

# NEWSLETTER

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Dear Parents and Carers,

I'd like to begin by thanking you for your support this term. To the parents of students in Year 11 and Year 10, thank you for your support during the challenges of GCSE assessment and NEA. To all our parents who have attended our parent and carers' evenings or other events, many, and to all our families for supporting our students and up-holding our school values of Pride, Respect, and Kindness.

Thank you so much to the 80 families who made it to the Woodside Spring Taster on Wednesday. I really enjoyed speaking to parents and feel very excited about this year group. We will be running an Easter Camp on the 3rd April, if you are interested, please get in touch.

It has been an incredibly busy half term for the rest of the school and I wanted to celebrate some of the events

- Three parents evenings with at least 75% attendance
- All options selections back in time before the deadline
- A safeguarding review
- Trips to: Pendarren, Natural History Museum, Oxford University, Cambridge University, LAET sessions, STEM trip, Globe Theatre, Women's Super League and more
- Pi Day, World Book Day, Science week and 12 house events
- World Autism Week
- Four praise weeks focused on school values
- Woodside Spring Taster

This week, we commissioned a safeguarding review as part of best practice and reflection on this very key area. The feedback was incredibly successful.

For our families observing Ramadan, wishing you all the best in this period. To celebrate Eid, we will be running an after school event on Monday 24th April.

Over the Easter holiday we will be working further on the environment: painting; more outside play equipment; removal of gum; replacement of covers and work on the garden. Please can we get our displays ready for after Easter. A reminder there will be an Easter taster day and Year 11 revision.

Wishing you the very best for the Easter holiday.

Ms Wallace  
Headteacher

## THE 500 CLUB

Congratulations to Ayse O (8Q), Ruben W (8Q), Olivia N (7I) and Rodrigo N R (8Q) for reaching 500 praise points.

Joining the 500 club is an incredible milestone for any Woodsider, we can't wait to see who will be joining the 1000 club next term.

## PRaise POINTS WINNERS

Nafisah CHOWDHURY (7I)  
Selena FANG (8A)  
Arina KUKHALSKA (9L)  
Ryan VEERASAMI (10Y)  
Melisa HAS (11Q)

**School Winner:**  
Selena FANG (8A)

## HAPPY EASTER

## SOCIAL MEDIA



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Met Police TSG Visit**  
Tuesday 25th April

**Year 7 Parents and Carers' Evening**  
Thursday 27th April

**SEN Coffee Morning**  
Tuesday 9th May

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# WOODSIDE EID CELEBRATION

MONDAY 24TH APRIL

**Henna painting  
Refreshments | Games  
and more...**

**Cash only**

**NEW  
POST**

Are you a  
**CREATIVE?**

**Creative Writing Club**

**JOIN US AS WE DISCUSS THE  
ADVANTAGES & DISADVANTAGES  
OF SOCIAL MEDIA**



**THURSDAYS AFTER  
SCHOOL IN B010**



## YEAR 7 UPDATE

Year 7, we are coming to another term! Unbelievable, right?!

You have completed more than half a year in secondary school and now it is time to have a rest!

Our trips to the Natural History Museum will continue and they have been really successful with a lot of learning and fun taking place!

Well done to those who achieved top attendance! Your reward trip is coming, we will keep this as a surprise.

At Woodside, we wish you a great break to celebrate your success and enjoy with your family.

Keep a high standards in our values: Pride, Respect and Kindness

Mr Miranda

## BOOK REVIEW



### Where The River Runs Gold



Where the River Runs gold is one of those books that seems to want to predict what a world that has unknown nature would be like and how it would be run. And they decided to take this dystopian approach which I am not as bothered by. Yes, certain scenes are a little too grey for my tastes and a bit too mean-spirited as well. But I still liked this book in a way and still thought it was a decent rebellion against dystopian law and the adventure that unfolded as well. If you are into dystopian fiction, then I think you should give this book a read.

## COULD YOU HELP OUR YEAR 10 STUDENTS?

We are delighted to inform you that Work Experience Week is back for Year 10s! This year, Work Experience Week will take place between the 10th - 14th July, offering our young people an opportunity to gain an insight into the world of work, and to help them prepare for the responsibilities and opportunities of adult life.

