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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents Carers and Students,

Firstly, an urgent health reminder, please DO NOT send your child to school if anyone in your immediate family has COVID symptoms. DO keep your child/children at home whilst you await the results of the test.

DO NOT send your daughter back into school even if she is 'feeling better' before the results are received. We are working so hard in school to avoid spreading the virus and have actually had no in-school transmissions to date.

In fact, our control measures were complimented during our Health and Safety Inspection on Thursday. But we need your help to keep this school safe for everyone. Infection rates dropped this week in Walthamstow but we cannot be complacent so long as COVID remains within our community. Also do note that Waltham Forest is now offering free recyclable masks for residents-details are included on page 3.

Across the country last weekend, service men and women were honoured once more for the immense sacrifices they made in the line of duty as part of Remembrance Day. Whilst national celebrations took place on Sunday 8th November, every year we ensure that we mark the day in school on the eleventh day at the

eleventh hour as tradition bestows. Each year it is a solemn and important moment when our students demonstrate their maturity and respect during our two minutes silence. This year, however, I was reminded of the 2018 Remember Together Project that WSfG took part in, alongside Eden School for Girls, which marked the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One. Students from both schools worked together and learned about the immense contribution made by soldiers from troops coming from India, the West Indies, South Africa, New Zealand and Australia. This event was completed by a procession and a final wreath laying at the War Memorial at the Assembly Halls. I have included the article Mr Morrow wrote after the event, which is as important today, and I would encourage all of our students to read it.

We ended the week with an event that was eagerly anticipated by our students – a non uniform day to raise money for Children in Need. The theme this year was to ‘Come as Yourself’ and, in such times of social restrictions and rigid organisation in school, our students welcomed the opportunity to express their individuality and identity.

Parents, carers, please do also check your entitlements to free school meals for your child, particularly when your family’s economic circumstances may have changed. Please do look at the Waltham Forest website where it sets out who is entitled to apply for free school meals as well as how to do so. Do not hesitate to contact the school if you need assistance with this:

<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/content/free-school-meals>

Finally, I wish all of our school community a good weekend and I hope all those celebrating Diwali, The Festival of Light, enjoy their festivities however they are choosing to mark the event.

Ms M Davies
Headteacher



London Borough of Waltham Forest Free Face Masks



The London Borough of Waltham Forest will provide a free face mask for anyone who lives in the borough who needs one.

Face coverings are one of the best ways residents can keep each other safe. If you don't have a face mask, we will get one to you. Each household can order or collect their masks locally (safety measures will be in place). Please remember to only order what you need.

Please see: [How to order your mask](#)

Getting your mask is quick you can do so in a number of ways:

- Phone 020 8496 3000 and a member of our team will take your details and send your mask in the post
- Complete the **online form** and we'll send your mask in the post
- Pick up a mask safely at one of our main libraries below. All you need to do is ask a member of staff. You can check library opening times below:

[Chingford Library Plus](#)

[Leyton Library Plus](#)

[Leytonstone Library Plus](#)

[Walthamstow Library Plus](#)

[Wood Street Library](#)

The masks we provide are 100% cotton and are reusable as they are machine-washable at up to 60 degrees.

Please note that masks will be available for distribution and collection from **Friday 13 November**.

Together Walthamstow Remembers

"In Flanders fields the poppies blow
Between the crosses, row on row"

On Sunday 11th November 2018, Walthamstow School for Girls joined together with Eden Girls' School to honour the fallen victims of the Great War. Ms Davies and Mr Morrow were joined by two student representatives (*Ornela* and *Adjoa*) to lay a wreath of poppies on the cenotaph outside the town hall.



The laying of the wreath marked the final step in the Remember Together project that both schools have been collaborating on for the past few weeks. The project was aimed at raising awareness of the contribution of Muslims, Hindus and Sikhs to the British war effort in World War One. It was also intended to celebrate the brotherhood and solidarity of these groups by creating a special wreath of poppies that would be laid at the War Memorial.

