



raising aspirations, broadening horizons

WHS Parent Bulletin
Friday 17th of January 2020

Important dates for your diary:

Monday February 17th - Half Term
Monday February 24th - Students Return Back to School
Monday February 24th - Year 11 Mock Exams

See our term dates for this academic year:

[2019/2020 term dates](#)

Headteacher's Message

Dear families,

This is a slightly shorter than normal Parent Bulletin as we get back in to the swing of things post winter break so therefore I'd like to take the opportunity to bring you all up to speed with the continuing positive journey here at Wapping High. The school has, as I have shared with you before, becoming increasingly popular to students in Tower Hamlets and other London boroughs. The effect of this has led to a full current Year 7 and a large number of students joining other year groups during the current academic year. Wapping High works at its' very best when class sizes are relatively small and there are enough high quality staff onsite to ensure we continue to maintain the small family feel that we are so truly proud of here. It is due to this increased popularity coupled with the ongoing mission to achieve this that Leaders and Governors supported me seeking additional funds from the DFE to allow us to increase staffing to cope with demand. I am delighted to inform you that our bid was successful and we are currently in the process of increasing the staffing of the school over the next 6 months. The first significant change that families will see will be the launch of a new timetable, hopefully after the February half term. A number of additional colleagues will be joining us for this mid year relaunch. The other additional colleagues will join us at the start of the next academic year in September which will coincide with more subject options being available at Key Stage 4 in the future.

We are also busy recruiting additional colleagues to join the learning support and the pastoral support teams. We are also busy planning significant improvements to the learning environment at the school and also to key areas e.g the WiFi infrastructure.

All in all, this is such an exciting time for the school and a really good time to be both a student and a member of staff here and I am delighted that the DFE have shown their obvious belief and confidence in us and our vision in the way they have. I will keep you posted as I always do but if you have any questions or if you would like to contact me personally to find out more then please feel free to do so.

Thank you and best wishes,

Gary Nelson
Headteacher

News

Congratulations

A huge congratulations to Maryam for winning the December Year 11 Student Role Model Award. Maryam received a high number of nominations from her teachers commending her excellent work ethic and professional approach to the mock examinations.

Maryam joins Nike and Ishaq in the Year 11 Hall of Fame...good luck to all our fabulous Year 11 students in the next round of the award!

Mr Palmer

Subject Champions

This week we launched a new initiative at Wapping High as we are always looking for ways to provide students with leadership opportunities and involve students in championing their passions. Well done to the following students who either volunteered or were nominated by staff to be Subject Champions. Look out for their contributions as they develop their roles within the school and get us all thinking about subjects from the students' point of view. We are looking forward to working with you.

Subject Champions - Yasmin (Y11) , Harley (Y9) , Jake (Y10) , Ola (Y10) , Labib (Y11) , Mahbub (Y8) , Elliot (Y9) , Francisco (Y9) , lolanda (Y10) , Aaron (Y8) , lolanda (Y10) , Jacob (Y8) , Storm (Y7) , Majida (Y9) , Scarlett (Y10) , Conner (Y9) & Ariefa (Y10) .



Ms Sorba, Ms Mansfield and Ms Ahmed

Creative Enrichment Production

As I write this students and staff from the Creative Enrichment team are preparing for this afternoon's (Thursday 16th of January) performance to students, staff & parents. Everyone is really excited about this and the Creative Enrichment team have worked really hard to put together a good show.

I'd like to say thank you to everyone for all their hardwork and their keenness to share their talents with each other in this first of what I'm certain will be many other similar events in the future.

Ms D Harvey, Mr J Palmer and Mr G Nelson

Year 8 UEL Trip

Year 8 students visited the University of East London on Tuesday and took part in a 'Mixed Subject Choice' day. Students participated in a number of workshops that gave them an insight into possible career paths once they leave school. Students were very engaged in the workshops and treated the staff and ambassadors with respect. Thank you Year 8.



Ms D Harvey, Mr Edwards and Miss Weeks

Notices

Watersports Youth Matters Project

There is an exciting restorative justice project called 'Watersports Youth Matters' and we believe that the young people you work with can benefit a great deal from this opportunity.

The aim with this project is to provide marginalised children and young people with positive opportunities and reduce isolation and loneliness among young people while improving health outcomes.

Please have a look at the website:

<https://www.rj4all.info/watersports-youth-matters>

The project is free of cost, however, a small donation of £5 is suggested to secure a place in the project.

All children and young people between 10 – 30 years old are welcome to participate! The team has experience working with vulnerable young people.

The activities are held at Surrey Docks Fitness and Watersports Centre (Rope St, Rotherhithe, London SE16 7SX).

They plan water sports activities, however, if the weather is not good other kinds of activities such as Art workshops, Jiu-Jitsu, Football, etc... but this would depend on the participants' preferences.

If interested their next dates are as follows:

January:

18th - 19th

25th – 26th

February:

1st – 2nd

8th – 9th

15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st

Activities will run from 10am – 4pm but participants are encouraged to arrive at 9:30am and to bring some lunch/snacks for their lunch break.

Ms Charman

Outstanding Attendance

Well done to these students who have worked hard to improve their attendance. We appreciate your efforts and we know how consistent you've been. Students are more likely to succeed in academics when they attend school consistently.

Your child is a valued member of our school community and every day missed is a day lost without them, so we thank you and congratulate them for their outstanding attendance! We are beyond proud of you and your continued effort. Arriving at school on time, organised and ready to learn is a very important component in your future success.

Well done to:

Iqra, Mahid, Nasnir, Rahim, Sulayman, Yasir, Taohida, Amisha, Anjuman, Haider, Nubah, Kayla, Abdurrahman, Ahochin, Abu, Leticia, Yasmin, Nadia, Sabiha, Harry, Joshua, lolanda, Isaaq, Chloe, Fearus, Soumik, Hanif, Nima, Odhora, Arafa, Luke, Guliana, Adrian, Alicia, Nishi, Ishaq, Samirah, Waliullah, Shahan, Nahid, Anu, Belayet, Nasrudin, Ola, Maksymilian, Connor, Arman, Ashifa, Shayma, Tasmida, Royce, Muskan, Isaac, Roman, Courtney, Rio, Mahadi, Simon, Nike, Harley, Elly, Mayling, Suiling, Inayah, Iqra, Matyas & Joseph.



Ms Osunde
