



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday! It's hard to believe its just one week until half term, please see below a list of fun activities taking place in Haringey during half term.

This week, we've been celebrating the start of LGBTQ+ History Month, our Equalities Group have put up posters around the school to celebrate iconic LGBTQ+ individuals and they will be running assemblies to inform our young people how we are always stronger, better and prouder together.

A Xīnnián hǎo to all our families celebrating Chinese New Year. We had a very busy lunchtime on Tuesday as the lunch menu featured some traditional favourites such as sweet and sour chicken and chow mein. We also held a Chinese calligraphy workshop where students learned its history and try out the basics of this traditional art form.

Thanks to our parents who joined us yesterday to meet with Mr Marshall, our new Head of Year 9, to hear about Mr Marshall's pledge to Year 9. We have lots coming up for Year 9 starting with the Parents & Carers' Evening after half term followed by options assemblies and meetings.

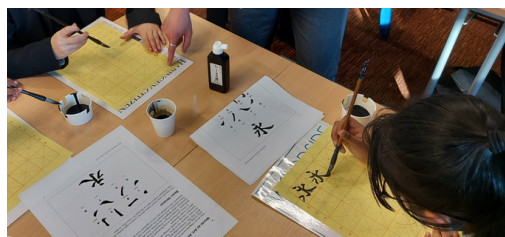
As you may be aware we have been making some changes to our behaviour policy, we will be hosting a zooming meeting next Thursday to answer any questions you may have.

The Student Journal - after half term, students will be issued with a new smaller journal. The pocket sized journal will ensure all homework, behaviour incidences and rewards are recorded.

COVID update: Whilst we move into a time where masks are not compulsory, COVID is still in the community. Please remember to regularly test, tests are given to students after school on Fridays

All the best for the weekend.

Angela Wallace
Headteacher




LGBT+ HISTORY MONTH 2022

PE

Tom Daley
he/him
(Born: 1994)

Tom Daley is a British diver and an Olympic gold medallist. He has been competing from the age of nine!

He campaigns for LGBTQ+ inclusion in professional sports, and is a patron of the LGBTQ+ charity Switchboard

Gay

WOODSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

PRAISE POINTS WINNERS

Shemil JENKINS 7Q
Tasneem AL-HAKEEM 7Q
Tehillah OSEI AFRIYIE 8Y
Gun OZGUVEN 9I
Chante STIRLING 10I
Luis STROGOV 11L

School Winner:
Luis STROGOV 11L

SOCIAL MEDIA



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RSHE FOCUS

The difference between biological sex, gender identity and sexual orientation the services available to support healthy relationships and manage unhealthy relationships, and how to access them

SAFER INTERNET DAY

Tuesday 8th February
Resources for parents and carers -
<https://saferinternet.org.uk/guide-and-resource/resources-for-parents-and-carers>

mail@woodsidehighschool.co.uk

020 8889 6761

[CLICK HERE FOR FULL LIST OF ACTIVITIES](#)

Haringey
LONDON

February

2022

Half term

FUN

Activities, courses
and events for
children and young
people in Haringey



£1
swim

for all under 16 years
old (excluding
Lido)



haringey.gov.uk/holidayfun

Woodside

MANNERS

Kindness

We are sensitive to everyone as individuals and do not attack something that be a personal attack

We raise our peers up with kindness and respect

WE REALISE THAT IT IS NOT OK TO SAY SOMETHING UNKIND TO OTHERS SO WE CAN GAIN A LAUGH FROM OTHERS

Understanding that making fun of others is unkind and can hurt others

THANKYOU



IMPORTANT ATTENDANCE UPDATE

The Attend and Achieve approach to education at Woodside is rooted in the fact that school attendance is a significant determining factor in attainment outcomes and GCSE grades. Students with no absence are 2.2 times more likely to achieve 5+ GCSEs A*- C or equivalent.

Excellent attendance means being in school at least 97% of the time or at least 184 days.

Every year there are 365 days (sometimes 366), 190 school days, 175 non-school days That's plenty of time for appointments, household jobs, holidays, etc. Don't waste a single school day – it's lost learning time!

