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SCHOOL CALENDAR 2020-2021

Summer Term Ends Thursday 22 July

Monday 12– Wednesday 16 July GREEN trip Y9

Tuesday 20 July Ei d-ul-Adha (prov)

Thursday 22 July End of Summer Term details to follow

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Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Students

The end of term is fast approaching so I wanted to outline the arrangements for the end of this term and the start of the new one.

Arrangements for the end of term

We **break up on Thursday 22**nd **of July** and students will be dismissed at lunchtime. I will confirm times with you in my letter next week. Lunch will not be provided but students who receive Free School Meals will be able to collect their lunch at break time.

The day will be a non-uniform day and students will be donating money to the charity chosen by their year group.

Arrangements for the start of the new of term in September

Ms Snowsill has provided a draft outline of the start of term (see page 5).

This is provisional due to awaiting guidance about lateral flow testing from the LA and Public Health.

We will be staggering the return of students from **Thursday 2nd September** in order to allow for orientation and pastoral activities, as well as COVID testing. It is strange to think that current years 7 and 8 have not really explored the building properly because of the COVID 'bubble' system; current year 6 have not had their usual transition day.

As you know, the government has stipulated that students are tested twice on their return to school. We aim to make the process as smooth as possible and to ensure that students quickly return to learning and will update you as soon as we can.

On Friday 3rd September, we intend to have a PSHE recovery day, allowing students to catch up on pastoral issues and topics, as well as allowing our new year 7s to experience the transition activities which they missed.

We envisage that we will return to a traditional lesson timetable (as opposed to the staggered COVID timetable) and routines on our return. We know that this will be a welcome change for staff, students and parents and I know how frustrating we have all found it. Thank you for your support during what has been a challenging time for us all.

End of National Restrictions on 19th July

You will have been closely following the news about the end of restrictions later this month. Although we break up on Thursday 22nd of July, which is after the end of restrictions, we intend to maintain our current COVID measures until the end of term. This will enable us to provide consistency, rather than creating a change for a few days, and follows advice from the Local Authority about the best ways to keep our community safe.

Please continue to make sure that your child takes the twice weekly lateral flow tests for the safety of everyone in our school community. I appreciate your co-operation in ensuring this happens.

If your child has cold symptoms, please ensure that they stay away from school and get a PCR test.

Delta variant similar to coughs and colds:

https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/health-57467051

Farewell to Year 11

We said farewell to our year 11s last Friday. It's not 'goodbye' because we know that they will return to visit us and become role models for the next generation of students. We had an idyllic afternoon in the Greek Theatre, accompanied by the wonderful year 11 steel pan band and were fortunate enough to have a sunny day! Students and staff paid tribute to the resilience of this year group and the bright future which lies ahead of them. It was lovely to see how fond the students are of the school and how much they will be missed by their teachers.

The afternoon concluded with strawberries and cream on the lawn. Year 11, we wish you well and look forward to hearing from you soon.

Wishing you a peaceful weekend,



Ms H Marriott Headteacher





















Start of Term Arrangements September 2021

Wednesday 1st September - INSET DAY School opens for staff. No students.

Thursday 2nd September Students return as follows:

Years 7, 8, 9 at 09.30am - 12.30pm Years 10, 11 at 10am - 12.30pm

All students dismissed at 12.30pm

Friday 3rd September First full day for students 08.45am - 3.30pm

This day will be a PSHE recovery curriculum day Students arrive from 08.30 to be in their tutor rooms **by 08.45** Students dismissed at 3.30pm

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.

Message from the Chair of Governors

Dear Parents and Carers,

You may remember that a few weeks ago the Governing Body was recruiting a new parent governor. I am sorry to tell you that by the deadline of 24 June, we had received no applications. This is very unusual and we do understand that this may have been an impact of the current pandemic.

Being a parent governor is a really important role. It gives individual parents a voice on our governing body, which is responsible for the strategic oversight of the school, including the education your children receive and how the school's budget is spent. You will receive free training throughout your term of office as a governor of the school, so it doesn't matter whether you have experience of governance or not.

We will be running the parent governor recruitment process again in September. In the meantime, if you think you might be interested and would like to find out more about what's involved, please do contact the school. I would be happy to answer any questions you may have.