As part of the programme, students will need to find their own placement and we'd like your help. If you have any work experience opportunities available for our Year 10 students, please email: [serdane.ozcan@woodsidehighschool.co.uk](mailto:serdane.ozcan@woodsidehighschool.co.uk) or call 02088896761.

Placements will be health and safety checked prior to the placement start date.

The Careers Office

## Writer's Corner



### I Come From

Umaima Ali

I come from spicy chicken, chilly curry and mouth-watering mango milkshakes.

I come from traditional spices, rose tea and freshly squeezed juice.

I come from the bustling streets, the fire from the pan sizzling and my grandad watching cricket.

I come from the fuzzy feeling of my prayer mat brushing my forehead, the rough rope of our

handmade swing bruising my hand and the charred bread we ate with curry.

I come from the holy book Quran, the rusty keys and the flower vase.

I come from my family, friends and my past.

I come from lizards, spiders, moths

I come from the wind, carried from a blanket of thorns

I come from clicks, ticks, tocks and a boo

I come from poems

I come from where I belong.

## IS YOUR CHILD ELIGIBLE FOR FREE SCHOOL MEALS? SIGN UP OVER THE EASTER HOLIDAYS!

Children and young people aged 5 to 16 who are eligible for free school meals and their families will be able to access free food and activities during the Easter, summer and Christmas holidays.

We are working with a number of local partners to deliver the HAF (Holidays, Activities and Food) programme across Haringey. They include schools, local voluntary and community organisations and childcare providers.

Some of the incredible activities coming up in Haringey this Easter include:

- A week of food and fun at St Ann's Library
- An opportunity to work with professional filmmakers and make your own film with Film Skool Deluxe
- A multi-sports camp at Broadwater Farm Community Centre

[Explore the full HAF programme](#)

Haringey Council



## GLOBE THEATRE TRIP

On Monday 20th March Year 10 and Year 11 Drama students attended Shakespeare's Globe theatre for a performance of The Tempest.

*"I really enjoyed seeing the Tempest, Shakespeare is kind of difficult for me to understand, the language is hard, and even though they were speaking Shakespearean in the play, seeing it helped me understand the story a lot more, also the guide who told us all the facts about the theatre beforehand was interesting. I also likes the bus ride, I got to see a lot of London". - Year 10 student.*

The drama students were impeccably behaved and were a credit to the school and yet another opportunity for them to see some theatre. I can't wait till the next trip.

**Mrs Birks (Head of Drama)**

## WOODSIDE SPRING TASTER

On Wednesday 29th March, we invited the parents of our incoming year 7 cohort to join us for a fun and informal event, the Woodside Spring Taster.

The event welcomed more than 80 families, with many year 7 ambassadors in attendance to answer any questions parents or students may have.

We ran various activities to keep our newcomers entertained, the Easter egg hunt and card craft were by far the most popular.

The event was a huge success and we look forward to welcoming students to our Easter Camp on Monday 3rd April.

**Mr Chan**

## AUTHOR VISITS WOODSIDE

On Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th March, we welcomed the author of popular children's book The Spectacular, Jodie Garnish, to Woodside.

On day one, Jodie spoke to students from St Michael's CofE primary school about the book. On day two, Jodie met with the top 25 students from Year 7 to speak to them about being an author and her next project before gifting Woodsiders a signed copy of her book.

**Mrs Skepple**

## THE 300 CLUB

Congratulations to Imani M (9Q), Tamara L (9Y), Tristan W (9Y), Oskar S (9Y), Kaan S (7I), Serine B (9Y), Irmak T (9A), Patrycja B (8Q), Eray A (7A), Kiko R (9A), Adelina D (7A), Donko I (9U), Khadidiatou T (10E) 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**



## AUTISM AWARENESS WEEK

Students and staff celebrated Autism Awareness Week this week at Woodside. Activities during lunch times in the oak room included: coin rubbing, sensory bottle making, sensory smells and a quiz.

A group of year 7s also created short films around school to talk about autism and how autistic students are supported at Woodside. These films will have their premiere on the last day of term in the library.

We also partnered with Riverside special school who kindly invited our students to their events and to speak in their assembly.

The events and the poster campaign have really raised the profile of autism and our autistic students around school and highlighted our inclusive school community.

Thanks for joining in.

**Ms Gokay and Ms Muncaster**



**Haringey**  
LONDON

**Easter**

**2023**

**break**

**FUN**

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



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