbased.

While the characters Nick and Tara are in advanced casting stages already, Netflix and See-Saw Films are still actively seeking people to audition for the lead roles of Charlie, Tao, Elle, Darcy and Isaac, and they're also on the look out for Tori, Harry, and Ben. These roles do not require any prior acting experience. Just email a recent photo and a short paragraph about yourself to heartstopper@danieledwardscasting.com, and put HEARSTOPPER CASTING in the subject box, include your contact details and, if you are under 18, you must also include your parent or guardians' contact details.

You must be available for shooting 12 weeks from the 2nd April 2021 and potentially be available for further series.

Applications close on the 19th February 2021.

Click here for more details on each role.

Sparks Walthamstow Film Making Workshops February Half Term



Sparks film making workshops run over every half-term, at the weekends during term times and after school. The classes are all practical, offer students the chance to work on their own creative productions, build up skills in creative use of media production and storytelling and also explore pathways into the creative industries.

Our in person and online filmmaking workshops are really practical, engaging and help participants develop a range of creative skills, as well as providing a solution for parents looking for creative childcare options.

For February half-term, classes for ages 7-11 and 11-14 to learn all about filmmaking online. For further Information:

https://www.sparksarts.co.uk/holiday-camps/beyond-tomorrow-february-half-term-camp/

Louisa Cunningham Director
Sparks Walthamstow
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@sparkswalthamstow

Are you working in the NHS and are a former-student of WSFG?

We would like to celebrate

International Women's Day on Friday 5th March by commemorating your work during the Covid pandemic by placing your first name on the railings outside the school.

Please contact the school:

lwinter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk with your first name by

Friday 26th February, and thank you for all your support during this time.