

WOODSIDE VOICE

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Dance Champions of London



PRIDE MONTH

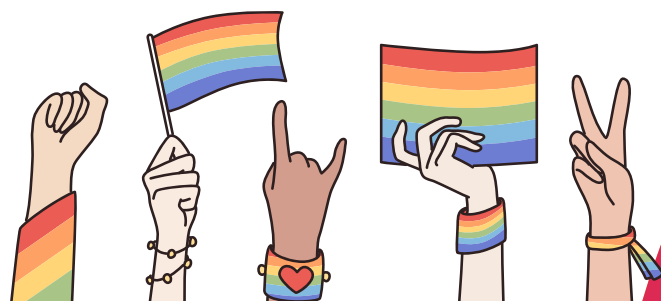
The Equality Group at Woodside has held many events to spread awareness around the school, this term and throughout the year.

For Pride Month, we organised an art competition, with the theme 'What does pride mean to you? We have received lots of excellent entries, some of which are shown below!

Finally, we attended a picnic at Alexandra Park School with other student groups from across Haringey to share our experiences and organise events together.

We are also looking forward to more events next year - we will be starting the year off with Black History Month in October! If you would like to help the Equality Group organise more events like this, we meet every Tuesday after school in B208.

Shyanne (Y9)



EID CELEBRATIONS



On Friday 6th May, Woodside welcomed parents, carers and the local community to celebrate Eid. It was an incredibly well attended event and it was a fantastic way to celebrate the diverse community we have here at Woodside. Huge thanks to all the parents and carers who provided delicious treats, the students who supported with the stands and everyone who joined us on the day. We can't wait for next year.



WINDRUSH

This is a day of great importance and significance to our community, students have engaged in assembly, form time and history lessons on Windrush Day.



Windrush Day marks the anniversary of the arrival of the ship Empire Windrush at the Port of Tilbury, near London, on 21 June 1948. However, passengers disembarked a day later 22 June 1948 – hence why this has come to be known as Windrush Day.

Empire Windrush, originally the Monte Rosa, was a passenger liner and cruise ship launched in Germany in 1930. During World War II she was operated by the German navy as a troopship.

The ship Empire Windrush arrived at the Port of Tilbury on 21 June 1948 and its passengers disembarked a

day later. The ship carried 492 Caribbean migrants, many of them veterans of the Second World War.

The Windrush Generation denotes the people who emigrated from the Caribbean to Britain between the arrival of the Empire Windrush on 22 June 1948 and the Immigration Act 1971, including the passengers on the first ship.

They hoped for better opportunities for themselves and their children. Some came to work for a while, save money and return to the Caribbean. There was no shortage of jobs in industries such as National Rail and

the NHS, and public transport recruited almost exclusively from Jamaica and Barbados.

The Windrush story became a scandal in 2018. Windrush generation individuals were wrongly detained, denied legal rights, threatened with deportation, and in at least 83 cases wrongly deported from the UK by the Home Office. It was later found out that the Home Office discarded important documents which were later needed by these people to prove they had arrived in Britain legally.

Rhylee (Y9)

WOODSIDE HIGH SCHOOL

2022 PROM

On Thursday 30th June, Year 11 pupils gathered to celebrate the years they have spent together at Woodside High School, and to let their hair down after their GCSE examinations.

The event was held in a glamorous venue in Essex, where pupils enjoyed food, photos and a lot of dancing - the dance floor was packed all night. Some of the teachers even displayed their disco skills, with varying degrees of success! It was a wonderfully fun evening.

A huge thank you to Ms Oliver and Ms Pryor for organising it all and to all the other staff members who had put in hours of work before, during and after the event to ensure that the evening was a great success.



YEAR 11 PRESENTATION EVENING

Five years ago, we started at Woodside, and this Thursday was a celebration of our journey. All the time and dedication we put into our school careers was reflected by the effort put into such an amazing event. With parents and carers, family and teachers here with us to celebrate our final weeks, there was nothing more fitting than the astounding evening we had.

The highlight however was not the fancy glasses we drank from, or all the prizes we won but the wonderful parting words we were given by all our teachers. The heartfelt messages from both staff, and ex-staff made us realise how lucky we were, reflecting back on these five years was, and is, emotional, but seeing everybody there and being able to appreciate all of us, staff and students, was wonderful. Thank you to everybody who helped organise the event, it was an evening we will never forget.

