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9 November 2018

Week 'A'

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| SCHOOL CALENDAR |
| Autumn Term 2018 |
| End Friday 21st December 2018 |
| Sunday 11th November |
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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers

Monday morning saw the start of the GCSE mock examination period for our Year 11 students; the students have been revising hard and gaining valuable exam experience in preparation for the summer exams. Their behaviour has been exemplary. On Tuesday evening we met with the parents and carers of this year group to share information on the year ahead whilst on Thursday, parents and carers of Year 10 students came into school to meet with their daughters' subject tutors to discuss their progress and attitude to work. Thank you to all the staff involved.

On Monday evening a group of our Year 10 Spanish students were invited to Forest School to see a Spanish play *El Viejo Salón*. The students thoroughly enjoyed the play, a comedy Western set in a saloon, which was an excellent opportunity for them to try out their Spanish comprehension skills.

Also on Monday evening the Year 9 basketball team played their first game against Forest School. It was an incredibly close game but our girls fought until the last second of the match and won 24-22! Congratulations to *Rebeca* (9F) (awarded player of the match), *Arani, Sylvie, and Jai-Ming* (9F), *Roya and Jessica* (9W), *Deja and Morenike* (9H) and *Molly* (9G). The team have only one year's experience at basketball but play very well as a team, work hard and never give up until the final whistle has blown. On Tuesday evening the Year 9 football league kicked off. WSFG made an excellent start to the league by winning matches against Highams Park 9-0 and Holy Family College 3-0. Well done to *Julia, Siwan and Deja* (9H), *Jessica* (9F), *Molly, Sylvie and Grace* (9G), *Jessica, Carma and Roya* (9W).

As part of our Teaching School offer, earlier this week we led training for a number of Primary teachers who were interested to see how literacy is approached here at WSFG.

Box Clever Theatre Company visited the school on Tuesday to deliver the first of two workshops to Year 9 students. Students are working to develop a sequel to *The Hate Play*, which the company performed in school before half term. In the evening there was another Drama workshop for students in Year 10, this was in preparation for a visit to *Measure for Measure* on Thursday evening.

Year 9 students have indeed had a busy week, as the whole year group visited our local cinema to see the film *Maze Runner; the Death Cure*. This provided them with the stimulus to produce a film review. The film formed part of the Into Film's Youth Film Festival which has been running this month. Thank you to the English faculty for organising this.

On Wednesday we celebrated Diwali with a beautiful lunch in the Dining Hall. The menu included: onion and vegetable bhaji, spinach sag aloo, chicken curry and poppadums, biryani rice, salad raita, chutney mango onion salad and rice pudding ladoo.

The Borough of Waltham Forest will be commemorating the centenary of the end of the first World War on Sunday morning and some of our students and staff will be involved in the memorial ceremony. As part of the Remember Together joint project WSFG has been working on with Eden Girls' School, our students have been invited to join the parade from the William Morris Gallery to the Town Hall and to lay the wreaths they made during the project at the war memorial as part of the remembrance service. The project has also been covered by the BBC, Radio Asia, with our own Mr Morrow being interviewed. You may have seen this on the front cover of last week's local paper. Please see page 3 for more details of the project.

A reminder that our Alumnae Committee is holding a fundraising Quiz Night on the evening of Thursday 15th November. The last one was well attended and a lot of fun. You are welcome to attend-please see page 13 for details.

Meryl Davies
Headteacher

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The Remembrance Day parade will set off from William Morris Gallery at 10.30am on Sunday. Parents, carers, staff and students are welcome to come along and support the girls.



'Remember Together' at Eden Girls School

This year marks 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 Year 9

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.

Ornela Year 9

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 Year 9



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 *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.*).



