



Greensheet 22Mar2024

Headteacher Message

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

We have had a number of exciting events and visits over the past two weeks which you can read about below. Our famous **steel pans** crossed the river to South London to take part in the **Music for Youth regional finals**. We know that they will have impressed the judges with their energy and musical skills so we are waiting to hear whether they have progressed to the next round. Some of our year 11s visited the Garrick Theatre to see '**For Black Boys...**' and were blown away by both the performances and hard-hitting themes. Our debating team visited South Hampstead School for Girls to compete against a range of schools in their Literary Worlds **Debate Mate competition**. **Year 7s celebrated Pi Day** on the 14th March with the championship finals where Mabel recited pi to 239 decimal places! And this week our year 10 Hispanists visited the **Instituto Cervantes** to immerse themselves in Spanish culture.

Welcome Ramadan 2024

Ramadan Kareem to all students, staff and families who are observing the holy month. We would like to take this opportunity to let you know about arrangements that will be in place for our Muslim staff and students during Ramadan. Here at WSFG, we hope to be supportive of each other, our faiths and beliefs. We acknowledge, as a school, the importance of Ramadan and Eid ul Fitr in Islam, and we are mindful that we need to be particularly vigilant and sensitive to the welfare and education of our children during this important time. We understand that those celebrating Ramadan are striving to improve themselves in various ways.

Prayer

We understand the importance of prayer during Ramadan and, with this in mind, we are ensuring that we open up additional prayer spaces for students and staff. Either the Hewett or Norris Hall has been open since the start of Ramadan, in addition to the prayer room.

Lessons during Ramadan

Timetabled lessons continue as usual during Ramadan. Whilst staff are asked to be sensitive to the needs of students who are fasting, students are expected to continue to bring in their PE kits and to participate in music, Food and PE as usual. We have found in the past that students

are happy to take home anything they have made in Food and eat at home when they break their fast.

Please remember that normal employment and study routines continue across the world during Ramadan. We encourage students reflect on ways to manage situations, using examples from the Qur'an. Each teacher is passionate about their particular subject and has a responsibility to teach the curriculum. Please also bear in mind that we are a very diverse community and whilst we try our utmost to accommodate and work collaboratively with everyone, it is not possible to leave out parts of the national curriculum to suit the requirements of our various groups of students.

Students are welcome to come and speak to a member of staff regarding this or any other concern. If students are struggling to get through the day or a part of the day, then please inform us.

If any of our Muslim families have any further practical suggestions that they think we could be of assistance with, please do let me know.

Spring Holidays

Students and staff have been working very hard and it is important that we all have a well-deserved rest and recharge our batteries.

Happy Easter to those who are celebrating Easter and Eid Mubarak to those who are celebrating Eid. Hope you all enjoy the food, gifts and festivities.

With all good wishes for a restful break

Ms Marriott

End of Spring Term and Start of Summer Term Arrangements

Dear Parents / Carers,

The final day of Spring Term is Thursday 28/03/24.

- Lessons 1 – 3 are as normal.
- There will be a normal breaktime dining room service.
- Thursday 28/03 will be a non-uniform day (Cost £1.00 to be collected on the entrance gate in the morning) with funds going to the Red Cross and Red Crescent charities.

Students will be dismissed at 12.35/40pm for the Spring holiday.

Students return to school on Monday 15/04/24.

This will be a slightly later start. Students can enter the building from 8.30 and registration will start at 9.00 until 9.20. The rest of the day will be as normal.

This will be a Week A.

Have a safe and enjoyable holiday.

Year 10 Spanish Class Trip to Instituto Cervantes

On Monday Ms Rafferty and Ms Griffin's class went to Instituto Cervantes in London. It was the most interesting trip of my life!

When we got there, we met Mayte, the librarian, and she explained where the name of the institute came from and the history of the institute. It was so interesting to know how old the building was and how many different locations there were of Instituto Cervantes.