The ceremony was led by Mayor of Waltham Forest, Sally Littlejohn, and proved to be both a sombre and emotional service. Many of the different communities who had members that sacrificed their lives in the Great War were acknowledged in speeches made by the many guest speakers, each of whom told their own personal stories of how they remembered World War One. It was a moving and thought provoking service that left all those present deeply affected.

We would like to thank the hard work of all the staff and the students involved in the project and we look forward to continuing to raise awareness of the other groups that have been overlooked in the past.



Or in the words of John McRae:

"Take up our quarrel with the foe,
to you from failing hands we throw
the torch; be yours to hold it high."

Mr Morrow
Associate Assistant Headteacher



'Remember Together' at Eden Girls School

2018 marked the 100th anniversary of the end of World War One. In order to honour this centenary Walthamstow School for Girls was invited to take part in a commemorative workshop at Eden Girls' School.

The event was organised and run by the charity 'Remember Together' and supported by the Royal British Legion and the BBC. It was aimed at not only remembering but also celebrating the contribution of the multi-cultural mix of soldiers who sacrificed their lives fighting for Britain in the Great War.



The students took part in workshops where they learned about the contribution of countries from the former Commonwealth, and also the stories of individuals who fought for Britain in the battle against the German forces. Soldiers from all over the globe came to stand side by side with the brave troops from the UK in what was truly a multicultural army. Indian, Australian, West Indian, South African, Canadian, Irish and New Zealand soldiers all shared the burden of fighting for Britain on the Western Front.

The event culminated in the students making several wonderful poppy wreaths which they will lay on the War Memorial outside Waltham Forest Town Hall during the Remembrance Day parade on Remembrance Day





The event was both interesting and enlightening for the students who participated:

I learned that not only did English people fight, but there was a large multi-cultural and diverse army of soldiers who all fought alongside one another and risked their lives for the freedom of Britain

Emira

We learnt that many thousands of Sikh and Muslim soldiers were sent from the Indian region of Asia to fight for the Allies. Unfortunately, a large majority of the public in Britain don't know about the positive impact these troops made in the war.

Ornelda

If it wasn't for all the people from other countries Britain almost certainly would not have won the war. I think it's really important that the British public knows more about this, as it might change a few people's views about immigration in this country.

Sydney



Overall the project was a huge success with the girls being visibly affected by the fascinating and powerful stories of the young men who sacrificed everything for a country they had never even visited. Hopefully the 'Remember Together' project will become an annual fixture on the WSFG calendar and will continue to highlight the immense contribution of other cultures to UK society not only in the past, but also today and in the future.



Mr Morrow
Associate Assistant Headteacher

Our School History

Remembrance

The war also deeply affected people long after it had ended. Here is a poem by a student, Olive Baker, written in the 1933 school magazine 'Iris', which remembers those people who died.

*THANK God for peaceful England, this dear isle;
For England's quiet green beauty and her fame;
For her never-failing honour, and her ever-glorious
name, Which still doth stand though nations fall the
while.*

*Remember! Only nineteen years ago,
The roll of war's dread thunder filled the air,
And ev'ry home was called upon to spare
Her father and her sons, to fight the foe.*

*Think, that the flower of all this nation,
And the good, were laid 'neath alien sod.
And for them England now gives thanks to God.*

*So while we in security may dwell
Remember still those sons who fought and
died For England's noble glory and her pride.*

Olive Baker (Form VI)



Children in Need 2020 at WSFG



On Friday 13th November we held a non-uniform day to raise money for Children in Need. This is a fantastic charity that helps disadvantaged children across the UK. The fundraising activity this year was 'Come as Yourself Day' and our whole school community came together to raise money and support young people going through challenging times.

All students donated a minimum of £1 to take part and it was an incredibly colourful and fun filled event. The students had a great day and loved showing off their own clothes and sense of style! Here are some pictures from the day and some student quotes:



"We are in difficult times right now, having a non-uniform day makes it all a bit better." *Olivia 11C.*



"Come as Yourself Day lets us show our true identity and personality by getting to wear our own clothes." *Hafsa 11G*

"It's fun to see other people's style." *Roodania 11C*

It's easier to concentrate wearing your own comfortable clothes." *Anna 7H*

"You get to express your personality." *Issy 7H*

"It felt good not being in our blazer all day." *Elaaya 7H*

"Helping raising money for Children in Need felt really good." *Rania 7H*



Challenge News

Oxbridge Interviews



Demonstration Interview Videos

Want to know what an online interview might look like?

