

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope that families are keeping well during this most recent Omnicron outbreak. Please can you continue to support our collective effort by sending your child in with masks and testing at least twice weekly. We are very fortunate that our main building, the Birch block, has automatic windows which open when CO2 levels are too high.

It is hard to believe that it is already week two of the Spring Term. Thank you to our parents and carers who made the Year 11 Parents and Carers' Evening. Period 6 is now compulsory for nearly all students in Year 11 daily to support revision. Two things which can really support your child with online revision is spending 5 hours minimum weekly on MathsWatch and the use of <u>https://senecalearning.com/en-GB/</u>. For students in KS3, they can start their extra work earlier by continuous practice on MathsWatch.

Finally, I wanted to take this time to share with you our focus on standards and calmness in the school environment. We are issuing conduct points to replace the C1-C4 system. If a student makes a minor error they will receive a conduct point and this acts as a warning. However, consistently receiving conduct points will result in detentions. Please remind your child of our core rules, to move around the buildings calmly and speaking to peers and teachers with absolute respect.

As part of this drive, we have launched - Woodside Manners. This is updated weekly, sharing our values in relation to behaviour. This week we have been focusing on our 'Hands Off' policy which emphasises the importance of keeping our hands to ourselves, to teach students about the importance of consent. – Please see our promotions below. We will be rewarding students who adhere to this.

All the best for the weekend ahead.

Angela Wallace Headteacher





Holocaust Memorial Day is the day for everyone to remember the millions of people murdered in the Holocaust, under Nazi Persecution, and in the genocides which followed in Cambodia, Rwanda, Bosnia, and Darfur.

Throughout the week, students will have the opportunity to deepen their understanding of the Holocaust through dedicated lessons, assemblies and workshops.

Activities include: assemblies led by our award winning Equalities Group, creating door plaques of individual victims in class and much more.

Ms Daulby

## **PRAISE POINTS WINNERS**

Sheikh Mahir RAHMAN 7A Nyah ASANTE 8E Hanan AHMED 9I Veli SUGECMEZ 10E Lincwuan BARNES 11T

> School Winner: Nyah ASANTE 8E

#### **SOCIAL MEDIA**

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## **RSHE FOCUS**

Develop conflict management skills and strategies to reconcile after disagreements.

## YEAR 10 PARENTS & CARERS' Evening

Thursday 20th January 3 to 6 p.m.

### YEAR 9 PARENTS & CARERS' Evening

Thursday 3rd February 3 to 6 p.m.

mail@woodsidehighschool.co.uk

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# MANNERS

## What does HANDS OFF mean?





## THE AR TREASURE BOX HAS BEEN OPENED

Huge congratulations to Rana in Year 8 who has successfully unlocked the AR Treasure Box.

In order to get a chance to crack the code, students had to achieve 100% on two Renaissance Reading quizzes in a row.

Rana received a new book, a £10 Amazon voucher and a bar of Cadbury's Dairy Milk. Well done, Rana!

#### Ms Blackwell



## **CHINESE NEW YEAR - 1ST FEB**

As we enter the year of the tiger, Woodside will be celebrating Chinese New Year with the following activities:

#### Calligraphy Workshop - lunchtime (library)

Students will have the chance to try out traditional Chinese calligraphy and create their own new year decorations, known as fai chun.

#### **Chinese Cuisine**

Our catering team has crafted a mouth-watering Chinese menu which features traditional favourites such as spring roll, chow mein and fried rice.

## **CALLING ALL TALENTED SINGERS**

Haringey Music Service is offering our talented singers a chance to join them at the Royal Albert Hall this year.

The event will see Haringey's primary and secondary school pupils join forces and perform together on stage.

If your child is interested, please speak to a member of the music department.

#### Ms Danso

## EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR THE 'TWISTED TALES' COMPETITION

If you completed it over the break, or still need to write your 100 word short story, you have an extra week.

Hand it in to your English teacher or bring to B004 (Mrs Georgiou) by 21st January the latest to be in with a chance of having your story published and being in with a chance to be a prize winner!!

#### **Mrs Georgiou**



## JACK PETCHEY'S 'SPEAK OUT CHALLENGE'

Some of our Year 10 pupils took part in Jack Petchey's 'Speak Out Challenge' this week, learning and practising how to speak in front of an audience. They all presented a speech and they were fantastic.

Congratulations to Alp Yildiz and Ahmet Tanriverdi who were the winners! They will now enter into the next stage of the competition. Good luck!

**Ms Kessler** 

Mr Chan

## **MUSIC DEPARTMENT NOTICE**

#### **Reminder:**

Instrumental lessons will be starting from 10th January. Please ensure that you keep your MUSIC PASS safely in your planner.

- Monday Singing Lessons & Choir / Ms Serra
- Tuesday Drum Kit, Guitar and Woodwind Lessons Mr Mays / Mr James
- Wednesday Piano & Woodwind lessons Mr Johnson / Mr Mays
- Thursday Violin & Piano Lessons Mr Johnson / Mr Aguirre
- Friday Classical Piano & Steel Pan Club Mrs lee / Ms Adams

If you would like to register for the Summer Term please sign up by 11th February. Speak to your music teacher for an application form and more information. We are also selecting Classical Guitar players from both KS3 & 4. We are launching our new guitar ensemble thanks to RTM UK! Watch this space!



#### **Calling KS4 Musicians**

School Band is Back! Mr Johnson will be running 'WHS School Band' on Wednesday after school in C007 from 3.20-4.20pm. This is a great opportunity to develop your technical and ensemble skills with a professional musician. Sign up Now!



#### Do you recognise this prestigious building?

Woodside High School will be joining both primary and secondary schools in Haringey in a mass choir and ensemble performance led by Haringey Music Service on 1st April 2022. We will be selecting **20** talented singers to join us every Monday in C007 at 1.30pm. The concert will take place Friday 1st April 2022.

Tickets can be booked directly via the Royal Albert Hall box office. Join us!

Ms Danso

## **BOOK REVIEWS**



#### Voyage to Magical North (The Accidental Pirates)

Review Author Rana A Rating



Voyage to Magical North's best aspect is probably the characters, even though there are so many, the book seems to handle them rather well for the most part, especially the villain of the story. Despite the fact he's incapable of doing as much as you'd think physically, he's very good at mind manipulation and leaves a serious impact in the series of events that unfold once he's introduced. On top of that, the adventure is paced well. If you see this book, then I suggest giving this book a read.



#### The weight of a thousand feathers

Review Author Ayah U Rating



One thing I really, really liked about this book is that it explains in good vocabulary what the book is about and what's going on in Bobby's life. This book is about Bobby, Bobby Seed has a lot of questions in his mind and Bobby's little brother also has a lot of questions to ask. But it's his Mums question for Bobby that could turn everything on its head. If Bobby agrees, he won't just be soothing her pain, he'll be helping to end it. Would he? Could he? I would really recommend this book to people who loves mystery books.



#### Code name bananas

Review Author Ipek U Rating



One thing I loved about this book is it made me laugh out loud, it is a really good book. It is about a little boy and his friend Gertrute who is a gorilla, the story was also about World War 2 and at this time Britain was at war with Germany. This book also talks about history and adventure. I would recommend other's read this book as I am sure they will love it just as much as I did.