We are excited to announce our new attendance prize draw for students with 100% attendance each term. Each term students with 100% attendance will be entered into a raffle for:

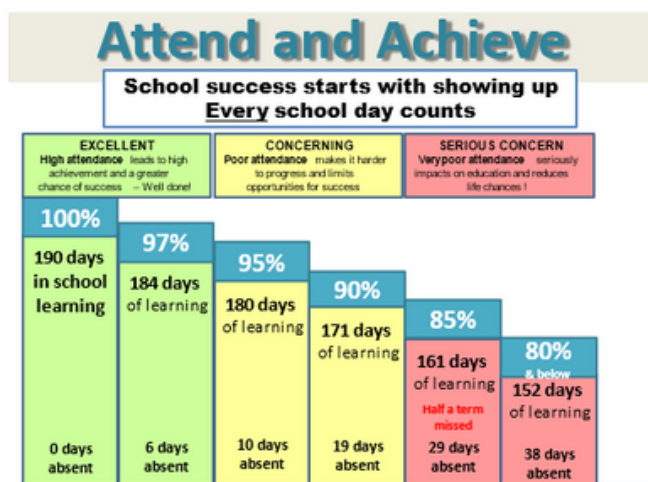
5 x £20 Gift Vouchers (JD Sports/ Nandos/ Office/ ASOS)

Top Prize: a pair of AirPods or £100 gift voucher

This means that ALL students have the chance to improve their attendance and to be entered into this draw next term. At the end of the school year there will also be a prize for the student with the most-improved attendance.

Top Tips towards good attendance

- Be on time (to school and lessons) – Punctuality affects your attendance figure!
- Check your attendance with your form tutor – a few days here and there add up – your absence may be higher than you think!
- Do not take any term time holidays – These will no be authorised unless there are exceptional circumstances!
- Plan medical & dental appointments carefully – book a weekend slot or after school
- Apply for special consideration in advance – Use the form to request an authorised absence as a result of an exceptional circumstance
- Have conversations about anything preventing you from coming into school with trusted adults. There is support available for students who are anxious about coming to school!
- Take responsibility for your future. If you are in your lessons you will learn what you need to
- If you are going to be off sick, ensure that your parent/ carer calls the absence line in the morning before school starts



Lateness to school

It is important that students arrive on time to school.

Students who arrive late to school will have a lunchtime detention the following day.

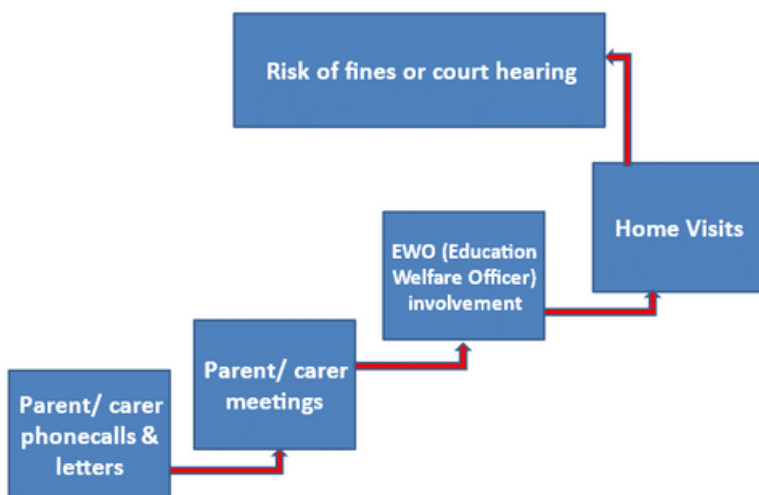
Students who are late more than 3 times in a week will have a c5 detention on a Friday afternoon.

In the event of an unexpected emergency on the morning that has resulted in your child arriving late to school please call in to discuss this.