Watch two Caius History lecturers and interviewers demonstrate an online admissions interview with the help of a current student:

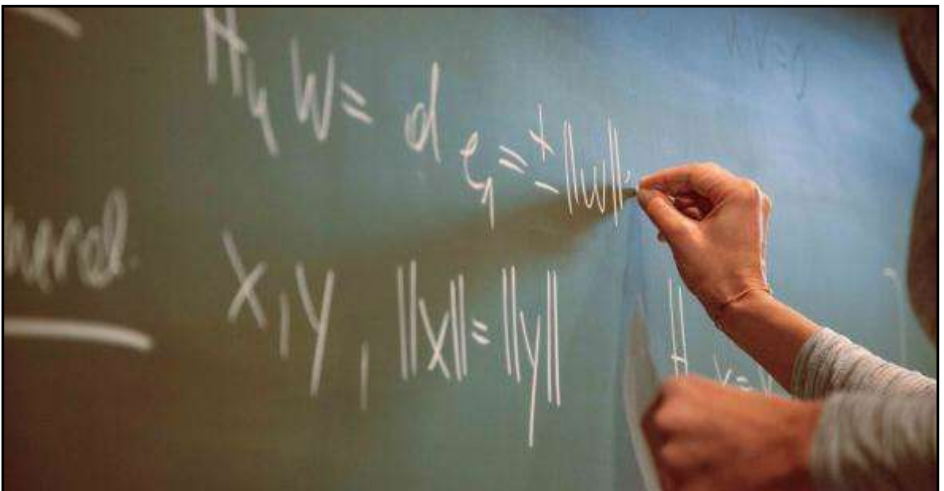
<https://youtu.be/PqaP0xptaU4>

Watch two Caius Maths lecturers and interviewers demonstrate an online admissions interview with the help of a current student:

<https://youtu.be/UqL5aRpMQE4>

They will be uploading further interview preparation videos to their YouTube channel (Caius Schools) over the coming weeks and are encouraging our students to subscribe.

Ms Robinson
Challenge Coordinator



Faculty News Mathematics

PUZZLE OF THE WEEK

School Leaderboard 2020-21

These are the schools that have submitted the most correct answers this year across all puzzles.

Schools (leaderboards PUBLIC) 20-21 : Overall

Position	School	Country	Total Answers	Correct Answers
1	Mearns Castle High School	Scotland	278	237
2	Hua Hin International School	Thailand	198	150
3	St Clement Danes	England	312	130
4	Hurstpierpoint College	England	137	113
5	Suzhou Singapore International School	China	120	100
6	Walthamstow School for Girls	England	120	97
7	Roundwood Park School	England	109	96
8	Kincoppal-Rose Bay	Australia	108	91
9	Upton Court Grammar School	England	162	79
10	Regina Mundi College	Ireland	106	75
11	The Queen Katherine School	England	161	67
12	Dorothy Stringer School	England	116	53
13	Mount Carmel Catholic College	Australia	61	52
14	Shawnigan Lake School	Canada	81	49
15	Garden International School	Malaysia	72	47
16	Our Lady Of Lourdes Secondary School	Ireland	142	46
17	St Augustine's RC High School	Scotland	97	46
18	British International School Budapest	Hungary	73	45
19	Bangkok International Prep and Secondary Sc	Thailand	65	43
20	Trail International School	Thailand	54	42
	TOTAL		5294	2793

This week's puzzle

141
Puzzle
Number

PUZZLE OF THE WEEK

Entries open: Mon 9th Nov

Entries close: Sun 15th Nov



scan to enter



Heather makes a pattern
using some shapes.

The shapes are yellow regular hexagons
and green equilateral triangles.

If the pattern carried on forever in every
direction, what percentage of the area
would be green?

