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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 Thursday 7	Dear Parents and Carers, We had a slightly shorter week than usual last week due to our annual Open Evening last Thursday for prospective parents and carers, and our training day for staff on the following Friday. In preparation for the event, the Steel Pan Band were rehearsing steadfastly, our youngest and oldest student speechmakers were practising diligently and our generous student helpers who volunteered to take parents and Year 6 children on tours were meeting with Ms Pratt and their Senior Progress Leaders. Thank you to all the students who volunteered their time to support the school and their teachers. Thank you also to all the staff at WSfG for ensuring that the evening was the success that it was; around one thousand visitors came through our doors. A special thank you and well done to our brave speakers: Martha and Kacey (Year 7) and Tulin and Crystal (Year 11), also to our hall musicians Vanessa (Year 9) and Olivia (Year 11). We also welcomed several tour groups during the day this week accompanied by Ms Pratt.				
November Alumnae Quiz Night 7pm	mber Mae Quiz Whilst Friday was a relaxed day for most of our students, ten students took part in a borough wide cross-country race and did very well indeed as you				

Prior to our Open Evening, there were other events taking place in and outside of school. Twenty fortunate students who snapped up tickets last month went to see the performance 'Master Harold and the Boys' at the National Theatre on Tuesday. This trip was a collaboration between our Diversity Coordinator, Ms Desbenoit and Head of Drama, Ms Cornford, to mark the start of Black History Month. More details are included from our Examinations

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students in this edition. It was also our third Parent Information Evening on Tuesday evening, this time for our Year 11 students and their parents and carers. For this year group, it was their final PIE at Walthamstow School for Girls and an important one as they approach their GCSE examinations. Once again, the hall was full. Slides will be available on the website by the end of the week (https://www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk/year11) On Tuesday this week we held the Year 10 PIE; once again slides will be available shortly on the website.

A group of Year 9 students attended a training session on Monday as part of a project that will develop their leadership skills to affect change in their local community as Youth Feel Good Ambassadors. On the previous week, another group took part in a Youth Summit workshop run by WE, a youth empowerment charity which promotes community development. Two Year 9 students also featured in the BBC Sunday Politics programme recently when they spoke eloquently about climate change. Well done to both Edith and Sophia.

On Tuesday, the Box Clever Theatre Company came to school to perform the sequel to the 'Hate Play' that they performed last year, called 'Sweet'. 'Sweet' was developed as a collaboration between the theatre company and the students who had watched the 'Hate Play' which was a performance based on the issue of bullying. Our students therefore had an active role in shaping the sequel and thoroughly enjoyed watching the performance and seeing their ideas come to fruition.

On Thursday, Year 10 students spent the day taking part in the Jack Petchey 'Speak Out Challenge', a project designed to help young adults communicate with confidence. After having taken part in several workshops, students each performed their own devised speech to their peers and a panel of judges. One of our Open Evening speakers, Crystal, took part in the challenge last year and spoke highly about the impact this project had on developing her self-confidence.

Our Leadership Assemblies this week have explored the amazing legacy of black music to continue our celebration of Black History. The spirits of the girls and staff have been uplifted by performances by steel pans players-including one pan from the 1960s- and the Glee choir.

Finally, if you have time on your hands next week, why not pop along to Islington to see art by our own Art Teacher, Ms Hepworth? Her work is displayed at 'City Life' at The Candid Arts Centre in Islington and features our students on the orange sofas at school until October 20th. Also look out for our Alumnae Fundraising Quiz Night on November 7th here at school. Details are on page 12 of this Greensheet.

Wishing our whole school community a good half-term holiday and we look forward to welcoming students back on Monday 28th October 2019 at the usual time where it will be 'Week B'.

Meryl Davies Headteacher

Zanzibar Curry Night

Next July, twenty one Year 10 and 11 students and three members of staff are travelling to Zanzibar to volunteer in our link school, Kinuni School. This is our second trip as a school and we very much want to continue our support for Kinuni. The students and staff have to fundraise the money for their trip, both individually and in teams.

