



NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

Students enjoyed various activities this week including a theatre trip to Finsbury Park, the return of electives, house competitions including the computer science competition and a quiz which was designed by the House leads.

It was amazing to see so many Year 11 students involved in the Saturday activities: the English conference at Tottenham Town hall; One degree at Ada College and tutoring in school. Please keep this up.

A reminder that next week is praise week, with a focus on the environment. Students will gain double praise for showing respect to their environment, not chewing gum and for helping form tutors tidy their rooms.

Strike update: the school will be open for selected students on February 1st: for Year 11, Year 7 and vulnerable students. Please see below for further information in relation to the strike

Finally, we look forward to seeing as many parents as possible next week at the Year 10 Parents and Carers' Evening. If you still haven't booked, you can do so [here](#).

All the best for the weekend

Angela Wallace
Headteacher

KEY DATES

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

National Apprenticeship Week
06/02/2023

Safer Internet Day
07/02/2023

World Book Day
02/03/2023

National Careers Week
06/03/2023

International Women's Day
08/03/2023

Year 9 Options Evening
08/03/2023



PRaise POINTS WINNERS

Olivia NUGARAS 7I
Leena ROUBI 8Q
Cinar BABUR 9U
Khadidiatou THIAM 10E
Rhea MEHTA 11A

School Winner:
Cinar BABUR 9U

NEXT WEEK IS WEEK 1

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26.01.2023

Dear parents and Carers,

As you may be aware and following on from a letter sent to you last week, the National Education Union has declared strike action, which will take place on 1st February 2023. The strike is happening because of a national dispute between the unions and the government over teacher and support staff pay and its funding in schools and colleges, and not because of any issues at our school.

As a school we aimed at keeping the site open for as many students as possible, however with this said, the student's safety is our main priority and the staff to student ratio was taken into consideration. We remain committed to providing a safe and secure environment for our students and feel that we would be unable to provide this for the whole school with the staff we have available.

We will open the school for **Year 7 and 11** as normal on this day. They should arrive to school as normal at 8.40am and will be school until 3.10pm. There will be no booster lessons for year 11 on this day.

There will be provision in school for vulnerable students.

For years 8-10 there will be online lessons throughout the day with work set which is in line with their current subject topics. All students are expected to complete these tasks on the day. Please email mail@woodsidehighschool.co.uk if you do not have IT facilities for the live lessons

School we re-open as normal for **all students** on Thursday 2nd February at 8.40pm.

If you have any questions, please contact the school office on mail@woodsidehighschool.co.uk

We want to thank you for your support during this time.

Yours sincerely

Angela Wallace
Headteacher

Head Teacher: Ms Angela Wallace



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OUTDOOR EDUCATION CENTRE

YEAR 8 REWARD TRIP

24/03/2023 - 26/03/2023



THE TRUE STORY OF TOTTENHAM LEGEND

VERNON VANRIEL

ON THE ROPES



On Thursday 26th January Mrs. Birks took 50 year 9 students to see *On the Ropes* at the Park Theatre in Finsbury Park.

On the Ropes is a true story about Vernon Vanriel, a Tottenham boy who came to England on the Windrush when he was 6 and went on to become world number 2 in boxing.

He goes through numerous trials and tribulations, faces addiction and being denied British citizenship. An emotional and entertaining watch.

Full of music, laughter, pain and tears.

Students were impeccably behaved and showed Woodside in a very positive light. They really enjoyed the performance, some are even talking of going again with family.



**50 YEAR 9
STUDENTS
GO TO SEE
ON THE
ROPES**



What the students thought

The staging was set in the round, which is something I'm not used to seeing and it resembled a boxing ring. The acting was high energy and so good, the singing voices of the actors was amazing also. I

I really enjoyed the music, it was vibrant and emotional all at the same time. It was so interesting learning about Vernon's life and all he went through. Something that everyone should watch and learn about.

ATTENDANCE REMINDER

Remember that school starts at 8.40am

- ALL students are welcome into school from 7.30 am for breakfast club.
- We recommend that all students aim to be in school by 8.30 am
- Students who arrive after 8.40 am are late and will receive a detention
- Our morning register closes at 9.30 am.

If students regularly arrive after 9.30 am (that's 50 minutes after school starts!) it will be recorded as an unauthorised late arrival and this could result in a penalty notice being issued.

How does good punctuality support your child?

Meeting friends and forming friendship groups before school is important for your child's overall development.

- Punctuality shows reliability and is a valuable quality for future working life
- Your child will get their registration mark
- Your child's school achievement will improve

How does poor punctuality affect your child?

Arriving late at school may be embarrassing for your child

- It may disrupt the whole class if your child arrives late
- Your child may miss something important such as lesson plans or instructions on how to complete a piece of work
- You may receive a Penalty Notice Fine

**EQUATION OF THE DAY:
PYTHAGORAS' THEOREM**

WRITE DOWN THE
EQUATION FOR
PYTHAGORAS' THEOREM.