Kind regards,

Gillian Barker Chair of Governors

Red Box Project

Dear Students,

WSfG's Red Box project is going GREEN. We will now be supplying students with a reusable sanitary pad pack which includes two sanitary pads and a storage/wash pouch. This is in addition to our usual supply of disposable sanitary towels should you need them in case of an emergency.

We would like to encourage students to get a reusable pack where possible in order to reduce the amount of landfill and to be more eco-friendly.

You can get your packs from Student Services.

Mrs Jean-Baptiste Associate Assistant Headteacher SPL Year 7





Faculty News 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



Year 7 LLD Challenge Activity 'Making a Terrarium'

The LLD Challenge activity 'Making a Terrarium' involving a group of Year 7 students took place last Friday afternoon. The students reused an old fish tank to plant an indoor mini-garden and also planted their own aloe plant to take home too.

In their feedback, the students said they enjoyed learning about and making the terrarium, touching the sand, gravel and compost, brushing the sand off the plants at the end, and taking a little plant home to grow.

You can see their finished project as you walk through the school allotment, by the wall. It has space for more plants so, if you are separating any succulents, please spare a couple so we can add more variety to it.

Our D&T Technician, Mr Trimithioti will build a little roof to protect plants from the weather, but the mini-garden may need to be sheltered somewhere indoors during the Winter months.

Many thanks to our Year 7 students, Ms Keserauskaite, Ms Dominique and

Ms Barbier for donating the plants, Ms West, our Art Technician for the beautiful sand, and to other staff who supported our little project in other ways.



Ms Gerdellja and Ms Keserauskaite LLD Faculty

Year 9 Performing Arts/Diversity Trip: J'Ouvert Harold Pinter Theatre



Eighteen Year 9 students were given the opportunity to go and see J'Ouvert with Ms Cornford, Ms Jean -Baptiste, Mr Ramlagan and myself last week.

The students behaved impeccably and loved this play based on the Notting Hill Carnival.

Here are some of their reviews:

The performance was truly wonderful, I really enjoyed it, I particularly like the fact that they were embracing their culture and not feeling ashamed of it in any form. I also loved all the jokes and the fact that they were able to change their accents so quickly to match the different characters they were portraying. The fact that they had a DJ/ stall food person started playing music and they would instantly burst into a dance was unique. I also liked the rhythm of the words and how they all flowed and connected and the energy that they had. My favourite part of the performance was the speech given by the character Jade, I found it very truthful and inspiring the way she spoke so passionately.

Boluwatife 9C

I thought J'ouvert was amazing. I loved the energy it gave out, the dancing and the representation. I really wish I could watch it for the first time again because it gave me such a euphoric feeling, I was happy because I felt a part of something. The crowd was so inclusive, it felt like the play really brought us all together. If I had the chance to do it all again, I 100% would. Thank you so much for granting me this amazing opportunity.

Tolani 9S

I loved that the actors were very lively and had a lot of energy. The neon colours they were wearing were so eye catching! One of the messages that this performance gives is that people can be pushy and annoying, but you shouldn't let anyone disrespect you. I loved the music and dance performances.

Leigh 9G

I think that the J'Ouvert play was great as it talked about real life problems we are fighting today. I loved how there were only 4 actors, but they were all playing different roles. They brought out the best from our black culture. They showed the story behind the Notting Hill carnival, and it is much more than just a party. It is a celebration of a whole culture.

Rayaan 9G

Upon arriving for the play, we were really excited as we had heard the music playing and the lights were bright. When we got to our designated seats, we were extremely happy with our seats as we had perfect view from them. When the show had started, the actors had loads of energy and the costumes were bright, attractive and colourful. it was an amazing atmosphere to be around and if I had the opportunity to go again, I definitely would!

Rumana 9G

J'Ouvert was an amazing show. It sent a very powerful message to the Black Community and women. I loved how there was only a few actors playing different characters, but we understood everything clearly. I loved the song choices as they really hyped up the audience, it was a great show!

