

Woodford County Weekly Bulletin **High School for Girls**

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Dear Parents,

It has come to our attention that there was an incident on the 679 bus on the way to school during the week before half term. Apparently a parent got onto the bus and berated a girl for not allowing her daughter to sit down because she was reserving a seat for her friend.

Clearly it is unfair if girls reserve seats for their friends and they should not do so. However, it is also not acceptable for parents to get onto school buses to remonstrate with girls in such circumstances.

If your daughter does use the 679, please remind her that reserving seats for friends is unfair to other girls and they should desist from doing so.

However, we as a school are not in a position to police the activities that take place on buses to and from school, so their smooth operation relies very much on the co-operation and reasonable behaviour of all involved.

Yours faithfully,

C. Jenkins

Deputy Headteacher



Students who have ordered photographs from Tempest can collect these from Ms Fontaine or Ms Thompson in the main office between 15:30 and 16:30 any day this week.







Notice of Annual General Meeting of Parents & Friends of Woodford County High School (PFWCHS*) Wednesday 30th October 2019 at 7.00pm

Dear All Parents and Carers,

I am just writing to remind you that the PFA's AGM takes place tomorrow on the 30th Oct at 7pm in the school's Conference room.

You are all members of the PFA, which as a registered Charity is designed to enhance the learning and development of Woodford girls, through fundraising and various activities. All of your girls are benefitting every day from the investment in the school made by the PFA. The PFA currently has around 10 'active' members who devote time and energy into the many activities and fund raising events. The PFA cannot survive on the goodwill and input from so few, so it essential that more parents, carers and friends of Woodford get involved.

Please do come along to the AGM and learn about the great work that the PFA has done over the past year, bringing you right up to date with the amazing fundraising performance over the weekend of the school's centenary celebrations. The formal positions of Chair, Vice Chairs, Treasury and Secretary will elected but just as importantly we are looking for more of you to get involved over the coming year.

If you have any questions around the formal positions or generally getting involved, ahead of the AGM, please do email at the following address secretaryp@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

Yours sincerely

Shaun Dawson PFA Chair

^{*} We are officially registered as Parents and Friends of Woodford County High School with the charities commission but more frequently referred to as Parents & Friends Association (PFA).





Extracurricular – Tuesday Piano Tuition

Could any student having Tuesday piano tuition before 2:00pm please consider exchanging their slot with another student on the following dates and times?

- 5th November 2:45pm
- 12th November 2:30pm

Please email Ms Fontaine at music@woodford.Redbridge.sch.uk if you are able to exchange on any of these days.

Reminder to students who receive Music Tuition or who participate in group music practice to check the music notice board located outside the main hall for updates, information and timetables.

All Students who received individual music tuition at the school will have received a copy of their timetable in their registers. Copies of the timetables are available on the music notice board by the main hall.

If you have any queries about Music Tuition at Woodford County High School please email music@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

Battlefields Trip: Passports and Traveller Info

- Please bring either your passport or a photocopy of it to Ms Heeks by this Friday – 1st November!
- Please fill in the survey you have been sent by <u>this Friday</u> – 1st November!





AFTER SCHOOL CLUB SPACES - Musical theatre workshop

In this workshop style course students will combine elements of singing, acting and dance to create a fully fleshed out performance of a musical number.

Each five weeks the group will choose a song from a musical to perform and each week they will add a different element onto the performance, starting with the singing, then the acting, and finally the movement sections of the number. At the end of the five weeks a short performance will be put on for the students to showcase their work.



As well as work on the performance, students will also gain an understanding of vocal technique and physical sustainability, as well characterisation and how this ties into the medium of Musical theatre.

Kieran is a London based actor and musical theatre performer who graduated from the Liverpool Institute of Performing Arts with a BA in Acting/Performing Arts. He recently appeared off West End in Fanny and Stella at the Above the Stag Theatre, and currently stars as Frankie Valli for the Jersey Guys, one of the UK's leading Jersey Boys tribute acts."

This activity will be held on Fridays and costs £28.50 for a 5 week session.

A HANDFULL OF SPACES ARE AVALIABLE, PLEASE CONTACT
MS DAWSON TO SECURE A PLACE.

November/December After School Clubs 2019







We still have a few places available in November's after school clubs:

Tuesday basic cooking = 2

Dance = 9

Nail Art = 7

Jewellery = 8

Self-defence = 6

Knitting = 5

Mandarin = 5

Please go to ParentPay to secure your daughter's place.
Thank you







Registered Charity No (1103422)

Indoor Boot Sale

(Raising funds for the school)

SUNDAY 9.30am -12pm

13 October 2019

17 November 2019

8 December 2019

19 January 2020

16 February 2020

15 March 2020

at

Woodford County High School

High Road, Woodford Green, Essex IG8 9LA

Refreshments available

Booking: £14(Table provided) Telephone - 07400 238515

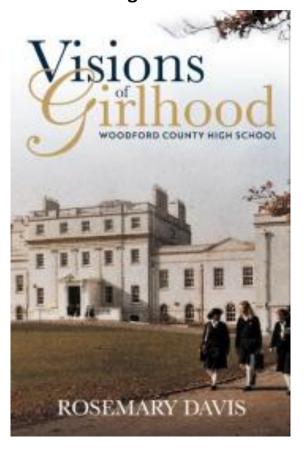
Email: pfwchs@yahoo.co.uk
Booking Form available from
www.woodford.redbridge.sch.uk



Public parking at Sir James Hawkey Hall Broomhill Road, IG8 0BG



Anyone who has ordered 'Visions of Girlhood' should now collect their copy from Miss Thomas in the main school office. Parents who placed an order can ask their daughter to collect their copy.









