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SCHOOL CALENDAR

15 November 2019

Autumn Term 2019 Ends

Friday 20 December 2019

Monday 11 November -Friday 6 December

Year 11 Mocks Examinations

Thursday 21 November

Year 9 Parent/ Carer Subject Evening 4:30–7pm

Monday 9 December School closed

all day

Tuesday 10
December
Early school

Early school closure at 2.30pm for Community Party

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HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Carers,

Our Year 11 students have begun their written GCSE mock exams this week; they have conducted themselves so well despite the inevitable stress examinations engender. They have made us all feel very proud-no one more so than their SPL, Ms Jean-Baptiste.

Our Year 7 students had cause for celebration on Tuesday. The Year 7 Football League began at the Peter May Centre. Our team won all three games they played, which is a fantastic achievement. Well done and congratulations to the team- and to their coach, Ms Wood.

On Tuesday, the Private View for 'View from the Art Room', an exhibition by our resident Art Teacher Ms Hepworth was held, with many wonderful paintings of our school and students on display. The exhibition is open this Sunday at Gnome House by Blackhorse Road tube station.

On Wednesday, our former Year 11 student Steel Pan Band members took part in rehearsals throughout the day ahead of their performance for the Music for Youth Proms at the Royal Albert Hall. Our former students were joined by three of our current Year 11 students, *V*, *Gaby* and *Emine*. It was a tiring day for our students but a great experience for them as they raised the (very high) roof playing the pans, with particular praise for *Firdaous* for her solo vocal performance. Thank you to Mr Murphy and Ms Bradshaw for preparing and assisting our students, and for the staff who supported the event. See inside this issue for more details.

Whilst it has been a quiet end to the week for students, staff have been focused on reviews of their practice across both academic and pastoral faculties to ensure that our students are receiving the best possible education. They have also been busy with GCSE mock examination marking and reporting on the progress of their classes.

Meanwhile, Ms Bradshaw and a group of students are taking part in a workshop on Sunday morning. The WSfG A Cappella Choir was created last year and entered a competition which they are steadfastly preparing for – on Sunday, our students and Ms Bradshaw rose early to use the workshop to further develop their skills. If any members of our school community would like to purchase a ticket to the regional finals which the choir will be performing at on 12th January 2020, please follow this link:

https://www.thebroadwaybarking.com/sales/genres/community/jack-petchey---perfect-pitch

Wishing all a good weekend,

Meryl Davies Headteacher

Attendance Figures for October

Winners postcards for the month of October have been given to form groups.



Well done to 7S, 8C, 9G, 10S & 11H for being October winners.

Year to date winners so far are 7W & S, 8C, 9C, 10S & 11G.

Don't forget, winners for each term receive a form treat and 100% attenders receive a new star badge.

Ms King
Attendance & Pastoral Manager

Year 9 Parent/Carer Subject Evenings Thursday 21st November 4.30-7.00pm

Students in Year 9 will be making appointments between **4.30 and 7pm** with their subject teachers for a discussion on their progress

We encourage all Year 9 students and **their parents / carers or a family member** to attend this consultation evening to discuss their child's progress as well as strategies to help them achieve their full potential at Walthamstow School for Girls.

This is the only Year 9 parent/carer subject evening for the academic year, and so attendance is crucial to discuss your child's GCSE options. We look forward to seeing you.

Ms Warren SPL Year 9

College Roadshow Thursday 28th November 6 -7.30 pm

During this term, students in Year 11 will be receiving information about continuing their education after they leave Walthamstow School for Girls. 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 will be able to attend this event, accompanied by their parents/carers.

Mr Shackson Assistant Headteacher

WSFG Community Party 2019

Dear WSFG School Community,

Each year, we host a Community Party. This is a wonderful event where our whole school comes together to organise a Christmas Party for elderly members of our community. In recent years, we have hosted around 100 guests on each occasion!