Focus of the Fortnight
5th – 16th November 2018
Punctuality to School

Dear Parents / Carers,

The school values good habits and being on time is an excellent habit to form. 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 they 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. K.H.Pratt
Assistant Headteacher

The Sanctions

- If your daughter is late to school (traffic is NOT a good reason), she will be given a 10 minute detention at the end of that day with her Tutor.
(See page of the 3 Student Planner)
- If she is late x2 times in a week, she will be given a half hour detention with her SPL. You will be informed of this detention.
- If she is late x3 or more times in a week, she will be given an hour's detention with Ms. Pratt. You will be informed of this detention.
- Once she reaches x8 lates, she will be placed on a 2 week punctuality report by Ms. King. Her punctuality will be closely monitored and you as her Parents/ Carers will be informed of any improvements. She will also be rewarded if she improves her punctuality.
- **Remember** - being on time is a good habit to form!

Community Christmas Party.

Dear Parents and Carers,

Each year at WSFG we host a community Christmas party. This is a very special event which is really important to us when the whole school comes together to organise a celebration with food, gifts and entertainment for the elderly members of our community. We like to show them how much we appreciate and value them and to make sure they have a good time with some great company.

This year, our community party will take place on the afternoon of Tuesday 11th December.

We are starting to organise the event and to send out invitations to our elderly guests.

If you have any elderly relatives, neighbours, friends or contacts who you would like to invite, please provide us with their full name(s) and address(es) so that we can contact them. This could be via phone (020 8509 9446) email (info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk) or via your daughter(s).

Additionally, if you have any unwanted (brand new) gifts that we could offer our guests, please send them to the Humanities office via your daughter(s). Last year was one of our best ever community parties and, with your support, we'd like to make sure this year is even more memorable.

Thank you.

Ms Philippou
Assistant Headteacher



Christmas Card Competition 2018

Deadline 16th November

Design a Christmas Card based on a woman artist of your choice- you can use any of these as inspiration



Angie Lewin



Yayoi Kusama



Lubna Chowdhary



Gillian Ayres

All entries to Ms Royds by the closing date

Faculty News

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The Alex Timpson Trust – Helping Children to Shine

Alex Timpson MBE died in January 2016. In tribute to Alex and the huge contribution she made to championing the rights of looked after children, the Timpson family has established a new charity in her honour – the Alex Timpson Trust.

Official Company Charity

From October 2017, the Alex Timpson Trust is the official company charity of the Timpson Group. The charity's main aim is to help schools better respond to the emotional needs of looked after (fostered and adopted) children.

The trust offers free literature aiming to enlighten foster carers, inform educators and engage the wider public about supporting children with Attachment needs.

There are also opportunities for foster families to attend free holidays.

For more information visit a Timpson store or go online at: <https://www.timpson-group.co.uk/alex-timpson-trust/>

Ms C Wallace

Designated Teacher for Looked After Students

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Art

Here are 8W's responses to Andy Goldsworthy's land Art based on patterns in nature. Students showed excellent team work and determination to make their pattern as part of a nature project.

Ms Wills
Head of Art



MFL

Urdu trip to the British Museum– The Islamic World

Our Year 11 students' have given their thoughts on the British Museum Trip.

The Urdu trip to the British Museum was really good. We went to see the opening of The Islamic World exhibition. The best bit was when we went to the female panel, and saw the contributions to Islamic Poetry.

I enjoyed it because we got to learn about the Muslim Womens' past. The one thing that I found mesmerising was one of the women there converted and she got 'hate' for it. I would love to go again. It was good that it was in the evening.



Muskan 11G, Halima 11H

Ms Yasin

Urdu Teacher

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Challenge News

Simon Singh's Parallel Maths Project

A great opportunity to stretch and challenge your brain every week!

Register for FREE and start straight away.

<https://parallel.org.uk/>

Write a review or create a piece of artwork, inspired by your experience and hand to Ms Robinson by the end of November for a chance to win a copy of one of Simon's popular maths books..

parallel
by Simon Singh

Welcome to the Parallel Maths Project!
Be challenged, get curious, do maths.
Stretch your brain every week.