We then met Lucía and she explained sports in Spain to us and famous Spanish athletes! This was my favourite part as I love sports!

We played an interesting Kahoot about the popular sports and famous athletes.

We then watched the movie 'Campeones' and it was the most enthralling and fascinating movie ever! Watching Marco go from 100 to 0 back to 100 was so inspiring!

I really enjoyed the trip and I'm really grateful we were able to go!

- Haleema 10C

For the Spanish trip we went to Instituto Cervantes where they teach Spanish and learn about Spanish culture and Spanish speaking countries. I had a lot of fun we learnt about the different types of sports in the Hispanic countries we also did a quiz and learnt about the Hispanic athletes and more. We then watched a movie and I think that was my favourite part because it was fun, and we got to relax and watch something for the rest of the time that we were there.

- Sophia A. 10G





The Year 7 Pi Day Recitation Final 2024

On Thursday 14th March, we held the grand Pi Day Recitation Final.

The champions from each Year 7 Maths Class competed against each other to secure an overall Year 7 Winner. They all demonstrated great perseverance, courage and creativity in their memory techniques.

Congratulations to all participants and especially to the winner, Mabel A, who correctly recited pi to 239 decimal places.

The other finalists were Annabelle H, Anisa L, Inaaya Z, Sumayyah H, Tayla M and Zaina S.





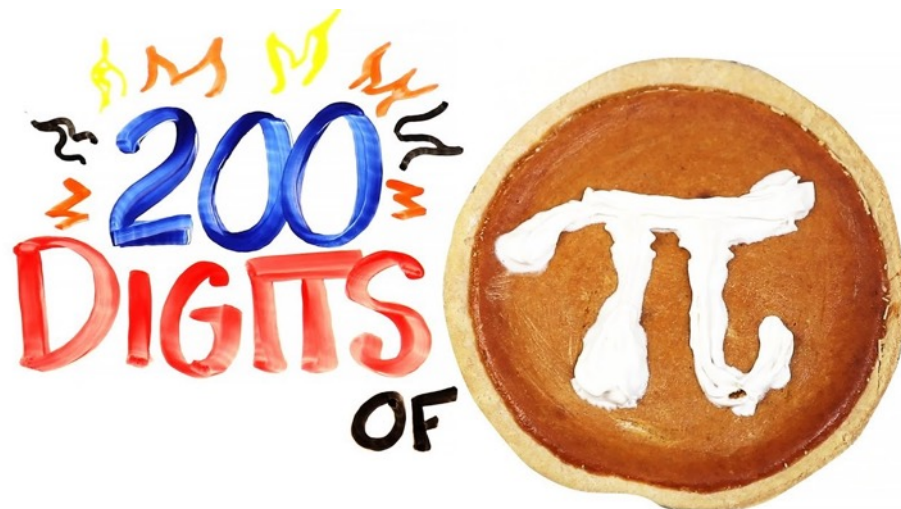
Thank you to Mr Shum for taking the Grand Final photos, Mr Trimithioti for the trophy, Mrs Barham for making the Pi themed bag and to Melania and Elu for making the badges.



If anyone wants to start practising ready for next year, here is pi to 200 decimal places.
The song lasts exactly 3.14 minutes! See below YouTube video.

Ms Robinson

Challenge Coordinator









Year 11 Tate Modern Art Gallery Trip

On Thursday 7th March 2024, Year 11 Art students went to Tate Modern Art Gallery. "The trip to the Tate was very interesting. We saw a range of artworks such as Yoko Ono's wish tree that was intriguing to view the variety of aspirations and wishes that dangled from the branches. Although our personal themes were different it was great to see work that we all enjoyed and linked to the overall theme of 'Power'. It was a great experience and day out where we could leave the classroom and draw inspiration from real life."

