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Week 'A'

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<b>January 2020</b>	Dear Parents and Carers,			
WSFG Friends Group Planning Meeting 6.00 p.m. in the LRC (Library)	We had a celebratory start to the week as Ms Bradshaw shared the news that the acapella choir she had taken to compete at the Jack Petchey Perfect Pitch semi-finals last weekend are now through to the finals. My thanks to Ms Bradshaw for her generosity in giving her own time to ensure our students get to take part in such opportunities, and we will report on their progress nearer the time.			
<b>Thursday 23</b>	On Tuesday, 27 GCSE English students were taken on a trip to the British Library by Ms Simpson, Ms Durham and Ms Schaber for a talk on the Charlotte Brontë novel, Jane Eyre which they have been currently studying.			
<b>January</b>	Our sporting Year 8 students had a busy evening on Tuesday. Our Year 8 football team competed with others from around the borough in the Year 8 Football League. Our team won a game, drew the next but unfortunately lost to Lammas, however the team played well together – well done to the team and to the winning team from Lammas. The Year 8 Basketball Team also had a successful evening in their borough league game, as they won 26-2. Congratulations to the team for this impressive win!			
Year 11 Parent/Carer Evening 4:30–7pm				
<b>Thursday 6</b>				
<b>February</b>				
Year 9 Options Evening				
<b>Half Term:</b>				
<b>Monday 17</b>				
<b>February to</b>				
<b>Friday 21</b>				
<b>February</b>				

On Wednesday, the Senior Education Lead from The Schools and Teachers Network (SSAT), Alex Galvin, visited the school. Alex was given an overview of some of our current work, most of which has emanated from our longstanding relationship with SSAT in one way or another. These discussions included our work on coaching other professionals, as well as our model for student led coaching; two of our early career teachers shared their experiences of the SSAT Leadership Legacy Programme, as well as how inspired they had been at the recent SSAT National Conference in Birmingham. They were able to meet separately with over two hundred teachers who had also just embarked on teaching as their chosen profession and have been successful in gaining places on this programme. Colleagues were also able to discuss the impact of the National Professional Qualification for Middle Leaders which we are running weekly for colleagues from across the borough here. Finally, we shared our experiences of the introduction of one to one devices in lessons.

This week, the Leadership assembly was once more about the work of the Morocco based charity, Education for All. The charity raises funds to support the secondary education of girls from the Atlas Mountains by providing weekly boarding accommodation in the nearest town with a secondary school. This is necessary as the daily journey to school in winter is hazardous with roads at times impassable due to floods and snowfall. In February this year, the charity attracted the attention of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, as you can see below. A reminder to students that on Monday 20<sup>th</sup> January, there will be a meeting at 1pm in the Norris Hall for those wanting to support the charity, through fundraising or pen friends.

Wishing all a good weekend,

Meryl Davies



Headteacher

Duke and Duchess of Sussex  
visiting Education for All

KS3 students in Asni, Morocco,  
enjoying looking at our prospectus



**Year 11 Parent/Carer Consultation Evening**  
**Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> January**  
**4.30 to 7pm**

Dear Year 11 Parents and Carers

Your child will soon be making appointments with their subject teachers for a discussion on their progress.

We encourage all Year 11 students and their parents / carers to attend this consultation evening to discuss their child's progress and strategies to help them achieve their full potential this year. It is **a crucial event** to attend as your child will be starting their GCSE examinations soon.

We look forward to seeing you.

Ms Jean-Baptiste  
Student Progress Leader, Year 11.

**Safer Schools Officer Drop-In**

Our Safer Schools Officer PC Viki Golden will be available in **G03 at lunchtime on the following Tuesday dates:**

11<sup>th</sup> February

17<sup>th</sup> March

14<sup>th</sup> April

12<sup>th</sup> May

9<sup>th</sup> June

14<sup>th</sup> July



If you want to chat with her or ask any questions, please drop in to see her.