On Friday 4th October, seven of the students organised and carried out a 'Curry, Auction and Quiz' night in Orford House Social Club. It was an incredibly successful event with many fantastic auction prizes and Stella Creasy our local MP was the auctioneer.

We want to thank all of our guests for making the night so special as well as Stella Creasy for being our auctioneer. Thank you also to Ron at Orford House for his incredible generosity, to Sham's kitchen for providing a delicious meal and to all of the people who helped on the night and who donated prizes for the raffle.

In total, the students raised £3500 towards their trip. A fantastic achievement!

Ms Philippou Assistant Headteacher





Year 8 Parent Information Evening Tuesday 29th October 6pm Hewett Hall

All Parents and Carers are expected to attend, and I look forward to seeing you there. The evening is optional for students but it would be useful if they could come along to find out more details about the GCSE options process and various events happening this year. They do not need to wear school uniform.

Ms Desbeniot Student Progress Leader Year 8

Attendance figures for September_

September winners are 7W, 8C and 9C, 10S & 10C (joint winners) and 11G. Headteacher postcards have been issued.



100% certificates and pin badges have been given out. Please let the students know that they are allowed to pin the badges onto their lanyards.

The names listed below will go into the raffle draw. There will be a separate draw for each year group and the draw will take place during year group assemblies this term. There is a great prize for each winner in the year group—good luck!

Ms King Attendance & Pastoral Manager

Year 7 Erin 7W Daniella 7W Isla 7S Sophia 7S Che'Nye 7F Betty 7G Leigh 7G Leigh 7G Serena 7C Natasha 7C Debra 7C Dolly 7H

Year 9

Rada 9W Xinyu 9S Shonaly 9S Sophie 9S Arani 9F Sylvie 9F Hannah 9G Bette 9C

Year 8 Cara 8W Aisha 8W Ashwina 8W Akua 8S Sadie 8F Noah 8G Zayna 8G Olivia 8C

Year 10 Jade-Dior 10W Iris 10G Anna 10C Keralie 10H Marianne 10H



Faculty News

ICT Faculty Ada Lovelace Day

In October, Ada Lovelace Day is celebrated across the world to recognise her work in the field of computing. Students will have the opportunity in their computing lessons and tutor time to learn about her pioneering work and also find out about other famous women in computing. Ada Lovelace became renowned for her work along with Charles Babbage.

"At 17, she met the inventor, Charles Babbage, and began a lifelong friendship. Babbage was working on a machine known as the analytical engine, which is now recognised as a very early version of the computer."

Lovelace became fascinated and began contributing to the project. Dubbed 'the Enchantress of Numbers' by Babbage, she wrote reams of notes about the pioneering invention. Her observations included codes that could help to instruct and guide the machine, and predictions about its potential uses.

Her revolutionary work on the analytical engine has earned her recognition as the world's first computer programmer. Although she died at a young age, Lovelace made a huge impact in her lifetime. Her observations inspired Alan Turing's work on the first modern computers in the 1940s, and today Lovelace is recognised as an early computing pioneer." (Uk Research and Innovation Website)

The Ada National College for Digital Skills, in Tottenham, is named after the famous programmer. This local college could be a future pathway for our students, where they could continue their learning in the field of computing and digital media:

https://ada.ac.uk/

To celebrate Ada Lovelace Day, the ICT faculty will be launching an online Python programming competition, which will be accessible via Microsoft Teams. The highest scorer will receive an ICT goodie bag, including their very own BBC Micro-bit.

Ms Shafiq Interim Head of ICT







P.E. News

Ten students took part in the Waltham Forest Cross Country Championships last week at Jubilee Park. Despite the rain, wind and mud the students were in very high spirits and all ran extremely well.

Congratulations to the following students who took part (and for giving up a morning in bed to run around in the cold!):

The results are as follows.

