



GREENSHEET



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Week 'B'

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End of Summer Term	Dear Parents, Carers and Students			
Autumn Term 2021	<p>I began the year by writing in the Greensheet about my vision for the school as a place where we address issues of gender and social inequality and empower our young women to become the leaders of the future. In the two terms I have been here, I have witnessed first-hand how confident and articulate your daughters are and I am really looking forward to the next academic year when we can fully develop our student voice and create something really ambitious and exceptional. We are committed to this in our School Improvement Plan and I want to ensure that we develop systems which provide ways for students to channel their views on current issues, including safety and violence against women and girls, as well as giving them a voice in the way we lead the school.</p>			
Wednesday 1 September 2021 to Friday 17 December 2021	<p>I know that many of you have been frustrated by the COVID restrictions and the impact this has had on your daughters, particularly the limitations on freedom of movement in school and on extra-curricular activities.</p>			
Start of Autumn Term Wednesday 1st September	<p>This term, staff have worked diligently to ensure that educational visits and other extra-curricular activities have gone ahead wherever possible, with COVID risk assessments, and I know, from</p>			
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talking to them and hearing from you, how much your daughters have enjoyed and benefited from these. Our School Improvement Plan also includes a commitment to developing extra-curricular activities in order to develop the girls' wellbeing and cultural capital. We already have a number of drama trips planned for next year and a range of lunchtime and after-school clubs should be underway by the end of September. I know that many of you have sent your daughters to the school because of our vision of creating well-rounded young women who can take advantage of the many educational and residential visits which we usually run. We are hopeful that we can again develop this vital element of their education on our return.

We are planning to return to the traditional school day in September and we have included details of this below, as well as an outline of arrangements for the start of term. However, as you will have read in the media, the return to 'normality' looks uncertain and we will update you at the end of August, in case there are any changes to our current plans.

I would also like to take this opportunity to thank and say farewell to a number of staff who are leaving the school this year:

- Ms Kennedy, Deputy Headteacher
- Ms Jean-Baptiste, Assistant Associate Headteacher
- Ms Hallas, SENCo/Head of LLD
- Ms Nunn, Literacy Coordinator
- Ms Slaughter, Data Manager
- Ms Bloomer, Learning Support Assistant
- Ms Amedro, Foreign Language Assistant
- Mr de Prado Pino, Foreign Language Assistant
- Ms Perrin, Youth Worker

Despite the challenges of the last two terms, I have really enjoyed getting to know your daughters and talking to them about their ideas for the school and society. I hope to be able to meet more of you who are parents and carers face-to-face in the coming months. I want to take this opportunity to wish you all a happy and healthy summer break and I look forward to seeing your daughters again in the Autumn term.



Ms H Marriott
Headteacher

School Day for September:

8.45	Registration/ tutor time (25 minutes)
9:10	Period 1
10:10	Period 2
11:10	Break
11:30	Period 3
12:30	Lunch
1:30	Period 4
2:30	Period 5

Arrangements for the Autumn term:

As you will be aware, the Department for Education have asked all schools to administer lateral flow tests on site to all students prior to their return to school, resulting in a slightly delayed start to the term. We have prioritised year groups taking GCSE courses and the new year 7s who have missed their induction programme this summer. A letter outlining exact timings of the tests for your child will be sent out nearer the time. There is also a permission form to be completed by parents / carers. Students will come to school for their appointment time and leave immediately afterwards in order that we can safely identify any positive cases prior to all students being in school.

The arrangements will be as follows:

Start of Term September 2021

Wednesday 1st September - INSET DAY

School opens for staff. No students.

Thursday 2nd September - COVID testing

Students return as follows:

08.30 – 11.00	Testing for Year 7
11.30 – 12.30	Testing for Year 11 WSF
12.30 – 14.00	Testing for Year 11 GCH
14.00 – 16.00	Testing for Year 10

Exact timings for form groups will be confirmed in a separate email.

Friday 3rd September - COVID Testing

08.30 – 11.30	Testing for Year 9
11.30 – 13.30	Testing for Year 8 a

Exact timings for form groups will be confirmed in a separate email.