As part of the celebration, we offer every guest a wrapped Christmas gift, delivered by our Year 7 elves. **We really need your help** in order to make this happen.

If you have any **NEW and UNWANTED gifts** that would be suitable for an elderly person, please ask your child to take it to the Humanities Faculty in school.

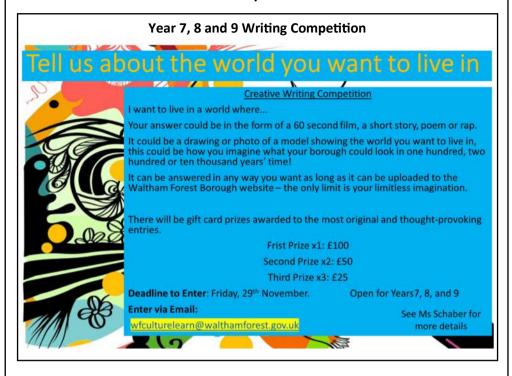
There will be more opportunities for students to help this event nearer the time.

Many thanks in advance for your kindness and generosity.

Ms M Philippou Assistant Headteacher



Faculty News



Music News

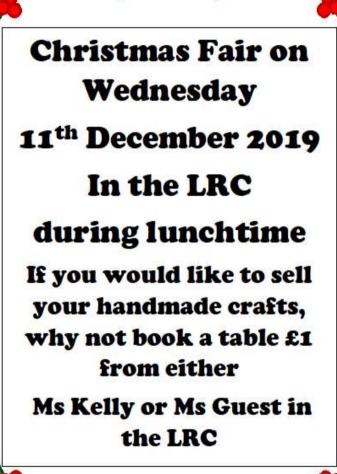
Year 7 Sharing Evening

Last Thursday, we held our third Year 7 Sharing Evening. The event took place in the Hewett Hall where each Year 7 Form Group performed a song that they had been working on in their music lessons. The theme of the event was 'Energy' and the repertoire included musical theatre and pop songs.

The evening also featured performances from Voice who sang 'Glory' as part of our Black History Month Celebrations and also from The Soundbreakers who performed 'Let Me Down' by Jorja Smith and Stormzy. The finale was 'You Can't Stop the Beat' from Hairspray which was performed by the whole of Year 7. Thank you to everyone who attended the event and well done to our Year 7s.

Ms Bradshaw

P.S. The School Christmas Carol service will be held at St Mary's Church, Thursday 12th December starting at 7pm. Details to follow.



PLEASE NOTE

BOOK YOUR TABLE BEFORE 30 NOVEMBER ALL ITEMS MUST BE HANDMADE

P.F. News

Year 8 Basketball

The Year 8 basketball team had their first game this week against Holy Family. They played extremely well and it was one of the closest games I have seen in a long time with our team winning 20-18!

Congratulations to the following students:

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8C (awarded Player of the Match) Debra Hannah 8C Aaminah 8C 8W Nell 8G Leigh Betty 8G Abida 8G Fadwa 8F

Ms Warren

Year 7 Football

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The Year 7 Football League kicked off this week at the Peter May Centre. The team played three games, winning all of them.

WSFG vs Highams Park 4 - 0 WSFG vs Holy Family 3 - 2 WSFG vs Buxton 2 - 1

Congratulations to the following students:

Aaliyah 7WFliza 7W Alice 7W 7F Samantha Sabrina 7F Miray 7F Sarah 7G Fadma 7G Chanelle 7G 7C Breanna



Ms Wood

WSFG at the Royal Albert Hall



Myself and three other members of staff were in the audience last night for the Music for Youth Proms at the Royal Albert Hall.

It was a superb concert, with a thousand young musicians from all over the country participating. The programme consisted of a wide range of musical styles, from western to classical to salsa to jazz to pop. The Steel Pans Band played two pieces brilliantly, with *Firdaous* raising the roof with a soulful rendition of 'Cry Me a River'. We were very proud.



Congratulations and thanks to Mr Murphy and Ms Bradshaw for the hard work and dedication that made this unforgettable experience possible.