Aoife	11F	1st in year 10+ race
Malaika	9H	9th in year 8/9 race (4th place in year 9)
Lois Betty	8W 8G	36th in year 8/9 race (20th place in year 8) 38th in year 8/9 race (22nd place in year 8)
Aaliyah	7W	8th in year 7 race
Brianna	7C	13th in year 7 race
Myla	7S	24th in year 7 race
Sofia	7C	25th in year 7 race
Freya	7F	26th in year 7 race
Fadma	7G	34th in year 7 race





Ms Warren

Year 8 English Cinema Visit

Dear Parent/Carer

The English Faculty are organising a trip to the Empire Cinema in Walthamstow to participate in a film screening of 'Johnny English Strikes Again' on Wednesday 6th November periods 1-3, as part of Into Film's Youth Film Festival. The film screening will serve as the stimulus text for all Year 8 students to write their own film review, developing their non-fiction writing skills.

For this trip, permission slips will be collected on the sQuid online payment system. Information letters have been distributed to students in their English lessons, with details on how to submit your online permission slip and additional details about the trip.

Please ensure permission slips are submitted via sQuid by Monday, 28th October.

Ms R Schaber Head of English

Lost Property

Reminder to Parents/Carers.

Please make sure all clothing, including P.E. kit, is clearly labelled. Blazers should be named with labels 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 on **any day after school**.

All lost property will be **removed** from the box on the last day of term.







Ms Jolliffe Student Services

Diversity / Drama Trip Review "Master Harold and the boys":

As part of our Black History Month celebration, Ms Cornford, Mr Ramlagan and myself invited twenty students to watch 'Master Harold and the boys" at the National Theatre.

The play is set in 1950s Apartheid South Africa and explores the nature of friendship, and the ways people are capable of hurting even those they love because of racism.



Here are some students' reviews:

The play was really interesting and the thing I enjoyed the most was the fact that it was only three men who acted throughout the whole play. I absolutely loved how they made the audience built hatred for one character and love towards the other character (who was a fabulous actor). Che' 8E

I really enjoyed the show and especially really liked how they used ballroom dancing in the play to express their feelings. The ending was really sad when Sam said he couldn't sit with the boy because it was a white only bench. Nehir 8G.

I liked when Willy and Sam danced at the end and when they were remaking the scene when they were all in the bedroom. However, I found it really sad when Master Harold spat on Sam.

Lyla 8G.

The play was set in South Africa in the 1950s about two black men who worked in a café. They had their good times, when they danced and when they flew their kites and their bad times, when they got spat in their faces by Master Harold, when they got hit and shouted at. This was a phenomenal show. My favourite part was when the two black men started dancing at the end. Rachel 8G.

Our students were an absolute credit to our school, bravo!

Ms Desbenoit Diversity Co Ordinator.

Black History Month Mathematics event at the University of Cambridge

Black History Month



SATURDAY 26 OCTOBER 2019 FACULTY OF MATHEMATICS, MR2

An event to showcase black mathematicians and their contribution, and inspire young black students to study mathematics at University

- 13:30 The Black Heroes of Mathematics Dr Nira Chamberlain (IMA) talk + Q&A
- 14:30 A series of short presentations by current researchers and recent graduates
- 15:30 Coffee, tea & cake
- 15:45 Panel discussion and Q&A with current and recent students

16:30 END

Please see Ms Robinson or Ms E Kelly in the Maths Faculty if you are interested in this exciting opportunity.



WALTHAM FOREST BLACK HISTORY MONTH events. Here is the link; https://www.walthamforest.gov.uk/content/black-history-month-waltham-forest

Vivien Boateng, M.B.E. <u>Dentaa</u> Pupil 1994-1999

Presenter, Singer & Entrepreneur





This is what Vivien said about her time in the school – *"I loved everyone in school"*. Vivien was born in Ghana and came to England at the age of five. She took A Levels in Media, Sociology & Performing Arts at <u>Leyton</u> Sixth Form College and then qualified as a <u>Paediatric</u> Nurse.

She is best known for her stage name <u>Dentaa</u>. She has appeared in *EastEnders* & <u>Holby</u> City and hosts <u>programmes</u> on British and Ghanaian TV.