Years 7, 10 and 11 who have a negative test will be in lessons; years 8 and 9 will come into school for tests and then leave immediately afterwards.

School Day for years 7, 10 and 11

Year 7:

- Arrival at 8.30 - main entrance on Church Hill
- Students to be in tutor groups by 8.45
- Depart: 3.30
- Girls will spend the morning with tutor groups, getting to know each other, and becoming familiar with timetables and school routines. There will be an extended lunch, and some lessons afterwards

Years 10 and 11:

- Girls will arrive at 8.50 at the main entrance on Church Hill
- 9.00: tutor groups
- Depart: 3.30
- The day will consist of an extended tutor time, issuing of timetables, assembly, lunch and lessons. Students do not require subject books but should bring their pencil case

Monday 6th September: Induction / PSHE Day

We had originally intended to hold an Induction Day for year 7 and a PSHE day for other year groups on their first day back but this is not now possible because of the testing arrangements. We are therefore postponing the activities until Monday 6th September so that all students can benefit.

Activities will run according to the usual school day (8.45 - 3.30). Please note that students should arrive ten minutes beforehand so they can be ready and in their classrooms by 8.45.

Year 7:

The day is designed to enable careful induction which covers team building, friendships, inclusive relationships, celebrating difference and how to manage disagreements. Additionally, there will be learning about online behaviours, risks, consequences and how to manage this safely. The learning will be led by tutors.

Years 8 – 11:

During the student consultation on the new Healthy Relationships and Sexual Education Programme of Learning, students expressed concerns about missed learning. This day is being used to focus on PSHE and missed learning using lessons from the previous year's Scheme of Learning, which students have expressed are vital.

Tuesday 7th September: Timetabled lessons - Week A

National Tree Week

National tree week takes place from 28 November to 6 December 2021, during this time we are encouraging children to plant their trees in their own back garden, communal garden, or school grounds. Planting a tree:

- reduces CO₂
- creates natural habitats for animals and insects
- helps with cleaning air

Making a safer, greener, and cleaner Waltham forest now for the future.

Waltham Forest are offering free trees for schools and families to support this initiative. Individual families can apply for their own tree to plant in their back garden by following this link:

<https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/content/help-tackle-climate-crisis-and-protect-futures-national-tree-week>

There are a range of small good quality trees to choose from, all recommended by the woodland trust, including:

- Blackthorn
- Bird cherry
- Wild cherry
- Crab apple
- Hawthorn
- Hazel
- Holly
- Rowan

We will be announcing sites where children can get involved in planting later on in the year if you don't have a garden or space to plant.

Before planting the tree please get permission from the landowner.

Requests for trees must be received by the end of July, ready to be collected by residents in November.

Lara's design will be displayed as part of the Design Ventura 2020 Exhibition at the Design Museum, London until 22 August.

<https://designmuseum.org/exhibitions/design-ventura-2020>

Ms Healy and Mr Streader
ADT Faculty





Target Oxbridge is a free programme that aims to help black African and Caribbean students and students of mixed race with black African and Caribbean heritage increase their chances of getting into the Universities of Oxford or Cambridge (known collectively as Oxbridge). Since launching in 2012, Target Oxbridge has helped over 200 students to secure Oxbridge offers.

Doing the Target Oxbridge program was a really beneficial experience. It changed a lot of my thoughts on what it was like to attend Oxford and Cambridge. The four sessions covered a lot of different topics like what it is like to attend universities, student life, the costs of studying and the demographic of students at the university. It had taught me a lot of useful information; I didn't know how the university system was structured until I did this program! Personally, seeing a lot of people who came from similar backgrounds to myself was something I found quite special and gave me a lot of motivation for me to attend either university. It went into extensive depth about the kind of applications colleges hold in high regard and the best A-level combination to go into medicine or law. Overall, it is an experience I would definitely recommend applying to.

Amal 10H





UEFA EURO Sudoku Week 4 - WINNERS

Congratulations to the following students who won the final EURO Sudoku challenge:

Miray 8F

Nusaybah 9H

That is the end of EURO Sudoku 2020!