- by Nabeeha and Ayo (Year 11 Art students)



The Literary Worlds Debating Competition

On March 11, the debate team (Aminata – yr 11, Serena – yr 10, Julia – yr 9 and Molly – yr 9) ventured to South Hampstead High School to take part in the Literary Worlds debating competition. This event was a bit different than others we have attended in that the motions were all based on literary worlds from a range of novels – Harry Potter, The Hunger Games, Sherlock Holmes and Percy Jackson. Motions included: This house believes that Sherlock Holmes should join the police force. and This house believes that the houses at Hogwarts should be abolished. Over the 3 ½ hours there, the teams debate across three rounds with over 25 schools attending.

The English Faculty



Global Alliance Calendar

Global Alliance Calendar - March - by the students of 7W

Ramadan

- The month of Ramadan is believed to be the month in which the Holy Qur'an was revealed to Prophet Muhammad (PBUH), as a guidance for all mankind. In between the hours of sunrise and sunset, fasting isn't just accomplished by abstaining from food and drink. Before they (Muslims) begin their fast they have a meal before sunrise called sehri or suhoor. At the end of the day, they eat iftar.



Zero discrimination day

Zero Discrimination Day highlights how people can become informed about and promote inclusion, compassion, peace and, above all, a movement for change. Zero Discrimination Day is helping to create a global movement of solidarity to end all forms of discrimination

This year is the tenth anniversary of zero discrimination day, and the theme is to protect everyone's health and rights.

By Astrid ,Raya and Lottie



St David's day 1st of march

• There's nothing more Welsh than St. David's Day, the feast and celebration that falls on March 1 and commemorates the patron saint of Wales, Saint David – the greatest figure in the 6th century. Welsh Age of Saints, founder of scores of religious communities, and the only native-born patron saint of the countries of Britain and Ireland. St. David, a famous teacher and the founder of what is today, St. David's Cathedral, was famed for his pious austerity, his commitment to eschew sensual pleasures in favor of spiritual enlightenment, and his ability to perform miracles. Because of his life and works, St David's Day is widely popular amongst the Welsh. Today, the holiday is as much a celebration of Wales as it is of her patron saint. Children participate in recitation and singing, parades line the streets, the flag of Saint David is raised, and some girls wear traditional Welsh clothing.



GHANA INDEPENDENCE DAY

• **GHANA INDEPENDENCE DAY IS A CELEBRATION THAT OCCURS ON THE 6TH OF MARCH. IT STARTED IN 1957 AND IS AN EVENT THAT STILL TAKES PLACE TODAY. GHANA INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATES THEIR INDEPENDENCE FROM THE UNITED KINGDOM.**

• **BY ANNA, MANHA, AAILA AND AAYAT**

International women's day

International women's day was created in 1911 to celebrate the mass of women who were previously overlooked, more than 1 million women and men attended IWD in Europe which was a staggering number of people for that time.

Sadly, it took the United Nations 64 years to adopt national women's day as an official event.

Women that went down in history:

Rosa Parks was a civil rights activist whose refusal to give up her seat to a white passenger on a segregated bus in 1955 led to the Montgomery bus boycott.

Malala Yousafzai was a Pakistani activist who campaigned for girls' education and against the Taliban. She also survived an assassination by the Taliban in 2012 when she was only 14 years old.

INTERNATIONAL
**WOMEN'S
DAY** | MARCH 2 - 8



EQUAL PAY DAY

Equal pay day is observed on March 14-15. Equal pay day is a date that symbolizes how far into the year the average woman must work to have earned what the average man has earned the previous year. The exact day differs year by year, in 2022 (it was March 15) and the number of additional days women must work to earn the same pay as men was 60. The history of equal pay day dates to 1883.

The issue of equal pay day between male and female employees has been addressed regularly for quite some time, with legislation and changes occurring steadily in many countries. Yet this is still an issue requiring urgent attention even today.

From the 1970's onward, women employees were increasingly becoming a significant addition to the work force in several industries. Although there were laws protecting women's pay equity, but these were not always respected. Several studies were conducted during the late 1990's and early 2000's, illustrating this issue. The gender wage gap has proved to be a much more pressing question.

