

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday, it certainly feels like winter is really beginning to kick in. We have lots of fantastic clubs that are available at lunchtime, please do encourage your sons and daughters to attend. There are also a range of after school clubs including volleyball club which opened this week.

Monday was our launch event for Woodside Facing Forward, it was delightful to see our community coming together; with parents and carers, governors and alumni sharing their concept of an ideal learning environment and school values with teachers and students (see photos below). If you wish to participate in future events, please email: senen.fikri@woodsidehighschool.co.uk

Year 11 have been a real credit to themselves this week with their participation in the mock examinations. After a challenging 18 months, to go into exams in full exam conditions has shown real resilience. If you have a son/daughter in Year 11, do be mindful of supporting them to get rest and take breaks. We also have a wellbeing drop in session and breakfast revision sessions/teacher drop ins to ensure they are supported every step of the way.

Next week marks the start of our Winter Festival. This begins with our food bank appeal for Haringey Food Bank. If you can spare any dry goods, tins or toiletries, your son/daughter can bring these in. Please also place a date in your diary for Monday 14th December for the Winter Fete.

All the best for the weekend

Angela Wallace
Headteacher



PRAISE POINTS WINNERS

Armani RENFORD 7Y
Rana ALDUKALI 8T
Gun OZGUVEN 9I
Orcem ASLAN 10U
Hang TRAN 11A

School Winner:
Armani RENFORD 7Y

SOCIAL MEDIA



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RSHE FOCUS

Managing exam stress Including
importance of sleep

YEAR 8 PARENTS AND CARERS EVENING

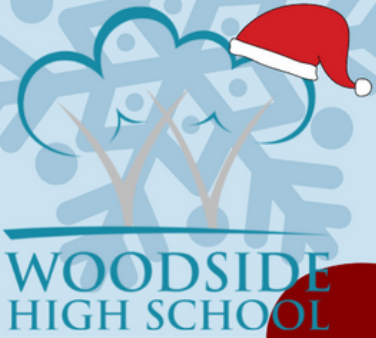
Tuesday 7th Dec | 3 to 6 p.m.

SEND WINTER CELEBRATION COFFEE MORNING

Thursday 9th December

YEAR 7 DISCO

Thursday 9th December | 4 to 6 p.m.



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Raising money for the Woodside Experience -
offering universal enrichment opportunities for our
young people.

MUSIC RECITAL
GAMES
FESTIVE STALLS

4-5:30 PM
PHOTOBOOTH
RAFFLE

*Please note that this event will be held outdoors with the option to come into the school building in smaller groups for performances to support COVID measures.

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ATTEND & ACHIEVE... EVERY SCHOOL DAY COUNTS

As we approach the Christmas holidays and begin booking time away, it is important to note that the holiday dates are as follows:

The last day of term is Friday 17th December. Your child is expected to attend.

The holiday runs from Monday 20th December – Friday 31st December. Monday 3rd is a public holiday, Tuesday 4th is a school inset day. Wednesday 4th January, 2022 is the first school day of term and your child is expected to attend school.

We are working with the local authority to address the issue of unauthorised extended holidays as we are aware that it has a negative effect on student achievement as they try to catch up on work that they have missed. To avoid being in contravention of Section 444 of the 1996 Education Act you should:

- keep trips abroad within the school holiday period (this includes planning in any necessary periods of self-isolation)
- request leave (using a leave request form) before booking any travel. You will need to provide supporting evidence. Please note that we do not authorise travel to visit friends or extended family members who are unwell.
- making contact with the school (through our education welfare office) if you are unsure about whether an absence will be authorised. We are always happy to help
- ensure that your child arrives punctually and attends every day unless they are too unwell to be in school. Days off add up quickly.

Did you know that:

- Students should be in school 97% of the time. This is equal to having less than 6 days off during the entire school year.
- For a child's attendance to be considered a concern, they only need to miss 10 days of school within an academic year. For a child to be considered persistently absent, they need to miss 19 school days.
- If you take a holiday that extends into term time, it is likely that your child will fall into this category.

Attendance is a significant determining factor to achievement and GCSE grades. Students with no absences are 2.2 times more likely to achieve 5+ GCSEs A*- C or equivalent.

Ms. Boothman



Winter Festival

Week Commencing
29th Nov

29th Nov - 3rd Dec | Food Bank Donations
2nd & 3rd Dec | Year 8 Trip - Intouniversity

6th Dec

6th - 10th | Food Bank Donations
6th - 10th | Equalities Group Bake Sale
7th | British Museum Trip
8th | Collage Art Drama Performance,
Business Trip to Lush
9th | EAL Enrichment Trip
10th | Christmas Jumper Day
10th | Christmas Meal
10th | Francis Crick Institute Trip

13th Dec

13th - 17th | Food Bank Donations
13th - 17th | Equalities Group Bake Sale
14th | Winter Fete