Ms Pratt  
Assistant Headteacher

**Focus of the Fortnight**  
**20<sup>th</sup> - 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020**  
**The Focus**  
**Punctuality to School**



**The Sanctions**

- If you are late to school without a good reason such as an appointment (traffic or public transport is not a good reason,) you will be given a 10 minute detention at the end of each day of lateness with your Tutor.
- If you are late 2 times in a week, you will be given a half hour detention with your SPL the following week.
- If you are late 3 or more times in a week, you will be given an hours detention with Ms. Pratt the following week.
- Once you reach 8 lates, you will be placed on a 2 week punctuality report by Ms. King. Your punctuality will be closely monitored and your parents/ carers will be informed of any improvements. You will also be rewarded if you improve your punctuality.
- **Remember** - being on time is a good habit to form!



**WSFG Friends Group  
Planning Meeting  
Tuesday 21 January 2020  
6.00 p.m. in the LRC (Library)**

**All Welcome**

We hope that parents/carers and other members of the school community (teaching and support staff, governors and school leaders) will get involved as our plans progress to bring projects to life for the benefit of the school and wider community.

Further discussions are under way- if you'd like to find out more, please contact Lesley Winter by email and register your interest now:

[lwinter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk](mailto:lwinter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk)

We need people who enjoy organising events, publicity (including social media ) experts, local business people with useful contacts for sponsorship, and anyone with good ideas to raise money for special school projects.

We look forward to hearing from you!

The Friends Committee

### **Attendance Figures for December 2019**

Winners postcards for the month of December have been given to form groups, they will also receive a postcard from the Headteacher.



December winners are 7F, 8S, 9S, 10S and 11G.

100% certificates and pin badges will be given to the SPL's shortly. Students are allowed to pin the badges onto their lanyards.

Ms King  
Attendance & Pastoral Manager

**All Years - Barge Haybay Residential Trip**  
**Friday 12th June to Sunday 14th June 2020**

We will be taking twenty four students on a residential activity trip to Essex.

We will be staying on a moored barge and taking part in outdoor activities such as climbing, canoeing and many more.



**The cost of the trip is £100.**

The trip is open to all students, but there are only twenty four spaces, so if you have not been on this school trip before and are interested and would like more details, **please see Ms Famiglietti in G68.**

*Some of the activities on offer:*



## Faculty News



The English Faculty are pleased to announce that Zara 7H has been awarded second place in the Waltham Forest Borough of Culture's Creative Writing Competition.

The competition, titled "*I Want to Live in a World...*" invited students aged 11 - 16 to describe the future in which they would like to live.

Please take a moment to read her winning entry.

### ***I Want to Live in a World...***

*I want to live in a world where peace and happiness exist where no crime consists.*

*I want to live in a world where opinions are important and taken into consideration.*

*I want to live in a world where respect is for everyone and everybody is a loved one.*

*I want to live in a world where everybody smiles at each other, one after another.*

*I want to live in a world where life is magical and nothing sadly tragical.*

*I want to live in a world where everybody is equal and there is no sequel.*

*I want to live in a world where.....*

Zara 7H

Ms Schaber  
Head of English

## English News Young Reporter

Election fever hits as students stage mock election by *Romayssa* Year 10, Walthamstow School For Girls

VOTE FOR ONE PARTY BY MARKING WITH AN X	
Getaway Friday	
Cool Kids	
Political Stars	
The Diversity Party	
TRISN	
The L.I.F.E. Party	
Walthamstow's Diverse Democracy WDD	
The situation	
Your Voice	

As the country went to the polls in a snap general election, students at Walthamstow School for Girls experienced democracy first hand by concurrently running a mock election on Thursday 12th December. However, students had to create their own political parties with policies on improving the school. This caused great excitement and on 29th November, registration forms were sent out to apply for candidacy. In order to apply, you had to state your party's policies and attend a meeting the following day.

After careful consideration, the parties selected were Getaway Friday followed by Cool Kids, Political Stars, The Diversity Party, TRISN, The L.I.F.E Party, Walthamstow's Diverse Democracy (WDD), The Situation and Your Voice.

