

Woodford Weekly Bulletin



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High Rd, Woodford, Woodford Green, IG8 9LA

Key Dates and Reminders...



AUTUMN 2026		
Term	Friday 4 September 2026	Friday 23 October 2026
Half-term	Monday 26 October 2026	Friday 30 October 2026
Term	Monday 2 November 2026	Friday 18 December 2026
Non-Contact Day	Monday 12 October 2026	



12 October – INSET DAY
15 October – 5 Penny Race
21 October – 6th Form Open Evening
21 October – School Finishes at 3pm
23 October – Break for Half Term



Please note, the date of the Quiz Night has been postponed.

Please remind your daughter to bring in her lanyard, locker key and fob to school every day.



Contact us...



To report an absence relating to KS3 and KS4, please email absence@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

Any absences 5 days before or after a school holiday will require medical supporting evidence in order to be authorised. If this requirement is not met, the absence will be marked as unauthorised.

If you need to contact a member of staff regarding your child for any matter relating to Key Stage 3 or Key Stage 4, other than absence, please email admin@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

For Key Stage 5 (Sixth Form), students are expected to call Miss Mamtora themselves on the day of the absence, before 8.30am on 020 8506 2927.



School is
CLOSED

to pupils on

Monday 12 October

for a staff

INSET day



World Mental Health Day



We had many staff members taking part in the 'Hello Yellow' campaign for World Mental Health Day today.

By wearing yellow, staff helped to raise awareness of mental health and encourage conversations about wellbeing. Initiatives such as this help create opportunities for students to ask questions, open up discussions about mental health, and reduce the stigma that can sometimes prevent young people from seeking support.

Students also joined by searching high and low for the mini yellow ducks that had mysteriously appeared around the school!

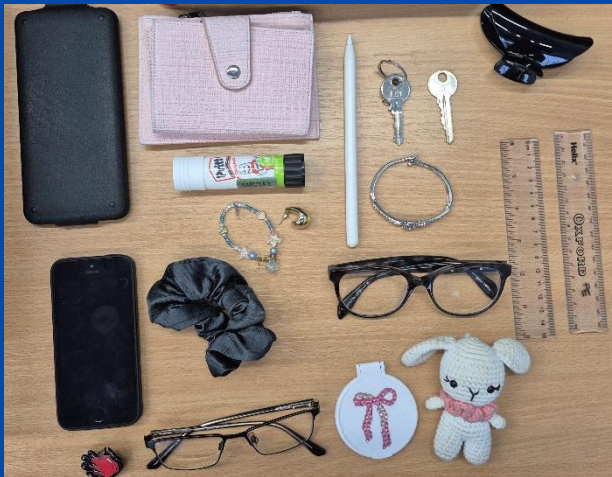


Lost Property...



If your child has misplaced something, could you please ask them to check the big wooden box, which is situated near Reception in the main school building, as soon as possible.

Small items are normally left at the main school reception.





The 5-PENNY RACE



will take place on

Thursday 15th October
at Lunchtime.

This is an annual House Event.

Houses compete to see who can make the longest line of 5 penny pieces in a lunchtime.

HIGHAMS NEWTON REPTON WARNER



All proceeds go to
Leukaemia Research.



**Leukaemia
Research**

TOGETHER AGAINST BLOOD CANCER



Students should bring any 5 penny pieces that they have collected with them or other money that they want to donate.



If students want to donate money that is not in 5 penny pieces, they will be able to exchange their donations for the equivalent number of 5 penny pieces to contribute to their House's Line.

