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September to Friday 20 December 2019

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## HEADTEACHER'S MESSAGE

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope you all enjoyed the summer break and imagine that you were no doubt looking forward to sending your daughters back to school! As this is the first edition of the Greensheet marking the new academic year, I would like to welcome our new students, as well as their parents and carers to Walthamstow School for Girls.

Our previous Year 11 students came back into school two weeks ago to collect their GCSE results and it was wonderful to see many happy faces, combined with some ear-piercing screams of joy. Our students did exceptionally well in their examinations, with some students obtaining extremely high results, placing them amongst the highest achievers nationally. Others made outstanding progress over their five years here at WSfG. Many teachers were also present on results day to congratulate our students and share the celebrations. Whilst the academic progress of each student is paramount, seeing our students come to collect their results also underlines the significant personal development each student undergoes during their time at WSfG from joining in Year 7 – and, on that note, our new Year 7s beginning their journey joined the school this week. On Wednesday we welcomed our new Year 7 students. Although they may have seemed a little daunted at first, (or that was perhaps more their parents at the school gate) they were greeted by the Senior Leadership Team, their new form tutors and a number of other staff supporting the students. Once they were given their introductory assembly by Student Progress Leader, Mr Morrow, students felt much more at ease and enjoyed the day meeting their new classmates and finding their way around the school.

This week I am also delighted to welcome our new members of staff: Ms Snowsill is our new Deputy Headteacher who joins us from Wren Academy. She replaces Mr Gunzi who has taken up a Headship post in Madrid and will lead on KS3. We also welcome Ms Durham, Deputy Head of English, Ms Kelly, Deputy Head of Maths, Ms Nazir, interim English and Maths teacher, Ms Perez-Blazques, Spanish Foreign Language Assistant and Ms Ebblewhite, Learning Support Assistant.

I know that his year will be yet another exciting one here at WSfG, and I look forward to meeting you at one of our various school events. As always, thank you for your ongoing support for our school.

Meryl Davies Headteacher





# SUMMER 2018 – GCSE RESULTS

On 23<sup>rd</sup> August, the provisional GCSE results for this year were released. I am extremely proud of our students again this year – well done to them! So many of them have achieved very good (provisional) results and it is impossible to include all their names in the highlights that follow. I hope that these students are, rightly, very pleased with themselves.

# The following students attained 2 or more grade 9 (or A\* equivalent)

	Grade 9	Grade 8	Grade 7	Other
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Charlotte	10			Additional Maths A
Kate	9	1		Additional Maths A
Anna	9	1		Additional Maths C
Uswa	7	2		
Cara	6	4		
Annie	4	5	1	
Hafsah	4	3	1	
Areeba	4	3	1	
Faiza	4	1	4	
Iris	4	2	2	
Erin	3	2	4	
Oliwia	2	6	1	
Jemma	2	5	1	
Alicia	2	3	3	
Aimen	2	3	2	
Firdaous	2	2	4	
Fatimah	2	2	2	

# Results Day 2019 contd.

# 32.2% of our students gained A\*-A grade equivalent (grades 7-9).

A number of other students also achieved exceptional results, including:

- A further 11 students that achieved one grade 9 alongside a variety of high levels in their other subjects: Safa, Nida, Sumbal, Charlotte, Emma, Naisetu, Samiha, Zarah, Ruby, Elizabeth, Divya, Tenzin, Khadija, Aleeza, Salma, Sathana
- A total of 34 students achieved at least one grade 9 and 4 students achieved a grade 9 in 7 or more subjects
- 6 students were awarded distinction for Business Studies (*Karimah, Florida, Ann, Maja, Folashade, Priya*), 3 for Travel & Tourism (*Amie, Jessica, Lia*) and 1 for Media Studies (*Amina*)





### First Day at WSFG





### How is Walthamstow School for Girls like a pair of Shoes?

cetthe more you get used to them the botter they will feel, and the happier they will make you.









### The Focus of the Fortnight 5-20 September 2019 The School Uniform. Clothing, Jewellery, Lanyards, Conduct Cards, One-Card

Dear Parents / Carers,

It is vital that your daughter is correctly equipped for school, including wearing the correct uniform. The school has clear rules about uniform and jewellery which are detailed on page 9 of your daughter's Student Planner. The sanctions for not following the school rules are detailed below.

In addition, we are also asking that your daughter does not wear brightly coloured underwear that shows through her white school shirt as this is inappropriate for school. She must also be wearing a school skirt of a modest length and there will be a sanction applied if she is not. We expect all our students to be dressed modestly for school and if the uniform rules are followed correctly this will be the case.

Thank you for your support of the school in this Focus and in all other matters.