The policies each party pitched varied, from environmental concerns to student welfare and mental health. The Walthamstow Diverse Democracy even considered how they would tackle wide-world issues. However, Getaway Friday won by a landslide due to their particularly appealing policy on reducing school hours on Friday.

The following week, hustings took place daily at different year group assemblies in which they had only 2 minutes to present and promote their party. Campaigning also took place in other forms such as posters -which plastered school walls- and flyers all in a frantic attempt to be heard. However, each party had a limited budget of 25 A4 pages in order to enforce our "Green Vision".

*Fatimah* 12, a candidate of The L.I.F.E Party said: "Although we didn't win, this was a great experience and was a great challenge that has helped me become more politically aware."



*Wendy 14*, a candidate of Your voice said: “It was much harder than I thought and has definitely been unpredictable, much like the real elections, but it still was a great learning experience.”

Mock Elections actively engage pupils with the democratic process and help raise awareness of how politics affects our everyday lives. It has provided pupils with the opportunity to gain an insight into the election process; from creating manifestos to designing campaign posters. Meanwhile, students not participating also gained experience as they helped organise the election itself by registering voters, preparing the polling station and counting the ballot papers. Overall the turnout and feedback was incredible and could even be described as reaching “election fever”. It also allowed students to voice their opinions on improving our school.

*Romayssa* Year 10

### Year 7 and 8 Poetry Competition

**The prize: A trip to the Unicorn Theatre to see 'I, Cinna' on February 13<sup>th</sup> 2020**

Write a poem that focuses on the theme of **POWER!**

It could be about a person, or a place, or a thing.

Write no more than one side of A4. It **must be your own original poem.**

Please give your entries in at the English office (G13 ) with your name and tutor group clearly written on your entry.

**Deadline: Wednesday 29th January 3.30 pm**

Good luck!

English Department



## Jack Petchey Pitch Perfect

The acapella choir took part in the Jack Petchey Pitch Perfect semi-finals last weekend.

We are very pleased to announce that the group are one of four groups out of eleven that are now through to the finals.

The finals take place all day on Sunday 11th March 2020 at Cadogan Hall in Chelsea.

Congratulations to the choir and good luck for the finals.

Ms Bradshaw  
Head of Music



## P.E. News Virgin Money Giving Mini London Marathon Sunday 26 April 2020



Would you like to represent Waltham Forest in this year's Virgin Money Giving Mini London Marathon on Sunday 26 April 2020

Age categories are:

Boys and Girls – Under 13

Born between 1 September 2006 and 28 April 2009

Boys and Girls – Under 15

Born between 1 September 2004 and 31 August 2006

Requirements to be selected to represent Waltham Forest are as follows:  
The runner must live or go to school in the borough.

The details of the event are here: <https://www.minimarathon.co.uk/en/>

Ms Warren

## Year 8 Basketball

The Year 8s have had a busy couple of nights of sport and played their last borough league game against Buxton this week. The students all worked very hard and we beat Buxton 26-2!!! We will now have to wait to find out if we have made it through to the borough semi-finals next week.

Please congratulate the students:

*Debra* 8C (awarded joint player of the match)  
*Fadwa* 8F  
*Betty* 8G  
*Jahmica* 8S  
*Aminah* 8C  
*Nell* 8W (awarded joint player of the match)  
*Leigh* 8G  
*Bolu* 8C  
*Hannah* 8C  
*Abida* 8G

Ms Warren

## Year 8 Football

Earlier this week, the Year 8 football league started at the Peter May Center.

We played three matches and the results were;

WSFG vs Highams Park  
 0            0

WSFG vs Kelmscott  
 1            0

WSFG vs Lammas  
 0            3

Please congratulate the following students;

*Betty* 8G  
*Nell* 8W  
*Hirah May* 8H  
*Debra* 8C  
*Hannah* 8C  
*Net* 8H  
*Niamh* 8H  
*Leigh* 8G  
*Sophie* 8S

Ms Wood





## **Examination Invigilators**

**May 2020**

**Scale 3, Point 5**

**Rate of pay: £11.50 per hour  
(plus holiday pay entitlement)**

We are looking for Examination Invigilators to join our team.