Dentaa is an advocate for the Ghanaian community in the U.K. and has been awarded many <u>honours</u>, including an M.B.E. in 2016. In 2011, she was named in *The Future 100* Awards as a *"Young Social Entrepreneur"* and in 2017 she received the *Ghana Peace Awards Humanitarian Service Laureate*.

Founder and C.E.O. of G.U.B.A. Enterprise, she was awarded Young Female Achiever of the Year, in June 2019 at the Men of the Year Awards, in Accra. This award is given to a female under the age of 40 who has who has excelled and showed evidence of impactful contribution in her area of <u>endeavour</u>.

"The only person standing in the way of your success is you."

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CITY LIFE EXHIBITION 2019 Private View 10th October 6-9 pm

11th - 20th October - Admission free

Open 12-6pm - Open late: Thursday 17th Ootober 12-10pm - Lioensed bar



Candid Arts Trust 3-5 Torrens Street, London, EC1V 1NQ. www.candidarts.com office@candidarts.com





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

WSFG Alumnae is Looking for Parents and Carers to establish a 'WSFG Friends & Carers Alumnae Group'

At present the 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 Lesley Winter: <u>lwinter@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk</u>

Or

wsfgalumnae@gmail.com

For more information visit our website:

https://www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk/alumnae/whoarewe

Alumnae Mission Statement

To maintain a supportive community amongst students, parents and staff, past and present, and celebrate Walthamstow School for Girls' achievements.

Thank you for your support 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



Year 11 College Information Revised 16.10.2019

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Pease check regularly as dates/times are added weekly

Year 11 Student College Information Open Days/Evenings

Year 11 Student College Information Open L		
ADA - National College for Digital Skills	Wednesday 9th October	5pm - 7.30pm - Contact ada.ac.uk/events
Beal High School	Tuesday 11th February	5pm-6pm
Big Creative Education	Wednesday 16th October	From 4.30pm
Brampton Manor	Weds 20th and Thurs 21st	Register via link on website
BSix	Saturday 2nd November	10am - 1pm
Caterham High School	Thursday 28th November (TBC)	To be confirmed
Central Foundation Girls School		
Chingford Foundation	Thursday 16th January 2020	From 6.30pm
City & Islington	Various times/days starting Weds 6th Nov	See website for full details
City of London Academy (Islington)	Thursday 7th and 13th November	By booking only via website
Clapton Girls 6th Form Academy	Wednesday 20th November	
College of Haringey Enfield & Nth East London	Saturday 9th November	10am - 2pm
Davenant	Wednesday 13th November	
Edmonton County	Thursday 17th October	6pm - 8pm
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
Forest 6th Form	Monday 30th September	5pm - 8pm Contact to book a place
Fortismere 6th Form	Wednesday 6th November	Check website to book
Harris Academy Tottenham	Thursday 21st November	Check website for times
Heathcote 6th Form	Thursday 16th January 2020	6pm - 8.30pm
Henrietta Barnett 6th Form	Thursday 7th November	4pm - 6pm
Highams Park	Thursday 23rd January	6pm - 8.30pm
Holy Family 6th Form	Thursday 14th November	From 6.30pm
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)	Thurs 7th & 21st November	Register: www.laetottenham.
Morpeth	Wednesday 6th November	
Mossbourne (MCA)	Saturday 16th November	Times to be confirmed. Register at www.mossbourne.org
New Vic Newham	Sat 12th Oct: Sat 25th Jan 2020	9.30am - 12.30pm: 9.30am - 12.30pm
Queenswood 6th Form College	Wednesday 2nd October	3.45pm to 7pm - Booking required
Regent 6th Form College	Thursday 14th November	4pm - 6.30pm
Seven Kings Ilford	Online applications November 2019	Closing Date 30th March 2020
Sir George Monoux	Saturday 2nd November	
Six 21	Tuesday 5th November	5pm - 7.30pm
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		
Waltham Forest College	Wednesday 6th November	4.30pm - 7.00pm
Walthamstow Academy	Thursday 30th January	5pm - 7pm - This is provisional information
Wanstead High School	Thursday 28th November	6pm - 8pm
Westminster Kingsway	From Monday 14th October	4pm - 7pm (check website for locations)
Woodford County High	Tuesday 15th October	From 5.30pm
Woodhouse College	Saturday 9th November	Times to be confirmed