Ms.K.H.Pratt Assistant Headteacher

#### **Sanctions**



- If a student is wearing a non-uniform item, it will be confiscated and she will be asked to change into an item of correct uniform provided by the school.
   The student will collect any confiscated uniform items at the end of the day from her SPL. The conduct card will be signed.
- If a student is wearing a skirt that is too short, she will be asked to adjust it but if it is still too short, she will be asked to change into an item of correct and appropriate uniform provided by the school. The conduct card will be signed.
- If a student is wearing her school skirt rolled up at the waistband to shorten it, the conduct card will be signed for a uniform infringement.
- Any items of non-uniform jewllery will be confiscated and Parents / Carers will be sent a letter asking them to collect the item just before the next half term holiday. (This will NOT be returned at the end of the day). The conduct card will be signed.
- If the lanyard or conduct card are not worn, there will be an automatic one hour detention that parents / carers will be informed of by letter. The conduct card will be signed.
- Please see page 9 of the Student Planner for uniform and jewellery regulations at WSFG.
- Blazers are COMPULSORY for Year 7, 8, 9 and 10 students and they MUST be worn at all times in school unless permission is given by staff to remove them.

# WSFG Diversity Calendar for the Month of September



### Olive Dining

**Autumn Term Menus** 

All menus are subject to change. Week One menus will start on 2nd September 2019.

### The cost of a school meal is £2.25.

A reminder to parents/carers that if you wish to pay for your daughter's school meals by cheque, please make the cheque payable to 'Olive Dining Ltd'.

All students have also been given usernames and passwords to enable payments to be made online via our **SQUID** system (see the school website for details). If you would like a reminder of your daughter's username and password, please contact the school.



These menus can also be viewed on the school website.

Olive Dining





# Looking for Parents and Carers to Join our 'WSFG Friends & Carers Alumnae Group'

WSFG Alumnae is expanding - and you could be a part of it!

WSFG Alumnae is made up of a small committee of alumnae and school staff with an active interest in the school. In the past years, we have held monthly meetings in our bid to keep alumnae updated on each other and the school's development and its activities.

We produce a termly newsletter, have a dedicated web area, hold a regular quiz night, run the Open House at the school every year and support the school with events and initiatives. We would like to continue doing so and would welcome the contribution of parents and carers of students to establish a wider community of friends and alumnae and to reinvigorate the group to do more.

If you are interested in joining or would like to be kept updated on the next steps, please get in touch with us:

wsfgalumnae@gmail.com

For more information visit our website: <u>https://www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk/alumnae/whoarewe</u>

Thank you for your support, and have a wonderful summer break. Alumnae Committee

# Merchandise

Our new mug design, original artwork by Nicola Hepworth.

£5 each plus post and packing.

To place an order please contact Ms Winter on: 020 8509 9410





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OPEN HOUSE LONDON – Walthamstow School For Girls Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2019 10.00am-1.00pm

Walthamstow School for Girls will again be involved in the Open House London architectural design event which takes place on the weekend of 21<sup>st</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> September 2019.

The school building, which is Grade II listed, will be open for tours highlighting the architectural features on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September between 10.00am and 1.00pm only, with the final tour at 12.30pm.

For information regarding other buildings across all areas of London open to the public over that weekend, please visit the Open House London website <u>https://www.openhouselondon.org.uk/</u>. Entrance to buildings is free of charge.

O Kelly, LRC Manager



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Tuesday 1 October	Year 9 Parent/Carer Information Evening 6pm			
Tuesday 8 October	Year 11 Parent/Carer Information Evening 6pm			
Thursday 10 October 2019	Early school closure at 2.30pm for Open Evening			
Friday 11 October	Staff Training Day - school closed to students			
Tuesday 15 October	Year 10 Parent/Carer Information Evening 6pm			
Wednesday 16 October	Year 7 Settling in Afternoon 1.30-3.30pm			
Half Term: Monday 21 October to Friday 25 October 2019				
Tuesday 29 October	Year 8 Parent/Carer Information Evening 6pm			
Thursday 7 November	Year 7 Sharing Evening 6.30pm			
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 closure at 2.30pm for			
	Community Party (provisional)			

### Christmas holiday: Monday 23 December 2019 to Friday 3 January 2020

### Spring Term 2020 Monday 6 January 2020 to Friday 3 April 2020

Half Term: Monday 17 February to Friday 21 February 2020

Easter Holiday Monday 6 April 2020 to Friday 17 April 2020

Summer Term 2020 Monday 20 April 2020 to Friday 17 July 2020.

Half Term: Tuesday 26 May 2020 to Friday 29 May 2020