Nehir 9G

This play was a wonderful experience and the message behind it was amazing. As I have gone to Carnival before I have had the full experience of it and J'Ouvert completely reflected what carnival is all about. The coming together of people from all backgrounds and different cultures to enjoy the atmosphere of the carnival. Going to see this play felt exactly like that. The actors were extremely talented and some of the scenes were so relatable for me and some of the audience (as British Caribbean citizens) that it made it much more interactive. It shows carnival from a perspective never seen before, supporting Women's Rights and BLM. I feel so privileged to have been able to see such a fun and inspirational play.

Reannon 9G

I am so happy they enjoyed it!

Ms Desbenoit, Diversity Coordinator

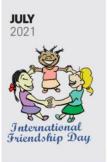
Diversity Calendar for July













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SPECIAL DAYS



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E17 Art Trail

Our school BLM 2020 Exhibition is now on display at The Outset Centre, Grange Road. It is **Venue 38 in the E17 Art Trail**.

Work by WSfG students in Years 9, 10 and 11 with themes around **Black Lives**Matter in the context of the Pandemic Year, are shown. There are a real variety of techniques and ideas on display. Some of the work is outside in the courtyard, and some is in the cafe area. Well done and thank you to all these students who created work independently, as part of coursework (Year 10 and 11) or at extra sessions at lunchtime:

Akua	10S	Che'nye	9F
Destiny	11C	Ava	9G
Aissa	11F	Nehir	9G
Adjoa	11G	Reannon	9G
Chloe	11G	Sophie	9G
Diana	11S	Ikram	9G
Sara	9C	Erin	9G
Martha	9C	Sumayyah	9G
Elvin	9C	Rayaan	9G
Kitty	9C	Gaia	9\$
Raluca	9C	Ivelina	9\$
Martha	9C	Stefania	9\$

The exhibition is open from July 1st- 18th Monday - Saturday at the times below:

Monday, Thursday and Friday 11-5pm. Tuesday and Wednesday 11-7pm. Saturday 11-2pm

In the same venue are portraits of staff you may recognise from WSfG by Ms Hepworth.

Ms Hepworth ADT Faculty













UEFA EURO SUDOKU 2020 Week 4

Form

	Spain							Switzerland
Y			Belgium	Czech Republic				Ukraine
				Switzerland	Denmark			
	Switzerland					Czech Republic		Italy
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			Ukraine		Italy		Spain	
						England		
England	Ukraine		Denmark	Spain				

Here is the final Euro Sudoko, including the eight quarter-final countries and a trophy. Thanks for all the entries so far. There will be one staff prize, picked randomly from the correct entries from the four weeks

- First, work out which 9 countries have been used.
- Every square can only contain one country.
- Each 3×3 box can only contain each country once.
- Each vertical column can only contain each country once.
- Each horizontal row can only contain each country once.

Complete the grid in the usual way, using the 8 countries and trophy. Hand to Ms Robinson by Monday 12th July for your chance to win a small prize. Competition is open to all students and staff.



UEFA EURO Sudoku Week 3 - WINNERS

Congratulations to the following winners who were randomly picked from the

correct entries (proportional to the numbers of entries/year group)

This was a more challenging puzzle to solve, so well done to the entrants for their perseverance.

Come on Year 7. Let's have some entries from you in the final week!

Jodie 8F Renee 8F Sabrina 8F Sujeeva J 9H Demmy N 10H

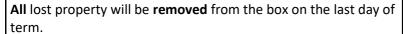
Ms Robinson
Maths Faculty/Challenge Coordinator

Lost Property

Reminder to Parents/Carers.

Please make sure all clothing, including P.E. kits are clearly labelled. Blazers should have the student's name inside, marked with a label 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**.



Ms Jolliffe
Student Services







School History Do you remember Green Shield Stamps?

Green Shield Stamps was a British sales promotion scheme that rewarded shoppers with stamps that could be used to buy gifts from a catalogue or from any affiliated retailer. The scheme



was introduced in 1958 by Richard Tompkins, who had noticed the success of the longestablished Sperry & Hutchinson Green stamps in America. The scheme was withdrawn in 1919.