Boglarka (Head Prefect)



ALICE IN WONDERLAND



Towards the end of Spring Term, we heard about the auditions for the play. During the holidays, we patiently awaited for the day of the auditions and as the day grew closer, we got more and more nervous.

At the auditions, we were welcomed by the spectacular Mrs Birks and the students who volunteered to help. We secured parts in the play and we were very excited to perform on stage.

After halfterm, we were treated to a professional director who assisted us with choreography and various other bits to make the play the best it could be.

We performed the play three times, first to the students of Riverside, then to the parents and carers of Woodside, and finally to the Year 6s who visited us for their Transition Day.

The overall experience was very fulfilling and we loved every second of it as the cast members were very supportive of each other.

Gabriela and Julia (Y8)





SUMMER SHOWCASE

On Thursday 7th July, we celebrated the diverse talent here at Woodside with a spectacular event, the Summer Showcase.

Parents and carers were first treated to an art exhibition which featured stunning pieces of art by all year groups, as well as beautiful photographs captured by GCSE photography students.

Shortly after, the performances commenced with the steel pan band performing 'Nah Go Home'.

There were solos, there were duets, there were dance performances and there was even a scene from

Alice in Wonderland.

The event really demonstrated the incredible talent here we have at Woodside and we are so happy that they have a stage to express themselves once more.



Music

What an exhilarating and monumental experience! Haringey Music Service produced a large-scale event at the Royal Albert Hall. The concert encompassed poetry, British Sign Language and an array of fantastic music from Haringey musicians and singers/rappers across the borough.

It was an absolute joy seeing and hearing the performances from 'Hero Jam' to 'How big is your dream?' The songs written by Ty Lowe and Peter Desmond were inspiring and so enriching for the performers and the audience listening in the prestigious arena. Showcasing the young talent and working collectively as a community was empowering and rewarding.

A massive well done to the Woodside Musicians and Singers who took part in the event.

Nina ABDULLAHI, Sultan BINBOGA, Alica Chapman, Shania-Rae CLARKE, Hazel FAULKES, Ezel Kupeli, Rhea MEHTA, Ryon Mellowship, Sophie MORGAN, Dinavi NGOMBO, Bradley PEMBELE, Asya TASKAN, Shermira VINCENT, Helena Lucena, Gabriela Lucena, Brandon BAK, Rebal SASI, rhylee ASAR, Sapphire STEVENSON, Florin KRAASNIQI, Azjune WEEKES, Asia'h BLAKE WILLIAMS and Akello GRIER-GREENAWAY.

We are so proud of you all!

Ms Danso



On Thursday 30th June a group of year 7 and 8 students attended a classical music concert at St George's (Handel's) Church, Hanover Square, London. The students were selected by their instrumental teachers for excellent progress and attitude to learning in their instrumental lessons this year.

This is what some of the students said:

"When I watched the orchestra play, I liked the fact that they played a Mozart piece in the beginning which sounded really nice. I also liked how they introduced the different instruments and how they worked so that people would know. I would enjoy going to one of these again because the music was very subtle, but because there were a lot of people I think it makes it better." Victoria 7Y

"It's even better to see the orchestra when you're actually there!" Caglar 8A

"What I liked about the trip is the instruments played and how they explained what each instrument was. The music they played was amazing and it was a really nice experience to hear the orchestra in real life. the people were really talented! I'd definitely like to go on a trip like this again." Sahra 7Y

Well done to our students! They made us very proud!

Ms Frost



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Woodside Student Council

As a member of the student council, I can promise you that we do our best to make our meetings as meaningful as possible.

During our meeting, we talk about topics that students often protest about. Talking about these things are extremely beneficial because any changes made are usually in favour of our students. This can lead to more people having a good time at Woodside.

All of the inputs we make go to the safeguarding team and our Headteacher who approve and make the changes.

We have worked on this term:

- Anti-bullying Policy
- Increased variety of cold food selection in the canteen
- Woodside Passport

Would I recommend joining us? It is fun and gives off a sense of pride. But if you are already working and doing a lot around the school then you are already having a positive impact on Woodside.