Persistent absence

Students who are 'persistently absent' are students whose attendance is below 90%. This equates to 19 days off school or more. We want to work with all parents and carers to ensure that your child is in school, so it is important that you communicate with us about anything that is preventing your child from attending school. Please be aware of the escalation process where a student is persistently absent:

Ms Boothman



Bedrock Drop In B114 Tuesday and Thursday Lunch times

SPOTLIGHT TASTER EVENTS AT WESTMINSTER KINGSWAY COLLEGE

Westminster Kingsway College is hosting a series of Spotlight Taster Events focusing on their vocational and creative industry subjects to give you the opportunity to get a taste of different subjects and help then decide which course is right for them. The events will run on various dates from March to May.

If you are interested, please register for a place using the links below.

- [Art, Design and Fashion](#)
- [Construction](#)
- [Creative Media](#)
- [Film and VFX](#)
- [Games Animation](#)
- [Health and Social Care](#)
- [Hospitality and Culinary Arts](#)
- [Music and Performing Arts](#)
- [Science and Engineering](#)

Careers Department

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR MATHS CHALLENGE WINNERS

From algebra to fractions, our weekly maths challenge has challenged many of our young people throughout the year and we can finally reveal the winners from last term.

Mohammed 7A
Tristan 8Y
Ayman 9U
Demi 10U
Adiyat 11I



In case you didn't know, every correct answer is an entry for the prize draw, so the more you answer correctly, the more likely you are to win a prize.

I would also like to thank some of our regular participants for putting in entries week in week out.

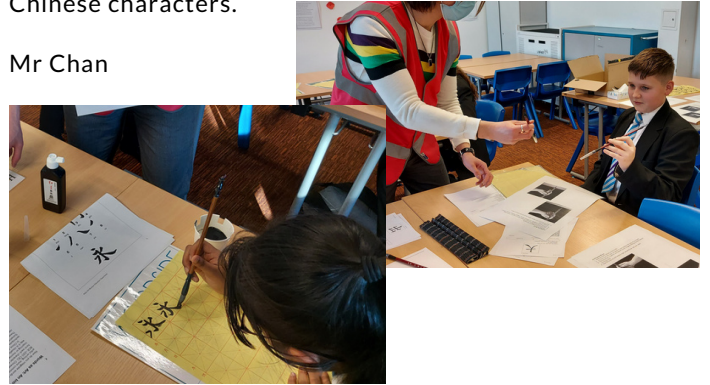
Gulhayat 10T
Tristan 8Y
Ayman 9U
Nour 9T
Hamza 10E

Mr Parveez

CHINESE CALLIGRAPHY WORKSHOP

On Tuesday 1st February, Woodside celebrated Chinese New Year with a Chinese calligraphy workshop. The workshop was a great success, students learned the history of this incredible art form and were taught how to write Chinese characters.

Mr Chan



ONE-OFF SCHOOL CLOTHING GRANT

Did you know you can apply for a one-off school clothing grant of £60 if:

- you live in Haringey
- your child's date of birth is between 1 September 2009 and 31 August 2010
- your child is eligible for free school meals
- your child transferred to secondary school in September 2021

The closing date for applications for children entering year 7 in September 2021 is 31 March 2022.

More information can be found [here](#).

Ms Pryor

IMPROVING COMMUNICATION

We are in the process of updating our communication software which may affect our communication to you, if you have any questions regarding your child or the school, please contact HoY and Deputy HoY using emails below.

Year 7

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Year 11

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alice.pryor@woodsidehighschool.co.uk

Ms Wallace



CALLING ALL YOUNG SONGWRITERS, CREATIVE WRITERS & MUSICIANS!

Aged 8-18? Written your own original songs? Fancy writing your first song?

The Song Academy Young Songwriter 2022 competition #SAYS22 is open for entries until the 31st March 2021.

Win great prizes (including a recording studio session and Yamaha equipment worth £1,000), have opportunities to be heard & connect to young songwriters worldwide.

With judges including Tom Odell, Plested, Tom Grennan, Miranda Cooper & Calum Scott, this year will be bigger than ever!

Check out songacademy.co.uk/SAYS22 for inspiration, tips on songwriting and how to enter #SAYS22.

It's a golden opportunity to have your songs heard by an incredible judging panel, connect to other young songwriters, win some fantastic prizes & have access to exclusive opportunities!