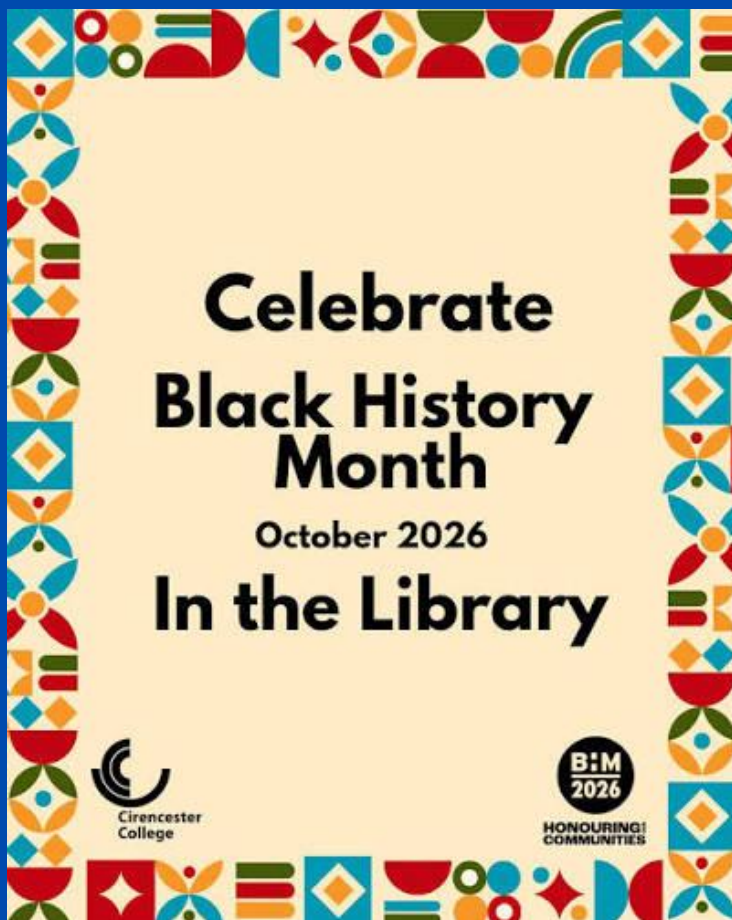
Small Coins • Big Effort • Stronger Together • For a Brighter Tomorrow



Black History Month



The school library is celebrating Black History Month 2026, by highlighting prominent black authors held in the school collection. Students can borrow books written by these authors for up to three weeks. Requests for titles not held in the library can be directed to Ms Liebeskind, the school librarian.



A-Z of school library authors:

Nicola Adams
Ngozi Adichie
James Baldwin
Malorie Blackman
Esi Edugyan
Jessica Ennis
Bernardine Evaristo
Percival Everett
Andrea Levy
Nelson Mandela
Toni Morrison
David Olusoga
Lem Sissay
Alice Walker
Benjamin Zephaniah



EXTRA-CURRICULAR



CLUBS

Try something new!

	Time	Club	Year(s)	Location
Monday	13:45 – 14:15	Junior Band	KS3	SF1
	13:45 – 14:15	Art rooms open	KS3	AT1
	13:30 – 14:00	Badminton	KS3	Sports Hall
	13:30 – 14:00	Volunteering in library	KS4	Library
	13:45 – 14:15	Brass Ensemble	All	Jubilee
	13:45 – 14:15	Carnatic Ensemble	All	SF2
	13:30 – 14:00	Dance for All	All	Dance studio
	13:40 – 14:10 (Week B)	Law & Debate Club	All	N6
	13:30 – 14:00	VEX Robotics	All	Innovation lab
Tuesday	13:45 – 14:15	Junior Choir	KS3	SF2
	13:45 – 14:15	Senior Choir	KS4 & 5	SF1
	13:20 – 14:15	Art rooms open	KS4 & 5	AT1
	13:30 – 14:00	Creative Writing club	All	Library
	13:30 – 14:00	Cross country	All	Field
	13:30 – 14:00	Football	All	
	13:30 – 14:00	Islamic Society	All	N6
	13:30 – 14:00	VEX Robotics	All	Innovation lab
	15:30 – 17:00	Art rooms open	KS4 & 5	AT1
Wednesday	13:45 – 14:15	Y7 Choir	Y7	Hall
	13:55 – 14:15	Astronomy Society	Y7 & 8	Lab 3
	13:30 – 14:00 (Week A)	Drama	Y8 & Y9	Drama studio
	13:30 – 14:00	Food and Nutrition	Y9*	SG9
	13:30 – 14:00	Volunteering in library	KS4	Library
	13:30 – 14:00 (Week B)	Drama	KS4	Drama studio
	13:30 – 14:00	GCSE PE	KS4	Sports Hall
	13:30 – 14:00	Model UN	KS4 & KS5	SF8
	13:30 – 14:00	Eco Club	All	AT5
	13:45 – 14:15	Jazz Band	All	SF1
	13:30 – 14:00	Crochet Club	All	N4
	13:30 – 14:00	VEX Robotics	All	Innovation lab
	13:45 – 14:15	Ukulele	All	SF2

Get involved!