Jasmine (Y7)



Woodside Ambassadors

Initially, we wanted to become Woodside Ambassadors because we really struggled during Covid, so we wanted to become role models for younger years and help them transition into the school better. We also wanted to be an ambassador to show the school in a positive light to the local community. Through this we wanted to help staff at events, to support students around the school with any issues or problems they have and be a face for parents to see and know when they visit the school.

So far, we have been on interview panels, shown visitors around the school, and have assisted parents and carers' evenings. We have also collated information to present to SLT based around student safety and are working on a project to enhance safety for students to and from school.

We would definitely recommend becoming a Woodside Ambassador if you want to take an active role in representing the school.

Elianna (Y8) and Ameerah (Y8)



Student ambassadors visiting local shops as part of our Safer Routes Programme.



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WORD MILLIONAIRES

Every year, we have a number of students who become Word Millionaires by reading more than a million words throughout the academic year.

We'd like to congratulate the following students on becoming millionaires and we are extremely proud of you all.

Joomabocus, Yahia
Mohamed, Omar A
WAPPLES, Ruben
Aldukali, Rana
Walmsley, Tristan N
HUSSAIN, Fatema
Fiyaz, Ibrahim A
Oyenyi-Raimi, Ameerah J
Smith, Imani P



MACKS, Chloe
DAVE, Shivam
Dorcu, Adelina M
GOULBOURNE, Theo
KUMBAROV, Abdul Aziz
Khan, Saira L
AL-HAKEEM, Tasneem
Haziri, Erza
KALISZ, Emily



To celebrate this incredible achievement, the students and their parents were treated to a lovely tea party in the library just before the term ended. Students read passages from some of their favourite books before enjoying various delicious treats.



Well deserved and well done again to these pupils who have worked so hard!!

ADELINA

How do you feel about being a Woodside Millionaire?

I am proud that I made the millionaire list. I enjoy reading so for me it was quite easy.

What do you enjoy most about reading?

I enjoy the different stories and the suspense it creates, and the twists and turns of a story.

What genre do you like the most and why?

Romance or crime thrillers as they have great stories to follow.

What is your favourite book and why?

My favourite books are the Shatter Me series because it's a mix of dystopia and romance. Each book ends on a cliff hanger to make you want to read more.

How do teachers at Woodside assist you with your reading?

They push you to read and recommended books.

How often do you read?

I try to read every day.

RUBEN

How do you feel about being a Woodside Millionaire?

I feel proud to wear the millionaire badge around the school and it's a good feeling.

Did you ever think a million words is a tough target?

At first, I thought it was a massive goal to achieve and it felt amazing when I realised I have reached it before the end of the year.

What do you enjoy most about reading?

I love how it transports you to a different world, you feel like you are part of the book.

What is your favourite book and why?

Harry Potter, it is a very magical book to read.

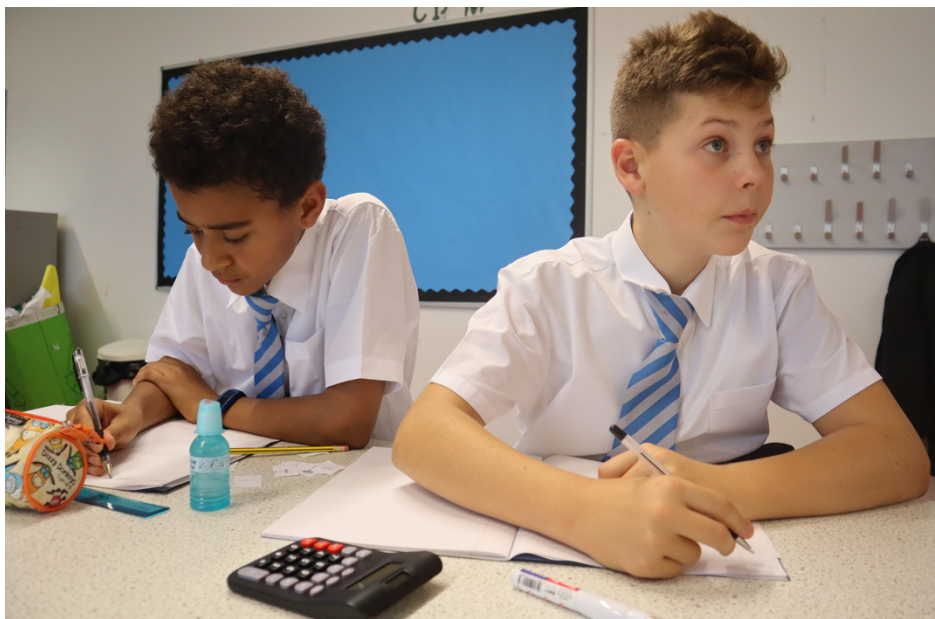
How do teachers at Woodside assist you with your reading?

