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Important dates for your diary:

Last student day of the Academic Year: Friday 16th July 2021.

School closure for Eid Al Adha: Monday 19th July 2021.

Please look at the school website for other important dates for this academic year.

Headteacher's Message

Dear Parents and Carers

Once again it is really uplifting to hear about the terrific achievements and projects our students and staff are involved with around the school. Well done to everyone involved.

You will, no doubt, have read a great deal in the press about how children and their learning have been left behind because of the pandemic and its impact on everybody's lives. I genuinely feel that we performed very well in terms of the quality and coverage of remote learning through the two lockdowns and how we did our very best to stay connected and support everyone through the immense challenge Covid has presented us all. That said, I remain as we all do here, fully

committed to ensuring that high-quality learning opportunities are maintained right up to the summer break at the end of next week. This is particularly important for Year 10 students who simply cannot afford to take it easy in the last two weeks. Go for it Year 10!

I am equally committed to ensuring that we continue to further embed coaching and mentoring for everyone here. This will support them accessing more effectively the high quality learning and teaching across our well balanced curriculum, both of which we are very proud of here at the school.

Coaching conversations, and the goals and planning that come from those conversations, will be really powerful tools to ensure students are more motivated than ever to put aside the challenges they've faced due to the pandemic and help focus them very firmly on creating a successful future for themselves.

In balance with this focus on the future, we obviously still continue to be challenged by Covid so please do read Mr Raw's section which follows this as there is key information there which I'm sure you will be very interested to read.

Friday, the 16th of July is the last day for students here at the school before their summer holidays and, in line with tradition, there will be a slightly earlier finish on the day. Please see the section below from Ms Ingram and Mr Webb for details of the day and how the term will end for students.

The school will then be **closed for students Monday 19th of July** for Eid Al Adha, although there will be staff available should families need to contact the school on the day.

Incidentally, **Tuesday 20th of July** is a training day for staff when we will be very busy ensuring that we finish off everything we can to make sure we have a first class start in September when **Year 7 students join us in the afternoon on Thursday 2nd of September** and **Year 11 and Year 10 return on Friday 3rd of September and Year 9 and 8 return on Monday 6th of September.**

Please see next week's final end of year letter for more information here.

I will write to you again towards the end of next week reminding you of these key dates and to share with you some other important information about next year but in the meantime, please encourage your child to try as hard as they can right up until the last day and make the most of all the time we have left this academic year.

Best wishes and stay safe



Gary Nelson
Headteacher.

Email: headteacher@wappinghigh.org

News

Covid Update.

Dear parents and carers,

On Wednesday 30th June, your child should have brought home with them a new supply of LFT (Lateral Flow Tests) to be taken at home twice per week. Your child should aim to take these tests on the following dates:

Wednesday 30th June

Sunday 4th July

Wednesday 7th July

Sunday 11th July

Wednesday 14th July

Sunday 18th July

The remaining test can be taken over the summer holiday at your convenience and a fresh supply will be provided on the last day of term so that all students can take a test the evening before they return to school.

Up until and including Sunday 18th July, you should report all positive cases of COVID-19 to covidtesting@wappinghigh.org where the school will continue to assist the NHS with Test & Trace. Please note, however, that any positive tests taken after Sunday 18th July should be reported to the NHS only until the new academic year begins.

I cannot stress how important our collective role is here in ensuring that each and every student is taking part in regular testing. You will no doubt have noticed that the virus has found its way back into our school community, as it has in practically every school. If it was not for those who are regularly testing, positive cases would go undetected and this would inevitably result in more students and staff having to self-isolate.

Thank you and best wishes.

Mr. Raw

Deputy Head,

Congratulations Year 10!

Huge congratulations to our Year 10 who truly stepped-up in their Mock Experience week. Students showed a professional and mature approach throughout the whole process in preparation for the exciting year ahead. Well done Year 10!

Mr Palmer

Last Day arrangements - Friday 16th July.

Students arrive at the normal time.

Period 1

Normal lessons (Y7, 8, 9 and 10)

Period 2

9.45 - 10.10 Y7 Assembly (to tutor after) **10.20 - 10.45** Y8 Assembly (in Period 2 lessons from 9.45-10.15)

Y9 and 10 Normal lessons

Period 3

All students have Tutor Time

11.00 - 11.25 Y9 Assembly (back to Tutor afterwards)

11.40 - 12.05 pm Y10 Assembly (dismiss from Main Hall)

Dismissal:

11.55 - Y7 depart

12.00 - Y8 depart

12.05 - Y10 depart

12.10 - Y9 depart

Ms Ingram/ Mr Webb.

Well done to Mr Islam, Maths.

We would like to congratulate our maths teacher, Mr Islam, for successfully being appointed as a regional Maths Mastery Lead in addition to his role at Wapping High School. 'Maths Mastery' is an approach to teaching adopted from Singapore and Shanghai where students build up a deep understanding of mathematical concepts through pictorial modelling, patterns and micro-steps. This appointment is a huge step forward in Wapping High School becoming a hub of excellence in mathematics.

Mr Palmer

**WAPPING HIGH SCHOOL FESTIVAL OF CODE
MONDAY 26TH – FRIDAY 30TH JULY, 10AM – 4PM.**

Following on from the success of previous years we will again be running the Festival of Code at Wapping High School after the pandemic. The event is for children and young people aged 10 – 18.

During the week participants will be supported by industry mentors to build computer programs, computer games and websites. This event offers children a uniquely immersive experience to learn more about coding and digital industries. There will also be workshops for kids to get hands-on with different, new and emerging technology. The event will culminate on Friday afternoon with an opportunity to showcase what has been built to parents, mentors, press, industry and expert judges.