Find out more [here](#)

The Music Department

HARINGEY MUSIC FESTIVAL @ ROYAL ALBERT HALL

Haringey Music Festival. Royal Albert Hall, 1st April 2022

Tickets are available online at the Box Office!!

Please come and support Woodside musicians and Haringey Schools who are celebrating 'Songs for Unsung Heroes' on Friday 1st April 2022!

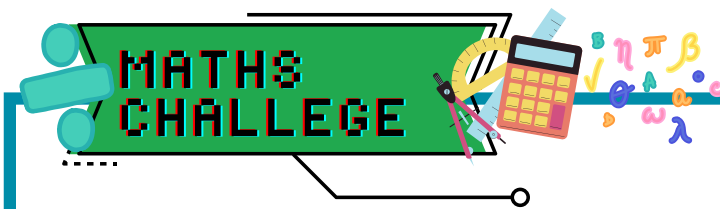
The following students will be representing the school:

- Florin Krasniqi
- Rebal Sasi
- Brandon Bak
- Sapphire Stevenson
- Ezel Kupeli
- Alica Chapman McMahon
- Nina Abdullahi
- Ryon Mellowship
- Bradley Pembele
- Sophie Morgan
- Hazel Faulkes
- Dinavi Ngombo
- Shermira Vincent
- Rhea Mehea
- Suna Cokgezici
- Elleena Lomama
- Asya Taskan
- Akello Grier Greenawayto name a few!!

It will be an amazing event!

Thank you

The Music Department



EASY RIDDLE

20. What number comes next in the sequence?
1, 6, 13, 22, 33, ?

MEDIUM RIDDLE

20. How many different ways can seven people arrange themselves in a row of seven seats?

DIFFICULT RIDDLE

20. If $\frac{1}{3}$ of some number is $\frac{1}{17}$ of $\frac{1}{5}$, what is that number?

LAST WEEK'S ANSWER

4

EASY RIDDLE

19. 6,666

19. 1 MPH. DAVE WAS ROWING AT A CONSTANT RATE IN RELATION TO THE WATER, AND IT TOOK HIM EIGHT HOURS TO TRAVEL 24 MILES. AT THE POINT WHERE HE LOST HIS HAT, HE HAD BEEN ROWING FOR SIX MILES, OR TWO HOURS. TO MEET DAVE WHERE HE BEGAN HIS JOURNEY, THE HAT HAD TO TRAVEL DOWNSTREAM SIX MILES. DAVE DIDN'T REACH THE HAT UNTIL AFTER HE HAD ROWED THE REMAINING 18 MILES, OR FOR SIX MORE HOURS. THUS, IT TOOK THE HAT SIX HOURS TO TRAVEL SIX MILES, CARRIED BY THE STREAM VELOCITY OF 1 MPH.

MEDIUM RIDDLE

19. $99 + 9/9 = 100$

DIFFICULT RIDDLE

BOOK REVIEWS



The Accidental Pirates: Journey to Dragon Island

Review Author

Rana A

Rating



Review Body

A promising sequel. I like this book more than its predecessor, I think it's since you know what these characters are like, this book seems to focus more on its adventure aspects. I also found the settings to be an improvement as well because of them being at the corner of the world. Another aspect I found unique to this book was the opening. You don't get the names of most of the characters shown and it has an abrupt ending too. If you've already read the first book, I say pick this one up after



Diary of a Wimpy Kid: Old School

Review Author

Sofia M

Rating



Review Body

This book is very interesting as it is a fiction book and written in a very kid friendly way. In my opinion this book is made for 9-12 year olds. My favourite part in the book was when Gregg and Rowley tried to make some money and decided to make a lemonade stand.



WE COME APART

Review Author

Helena L

Rating



Review Body

What I enjoyed about this book is how it shows the perspective of two different characters as if it was a diary. The chapters always vary between the two protagonists. It includes a variety of genres and many different words that I did not understand. Although it is a 12+ book, as it is written in a young adult style, it does not stop this from being a great book. Plus, the pages have a good number of words per page making it easier and quicker to read and comprehend.