Ms Cornford Head of Performing Arts

Below are comments from members of the audience:

I went to the RAH tonight for the MfY Prom - which was a great evening altogether. However, I have to say THE big moment of the evening was your performance of Cry Me A River - WOW!

Both performances of yours were gray and a wonderful contrast between them. Your ensemble, energy and focus were fabulous. I also need to say your singer's voice, face, feeling and total performance of 'Cry Me a River' was a musical highlight of my life. (And I've been a jazz and blues fan for 40 years and heard Ray Charles, James Brown and Etta Janes live). She fairly ripped my heart out with that performance - I don't think she'd have seen but she had a standing ovation from various people in a stand-out evening. If I were a music producer, I'd sign your singer on the spot - what a voice - what a performance. Thank you all.

Good morning

I am writing to say how fantastic your young ladies were last night performing at the MFY Proms! 'Cry Me A River' was great and then they went and topped that with 'Turn to Stone'. The energy they put into their performance was amazing.

They are a credit to you and should be extremely proud of themselves.

And from twitter:

"#MFYProms... Young people demanding to be heard - driving, energetic, urgent, passionate singing and playing across the programme. My favourite night of the year. Also, am I too old to play with @WalthamstoWSFG Steel Pans?



Firdaous raising the roof with a soulful rendition of 'Cry Me a River'.

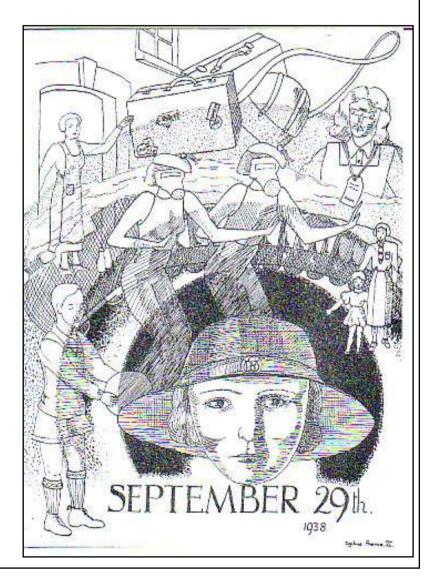


School History

Walthamstow County High Goes to War - Evacuation

Many Waltham Forest schools were evacuated during the second world war. The school was moved to Kettering and then on to Wellingborough. Below is a drawing by a student of the time Daphine Francis form VI.

Ms O Kelly LRC Manager





WSFG Friends Group Launch Event, Wednesday 20th November, Learning Resource Centre, 6pm.

Calling All Parents and Carers,

Would you like to get involved in a new WSFG Friends Group to meet other parents/carers, support the school and help raise funds for school projects?

If so, please come along to the Learning Resource Centre on **Wednesday 20th November at 6pm** and find out more.

Light refreshments will be provided.

Please let Lesley Winter know if you can come for catering purposes on **0208 509 4910** or email lwinter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

We regret we are unable to provide crèche facilities but if childminding is a problem, younger siblings are welcome.

Unable to attend?

Your ideas, suggestions and expertise are most welcome.

Send an email to Lesley Winter whose details are above, and we will be in touch.

We look forward to seeing you! Thank you for your support.

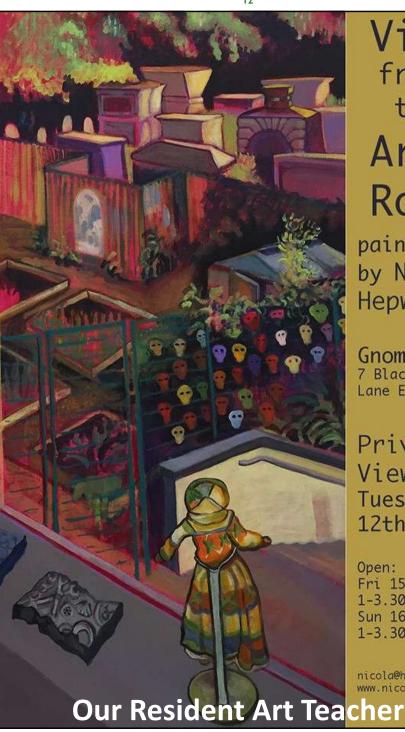
The Friends Committee

Quiz Night

We would like to thank all those who took part in the quiz night last week, we raised approximately £260 for school projects.