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

MONOUX SIXTH FORM COLLEGE OPEN ODAC DAC Saturday 2nd November 2019 Saturday 2nd November 2019 10:00am - 1:00pm (last admission 12:30pm) Register at www.sgmc.ac.uk/openday MAXIMISE YOUR SUCCESS

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SIXTH FORM OPEN EVENING

THURSDAY 14TH NOVEMBER 2019 6.30PM

Did you know that you don't have to be Catholic to study at Holy Family 6th Form?

Students interested in applying to Holy Family Sixth Form for admission September 2020 are invited to attend our Open Evening to view our brand new facilities and explore the wide range of A Levels and Level 3 BTEC courses we offer.



We are an open access Sixth Form and welcome applications from all faiths and backgrounds. Please visit our website to view our prospectus, course guide and application form.

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7th - 8th December 2019 University College, London (UCL)

Are you aged 12-14 and aspire to become a top lawyer, doctor, engineer or investment banker in the future?

The 'Step Into Your Future' Weekend gives you the opportunity to gain an immersive experience in one of these professions right now. You will be coached by leading doctors, engineers, investment bankers and lawyers in how to fulfil their dreams, with guidance all the way from GCSE choices through to A-level/IB, university and beyond.

The weekend is split into four distinct half-day sessions. Saturday will be dedicated to Medicine (morning) and Engineering (afternoon) and Sunday to Law (morning) and Investment Banking (afternoon). Students can choose to attend any number of sessions across the two days.

Meet top doctors, engineers, lawyers and investment bankers who will guide you through interactive simulations of your dream career:

Medicine: Understand how to read an ECG

Engineering: Design an aeroplane

Law: Participate in a live courtroom battle

Investment Banking: Build your own stock portfolio

Follow this link for further details:

https://investin.org/products/the-step-into-your-future-weekend? utm_source=InvestIN+Education+-+Schools+MASTER&utm_campaign=9972e19de5bankersschoolmar_COPY_01&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_ea2e31bba1-9972e19de5 _134973589&mc_cid=9972e19de5&mc_eid=cf62e8b7ec





URGENT AND EMERGENCY CARE PATIENT FORUM - INFORMATION DAY

Wednesday 23rd of October 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM

Come along and help us to influence Urgent and Emergency Care services.

At the meeting we will:

- provide an overview of Urgent and Emergency Care
- highlight possible recommendations for improvements
- discuss how the forum will work with providers to improve Urgent and Emergency Care

VENUE DETAILS:

Waltham Forest Resource Hub (Central) 1 Russell Road E10 7ES London



Please register your interest at: aqata.arcimowicz@healthwatchwalthamforest.co.uk or call us on 0203 078 9990



55,000 Trees To Be Given To Londoners For Free

55,000 free trees are being offered to Londoners from today, as part of an attempt to tackle air pollution in the capital.

30,000 of the trees are available for Londoners to plant in their gardens and shared green spaces, while community groups and schools can apply for some of the further 25,000 trees to be installed at local planting events.

How to get your free tree

If you've got a private, shared or community garden that would benefit from a tree or two, you can apply to receive them from the Woodland Trust, which is supplying them as part of its Big Climate Fightback campaign. The trees are supplied in pairs — a rowan tree and a cherry tree — and you can apply by following this link 11 November to be in with a chance of getting a pack.

https://londonist.com/london/great-outdoors/the-mayor-of-london-is-giving-away-50-000-trees-to-londoners-for-free

Laura Reynolds



School Calendar Dates 2019-2020 Autumn Term 2019 Monday 2 September to Friday 20 December 2019

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	
Thursday 7 November	Alumnae Quiz Night 7pm	
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

College Roadshow Thursday 28th November 2019 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

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