EXTRA-CURRICULAR

CLUBS

Try something new!

Make friends • Learn new skills • Have fun!

	Time	Club	Year(s)	Location
Thursday	13:30 – 14:00	Y7 Drama Club	Y7*	Drama studio
	13:30 – 14:00	Classics Club	KS3	H5
	13:20 – 14:15	Art rooms open	KS4 & 5	AT1
	13:30 – 14:00	Film Club	All	Library
	13:45 – 14:15	Guitar Club	All	SF2
	13:45 – 14:15 (Week B)	Mindful Colouring	All	SF6
	13:30 – 14:00	Netball for all	All	Netball courts
	13:45 – 14:45	String Orchestra	All	SF1
	13:30 – 14:00	VEX Robotics	All	Innovation lab
	15:30 – 17:00	Art rooms open	KS4 & 5	AT1
Friday	13:30 – 14:00	Science club	KS3	Lab 10
	07:50 – 08:20	Badminton	KS5	Sports Hall
	13:20 – 14:15	Art rooms open	KS4 & 5	AT2
	13:30 – 14:00	Volunteering in library	KS4	Library
	13:30 – 14:00	Badminton for KS4	KS4	Sports Hall
	13:25 – 14:15	Chess Club	All	CC10
	13:30 – 14:00	Hunger Games Club	All	N6
	13:45 – 14:45	Orchestra	All	SF1
	13:30 – 14:00	VEX Robotics	All	Innovation lab
	After school	Institute of Research in Schools	Y10	Lab 1

Get involved!



CREATE YOUR FUTURE WITH US



**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN HEALTH
CARE?
DO YOU NEED WORK EXPERIENCE?
IF YES, SIGN UP TODAY!**

NEL TRAINING HUB WORK EXPERIENCE PROGRAMME

Why sign up:

- Gain hands-on experience in a dynamic healthcare environment, understanding the daily life of health care professionals. (up to 22 hours)
- Learn from experienced practitioners, receiving valuable guidance and mentorship throughout your journey.
- Enhance your skills, build confidence, and ignite your career aspirations.



Programme highlights:

- Clinical Exposure: Gain hands-on clinical exposure by shadowing healthcare professionals
- Behind-the-Scenes: Explore administrative roles, understand healthcare management, and experience the entire healthcare ecosystem.
- Networking: Connect with professionals, creating networks that could shape your future career path.

Eligibility:

Open to motivated students **aged 16 and above**, aspiring to pursue a career in healthcare, currently studying at school or college with in North East London.

**REGISTER
NOW**



Redbridge Mental Health Support Team presents...



PARENT AND CARER WEEK: CHILDREN'S WELLBEING WEBINARS

Your monthly parenting digest. Hear from mental health professionals about how to promote your child's emotional health and wellbeing.

**REGISTER
NOW!**

INTRODUCTION TO THE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT TEAMS

Find out about Mental Health Support Teams in schools, what we do, what help is available, how we work within schools and how to access the service.

TUES 20.10.26 7-8PM

NERVOUS TO SPEAK - TALKING IN SOCIAL SITUATIONS

What can you do to help your child or young person if they find it difficult to speak in social situations? We will be discussing why this might happen and sharing some ideas about what you can do to support your child.

WED 18.11.26 7-8PM

HELPING YOUR CHILD BELIEVE THEY CAN DO IT

What can you do if your child or young person starts to believe they cannot do things? In this webinar we will be looking at ideas from the field of Growth Mindset and sharing tips and tools to help you support your child in how they think about their abilities.