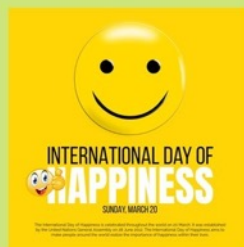


St Patrick's day!

17th of march

Saint Patrick's Day was made an official Christian feast day in the early 17th century and is observed by the Catholic Church, the Anglican Communion (especially the Church of Ireland), the Eastern Orthodox Church, and the Lutheran Church. The day commemorates Saint Patrick and the arrival of Christianity in Ireland, and, by extension, celebrates the heritage and culture of the Irish in general. Celebrations generally involve public parades and festivals, céilíthe, and the wearing of green attire or shamrocks. Christians who belong to liturgical denominations also attend church services and historically the Lenten restrictions on eating and drinking alcohol were lifted for the day, which has encouraged and propagated the holiday's tradition of alcohol consumption.

Made by: Elizabeth, Abegiya, Millie and Tayla



International day of happiness

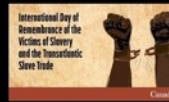
In 2012 the first ever UN conference on Happiness took place and the UN General Assembly adopted a resolution which decreed that the International Day of Happiness would be observed every year on 20 March. It was celebrated for the first time in 2013.

The international day of happiness is celebrated every year on the 20th of March to promote the importance of happiness, wellbeing, and mental health in our lives and around the world. It aims to make people around the world realize the importance of happiness within their lives. Share happiness with friends and family on the joyful day. Taking the time to note and appreciate what oneself is thankful for, even the little things, will make people feel happier and more fulfilled in life. Consider making this a daily habit, such as keeping a gratitude log. Spend time with loved ones and try to repair any relationships that are going through a tough patch since good quality relationships are crucial to happiness.

International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade

The day honors and remembers those who suffered and died because of the transatlantic slave trade, which has been called "the worst violation of human rights in history", in which over 400 years more than 15 million men, women and children were the victims.

International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade is a United Nations international observance designated in 2007 to be marked on 25 March every year. For those that survived, a life without compassion, joy, and freedom awaited. Their remaining days were filled with torture and forced labor.



By Isabelle and Aryam and Nada and Seraphina 7W

Observance of genocides around the world

- the deliberate killing of a large number of people from a particular nation or ethnic group with the aim of destroying that nation or group
- Many other countries have unfortunately experienced many genocides which have effected the country.
- This is celebrated on march 26th

• By Nada and Seraphina and Aryam and Isabelle 7W



Easter!

Easter is the most important festival in the Christian calendar and is celebrated by thousands of people all over the world. It marks Jesus rising from the dead, after having died on a cross. These days, lots of people celebrate it by giving and receiving chocolate Easter eggs, and sometimes going on a hunt for them too!



But...That's Not The Only Way Its Celebrated..

The town of Bessieres, in southwestern France, gets together every Easter Monday to make a giant omelette with 15,000 eggs which the whole town eats. It apparently takes a four-meter pan, 40 cooks and very long stick. The tradition stems from Napoleon's visit to the town where he ate a wonderful omelette before bed, which was so nice, he ordered a huge one be made for his army to eat before they left the next morning.

Easter in Spain
They.....
Eat and dance in the streets
Feast on garlic soup and sea food
Perform Religious music on balcony
Have a Parade of drums
Burn Judas dolls
Dress up as skeletons



Easter in England
Attending church services
Spending time with family
Giving each other Easter eggs
Participating in Easter egg hunts, where decorated eggs are hidden, and children try to find them
Inviting family and friends for Easter Sunday lunch, and the traditional Easter Sunday meal is a lamb roast
Easter egg hunts
Egg painting
Hot Cross Buns
Maypole Dancing
Knutter's dance
Morris Dancing
Eating hams on Easter Sunday
Inviting family and friends for Easter Sunday lunch
Traditional Easter Sunday meal of lamb roast
Common decorations such as dyed or painted eggs, little yellow chicks, bunnies, and spring flowers, such as daffodils, white lilies, and tulips

Information for Parent and Carer

Issue of Pink Slips

This is a reminder that Pink Lunch slips should only be issued in the event of a ***genuine emergency***.