This year we will be focusing on five themes:

Game design in Scratch
Advanced game design in Unity
HTML/CSS website design
Microbits
Python

Festival of Code is run entirely by volunteers. It is not a taught event, neither a summer childcare club, but rather an opportunity for enthusiastic young people to improve their computer programming and graphic design skills under the guidance of industry experts. Complete beginners, as well as confident coders and designers, are all welcome. The event will also provide the opportunity for children to gain confidence working alongside adults and learn more about possible careers in the fields of engineering and technology. By working together and sharing knowledge, participants will validate their digital skills, learn about teamwork and communication.

For more information contact: festivalofcode@wappinghigh.org

See the school website for more information.

Summer School July 26th to August 6th : New Year 7s

If you have younger brothers, sisters or friends joining the school in September, do encourage them to attend our Summer School later this month. As students have missed so many special learning and enrichment opportunities due to lockdown, we have organised a summer school full of fun activities to help our new students get to know the school, the teachers and each other. With Ms Robinson in charge and a lot of Wapping High teachers helping out, the two weeks are sure to be full of opportunities to make, build, cook, create and experiment! We have a few places left for our new students - totally free off course.

Ms Sorba.

INTERESTED IN AN INTERNSHIP IN A LAW FIRM?

Who is this for?

Students aged 15-19 who would enjoy a virtual internship opportunity with a law firm

Who is organising it?

The National Literacy Trust and Cleary Gottlieb law firm are offering young people an amazing opportunity this summer. Participants will gain experience and develop skills that will be invaluable as they progress to the workplace. All internships are part time and will take place virtually. As part of a group of interns, students will have the opportunity to:

- Hear from employees across Cleary Gottlieb talking about their job, career journey and their experiences of working in a large law firm.
- Learn about writing a CV, presentation skills and preparing for interview.
- Work on a mock legal project for the firm.

When?

The internship week runs from 16 to 20 August 2021, 9.30am – 1.30pm.

Who are Cleary Gottlieb?

An international law firm headquartered in New York City. They employ over 1,200 lawyers worldwide.

How to apply

Interested students should visit this link and download the application form.

https://wordsforlife.org.uk/zone-in/activities/virtual-internship-with-cleary-gottlieb/?mc_cid=2921c7d1fb&mc_eid=919be3caff

Applications close on Monday 19 July 2021

ReachOut

'The 2021 ReachOut Programme is soon coming to a close for 2021 and students involved will be taking part in a 'Graduation Ceremony' full of awards and prizes to celebrate the incredible work that all the students have undertaken this year in the programme. ReachOut will be returning in the new academic year so watch the space for even more great work from all those involved in it. Well done to all the Reachout Mentees!

Jack Petchey Award

'There have been 3 more winners of the Jack Petchey award this term with Shakeel Aligawesa, Isabella Jackson and Joseph Zeevan scooping the prizes for their incredible efforts and attitude of late. A massive well done to those three students finishing off a difficult year with incredible positivity and resilience.'

Mr Webb.

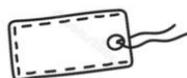
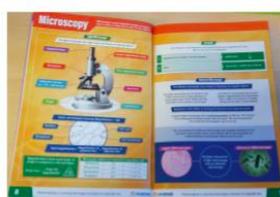
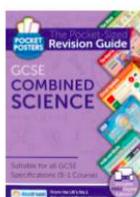
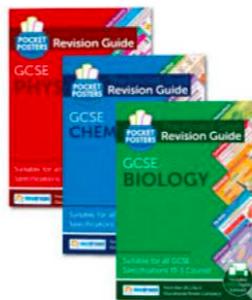
Science Revision support (reminder)

Need help with revision?

The science department are excited to offer these great GCSE revision guides to all student in the school.

Each book comes with a unique code for students to online access that includes quizzes to test your knowledge.

Triple science books are available for those interested in doing triple science.



£3.49 for the combined science book

£2.79 for each of the triple science books
(biology, chemistry & physics)

You can pay on parentmail.

Ms Macmillan.

Year 7 Mandarin Hurdle Tests

The Languages Department have been delighted with the hard work and brilliant efforts of our Year 7 Mandarin students who have just completed their end of year Hurdle tests in speaking, writing, reading and listening. We are so proud of all that students have achieved and how confidently they are navigating this new language! We really look forward to continuing to work with students in Year 8, as well as welcoming our new cohort of Year 7 Mandarin in September!

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Ms Wong and Ms Ingram

Young Interpreters Scheme

Our brilliant Young Interpreters took part in their first training session last week.

We spent time talking about the many languages they spoke (about a dozen!) and what being bilingual meant to them. They are really looking forward to supporting students who are new to the school and sometimes to the country, as well as leading tours for new families during open mornings.

Our second session will take place next week where we will be creating our Young Interpreters leaflet with our mission statement which will be shared in the next bulletin!

Ms Ingram

Young Interpreters Scheme(reminder)

Wapping High are delighted to be launching the Young Interpreters Scheme with students in Y7, 8 and 9.

Participants will be trained to support students who are new to the school and will form a core buddy system for those who are new to English. When our Young Interpreters have completed their course, they will receive a certificate recognising their achievement.

We have such an exciting range of Languages already spoken at Wapping High - I can't wait to see them in action!

Look out for more news soon,

Ms Ingram

Chromebook Purchasing (update)

Dear parents and carers,

The Chromebook purchasing portal is now available. Thank you to all the parents that placed an order, if you still haven't please do so before 11th July on

www.tech4learners.co.uk

Username: Wapping21

Password: S3cure21!

Mr Muruts