From the School Iris 1960

THE BLUE STAMP ADDICT

Mrs. Brown was frantic. The cost of living was up again, she was heartily sick of trying to make ends meet, and no amount of complaining seemed to help. Whilst shopping one day in the High Street, however, she was excited to discover a new grocery store; on closer inspection, she was pleased to note that they had cut their prices, and for every sixpence spent, a blue stamp was given to the purchaser. She immediately went in and bought some articles to the value of three shillings, whereupon the smiling shop-keeper promptly handed over six blue stamps, a collecting book and a coloured brochure illustrating the many and varied objects to be gained on the completion of several books.

This opened up a new interest for her, as the next time she went shopping, several other shops had followed suit, including a chemist, confectioner and a clothing store. Time passed and greater grew her yearning for a type-writer, for she missed her old occupation as a typist. This required forty books of blue stamps. At first, her husband and children thought it was just a phase, but, to their cost, they found they were wrong. The children were reprimanded if they showed any preference for sweets bought at any shop other than the "blue stamp" confectioner's, and they were encouraged to buy sweets there, if only for one or two stamps. The husband, having seen a rather attractive tie, was told to be sure to buy one at the "blue stamp" shop, which rather upset his nerves - thus giving his wife the opportunity of buying him some nerve-settling pills at the "blue stamp" chemist.

This process went on for some time (indirectly being responsible for the daughter's failing her examinations, because she lived on settling pills) until at last Mrs, Brown attained her goal, or so she thought. She packed up her last piece of washing for the day, dressed her

youngest son for the occasion, put on her newest hat (already two years old) and walked to the bus stop.

She and Colin were soon at the nearest suitable shop and she began to wonder how she would take her prize home if it were not portable. She was quickly brought back to the present by noticing her son fingering the models on show. Having awarded him an affectionate clip, she next noticed a rather harassed clerk calling to her from over a counter. Steadily and skilfully he had counted every page of every book and then, looking at her over the top of his National Health spectacles, he informed her that she was one book short and that this was the last day of the blue stamp offer. Obviously in her haste at home, she had overcounted, but it was no use now rushing out to buy up what she could at the "blue stamp" shops. It was nearly closing day, and, in any case, she had no money. It was hopeless. Her dream was shattered. Nothing would console her, not any one of the other goods offered, and she turned to go home almost forgetting small Colin who was now climbing into a display window.

Susan Adlard, Form IV 1960

A selection of goods availabl from Green Shield stamps.

Item 21: Pye black and white TV -100 books!







You are invited to join us for Walthamstow's very own home grown festival of art and creativity taking over our corner of London from 1 - 18 July.

E17 ART TRAIL -POSSIBLE FUTURES

Everyone is welcome.

Festival Hub

Make Gnome House your first port of call to pick up your Trail Guide to more than 200 destinations, enjoy the buzz and see some great art in the Possible Futures Exhibition. Gnome House, Lower Ground Floor, 7 Blackhorse Lane, Walthamstow, E17 6DS

Possible Futures Group Show

Welcoming emerging and established artists, this show at Gnome House curated by Lauren Little of Dark Yellow Dot features illustrations, collage, prints, paintings, sculpture, photography and more.

Look out for artist talks & events. Open Tues - Sun, 11am-6pm

Grand Opening and Virtual Art Fair and Preview Night

Join us from the comfort of your own home as we host our opening night online. It's an opportunity to browse and buy from exhibiting artists at our virtual marketplace sponsored by Stow Brothers. Meet the artists, hear about their work and embark on virtual studio tours.

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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 8498 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 (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



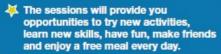


Are you aged between 5









- Throughout the summer you can try a wide range of holiday clubs
- All activities will take place between 26 July – 20 August 2021



To book your place and find out more — www.waithamforest.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
Waitham Forest Holiday Activity Programme.





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: £9, £7 (Concessions), £3 (Students - ID)

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

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Greek Theatre, Walthamstow **7.30 p.m**.

Saturday 21st August 2021 Greek Theatre, Walthamstow 3 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.



School Calendar Dates for 2020-2021

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- Half Term: Monday 25 October 2021 to Friday 29 October 2021
- Winter Holiday: Monday 20 December 2021 to Monday 3 January 2022

Spring Term 2022