YEAR 9 REWARD TRIP - BOWLING

Earlier this month, some of our top performing Year 9 students visited Rowan's in Finsbury Park as a reward for their dedication and hard work.

Here are what some of the students thought of the trip

"I myself am quite fond of bowling, so the chance to be able to do it as a reward meant a lot to me. I had a really good time just trying to score as much points as I could." - Rana 9T

"I really enjoy bowling and to be able to do it for a reward was very fun, this helps me understand that my hard work is not going unnoticed." - Tristan 9T

"I thought the trip was so much fun. We got to do some bowling, go to the arcade and I had a lot of fun with my friends. We went to McDonalds afterwards to end the day." - Helena 9T

Writer's Corner



Thank You

Imani Miah

Thank you for colour
Thank you for brightness
Thank you for light
Thank you for sadness
Thank you for promises
Thank you for "I love you"
Thank you for not being replaced
Thank you for memories
Thank you for teaching me
Thank you for tears
Thank you for laughs
Thank you for fantasy
Thank you for not being there
Thank you for not caring
Thank you for nothing
Thank you for everything
Thank you for picking me

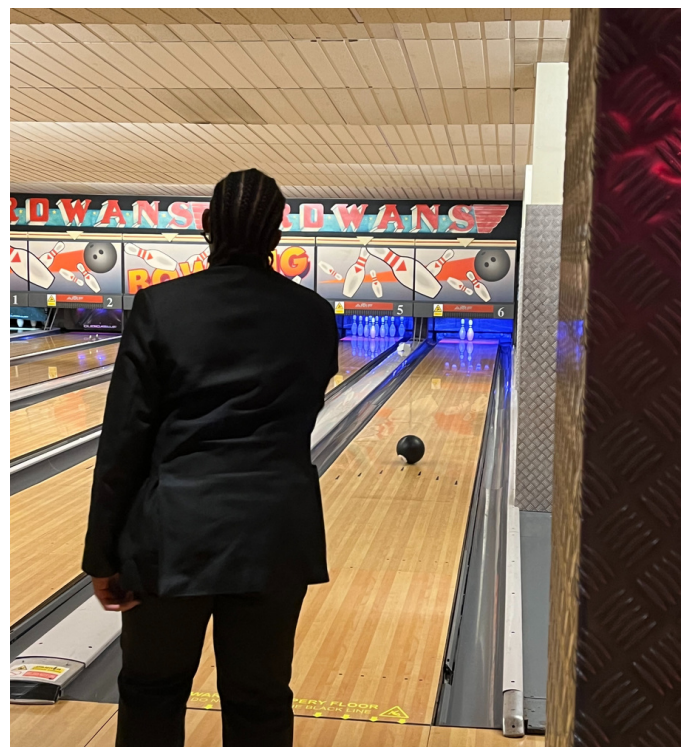
Thank you for your time

THE 300 CLUB

Congratulations to Olivia N (7I), Nafisah C (7I), Jovarni W (8Q), Agit K (7I), Leena R (8Q) and Mirkan T (8Q) for reaching the 300 club.

Achieving 300 praise points isn't easy. We look forward to seeing who else will be joining them this term.

Mr Chan





YEAR 8 CHESS TOURNAMENT

Chess has had a recent resurgence at Woodside High School with Year 8 particularly keen.

With so many Year 8 chess players, Mr Whitehead wanted to reward students by allowing them to have a break from classes during P5 on Friday, to do battle over the chess board.

The first part of the tournament was done in an online Arena style tournament with extra points for playing 'berserk,' which means to reduce the amount of time a player has to make their moves. Players squeezed in about five blitz games each in 30 minutes, with the top two girls and the top two boys playing off for the trophies.

Despite a large contingent from 8Y, their highest finisher was Rayyan who earned 3rd place. Salih from 8I finished top of the Arena having twice beaten 2nd placed Shivam from 8E.

The tournament then moved to B201, the Woodside home of chess, to have play off matches to determine final positions. Year 10 star player Zahid was on hand to act as arbiter for the tournament and ensure fair play among the younger students.

Despite Salih's earlier victories, Shivam won over the board to take first place. In the girls play off, Sahra 8Y was victorious over Grace 8A to win the trophy.

Chess is not all about winning and all students can be proud of playing in a respectful, sporting manner, with lots of handshakes and positive comments.

Lunch time chess club is very full but new sets have arrived in B201. The next tournament will be an online Arena that is open to the whole school, staff and students. Get on lichess.org to start practising.

Well done to Shivam and Sahra, hopefully there will be some trophies at the opposite end of White Hart Lane too.

Mr Sisupalan

NATIONAL APPRENTICESHIP WEEK 2023

National Apprenticeship Week (NAW) 2023 is the 16th annual week-long celebration of apprenticeships. The week brings together businesses and apprentices across the country to shine a light on the positive impact that apprenticeships make to individuals, businesses and the wider economy.