Previous experience is not essential, but you must enjoy working with young people. You will be required to work as part of a team and deal sensitively and intelligently with issues that may arise in the exam room.

These posts are subject to enhanced D.B.S. checks.

You will be required to attend a training session prior to taking up your duties.

Hours: Morning session start at 8.00am  
Afternoon session start at 1.00pm

Finishing time: Depends on the length of the exam, which varies between one hour to three hours.

An application form and further details are available to download from the school website: [www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk](http://www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk). Completed application forms should be returned to the school by email to Mandy Madhani, HR Manager, [m.madhani@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk](mailto:m.madhani@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk). Please note CVs will not be accepted.

**Closing date: Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020 (Noon)**

**Interview date: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2020**

**Walthamstow School for Girls is committed to Safer Recruitment practices and procedures.**



# OPENS DAYS

**12** **Saturday**  
**October 2019**  
9.30 am - 12.30 pm

**25** **Saturday**  
**January 2020**  
9.30 am - 12.30 pm

REGISTER ONLINE NOW:  
[newvic.ac.uk/openday](http://newvic.ac.uk/openday)






## Open Day

### **Saturday 25 January 2020** **9:30 am - 12.30 pm**

An opportunity for Year 11's to explore our wide range of courses and discover their career passions.

Year 11's will also have the opportunity to:

- meet expert teaching staff
- take part in exciting activities
- hear from a wide range of guest speakers including alumni, our student union, employers and our colleagues from King's College University

- receive advice and guidance on careers and progression routes
- Apply on the day

[Click here to register](#)



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FREE!**

**Just turn up  
and PLAY!**

Premier League Kicks is a series of free football and multi-sport sessions, run by Tottenham Hotspur Foundation, open to boys and girls of a variety of ages.

**EVERY WEDNESDAY**

**GIRLS ONLY**

**4.30PM - 6PM**

**AGES 13 - 18**

**NEW RIVER SPORTS CENTRE**  
White Hart Lane, Wood Green N22 5QW

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INFORMATION:**



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## MONDAY

**Seven Sisters Primary School** South Grove,  
Tottenham N15 5QE  
4.30pm - 6pm | Ages 7 - 11

**Ferry Lane Cruyff Court** Ferry Lane Estate, Jarrow  
Road, Tottenham N17 9PP  
5pm - 7pm | Ages 8 - 19

**Oasis Academy Hadley** South Street, Enfield EN3  
4PX  
6pm - 8pm | Ages 8 - 19

## TUESDAY

**New River Sports & Fitness** White Hart Lane, Wood  
Green N22 5QW  
4pm to 6pm | Ages 8 - 14

## WEDNESDAY

**Chingford Hall 1** Ching Way, Chingford E4 8YD  
5.30pm - 7pm | Ages 7 - 16

## THURSDAY

**Oasis Academy Enfield** Innova Park, 9 Kinetic  
Crescent, Mollis on Avenue, Enfield EN3 7XH  
6pm to 8pm | Ages 11 - 19

## FRIDAY

**Douglas Eyre Sports Centre** 148 Coppermill Lane,  
Walthamstow E17 7HE  
5.30pm - 8pm | Ages 8 - 19

**Duke's Aldridge Academy** Trulock Road, Tottenham  
N17 0PG  
6pm - 8pm | Ages 11 - 19

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## School Calendar Dates 2019-2020

### Spring Term

#### Monday 6 January to Friday 3 April

Tuesday 21 January 2020	WSFG Friends Group Planning Meeting 6.00 p.m. in the LRC (Library)
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
<b>Friday 8 May</b>	<b>Exceptional Bank Holiday</b>
Monday 11 - Friday 22 May	KS3 Examination Years 7, 8 and 9
Wednesday 13 May	Early Closure (except those students with exams) Staff INSET

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

Monday 1 - Friday 26 June	Year 10 End of Year Examinations
Wednesday 10 June	Early Closure (except those students with exams) Staff INSET