They always push me to read more challenge books and always recommend new books that I can read which widens my vocabulary.

How often do you read?

Average 30 mins a day.

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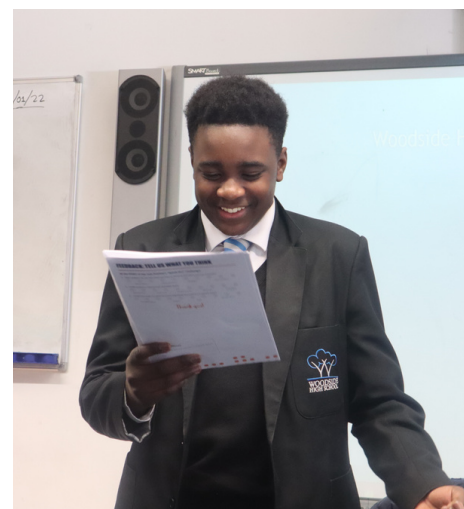
Woodside's Ofsted inspection took place earlier this year. Ofsted is the national body that inspect schools, Woodside was last inspected in 2014. The inspection framework has significantly changed since the new framework was introduced in September 2019 and has become a more rigorous process.

The school was praised in many areas:

- Teaching
- Curriculum development
- Careers programme
- Extra-curricular activities
- Challenge in English



The achievement of Good is an immense achievement for students and staff. We know that we will go from strength to strength, with the new leadership coming under commendation. This inspection is a very exciting place to start our journey to increased excellence.



There were very few points for improvement, the key one being students who are persistently absent from school. Attendance in school is key for students' long term achievement.

Every family has a part to play to improve a child's attendance record by: not taking term time holidays; encouraging a strong morning routine so students are in on time and encouraging healthy lifestyles with our young people.

Our vision moving forward is: excellent teaching through teachers with excellent subject knowledge and all students learning with a strong foundation in literacy and vocabulary knowledge; an extended curriculum which offers students a range of experiences outside of the classroom and the teaching of the Woodside manners programme to create young citizens of the future.

Ms Wallace

WOODSIDE EXPERIENCE THE EXTENDED CURRICULUM

VOYAGE SCOLAIRE EN FRANCE

Voilà! Nous sommes allés en France pour la première fois depuis trois ans, et on s'est très bien amusés !!

Our first post-Covid France residential took place at the beginning of July, and we were so, so very excited. 30 students and 4 teachers had an early start on Sunday the 4th, and were bussed to Dover where we took the ferry to Calais. Beautiful weather and great experiences awaited us across the Channel.



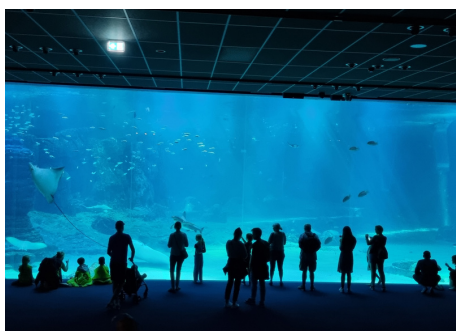
Le Château d'Ebblinghem was to be our home for the next couple of days, and our Francophiles got well immersed from the get-go. Straight off the coach, Y9 and 10's were asking for directions from locals - en français bien sûr - as they discovered the beautiful old cities of Boulogne-sur-Mer and St Omer. The locals - some of them dressed as Napoléon himself - obliged and welcomed our Woodsiders to this beautiful part of the north French coast. À recommander!

Back at the Château, we had a crêpe making lesson, and plenty of time to enjoy the sun and warm weather.

Fatigués mais heureux, we had a good night's rest before our next two days of rambling around France's Pas-de-Calais region.