Look out for more competitions during the World Cup 2022!

Ms Robinson

Maths Faculty/Challenge Coordinator

Lost Property

Please make sure all clothing, including P.E. kits, are clearly labelled. Blazers should be named with labels or in indelible pen.

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**.

All lost property will be removed from the box on the last day of term.

Ms Jolliffe

Student Services



Children of the Periapt: Escape from Elmsmere

By Cimone O'Byrne

Former WSfG Science teacher Cimone O'Byrne has written and published a book, *Children of the Periapt: Escape from Elmsmere*. Here she tells a little of her background and how she became a writer:

At the tender age of 10 I published my first short story. Peter the Protractor was a big hit in the year 5 maths class, and I received a crinkly £10 note for my troubles. OK, so it was a school competition, but it was a win in my eyes. And more importantly it sparked my interest in writing, and from then on when anyone asked what I was going to be when I grew up I said, an Authoress.

Fast-forward 31 years, and maybe the term Authoress is a bit outdated, but my passion for writing still holds strong.

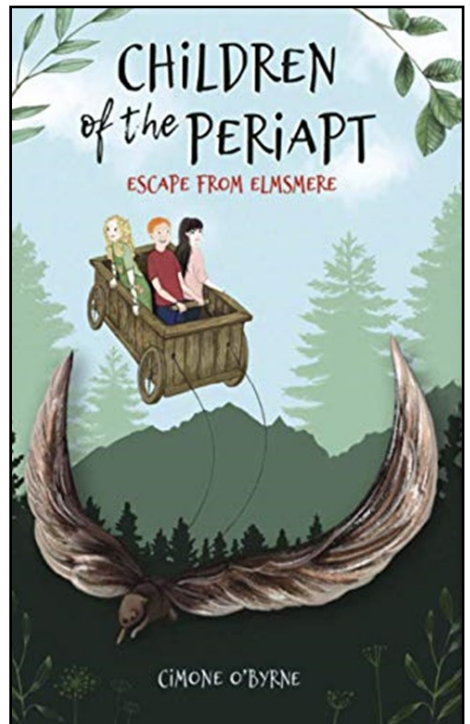
I'm 41 with 2 children, 2 dogs, 1 husband (that's all I can manage!) and a full time job, but I am determined to publish the book that has taken me the best part of 10 years to write.

I've finally finished my book... phew.....and am currently going through the self-publishing route, and as part of that have decided to create a website and blog to map out my journey.

I've read a lot of blogs as part of my own journey, and hope that my blog can provide some motivation, support or information for people who are planning to pick up a pen and write their first book.

For further information on the author and other publications follow this link:

<https://youtu.be/SziGN1-8ShI>



School History

Here is a well written and atmospheric piece from the Iris December 1957, about a music trip to Chislehurst Caves, in south-east London. The caves were used as an air-raid shelter during World War II and in the 1960's on a Friday night bands like The Rolling Stones, Jimi Hendrix and local boy David Bowie played there.

Mrs Kelly
LRC.



A Visit to Chislehurst Caves

From the exterior of the caves the effect was cacophonous but as we entered the maze of chalk-walled tunnels it was resolved into its component parts: the throbbing of double basses, the strumming of innumerable guitars, the wail of a lone saxophone or clarinet, the blare of trumpets and the harsh sound of the voices of male vocalists. At intervals, in the wall, there were hollows, in which a jazz band or a skiffle group had set itself up; candles placed on the chalk walls cast an eerie, mellow light, and all around the group shadowy figures jived, their lithe bodies beating out the rhythm.

The whole atmosphere was one of carefreeness and unity in the enjoyment of the music, an atmosphere which seemed to belong to another world; and as we left the caves we seemed to be going from one world to another; the individual sounds merged together and reverberated like tube-trains passing through a tunnel until all became silent as we passed from the world of teenage enjoyment to the world of strife outside.

Marilyn Hatch, VI.

Free Summer STEM Programme Outbox 2021

This August, Stemettes will be virtually bringing together women and nonbinary people with an interest in STEM to meet/play/learn and most of all have fun!