BEYOND BOUNDARIES

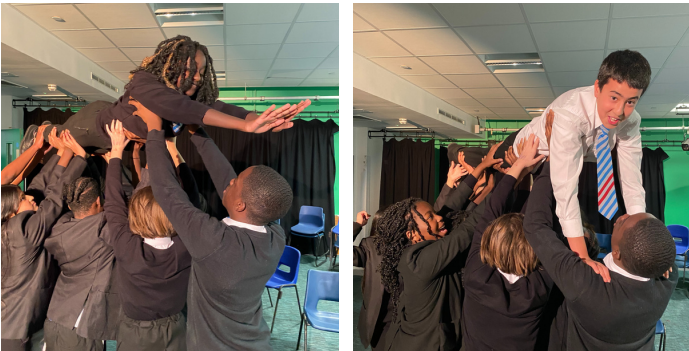
This weekend, the Year 9 Community Theatre Elective will be performing alongside actor and director, Ali Gaderi, to raise money for the Haringey Migrant Centre.

The performance will reveal the true stories of Refugees and Asylum seekers, now living in the UK. It explores a refugee's experience before and after arriving to the UK. Students have used and researched individual accounts through interviews, online research, videos and newspaper articles. The performance is in the style of Verbatim Theatre to portray natural, real, raw accounts of Refugees from Afghanistan, Palestine and Iran. Students have also considered and used the style of Physical Theatre to tell a story through movement, to allow audiences to interpret feeling and tension.

We are very proud of the Community Theatre class for showing dedication to their studies, and rehearsing at Alexandra Palace until 7 p.m. each Wednesday in preparation for the performance.

We look forward to seeing their work make its way from the page to the stage on the 27th of November .

Mrs Rose



PRAISE BREAKFAST

Earlier today, we invited a handful of students to join Ms. Wallace for breakfast, as a reward for their determination and hard work in the past two weeks. Students enjoyed a hot chocolate topped with marshmallows as well as a selection of fruit and croissants.

Positive reinforcement is vital to motivating our young people and we look forward to seeing your child at the next Praise Breakfast.

Keep up the good work everyone!

Mr. Chan



YEAR 8 PARENTS AND CARERS EVENING

7TH DEC | 3 TO 6 P.M.

On Tuesday 7th December school will close at 1:20 p.m. for all students. Those students entitled to a free school meal will be able to get their lunch before leaving school.

THE AR TREASURE BOX

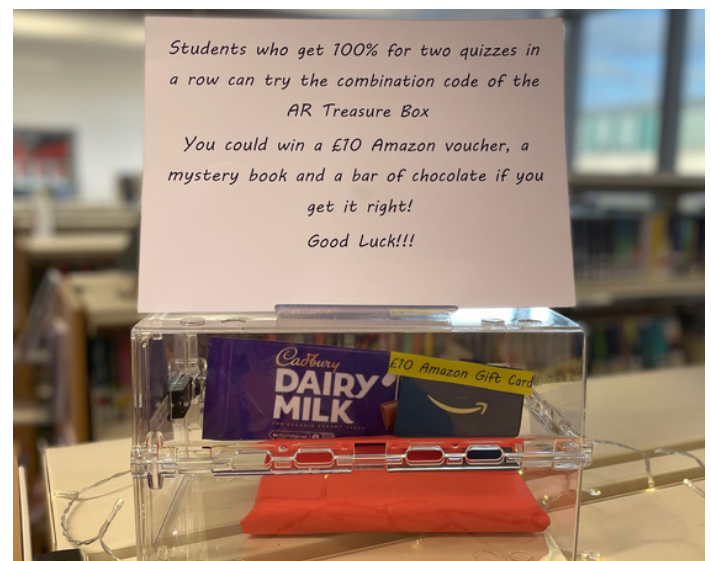
All students from Year 7-10 can participate in a brand new challenge that we've recently set up in the library - The AR Treasure Box.

To get a chance to crack the code for the prizes, students must first get 100% on two Renaissance Reading quizzes in a row.

The prizes include a Mystery book, £10 Amazon voucher and a bar of Cadbury's Dairy Milk.

Good Luck to All!!

Ms. Blackwell



YEAR 7 DISCO

9TH DEC | 4 TO 6 P.M.

WINTER FETE

14TH DEC | 4:30 TO 5 P.M.

BOOK REVIEWS



The girl who speaks bear

Review Author

Rana A

Rating



Review Body

I can definitely say I respect the originality of this book right off the bat. Also, I don't think I've seen an art style as unique as this. And overall, this book was pretty good at tackling the morals of child abandonment, body changes and not feeling like you belong somewhere. I believe it to be a good book for those that are between 10-15 years old as it isn't too childish and has a real sense of beauty to it. Also, the small stories in between sections of the book really help with advancing the plot.



Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Old School

Review Author

Jada Lee C

Rating



Review Body

This book is really great to read, it's not too hard and has an aspect of comedy but is also very relatable.

This book is about the idea of turning back the past and doing things the old way "tech-no free". But Greg's family is going to realize they rely on technology more than they know. Overall, really great and totally recommend.



Sterling : from the playground to the pitch

Review Author

Reece T

Rating



Review Body

I like this book because it is about a good footballer that led England to success, and he went from Liverpool to Man City where he really developed as a football player. I really enjoyed this book and would recommend it to others.