



# Woodford County High School for Girls

## Bulletin

Issue No. 379 9th November 2021



Dear Parents and Carers

### **Covid-19 vaccination programme at Woodford – Monday 15 November 2021**

Below we have included again the information about vaccinations published in last week's bulletin. By now you will, we hope, have consulted the information provided, discussed the matter with your child and reached a decision.

If you want your child (aged 12 – 15) to receive the Covid-19 vaccination at school on Monday, your on-line consent must be given by **4.00pm on Thursday (11 November 2021)**. Vaccinations won't be offered on site for any student for whom this consent deadline has been missed.

Students receive a number of vaccinations in school in the seven years they study here. They are familiar with the process and will be well looked after.

Yours sincerely

Ms Jo Pomeroy

Headteacher



## COVID-19 vaccination Monday 15 November 2021 - information for parents of children aged 12 to 15 years of age

Dear Parent or Guardian,

As you know, we have been working hard to keep our school and our community safe this school year. Nevertheless, we are aware of the rising number of COVID-19 infections in this age group across England. The main purpose of the COVID-19 secondary schools vaccination programme is to provide protection to the children who are vaccinated and to reduce the disruption to face to face education this winter.

COVID-19 is a very infectious respiratory disease caused by the SARS-CoV-2 virus. Very few healthy children and young people with COVID-19 infection go on to have severe disease.

The decision to vaccinate is down to you as the parent/guardian/carer, and your child. I understand that you will have questions about the vaccine and the process.

What will happen next

You are being sent an information leaflet from the NHS which includes a link to the electronic registration form. If you have any issues with completing the consent form, please contact your Key Stage Administrator who may be able to assist. The SAIS team will carry out the vaccinations and manage the consent process. The SAIS team will visit Woodford County High School on **Monday 15 November 2021** to carry out the Vaccination programme.

**All consent decisions must be completed by 4pm Thursday 11 November 2021**

What will happen on the vaccination day

The process on the day will be quick and easy. The vaccine will be administered by trained and experienced healthcare staff. Whilst parents/guardians/carers unfortunately can't attend on the day, the SAIS team will do their best to support your child and make them feel comfortable child during their vaccination.

If your child is absent on the day of the vaccination or unable to be vaccinated but consent has been given, or if you would prefer to accompany your child during their vaccination, then you will be able to book your child a vaccination appointment at a vaccination centre by visiting [www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination](https://www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination). Appointments will be made available in most areas from the 23<sup>rd</sup> October. **Please email your key stage administrator immediately if your daughter has already received or is due to receive the vaccine, at a vaccination centre, before the 15 November. Those children who have already received the vaccine should not take a further vaccine in school on Monday 15 November 2021.**

Thank you for continuing to help keep our school and community safe.

### Further information

Here you can find answers to your questions as a parent/guardian/carer:

[COVID-19 vaccination programme for young people: guidance for parents - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-vaccination-programme-for-young-people-guidance-for-parents)

If your child wants more information, they can find it here:

[COVID-19 vaccination: resources for children and young people - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-vaccination-resources-for-children-and-young-people)

Translations of the information for children and young people are available in [Arabic](#), [Bengali](#), [Brazilian Portuguese](#), [Bulgarian](#), [Chinese](#), [Estonian](#), [Farsi](#), [Greek](#), [Gujarati](#), [Hindi](#), [Latvian](#), [Lithuanian](#), [Panjabi](#), [Pashto](#), [Polish](#), [Romanian](#), [Romany](#), [Russian](#), [Somali](#), [Spanish](#), [Tagalog](#), [Turkish](#), [Twi](#), [Ukrainian](#), [Urdu](#) and [Yiddish](#). A [Braille version](#) is also available to order. Translated versions of the parent guidance will be available soon.

Thank you



UK Health  
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Vaccination UK



**England**

## Invitation letter for parents of children aged 12 to 15 years of age

1 October 2021

Dear Parent / Carer,

I am writing to inform you that we will soon be offering COVID-19 vaccinations in school. I would like to ask if you wish to give your consent for your child to receive a single dose of the vaccine.

This vaccination will be free of charge and our highest priority is making it easy for children to access one dose of the vaccine before the winter.