Across four weeks of daily sessions, group work and downtime, they will work on STEM projects or if they're over 16, professional certifications in Python & Cyber.

The programme will take place 3rd - 27th August, Tuesdays through to Fridays. There will be three age streams: Junior (7-11), Connect (12-15) and Academy (16-21).

We will start considering applications from Friday 9th July.

Click on the link below to hear from students who took part in Outbox 2020:

<https://stemettes.org/2020outbox/>

Ms Healy
STEM Coordinator



The graphic is a vibrant teal square with white and yellow text and icons. At the top left is the 'STEMettes' logo. The main text reads 'Looking for something fun to do this summer?' in a mix of blue and yellow fonts. Below this, it says 'August 3rd - 27th'. A large black arrow points from the text 'Looking for something fun to do this summer?' towards a central photo of two young women smiling. To the right of the photo is a yellow button that says 'Apply Now'. Below the photo is the URL 'stemettes.org/outbox/' and the hashtag '#Outbox2021'. To the right of the photo is a circular inset showing a young girl at a computer, with the text 'Ages 7 - 21' below it. At the bottom right is a circular logo for 'Outbox Programme 2021' with three stars.

STEMettes

Looking for something fun to do this summer?

August 3rd - 27th

Apply Now

stemettes.org/outbox/
#Outbox2021

Ages 7 - 21

Outbox
Programme
2021



**London Youth Games
Road Cycling Competition.**

The Waltham Forest Feel Good team are looking for riders to represent the borough in the upcoming London Youth Games Road Cycling Competition.

The event will take place on Saturday 14th August 2021 on the road circuit at the Lee Valley Velopark in Stratford, E20 3AB.

If you live or go to school in the borough of Waltham Forest and are born after 1st January 2005, you are eligible to register for this event.

If you have Time Trial and Road Race Cycling experience and would like to represent the borough in the competition, please get in touch with us at:

Feel.Good@walthamforest.gov.uk



Councillor Grace Williams
Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families



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Date: 30th June 2021

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Free Waltham Forest Summer Holiday Activities

The school summer holidays are quickly approaching and in Waltham Forest we have lots of activities on offer to children and young people.

As part of the government's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme all children aged between 5-16 years old who are eligible for free school meals are able to book a free place on a variety of fun activities which include sports, music, arts and other exciting opportunities to learn and develop skills. Children will also be provided with a nutritious daily meal.

To find out more information about all the activities on offer and to book a place for your child, please visit www.walthamforrest.gov.uk/holidays.

If you have any queries regarding the holiday activity programme and would like to speak to us, please call 020 8496 3000

Childcare:

For those of you who will be working over the summer holidays please be aware that if you are eligible for Universal Credit you may also be able to claim back up to 85% of your childcare costs. Please visit [Help With Childcare Costs](http://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs) (gov.uk) to find out more.

If you need further support with finding childcare in Waltham Forest, please do contact us by email childcare@walthamforest.gov.uk or call us on 020 8496 3566.

We wish you a healthy and happy school holiday,

Kind regards,

Councillor Grace Williams
Cabinet Member for Children, Young People & Families



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SUMMER OF FUN

2021

Are you aged between 5-16? Do you live or go to school in Waltham Forest?



- ★ This Summer we have a wide range of free exciting activities across the borough for you to enjoy during the summer holidays.
- ★ The sessions will provide you opportunities to try new activities, learn new skills, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day.
- ★ Throughout the summer you can try a wide range of holiday clubs
- ★ All activities will take place between 26 July – 20 August 2021

FREE activities
Booking is essential

To book your place and find out more – www.walthamforest.gov.uk/holidays
Booking is essential on all activities so book early to avoid disappointment

For queries please call 020 8496 3000 and ask for Waltham Forest Holiday Activity Programme.



Waltham Forest

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Step Into Dance Royal Academy of Dance



-Ambassador Scheme

The Step into Dance Ambassador Scheme provides talented and enthusiastic young people with the opportunity to learn new skills that will equip them to support a range of events, projects and performances we run throughout the academic year.