Highlights our students still talk about are the Chocolatrie de Beussent, where we got to see gorgeous (and pricey) pralines made. We also learnt about the origins of the chocolate we consume today, and tasted raw cocoa. Everyone was surprised by how awful the raw product tasted. C'était dégoûtant! We loved the chocs we got to munch on later, however! Miam miam!

Many of us said the trip to Nausicaá, western Europe's largest aquarium, was the highlight of the trip. Manta rays, penguins, seals... and gazillions of French school students on day trips! It was brilliant.



First in this writer's mind, however, is our trip to the beautiful town of Le Touquet, where we all got our little moment in the sun, au soleil à la plage,

and really got to take in what an away-trip is all about. Les amis. Les photos. Les mémoires que nous garderons pour toute la vie. C'était vraiment un moment de grand bonheur, et pour les élèves et pour les profs.



Many thanks to our chauffeur, Richard, and our accompanying teachers - Madame Flaender, Monsieur Howe, Señor Miranda, and Monsieur Connell, and the staff at the Château d'Ebblinghem. On reviendra, c'est sûr et certain!

Many thanks are also due to the Tottenham Grammar School Foundation and Innes Meek, finance governor, for his fundraising efforts and generosity which has helped make overseas residential possible for Woodside students.

Without this support, it would not be possible to offer these enriching experiences to our wonderful students. Nous vous remercions. La différence que vous avez faite est inestimable.

Mr Connell

WEST RESERVOIR CENTRE

On Friday 27th May, a group of Year 7 and 8 students spent the day at West Reservoir Centre to take part in the Protect Our Future programme launch. The aim of the programme was to create thought-provoking activities to show that science is behind every action we take.

The day was split into three activities for the pupils to take part in; nature hunting, starting conversations about reducing climate change and the highlight of the day for all, which was sailing. For many students, this was their first time in a boat and some were not confident in the water. The students demonstrated great resilience and courage and within no time they were on the water in their boats.

The pupils were incredible representatives of Woodside throughout the whole day and it was a pleasure to accompany them on the trip.

Ms Pryor



YOUNG CITIZENS ECONOMIC EXPERTS WORKSHOP



Career aspirations are really important to students at Woodside and the trip to FTI Consulting was a really nice experience.

We gained knowledge about how the economy works and how we contribute to it. They also gave us free lunch and breakfast - which is always helpful.

We had a chance to do a presentation on how we would budget money for a town and what areas we would spend the funds on. I enjoyed debating with my peers and meeting the volunteers, who had jobs in finance and economics.

Asha (Y10)

SPORTS DAY

On Thursday 14th July, we saw the return of Sports Day - the first since 2019.

With perfect conditions, the day started with the Year 7 & 8 competition, followed by Year 9 & 10 competition.

Students were in great spirit as they cheered each other on, while competitors fiercely pitted against each other on the track and field.

A huge thank you to Mr Rowling and his team in the sports department for organising such a lovely day.



SPURS SERIES GRAND FINAL CHAMPIONS



After winning the regional heat undefeated and without conceding a goal, the Year 10 boys football team were back in action last Friday in the Spurs Series Grand Final and looking to bring home some silverware. The heats proved to be no challenge for the Woodside team, who beat one of the teams 7-0. The boys were dancing around the opposition and slotting goals in the back of the net for fun.

The final was as exciting as you hope any to be! With Enfield Grammar scoring early in the game, resulting in charging up Pharrell who was refusing to lose when they had come so far. He fired 2 goals in quick succession into the back of the net giving Woodside the lead. Moments before the final whistle, Enfield snuck a goal past goalie Mahmood who had been suffering an injury following the fixture against Park View, 10 days previously. With penalties on the horizon, the boys dug deep but were unable to avoid the inevitable. Up stepped penalty takers Rayan, Pharrell and Aleks for their moment in the spotlight and in combination with the lightning reactions of Mahmood, the boys secured the win and both the title and silverware was theirs to bring back to school.

With some of these boys already in professional academies and one playing for England U.16's, this team is filled with unrivalled talent. If there is anyone who is a football coach, looking for an outstanding talent pool and can take the boys to the next level as a team, please contact Ms Pryor on:
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Winning Year 10 Team:

Rayan O	Cairo K
Dimari L	Rueben M
Aleks D	Mahmood R
Ty E-F	Shujab L
Pharrell J-J	Junior C

Mrs Pryor