

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Thank you so much to all the parents who came in for Year 11 Parents' Evening, nearly every student had a parent or carer in attendance and it was great to see how many focused learning conversations were taking place. Please see our list of upcoming events below. Year 10 will be next with their parents' evening on the 2nd February.

We were happy to welcome our first visitors of the year, with students from Noel Park primary in attendance for drama workshops run by Year 10 students. The students from Noel Park were amazing and definitely showed the skills of secondary school performance. On Thursday we had two visitors from Mulberry Trust Ruth Holden, Executive principal, and Dan Collis. They will be regular visitors working with us as we make our final move to the trust.

A reminder that we are holding our parent bullying forum on the 18th and the parental coffee morning drop-in next week. If you wish to attend, please email alfie.chan@woodsidehighschool.co.uk.

Finally, a reminder of the launch of our focus on environment on the 30th, crack down on gum, rubbish and brightening up the classrooms.

All the best for the weekend

Angela Wallace Headteacher

# FIRST WOODSIDER TO GET A PLACE AT OXFORD

We are delighted to share with you that one of our very own Patricia Ssonko, who graduated from Woodside two years ago has secured a place at the prestigious Oxford University.

We are exetremely proud of Patricia's achievements and we wish her all the best with her studies ahead.

Mrs Ozcan

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Anti-Bullying Working Party Meeting 18/01/2023 | 4 p.m.

**Coffee Morning (open to all parents)** 27/01/2023

Year 10 Parents and Carers' Evening 02/02/2023 | 4 to 7 p.m.

Year 9 Options Evening 08/03/2023

## **PRAISE POINTS WINNERS**

Daniel DUROSINMI 7Y Rodrigo NUNES RODRIGUES 8Q Ismail ULLAH 9U Ahmed KHALAF 10T Tavari RYAN-MCDANIEL 11Y

> School Winner: Daniel DUROSINMI 7Y

## **NEXT WEEK IS WEEK 1**



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# POEMS INSPIRED BY RUPI KAUR

#### Bennedicto M 7U

You tell me to be quiet because your greedy evil eyes can't see the climate changing but I was not made with a tongue so I could be silenced I was made with a heart half good and half hurt difficult to imagine but generations to come are fading away.

#### Esin N 7U

You tell me to be quiet cause you can't stand my voice, but I was not made with a voice so I could be silenced. I was not made with a face, so I could be unseen. I was made with half me and half fight, difficult to forget but not easy to lose. You can't change me. Noone can.

# **WOODSIDERS LEAD IN DRAMA WORKSHOP**

On Monday 9th January, Year 10 GCSE drama students led a drama workshop for Year 4 students from Noel Park.

At Woodside we like to try and work closely with our feeder schools. Noel Park doesn't have much capacity for drama within their school, therefore our Year 10 pupils put together a workshop based around Roald Dahl's Rotten Rhymes, to help show the Year 4 students how fun drama is, and give them a taste of secondary school.

Some of the comments from the Year 4s were:

"We loved performing on the stage."

"We liked that it was led by older students, it helps us feel more confident about secondary school."

"We loved the warm up games."

"We loved the physical theatre activities."

Our students also got a lot from the experience, some of them have been offered work experience placements as they worked so well with the students, whilst others are planning on using the experience to bolster applications for Head Girl/Boy and college applications.

I am extremely proud of the professionalism of the Year 10 drama students, and believe they exemplified Woodside values. We hope to work with other feeder schools as well as Noel Park again in the future.

#### **Mrs Birks**



# THE 500 CLUB

Huge congratulations to Ayse O, Tasneem AL-H, Laila K, Ayaan M and Dimitar N for reaching the 500 club

Achieving 500 praise points isn't easy. We look forward to seeing who else will be joining them this term.

Mr Chan

## YEAR 11 EXAM SUPPORT LIST

- School is now open from 7:30am (serving a free breakfast) and the library is open every day until 5:30pm for revision. Each lunchtime there is a revision space for students, with a specific Mathswatch room.
- One Degree tutoring starts this Saturday, alongside the in-school revision session.
- Revision materials sent home and available on google
- Target groups focused on revision practice
- Academic mentors
- Anxiety workshops
- Revision booklets

If you have a child in year 11 who would like help accessing this or need specific support, please send an email to the main contact email titled Year 11 Exam Support.

Ms Wallace

### LSE - INTRODUCTION TO PATHWAYS: Year 11

Introduction to Pathways is open to Year 11 state school students interested in law, banking and finance, who may subsequently want to apply for the Pathways schemes in Year 12.

The Introduction to Pathways conference is a virtual event taking place on Saturday 1 April 2023.

This conference gives students the opportunity to spend time exploring higher education and finding out more about both law and finance related degrees. Staff and current LSE undergraduate students work with students to explore these social science disciplines and their relevance to the big questions of the day. Previous events have focused on the law and street art, medical law and genetics, bitcoin and financial investment. Students will also find out about the full Pathways Programmes, and will be encouraged to apply when they reach year 12.

Applications for the 2023 conference will open on 9 January 2023 and close at 11:59pm on Sunday 19 February 2023.

Find out more here -<u>https://www.lse.ac.uk/study-at-</u> <u>lse/Undergraduate/widening-</u> <u>participation/Secondary/introduction-to-pathways-</u> <u>years-10-11</u>

Mrs Ozcan