Through a series of regular training sessions, the scheme offers practical classes in a range of different dance styles & explores careers within dance the industry. Young people will develop their leadership skills and gain confidence in public, all whilst completing the Bronze Arts Award.

Students can apply online now using our [application form](#)

-Step Companies

Students can also apply to attend a free audition workshop for one of our Step Companies, who meet every Sunday during term time at Royal Academy of Dance Headquarters. Our companies offer a more serious experience, reflecting the professional expectations students will encounter if they continue to train in dance. Of course they'll also have fun, perform, meet friends, and benefit from the positive physical and mental health outcomes we know dance provides!

We are currently recruiting dancers for two companies:

Street:

An exciting company opening up the rich and diverse art form of street dance and offering weekly training in its many techniques and principles.

Contemporary:

Focusing on contemporary dance techniques this company offers the opportunity to build skills and confidence in a range of techniques, including floor-based work and release, and to develop artistry.

Audition workshops will take place at RAD headquarters on **Sunday 26 September**, and students can [register to attend](#) now.

Royal Academy of Dance
36 Battersea Square
London

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Chingford
Cricket Club

Chingford Cricket Club

'Forest Side' ground, Kimberley Way, Chingford E4 6DE

Summer Cricket Camp



Tuesday 3 August – Thursday 26 August

Bowling practice

Fielding practice

Girl-only sessions

**First week
FREE**

Batting practice

Hardball and soft ball

Net practice

Male and Female ECB qualified coaches

	Tuesdays	Thursdays
10am – 12.30pm	Boys & Girls 6 – 9 years Boys 10 – 13 years	Boys 6 – 9 years Girls 6 – 14 years
Lunch Break		
1.30pm – 4.00pm	Boys 14-19 years	Boys 10 - 13 years 14 - 19 years



**From 10th August each
session only £10**



**No booking required, just turn up! For more info contact
Hassan Malik on 07951 242393 or email**

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Based at the Greek Theatre, Walthamstow School for Girls, Walthamstow, London, the Greek Theatre Players have been producing Open Air Shakespeare since 1958.

2021 PRODUCTION

[The Taming of the Shrew](#)

Purchase your tickets on the door.

Tickets are not sold in advance.

Ticket prices: £10 for adults, £8 for over 60s and £5 for students.

There is disabled access.

Gates open 40 minutes before the performance is due to start.

Never been before? [Click here to find out more](#)

<https://www.greektheatreplayers.co.uk/the-greek-experience-1>

Interested in **auditioning**? See the website for details

PERFORMANCES

Wednesday 18th August - Saturday 21st August 2021

Wednesday 18th August - Friday 20th August 2021

Greek Theatre, Walthamstow

7.30 p.m.

Saturday 21st August 2021

Greek Theatre, Walthamstow

3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.



**Greek Theatre
 Players**

www.greektheatreplayers.co.uk

School Calendar Dates for 2021-2022

Autumn Term 2021

- Wednesday 1 September 2021 to Friday 17 December 2021
- **Wednesday 1st September** **INSET DAY** School opens for staff.
No students.
- **Thursday 2nd September**
Students return as follows:
Covid Testing

08.30 – 11.00	Testing for Year 7 at 20-minute intervals
11.30 – 12.30	Testing for Year 11 WSF
12.30 – 14.00	Testing for Year 11 GCH
14.00 – 16.00	Testing for Year 10
- **Friday 3rd September**
Covid Testing

08.30 – 11.30	Testing for Year 9 at 20-minute intervals
11.30 – 13.30	Testing for Year 8 at 20-minute intervals

08.30 - 3.30	Year 7
9.00 - 3.30	Year 10
9.00 - 3.30	Year 11
- **Monday 6th September** All students start their normal timetable, on **Week A**.

Students need to be in school in time to be in their tutor room **by 8.45am** when the register is taken.
- **Tuesday 7th September** All students start their normal timetable, on **Week A**.
Students need to be in school in time to be in their tutor room **by 8.45am** when the register is taken.
- Half Term: Monday 25 October 2021 to Friday 29 October 2021