Special thanks go to Ms Jolliffe and her family for setting the questions, Ms Kelly as compère, the site team for setting out the tables and the committee for their time. Watch this space for future events.





View from the Art Room

paintings by Nicola Hepworth

Gnome House 7 Blackhorse Lane E17 6DS

Private View: Tues Nov 12th 5-8pm

Open: Fri 15th Nov 1-3.30pm Sun 16th Nov 1-3.30pm

nicola@hepworth.email www.nicolahepworth.com

KS3 Science opportunities Franklin's Young Inventors

Please note: these events take place in Benjamin Franklin House (London) and are run by their education department.

A Saturday science club for 11-14 year-olds Franklin's Young Inventors takes place every 2nd and 4th Saturday of the month (within term time) at Benjamin Franklin House.

The sessions run from 9.30am to 11.30am and are free to attend. Participants will be inspired by the breadth of Frankin's scientific curiosity and carry out experiments



to further their understanding of a range of core topics from the Key Stage 3 science curriculum. Please find further details of upcoming sessions below:

- Saturday 23 November Photosynthesis (Biology)
- Saturday 14 December Fuels and costs (Physics)
- Saturday 11 January Energy transfer (Physics)
- Saturday 25 January Forces (Physics)
- Saturday 8 February Sound (Physics)
- Saturday 29 February Balanced Diet (Biology)
- Saturday 14 March Skeleton (Biology)
- Saturday 28 March Muscles (Biology)

If you would like to find out more about the programme, please get in touch via e-mail education@benjaminfranklinhouse.org or by calling 02078392013.



Year 11 College Information

Revised 11.11.2019

Year 11 Student College Information Open Days/Evenings

Mossbourne (MCA)	Saturday 16th November	Times to be confirmed. Register at www.mossbourne.org	
ADA - National College for Digital Skills	Wednesday 20th November	5pm - 7.30pm - Contact ada.ac.uk/events	
Beal High School	Tuesday 11th February	5pm-6pm	
Brampton Manor	Weds 20th and Thurs 21st November	Register via link on website	
Caterham High School	Thursday 28th November (TBC)	To be confirmed	
Chingford Foundation	Thursday 16th January 2020	From 6.30pm	
City & Islington	Various times/days starting Weds 6th Nov	See website for full details	
Clapton Girls 6th Form Academy	Wednesday 20th November	A STATE OF THE STATE OF THE STATE OF	
Epping Forest/New City College	Sat 16th Nov & 28th Mar. Eve 27th Nov & 28th Feb	Sat from 11am. Open Evenings from 4pm	
Fashion Retail Academy	Sat: 23rd Nov; 8th Feb; 7th Mar; 6th June	Please check website or contact FRA direct	
Harris Academy Tottenham	Thursday 21st November	Check website for times	
Heathcote 6th Form	Thursday 16th January 2020	6pm -8.30pm	
Highams Park	Thursday 23rd January	6pm -8.30pm	
Lammas	Thursday 28th November	6pm -8.30pm	
Leyton 6th Form	Saturday 9th Nov & Saturday 8th February	10am - 1pm both days	
London Academy of Excellence (LAE)	Thursday 21st November	Register: www.laetotlenham.	
New Vic Newham	Saturday 25th Jan 2020	9.30am - 12.30pm: 9.30am - 12.30pm	
Seven Kings Ilford	Online applications November 2019	Closing Date 30th March 2020	
St Marylebone 6th Form	Thursday 21st November	4.30pm - 6.30pm	
The City Academy Hackney	Thursday 21st November	Register via link on website	
Valentines High School	Application Forms available on website	No information at present time	
Walthamstow Academy	Thursday 30th January	5pm - 7pm - This is provisional information	
Wanstead High School	Thursday 28th November	6pm -8pm	

Please note students are NOT ALLOWED to attend Open Days during the normal school day!