InvestIN Calling All Young Artists



"Everything you can imagine is real." (Pablo Picasso)

This year, we have met thousands of inspired students from across the world who hold a passion for creative industries. Inkeeping with our commitment to providing every student with an inspirational experience of their dream career, we are working to develop more programmes in creative areas and expect to have some exciting announcements next term.

To celebrate this development, we are pleased to introduce a Christmas competition for all budding artists.

We invite students aged 12-18 to enter our <u>'Young Artist</u> <u>Christmas Challenge'</u>: an opportunity to design the cover of the 2019 InvestIN Christmas card.

The winning artist will have their piece featured, fully-credited, on the InvestIN Christmas card, which will be sent to schools and businesses throughout the world. The winner will also receive a £100 Amazon Gift Voucher.

More importantly, for each entry we receive, we shall make a £1 donation to the education charity SHINE which helps underprivileged children in the north of England with their education. So every entry counts!

The deadline for entries is 5pm on Friday 14th November. Students can enter now by clicking here.

The design should be based on a theme of 'Festive Dreams.' This theme can be interpreted as students wish; the piece of work can also be created through any medium (digital or hand-crafted) but it must be uploaded in JPEG format.





Come and Sing with The Meljon Singers



We are holding an

Open Rehearsal

Wednesday 6 November 2019, 7.30 – 10.00pm at St John's Church, St Johns Rd, Ilford IG2 7BB

At a concert on Saturday 30 November
The Meljon Singers conducted by Janette Ruocco will give the

UK premiere of Bobbi Fischer's Missa Latina

All voices welcome so come and be a part of this exciting project, singing the words of a traditional Latin mass to the sounds and rhythms of a Latin jazz ensemble

Music provided. Just drop an email to Pam at info@meljon.org.uk if you have any questions and to let us know you're coming

Check out our website at www.meljon.org.uk for more information and directions



MELJON CONCERTS 2019 – 2020

Saturday 12th October 2019, 7.30pm Chingford Parish Church – The Green E4 7EN

NORTHERN LIGHT

A celebration of Norwegian music with the **Dargason Ensemble GJEILO Sunrise Mass & GRIEG Holberg Suite**A cappella works by Grieg, Gjeilo, Arnesen & Nystedt

Saturday 30th November 2019, 7.30pm St John's Arts & Recreation Centre, Old Harlow CM17 0AJ

FUSION!

Choral jazz with the El Cortado band BOBBI FISCHER Missa Latina UK Premiere Popular songs from the '20s and '30s

Saturday 7th March 2020, 7.30pm St Mary's Church, South Woodford E18 2PA

A MUSE OF ONE'S OWN

A celebration of choral music by women composers including **Holst** Mass in A minor & **Mackie** Missa Brevis

Saturday 13th June 2020, 7.30pm St John's Church, Epping CM16 5DN

THE GIFT OF LIFE

Works for choir, organ, harp & percussion including **Bernstein** Chichester Psalms & **Rutter** The Gift of Life





DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

Wednesday 30 th October	Year 7 Curriculum Meeting – 17.00	
Week of Mon 4 November	6 th Form Open Mornings	
Thursday 7 November	PRIZEGIVING 2018-19 - 18:30	
Thursday 14 November	House Drama Festival public performance – 18:00-21:00	
Thursday 12 December	Christmas concert – 19:00	

TERM & HOLIDAY DATES FOR 2019 -2020

AUTUMN 2019

Non Contact Day	Monday 2 September 2019		
Non Contact Day	Tuesday 3 September 2019		
Term	Wednesday 4 September Friday 18 Oct		
Half-term	Monday 21 October	Friday 25 October	
Term	Monday 28 October Friday 20 Dece		
Non Contact Day	Thursday 3 October 2019		

SPRING 2020

Term	Monday 6 January Friday 14 February		
Half-term	Monday 17 February	Friday 21 February	
Term	Monday 24 February Friday 3 April		
Non Contact Day	Wednesday 18 March 2020		

SUMMER 2020

Term	Monday 20 April Friday 22 May		
Half-term	Monday 25 May	Friday 29 May	
Term	Monday 1 June Friday 17 July		
Non Contact Day	Monday 20 July 2020		

BANK HOLIDAYS	•	Wednesday 25 December 2019 (for Christmas
Please note the		Day)
following are Bank	•	Thursday 26 December 2019 (for Boxing Day)
Holidays:	•	Wednesday 1 January 2020 (for New Year's
		Day)
	•	Friday 10 April 2020 (Good Friday)
	•	Monday 13 April 2020 (Easter Monday)
	•	Friday 8 May 2020 (Early May for VE day)
	•	Monday 25 May 2020 (Spring bank holiday)