It is the responsibility of the student to ensure they have their Lanyards and One Cards in school on a daily basis, as per the uniform policy, and to check their accounts to make certain they have sufficient funds for lunchtime purchases. The issue of these slips is now being monitored and SPLs will be having conversations with repeat offenders.

Mrs R Jolliffe

Attendance & Student Services Officer

School Office Information

School email – **info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk** is monitored Monday to Friday between 9am to 3pm, and we aim to respond to emails within three working days.

Information regarding term dates, upcoming events and general school enquires can be found on our website Walthamstow School for Girls - Home (wsfg.waltham.sch.uk).

Contact information:

If you are aware of any recent changes to parent/carers contact information such as;

- Change of address
- New telephone or mobile number
- New email address
- Change of person on Students emergency contact list

Please email the school office via **info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk** with students' name, form and the reason for the change of details.

It is vital we have up to date contact information for all students at WSFG.

Appointments during school time:

If a student needs to leave school early for an appointment, please ensure you remind them of the time they will need to come to reception. We are unable to send appointment reminders to students during break (11:10 – 11:30) and lunch times (12:30 – 13:30). Proof of appointments will need to be shown to front office staff or emailed into the school.

Student absences:

Student absences must be reported via **telephone 020 8509 9446** option 1 before 9am to ensure they are dealt with promptly. If unanswered, please leave a voicemail with your child's name, form and reason for absence. Should this fail, please respond to absence text message. Due to the high-volume emails received, we cannot guarantee your absences notification will be seen and actioned before absence text messages are sent.

Ramadan

Dear Parents/Carers

Ramadan

Could you please ensure that if your daughter is fasting, she does so according to the sunnah method. That is they should have a full and nutritious breakfast (SEHRI) before keeping the fast. Your daughter should not keep fast if she is feeling unwell. In addition, in the rare event of feeling very ill during a fast, she should break the fast rather than allowing her condition to get worse.

As agreed by medics, fasting is not at all detrimental to our health and in fact it can be physically very beneficial. However, the correct method of fasting should be adhered to. Please feel free to contact the school if you have any questions.

Term Key Dates

Key Dates of the Spring Term:

Thursday 28th March – last day of Spring term (Early closure for last day of term)

Start of the Summer Term Arrangement:

Monday 15th April - Students return to school

This will be a slightly later start. Students can enter the building from 8.30 and registration will start at 9.00 until 9.20. The rest of the day will be as normal.

School Calendar 2023 - 2024

	SCHOOL DAY				
	BANK HOLIDAY				
	SCHOOL CLOSURE				
	INSET				
	Y8-11 Students collect timetables: Y7 in school				
	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Sept 2023	4	5	6	7	8
	11	12	13	14	15
	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	29
Oct	2	3	4	5	6
	9	10	11	12	13
	16	17	18	19	20
	23	24	25	26	27
	30	31			
Nov			1	2	3
	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30	
Dec					1
	4	5	6	7	8
	11	12	13	14	15
	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	29
Jan 2024	1	2	3	4	5
	8	9	10	11	12
	15	16	17	18	19
	22	23	24	25	26
	29	30	31		
Feb				1	2
	5	6	7	8	9
	12	13	14	15	16
	19	20	21	22	23
	26	27	28	29	
March					1
	4	5	6	7	8
	11	12	13	14	15
	18	19	20	21	22
	25	26	27	28	29
April	1	2	3	4	5
	8	9	10	11	12
	15	16	17	18	19
	22	23	24	25	26
	29	30			
May			1	2	3
	6	7	8	9	10
	13	14	15	16	17
	20	21	22	23	24
	27	28	29	30	31
June	3	4	5	6	7
	10	11	12	13	14
	17	18	19	20	21
	24	25	26	27	28
July	1	2	3	4	5
	8	9	10	11	12
	15	16	17	18	19