Skills For Life

The theme for National Apprenticeship Week 2023 is "Skills for Life"; reflecting on how apprenticeships can help individuals to develop the skills and knowledge required for a rewarding career, and businesses to develop a talented workforce that is equipped with future-ready skills.

In school, there will be various activities and workshops to help students understand what an apprenticeship is, and how they can benefit from it.

Haringey Works will be running various workshops for apprentices as well as businesses. The event below may be of interest to your child if they believe an apprenticeship is the right move for them.

Haringey Works: Apprenticeships Your Way!

- Date and time: Thursday 9 February, 11am to 3pm
- Venue: Wood Green Library, 187-197A High Road, Wood Green, N22 6XD

Haringey Works, our employment services for residents is running an open Apprenticeship Day at Wood Green Library.

You will get the chance to meet employers, find out more information about live vacancies, hear from current and previous apprentices about the benefits and speak to one of Haringey Works' career advisors.

Pre-booking via Eventbrite is required, click [here](#).

The Careers Office





YEAR 8 - SPORTSHALL ATHLETICS

A group of 16 Year 8 students had been selected to represent Woodside last week in the Haringey Sportshall Athletics Championships.

Girls Team: Kayla G, Erica S, Destiny B, Parwa R, Grace R, Avah D, Kiara T and Havin A

Boys Team: Dan K, Kashmar F, Levi N, Noah C, Salih H, Isaiah F, Theo G and Aaron S

Not only was silverware up for grabs at this high intensity event, but both the highest placed girls and boys teams would then go on to represent the Borough in the London Youth Games.

At the end of the event, the girls team finished 4th and the boys team placed 6th. Two very respectable results for the first time competing in sportshall athletics. There were some incredible performances across all events with honorable mentions going to those below:

Standing Long Jump
Kayla George - 1st

2 x lap
Kayla George - 1st
Avah Donoughue - 2nd

4 x lap
Kashmar Ferdinand - 3rd
Grace Reeve - 3rd
Destiny Billingham - 3rd

6 x lap
Havin Aygun - 3rd

8 Lap Paarlauf
Erica Soledad / Kiara Thanaj - 3rd

4 x 2 lap
Boys - Isaiah Forbes / Kashmar Ferdinand / Dan Kabongo Mbuyamba / Noah Charlery - 3rd
Girls - Kayla George / Kiara Thanaj / Destiny Billingham / Avah Donoughue - 3rd

Mrs Pryor



HARINGEY SCHOOLS TRAMPOLINING COMPETITION AND LYG QUALIFICATION

This week, the focus was on Trampolining and on Monday a shortlisted squad of 5 athletes, selected from across all year groups, attended the Haringey Schools Trampolining Competition at Hornsey School for Girls.

As with many of the borough school events, this would not only be an opportunity to compete against other schools but also to determine who would go on to represent Haringey at the London Youth Games at the end of February. This was the first trampolining competition that the school had entered in a number of years and there had never been students selected to compete in LYG.

This time was different! Woodside placed an incredible 2nd place as a team and with such well executed individual performances, Woodside students will be making up 50% of the Haringey squad for the London Youth Games at the end of February.

From left to right in image - Christopher M 8E, Julia S 8A (Selected for LYG), Erica S 8E (Selected for LYG), Dominika L 10A (Selected for LYG) and Destiny B 8Y.

Mrs Pryor

ADA, THE NATIONAL COLLEGE FOR DIGITAL SKILLS OPEN EVENING

Ada will be hosting an open evening on the 2nd February at 5pm-7pm at their Tottenham Hale Campus. If you are interested in tech and the college, this is a great opportunity for you to see what they are all about. You can book tickets via this [link](#).

The Careers Office

BOOK REVIEWS



13 Treasure

Approved

Rating



'13 Treasures' is a book that is rather similar to a lot of fantasy scenarios. Someone has a magical gift that they find a burden, there's a mystery they're keen to solve and all kinds of hijinks ensue. One thing that is done differently is the roles of the fairies in this book. I thought it was fine. I've seen a lot of fantasy shows and books, so this is nothing special. But if you want to read this yourself and you like the fantasy genre, you may like it more.



Catching Falling Stars

Rating



'Catching Falling Stars' is a book that takes place in WW2. The main character is a girl named Glory who gets sent to the countryside after an incident in their neighbourhood. I appreciate how they kept the perspective of a child in all of this, so the book felt like the experience of WW2 for a child, allowing anyone who read this to offer some form of sympathy. I really think it's a good read if you ever find it.



Cogheart

Rating



Cogheart is the first book in a 4 book series. And it's an interesting start. To be more specific, Cogheart can be pretty cynical at times with the potential death at the start of the book, and the death scene at the end of it. That's not to discredit it though, it's a good adventure with two kids that have personal issues with a sassy mechanical fox. And on the topic of the characters, I actually am rather fond of Lily the main character and her friend Robert. Both share the same trauma of losing one of their parents just for one item and handle it how you'd expect. I won't spoil too much because I still think it is worth a shot to check out, so what are you waiting for?