TUES 19.01.27 7-8PM

**SCAN
ME!**



**FOR MORE INFORMATION & TO SIGN UP
CLICK HERE,**

**VISIT WWW.REDBRIDGE.GOV.UK AND SEARCH 'MHST'
OR GO TO LINKTR.EE/REDBRIDGEMHST**



We would like to invite you to our

Lights of Love

Remembrance service

Join us on Sunday 22 November 4.00pm - 5.30pm

Haven House Children's Hospice, The White House, High Road, Woodford Green, IG8 9LB.

Christmas is a time for coming together, remembering those we love and making precious memories with the people who matter most. Our Lights of Love event is a special opportunity for our community to come together at Haven House Children's Hospice this Christmas.

Together, we'll remember loved ones, share a moment of reflection and help bring the community together in support of the seriously ill children and families cared for by Haven House.

Our Lights of Love Service will include a candle lighting ceremony, a live choir, gentle music, readings and a moment of reflection. You can also send us your loved ones names to be included in our remembrance book to be viewed at the event.

All are welcome at this event, adults, and children, of any faith and none, recent lives or from years past. Attendance is free, donations are welcome.



Register your free attendance here:

<https://www.havenhouse.org.uk/lights-of-love-2026>

Charity no.1044296



Halloween Trail

at Haven House
Children's Hospice,
Woodford Green, IG8 9LB

**27 OCTOBER 2026
FROM 10AM**

-  Spooky trail
-  Arts & crafts
-  Pumpkin picking
-  Raffles
-  Refreshments

**Tickets
£10**

Scan the QR code to book



[havenhouse.org.uk/halloween-trail-2026](https://www.havenhouse.org.uk/halloween-trail-2026)

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Become a parent volunteer for the WCHS Futures Fair



Wednesday 18th November 2026 10:00am - 3:20pm
Main Hall

Calling for parent volunteers!

Students of year groups 9, 10, 11, 12 & 13 will have the opportunity to participate in a futures fair to meet employers, universities, apprenticeship providers and post 16 providers.

We already have a variety of different careers and organisations confirmed attending, however if you are interested in volunteering to talk to students one-on-one about your career path and exciting moments so far, please do get in touch!

According to a survey, there is a high interest in the following sectors:

Medicine, Doctors & Surgeons

Business, Accounting & Finance

Psychologists & Psychiatrists

Law

Architecture

Engineering

Careers in tech

Creative careers

Animal care

Green careers / Environment

Researchers

Dentistry

If you are interested, please complete the following [form](#) or email summersh@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk with details about the career/sector you could represent, or if you have any further questions.



October Half Term Holiday Club at WCHS



BARRACUDAS
ACTIVITY DAY CAMPS

AVAILABLE AT
YOUR SCHOOL **2026!**
EXCLUSIVE PARENT DISCOUNT

GET AN EXTRA £25 OFF A WEEK/£5 OFF A DAY

USE CODE HSPC26

*Not to be used in conjunction with other codes.

- ⦿ 4 to 14 year olds!
- ⦿ Unrivalled Activities!
- ⦿ Choice each session!
- ⦿ Confidence boosting!
- ⦿ Flexible bookings!



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HIGHLY RATED
School Holiday
Camps!!!