Hints: Consider the ratio of triangles to hexagons.
The percentage of the area that is green in the image above is not the same as for the infinite pattern.

Extension: Can you design a different repeating pattern to the one above that only uses regular polygons?
Regular polygons are shapes with straight sides whose angles and sides are the same.

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Good luck!

Maths Faculty

Faculty Word Search

Words supplied by the ADT Faculty based on Food Technology.

ADT food

E	I	E	T	A	P	U	L	S	E	S	A	R	N
R	O	I	K	A	Y	R	T	L	U	O	P	E	T
V	P	S	E	O	T	A	T	O	P	S	S	A	O
I	R	F	R	U	I	T	E	B	N	P	A	Y	E
T	O	V	N	L	P	S	P	T	R	H	L	O	I
A	T	K	E	I	L	P	O	E	T	E	T	S	S
M	E	I	K	G	A	R	L	A	E	A	A	P	C
I	I	N	A	E	E	R	B	I	F	L	E	D	R
N	N	A	L	A	R	T	G	M	I	L	K	P	I
P	A	S	T	A	E	T	A	E	A	T	I	T	C
E	R	R	A	G	C	N	R	B	L	G	A	O	E
T	A	E	M	E	I	U	T	E	L	O	M	O	A
B	E	A	N	S	B	T	S	A	E	E	H	A	A
I	A	E	R	A	T	S	S	G	G	E	B	W	M

NUTS
 WHOLEGRAIN
 EGGS
 MEAT
 PROTEIN
 SOYA
 FRUIT
 BREAD
 POULTRY
 RICE
 MILK
 PASTA
 PULSES
 FIBRE
 POTATOES
 VEGETABLE
 CEREAL
 VITAMIN
 BEANS
 SALT

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/1630975/>

School History

Our school bell is not being used at the present time and I was just wondering whether we were missing it?

Here is a piece from the 1920 edition of our school magazine 'Iris', describing the love/hate relationship that a student felt towards the school bell.

Mrs Kelly,
LRC Manager.



An Address to the School Bell

We have heard thee oh Bell! in the mornings when we were panting for breath in the cloakrooms, and when our unmarked footwear was lost behind the dusty boot-lockers. Twice hast thou called in a harsh voice, "Hurry, thou daughters of laziness, 'tis time for work!" Then have we hated thee, and have muttered things about thee.

When our brains were hard pressed, and we sighed for thee, then didst thou keep unwanted silence. It seemed the minutes were tied down with leaden strings and thou rangst not. How wearily we waited, and how great was our agony until thou hast cleft the silence with thy welcome voice, oh, longed-for Bell!

We have heard thee when the sun shone brightly, and when the bell was our companion. Ah! how grating was thy call, - "Come in at once, ye maidens, cease your play." A subdued triumph lurked in thy unwelcome note, oh hated Bell! Oh! thou herald of all school functions! how mingled are our feelings toward thee! "Sometimes we would gild thee in honour, to show our love for thee, oft we would fain smash thy works - yet more in sorrow than in anger, for thou art one of the things that must be, and that ever shall be! Oh Bell!

E. Foster, Form VI.



WSFG Friends Group

Walthamstow School for Girls Merchandise
Please contact Ms Kelly or Ms Winter
via the schools website if you wish to make a purchase.



Cards (various designs):
50 pence each or 4 for £1.50

Tote bags (various designs): £3

Key rings: £2

Mugs: £5



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.

Access Creative College

Virtual Open Event Tuesday 17 November 2020



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School Calendar Dates for 2020-2021

Autumn Term 2020

- Ends Friday 18 December
- Christmas holiday: Monday 21 December 2020 to Friday 1 January

Spring Term 2021

- Monday 4 January 2021 to Thursday 1 April
- Half Term: Monday 15 February to Friday 19 February
- Easter Holiday Friday 2 April 2021 to Friday 16 April

Summer Term 2021

- Monday 19 April 2021 to Thursday 22 July
- Half Term: Tuesday 1 June to Friday 4 June



This is our Remembrance display in the student entrance.