Skills London is the UK's biggest jobs and careers event for 15—24 year olds and their families, taking place on 15 and 16 November 2019 at ExCeL London. The event attracts over 33,000 visitors and 240 exhibitors including top employers, colleges, training providers and advisers.

This two-day event provides young people with the opportunity to find inspiration and make that life-changing connection, while enabling organisations to spark a connection with their future talent.

The event is free, just sign up for a ticket on the following link:

https://prospectsevents.co.uk/visit-skills-london-2019/?event=6



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National College for Digital Skills

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SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

WEDNESDAY 20 NOVEMBER 2019 5.00pm - 7.30pm

BTEC COMPUTER SCIENCE



ADDITIONAL SUBJECTS INCLUDE:

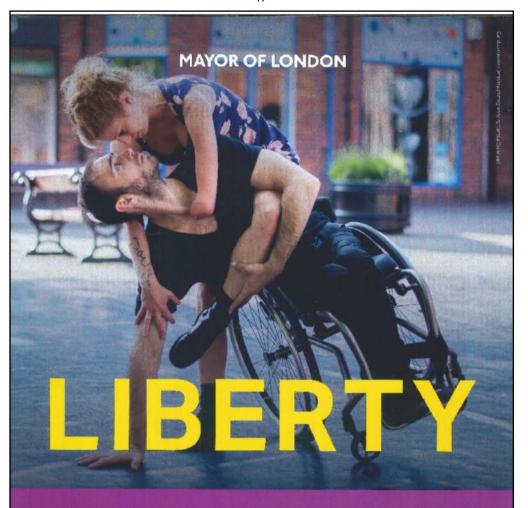
- Business Studies
- Further Maths
- Creative Digital Media
- Maths
- Graphic Communication
 Psychology

Register online at www.ada.ac.uk/events

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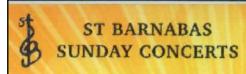
ADVICE EVENING



Tuesday 26th November 2019

4:30pm - 6:00pm

www.sgmc.ac.uk









Handel's



MESSIAH







MALLELUJAH!

Handel's 'Messiah' comes to Walthamstow Full Orchestra - Choirs - Exceptional Soloists Sing along to the famous 'Hallelujah Chorus'.

Sunday, November 24th, 2019, 4:00pm

St Barnabas Church, Walthamstow E17 8JZ

Admission: £12 (adult) £10 (concession/student) £5 (under 12)

Tickets at the door or online:

www.stbaranabassundayconcerts.weebly.com



School Calendar Dates 2019-2020

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Community Party

Thursday 12th December Christmas Carol Service St Mary's Church, 7pm.

Details to follow

Christmas holiday: Monday 23 December to Friday 3 January 2020

Spring Term

Monday 6 January to Friday 3 April

Thursday 23 January Year 11 Parent/Carer Evening 4:30–7pm

Thursday 6 February Year 9 Options Evening

Half Term: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February

Thursday 5 March Year 8 Parents/Carer Subject Evening 4:30–7pm

Thursday 26 March Year 10 Parent Carer Subject Evening 4:30–7pm

Easter Holiday Monday 6 April to Friday 17 April

Summer Term

Monday 20 April 2020 to Friday 17 July

Thursday 7 May Year 7 Parent Carer Subject Evening 4:30–7pm

Friday 8 May Exceptional Bank holiday

Monday 11 - Friday 22 May KS3 Examination Years 7, 8 and 9

Wednesday 13 May Early Closure Staff INSET

Half Term: Tuesday 26 May to Friday 29 May