Autumn Term Parent Support Series

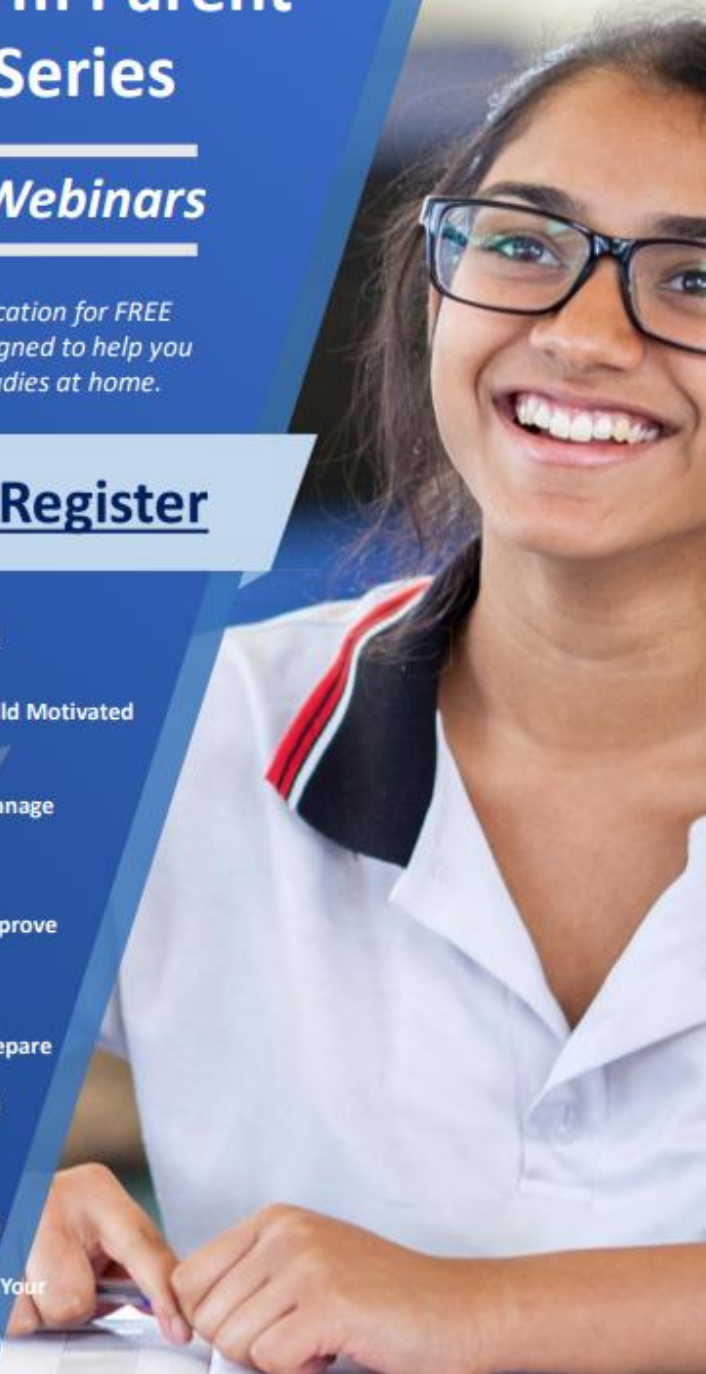
Free Parent Webinars

*Join us and Elevate Education for FREE
60- minute webinars designed to help you
support your child's studies at home.*

Click here to Register

In the Autumn Term, we'll cover:

1. **How to Get (And Keep!) Your Child Motivated**
- 15th September @6:00pm (BST)
2. **How You Can Help Your Child Manage Their Time**
- 29th September @6:00pm (BST)
3. **How You Can Help Your Child Improve Their Note Taking**
- 13th October @6:00pm (BST)
4. **How You Can Help Your Child Prepare for Exams**
- 10th November @6:00pm (GMT)
5. **How to Help Your Child Study with ADHD**
- 24th November @6:00pm (GMT)
6. **How You Can Build Resilience in Your Child**
- 15th December @6:00pm (GMT)



School Facilities

Available for Lettings...



Looking for the perfect space for your next event, class, or rehearsal?

We are pleased to offer availability in our Dance Studio and Conference Hall for external hire!

- Dance Studio – Ideal for dance classes, fitness sessions, and rehearsals.
- Conference Hall – A spacious venue perfect for meetings, training sessions and community events.

Available Hours: 17:30 – 22:00

For more information on availability and pricing, or to make a booking, please contact <https://schoolhire.co.uk>.

Don't miss this opportunity to secure a fantastic space at our school!





FREE weekly fitness classes for girls aged 11-16



Popular Apps and Games Guide for Parents

Free Parent Webinar Series



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Little Kickers Free Trial at Woodford County High School