Dr Simon Singh, author of the New York Times bestseller *Big Bang* and *The Simpsons and Their Mathematical Secrets*, has created a set of weekly maths challenges. Each is a mix of interesting, fun and challenging material for gifted and talented school maths, secondary and tertiary, activities and puzzles, games and problems. (What Children, the challenges will take a bit longer.)

- Sign up and each week on Thursday you will receive a PDF challenge, or weekly set of maths challenges.
- It's FREE to sign up and all the material you offer are FREE!
- There will be an account, you can get a lot of what you offer by just clicking on

Debate Chamber Summer Schools – Includes Medicine, Dentistry, Computer Science, Art History, Philosophy, History, Politics, Law, Economics, Physics and English Literature

The Debate Chamber is running a number of Summer Schools next year. Have a look at this website to find out more. There is also some information on the Challenge Board.

It is possible to apply for a bursary to cover the cost.

<https://debatechamber.com/summerschools/>

Feedback from students who have attended Debate Chamber courses in the past has always been very positive.

TED Ed Club Launch – For Year 7, delivered by Year 10

Last month, the TED Ed Club was launched by three students in Year 10 (*Elif, Tulin and V*) They had planned activities for Year 7 to help them get to know each other and to develop their confidence in speaking to the group.

The Year 10s had worked hard to put together an engaging first session and the feedback from Year 7 was very positive.

There will be several sessions over the year, where the participants will learn about and practise using different techniques to help deliver passionate, engaging and memorable talks. A number of guests will be invited to attend the sessions and the year will culminate in an event where the participants will deliver their own TED style talks. It is not too late to get involved. See *Elif, Tulin or V* if you would like more information.



If you are not familiar with TED talks, a good start would be to watch the most popular TED talk of all time, by Sir Ken Robinson 'Do schools kill creativity?'

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=iG9CE55wbtY>

Ms Robinson
Challenge Coordinator

College Roadshow
Thursday 13 December 2018:
6pm to 7:30pm

During this term students in Year 11 will be receiving information about continuing their education after they leave this school. Over the last few years more and more students have chosen to go to colleges/sixth form schools to extend their skills and qualifications. At the present time the number of job vacancies for school leavers is small. Employers increasingly prefer applicants with a good variety of skills, abilities and interests. Continuing education is one way of increasing these.

Our College Roadshow is an excellent opportunity to meet and discuss options with established providers of A Levels, BTECs and Apprenticeships. At least 25 stall holders will offer guidance and information about courses, University options, required GCSEs and job opportunities for Post 16 year olds.

We hope as many students as possible, accompanied by their parents/carers, will be able to attend this event.

Mr Shackson
Assistant Headteacher

SIXTH FORM /COLLEGE OPEN EVENINGS

City and Islington Sixth Form College

Our Sixth Form College Open Day this year will be on **Saturday 10 November from 10-3pm.**

All bookings will be by appointment and the online booking system will open in the next few weeks on our website. All visiting students must be accompanied by an adult.

Our applications deadline for A Levels is 31st January 2019. However, we enrol students in September in the order in which they applied, so early applications are encouraged. Again – the online applications system will open in a few weeks' time. City and Islington Sixth Form College, 283-309 Goswell Rd, EC1V 7LA.

Tel: 020 7520 0608

www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sixth-form-college-open-day-tickets-49336332298

WALTHAMSTOW SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

ALUMNAE FUNDRAISING QUIZ NIGHT

Thursday 15th November 2018

7.00 p.m. (doors open at 6.30pm)

PLEASE USE CAR PARK ENTRANCE IN WOODBERRY ROAD

Tickets £5.00 per person in advance

Tickets £7.00 on the door

Adults only - open to staff, parents,
alumnae and friends over 18

Bring YOUR own food and drink

Tables of eight

Booking essential

To book a place please contact

Lesley Winter on: 020 8509 9410

Or email: lwinter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

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Saturday 17 November 2018, 7.30pm

Walthamstow Assembly Hall, Forest Road, E17 4JF

London Forest Choir and South West Essex Choir

Choristers from **Chingford Parish Church** and **Waltham Forest
Forest Philharmonic orchestra**

Jonathan Rathbone, Andrew Sackett and Mike Emerson *conductors*
Cheryl Enever *soprano*

Andrew Mackenzie-Wicks *tenor*
Quentin Hayes *baritone*

The event will also feature an exhibition and talk –
please visit the websites below for more details.