Enrichment Programme Autumn Term 2023-2024

	Enrichment Programme Spring Term 2023- 2024			
	<p>Here are some of our clubs and support sessions to enjoy this term, a big thank you to the staff and students who volunteer to organise and run these activities. Please encourage the students to participate and display this list at home.</p>			
	Ms Philippou			
	Activity	When it runs	Room	The activity is run by
Monday				
Figure Drawing club	12.30pm-1.30pm	F35	Ms N Hepworth	Year 9-11
Football Club	12.30pm -1pm	Sports Hall	Miss L Wood	Year 9
Key stage 3 French Club	1.00pm-1.30pm	F24	Ms Guechoul	KS3
Tuesday				
Netball Club	12.30pm - 1pm	Sports Hall	Ms Careless-Pye	Year 8
Q-Vees Movie & Art Club	12.45pm - 1.25pm	F18	Mr G Quest	All Years welcome (Starts 17th October)
Debate Club	3.45pm - 4.45pm	G14	Dr Rose	Year 9 - 11 (Starts on 3rd October)
Music Coursework Club	3.30pm -5.30pm	W26	Miss H Bradshaw	Year 11
Wednesday				
Basketball Club	12.30pm - 1pm	Sports Hall	Miss L Childs	Year 7 & 8
Year 7 Drama club	12.40pm - 1.20pm	G10	Ms C Wallace	Year 7
All Sewn Up (knitting, crochet, sewing & textiles)	3.30pm - 4.30pm	LRC	Ms O Kelly	All Years welcome
Key Stage 4 French Club	1pm-1.30pm	F24	Ms Guechoul	
Key Stage 3 Spanish Club	1pm - 1.30pm	F25	Mr Polo	Years 7-9
Music Coursework Club	3.30pm -5.30pm	W26	Miss H Bradshaw	Year 11
Thursday				
Basketball Club	12.30pm-1.30pm	Sports Hall	Miss L Childs	Year 9 & 10
History of Art Club	12.30pm - 1.30pm	F35	Ms Hepworth	Years 9-11
Key Stage 4 Spanish Club	1pm - 1.30pm	F25	Mr Polo	Years 10 & 11
Q-Vees Movie & Art Club	12.45pm - 1.25pm	F18	Mr G Quest	All Years welcome (Starts 19th October)
Sparx Club	12.30pm-1.30pm	S02	Ms T Cassango	All Year welcome (Week A and B) (Starts 2nd October)
Tottenham football coaching	3.30pm - 4.30pm	Sports Hall	Qualified coaches	All Years welcome
Papercrafts	3.30pm - 4.30pm	LRC	Ms O Kelly	All Years welcome
Philosophy Club	3.40pm-4.30pm	S10	Mr C Caps	Week A - Year 9,10 and 11 Week B - Year 7 and 8
Music Coursework Club	3.30pm -5.30pm	W26	Miss H Bradshaw	Year 11
Friday				
Badminton Club	12.30pm-1.00pm	Sports Hall	Miss L Childs	All Years welcome
Sparx Club	12.30pm-1.30pm	S02	Ms T Cassango	All Year welcome (Only Week A) (starts 2nd October)
Music Coursework Club	3.30pm -5.30pm	W26	Miss H Bradshaw	Year 11

PE Extra- Curricular Timetable



WSfG PE Extra- Curricular Timetable



DAY	LUNCHTIME 12:30pm-1:00pm	AFTERSCHOOL 3:30pm-4:30pm
Monday		GCSE PE interventions
Tuesday	Netball Club Year 8 Sports hall FCA	Netball fixtures Year 7 LCH
Wednesday	Netball club Year 7 only Sports hall LCH	Netball Fixtures Year 8 FCA
Thursday		Tottenham football coaching (qualified coaches) Year 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11- Sports hall
Friday	Badminton club Year 7,8,9,10 & 11 (30 max) Sports hall LCH	

Vaping risks – Met Police

The Metropolitan Police have informed of us of five young people aged 14-16 years who on 29th January 2024 were hospitalised with relatively serious health harms having used vapes which toxicology results have confirmed to contain Spice. Last week, we received a report from the Metropolitan Police of vapes containing cannabis involving 2 young people who also experienced health harms. At present we do not know how wide the issue of vapes containing illegal drugs is, and whether the young people involved planned to buy illegal drugs. In the latest incident, the vape was a blue and purple coloured rechargeable metal vape device labelled 'Vaporesso', which held blue liquid residues within a clear plastic chamber of a silver and black cartridge.

The police are advising that:

1. If you have any reports of similar incidents in your area, please complete an LDIS form and share this information with the london.drugalerts@dhsc.gov.uk

Any further information should be submitted using an LDIS form (attached), with local partners informed and submitted to london.drugalerts@dhsc.gov.uk

Emergency School Closures or Severe Weather

In the event of an emergency school closure, the decision on whether the school stays open will be taken by the Headteacher after carrying out a risk assessment.

In the event of severe weather, the school will remain open when possible.

Information about any closure will be available on the school's website:

www.wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

by phone:

020 8509 9446

or via a text message

We aim to send text messages to parents and carers, although there are sometimes delays in getting these messages through promptly, so please check the school's website for up to date information.

Please ensure that the School Office has on record up to date addresses and telephone numbers, including a mobile number and the person to contact in the case of a student emergency.

It is essential that the school has at least **one** land line and a mobile number.

Viewing Homework Tasks through Go4schools

Dear Parents and Carers,

We will be starting from this week setting homework tasks for students through our Go4Schools system. We have decided to move to this new system in response to parental feedback on being able to track and monitor homework set more easily. Those parents and carers with children in Years 8-11 should already have access to Go4schools, as we were using it as our system for sending out student assessment reports. Once you login into the system the Homework section of main homepage should start to display the various homework tasks being set by the various subject teachers.

Parents and carers of Year 7 students should have received login information on how to access Go4Schools via our Data Team this week. If you have any problems registering your login details, accessing the system or general feedback about the Go4Schools system, please do let us know by contacting the school via info@wsfg.waltham.sch.uk

Many Thanks,

Mr Jalil

Business Manager

Bedrock Parents' Information Evening

Please register for this event to find out why it is so important for students to improve their literacy through this online programme.

Here is the link for you to register your email: <https://bedrocklearning.org/bedrock-features/bedrock-parents-evenings/>



Community Events

Please visit our school website to find out more community events:
[Walthamstow School for Girls - Community Events \(wsfg.waltham.sch.uk\)](https://wsfg.waltham.sch.uk)



Dear Sir/Madam,

Walthamstow Library and Authors Abroad are delighted to welcome your Years 7, 8 and 9 students to an A.I.M. High Writing Day. We are confident they will have an enjoyable and rewarding day working with one of the UK's leading performance poets, Neal Zetter.

Date, Venue and Timings:

Date: Tuesday 14th May 2024

Where: Walthamstow Library, High Street, Walthamstow, E17 7JN

Start time: 9.30 a.m. Please report to reception on arrival (Please aim to arrive at 9.20 a.m.)

Finish: 2.45 p.m. - 3.00 p.m.

Equipment needed: nut free packed lunch per participant, pens, pencils and name labels

Contact prior to the event/bookings: Authors Abroad, details below

Please ensure students are accompanied by an adult (either a teacher, T/A, support staff or Governor).

Books will be on sale on the day that children can purchase – details to follow. This is optional but many children do like to buy books from the author they have been working with.

Fees payable to: (*£35 per child attending)

Authors Abroad
Riversdale
8 Rivoek Avenue
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BD20 6SA

We will invoice each participating school prior to the event, please make any cheques payable to Authors Abroad.