**£14–£18 in advance,
£16–£20 on the door
Concessions (students
and benefit recipients)**

£8–£10; children £3

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Community Events

Friday 9 November, Stow Film lounge present Jailhouse rock (1957, cert PG)

Plus 50/60s Karaoke & DJ Slick Nick, Walthamstow Trades Hall 61-63 Tower Hamlets Road E17 4QR, Unique blend of film, vintage karaoke and dancing all in one event. Doors open 7pm film 8pm karaoke & DJ 10pm. Closes at 12am. Tickets £10. Stowfilmlounge.com

Saturday 10 November, Remembering 2500 Lives, St Mary's Church Church End Walthamstow E17 9RL. Place a poppy along our church yard path commemorating 2500 soldiers from Walthamstow who died in the world war one. Free.

Stmaryswalthamstow.org

Saturday 10 November, E17 Designers' Winter Market, Waltham Forest Community Hub 18a Orford Road E17 9LN. Wide range of gifts from 25 makers 10.30-3.30pm. Free. E17designers.co.uk

Saturday 10 November, Popup Vintage Fair, Walthamstow Assembly Hall, Forest Road E17 4JD. Over 50 vintage stalls 12-5pm £2 NUS £1 . Popupvintagefairs.co.uk

Saturday 10 November, Stow Film Lounge presents Paddington 2 (2017 cert PG) CentrE17, 1 Church Hill E17 3AB. Doors for crafts 10.30am film 11am online tickets kids £6.70, adults £5.10 (crafts package) on the door kids £ 5.50 adults £4.00 film only Stowfilmlounge.com

Sunday 11 November, Present Dunkirk (2017 cert12a). Mirth Marvel and Muad 186 Hoe street E17 4QH, Doors open 2.15pm, Tickets on the door £7. Stowfilmlounge.com

Friday 16 November, Candlelit tales St Mary's Church, Church End E17 9RL 45 minute tours very 15 minutes from 7.15-8.30pm. £4. Stmaryswalthamstow.org

Friday 16 November, Starlighters Presents One Night only. Waltham Forest Community Hub, 18a Orford Road E17 9LN. Starlighters Theatre company host for one night a musical fundraiser to showcase local talent. All proceeds to the Walthamstow toy library and Waltham Forest Community Hub. 7.30-10pm £10, wfchub.org

School Calendar Dates 2018-2019

Autumn Term 2018

Monday 3rd September to Friday 21st December 2018

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| Tuesday 27th November | Year 8 Parent/Carer information evening 6-7pm |
| Monday 3rd December | Staff inset day school closed to students |
| Thursday 6th December | Presentation Evening |
| Tuesday 11 th December | Early school closure at 2.30pm for Community Party |
| Thursday 13th December | College roadshow 6-7.30pm Year 11 |
| Thursday 20th December | Christmas Carol Concert |

Spring Term 2019

Monday 7th January 2019 to Friday 5th April 2019

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| Tuesday 9th January | Year 9 options evening |
| Thursday 31st January | Year 11 Parent/Carer subject evening 4.30- 6pm |
| Thursday 7th March | Year 9 Parent/Carer subject evening 4.30- 6pm |
| Thursday 21st March | Year 8 Parent/Carer subject evening 4.30- 6pm |

Half Term: Monday 18th February to Friday 22nd February 2019

Summer Term 2019

Tuesday 23rd April 2019 to Friday 19th July 2019

May Bank holiday Monday 6th May

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| Thursday 9th May | Year 7 Parent/Carer subject evening 4.30- 6pm |
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Half Term: Monday 27th May 2019 to Friday 31st May 2019