Kind Regards

The A.I.M. High Team

Authors Abroad

www.authorsabroad.com

Should any school wish to invite Neal or any of our other authors to their school in the future to work with more students then please contact Authors Abroad on 01535 279844 or contact Trish on the email address below. (*) + VAT at the current rate. **Places cancelled within 7 working (term time) days of the event will be charged at the full amount. Please make all bookings/cancellations with Authors Abroad – trish@caboodlebooks.co.uk**

Waltham Forest Town Hall, Fellowship Square, Forest Road, London E17 4JF

Date: 8th March 2024

Dear Parent,

Re: Book your child for their free Easter holiday club

I am pleased to be writing to invite you to book your child onto the free Waltham Forest's Holiday Activity and Food Programme for Easter 2024.

These free holiday opportunities are funded through the government's Holiday Activities and Food (HAF) programme, which enables us to provide a holiday programme across the borough for primary and secondary school aged children who are eligible for benefits-related free school meals.

From Friday 8th March you will be able to visit the website below where you will be able to book your child onto range of sessions from **Tuesday 2nd - Friday 12th April 2024**, at no cost to you. The sessions will include a variety of fun activities, including sports, music, arts and other exciting opportunities to learn and develop skills, alongside a nutritious meal each day.

- To find out more and the places available to book, please visit www.walthamforest.gov.uk/holidays
- If you have any queries regarding the holiday activity programme, please email wfholidayactivityprogramme@walthamforest.gov.uk or call 0208 496 3000.

In addition to this free programme, families who are eligible for Universal Credit may be able to claim back up to 85% of their childcare costs. Please visit <https://www.gov.uk/help-with-childcare-costs/universal-credit> to find out more.

Yours faithfully,



Lindsay Jackson
Assistant Director Post 16 & School Operations



The poster is a vibrant promotional graphic for the Waltham Forest Holiday Activity and Food Programme. It features a teal header with a circular logo on the left containing icons for 'HOLIDAY', 'ACTIVITIES', and 'FOOD'. The main title 'WALTHAM FOREST HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME' is in bold, with 'EASTER 2024' in large white letters on a pink background. Below this, the dates '2 APRIL - 12 APRIL' are displayed. A yellow box on the left contains text about eligibility for free school meals. A pink box on the right provides booking information, including a QR code and the website 'WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS'. The bottom section features a dark purple background with logos for the Department for Education and Waltham Forest, along with circular photos of children participating in activities like sports and kayaking.

**WALTHAM FOREST
HOLIDAY ACTIVITY AND FOOD PROGRAMME
EASTER 2024**

2 APRIL - 12 APRIL

**ARE YOU AGED BETWEEN 5-16
AND IN RECEIPT OF BENEFIT-
RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS?**

This Easter we have the opportunity for you to try a wide range of free activities, have fun, make friends and enjoy a free meal every day across the borough.

To book your place and find out more scan here:



or visit
WALTHAMFOREST.GOV.UK/HOLIDAYS

Booking is essential on all activities so book early to avoid disappointment

For queries please contact the Waltham Forest Holiday Activity Programme team on:
**WFHOLIDAYACTIVITYPROGRAMME@
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Our School History

Mary Reeve Strang

The building work currently taking place on the Town Hall site, is to become known as Hepworth Place. There are some links with the name Hepworth and our school. We are all familiar with Ms Hepworth, our art teacher but she has not given her name to the new area. The town hall was designed by Philip Hepworth in 1938. At the same time, he also designed the home of a former pupil and artist, Mary Reeve Strang. You can still see the house, called Pemberley, at 82 Tycehurst Hill, Loughton, Essex. Mary was an artist and publisher of stories for young girls. Her house was designed with space on the roof for a studio and she lived there until 1974. She wrote many articles for the Iris magazine from 1906 which you can find on our school website – About Us/Our School History/Iris Magazines 1906-1970.
Ms Kelly, LRC.





Mary S. Reese in later years.

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