The main purpose of the COVID-19 school age vaccination programme is to provide protection to the children who receive the vaccine and it may also help to reduce transmission of COVID-19 in the wider population.

During the vaccination delivery we will maintain the range of measures we have in place to keep you safe from COVID-19.

Your child's school may have a vaccination session already arranged. If not, it will be booked very soon. The school will inform you of the date of this, and the vaccinations will be carried out by an NHS immunisation team.

Please do take the time to read the additional information which is provided in the links below to help you and your child to make an informed decision about the COVID-19 vaccination.

The government have produced information for parents and carers, which you can read here:

[COVID-19 vaccination programme for young people: guidance for parents](#)

There is also information for 12–17-year-olds, which you can read with your child:

[COVID-19 vaccination – A guide for children and young people](#)

Please indicate your consent by completing the online e-consent. Please note that the cut-off for completing the consent is 2 days before the scheduled session, so we kindly ask that you complete this as soon as possible.

**The link to the e-consent form is below:**

<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/covid/2021/redbridge>

By consenting you will be helping to play your part in reducing the risk of COVID-19 spreading.

Best Wishes,

Amanda Schiller

*Clinical Director,*

*Vaccination UK*

### **Availability of Home Test Kits**

The high transmissibility of the Delta virus variant means that, to limit numbers isolating, it is more important than ever to identify cases early, before the infected individual is in school potentially passing the virus on to others.

We therefore seek your assistance and encourage all students to continue twice weekly testing during the remainder of this month. Students will have been issued with a new box of test kits for this purpose following round 2 of mass onsite testing.

We would also ask that you continue to report your test results whether negative, positive or Void to both the NHS via the NHS website <https://www.gov.uk/report-covid19-result>

In addition, please report the result to the school via our Microsoft form [Lateral Flow Test Home Reporting - STUDENTS \(September 2021\)](#)

### **Contacts who are not required to self-isolate.**

You are not be required to self-isolate if you are notified you have had close contact with someone with COVID-19 and any of the following apply:

- you are fully vaccinated
- you are below the age of 18 years 6 months
- you have taken part in or are currently part of an approved COVID-19 vaccine trial
- you are not able to get vaccinated for medical reasons

Fully vaccinated means that you have been vaccinated with an MHRA approved COVID-19 vaccine in the UK, and at least 14 days have passed since you received the recommended doses of that vaccine.

All other persons should isolate for the required number of days

Should a member of your household test positive for COVID 19. You should take a PCR test even if you have no symptoms. Students should not attend school whilst they await the result of the PCR Test. If the results are negative, students can return to school but continue to take regular Lateral Flow Tests whilst members of their household with COID are isolating. If the PCR test result is positive, students should stay at home for the required isolation period.

Sheila Fonseca  
School Business Manager



## To All Year 7's

Each Year, Harrisons Catering offer our new Year 7 students a free school meal so that you can sample the great food and service they have on offer

**When: Friday 12 November 2021**

**What:** This is a 2 course meal consisting of either

☐ A hot dish or a sandwich

And for dessert – a piece of the  
“cake of the day”

### How it works:

- ☐ The value of this offer is £2.15 per student
- ☐ If you decide you want extras such as a drink, another snack, or a baguette / wrap, help yourself, though you will need to pay for these at the till. (The canteen will log your food and take £2.15 off the total cost)
- ☐ Please make sure you have funds on your parent pay account to pay for any extras
- ☐ No need to pre-order, just visit the canteen that day, choose your option and head to the tills

Whether you are a regular visitor to the canteen or would like a chance to try out the services, this invitation is open to all year 7's

We hope you enjoy what we have to offer

**HARRISONS CATERING SERVICES**



The Christmas concert will take place on **Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7:00pm.**

The following extra-curricular groups will be involved in this:

- Jazz band
- Orchestra
- Flute ensemble
- String quintet
- String orchestra
- Senior choir
- Junior choir
- Junior band

Year 7 will also be singing for the concert.

Please make a note of the date.

# MUSIC CLUBS

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Lunchtime</b>	<b>Junior Choir</b> Conference Room 13:50- 14:35	<b>Junior Band</b> IBO (SF1) 13:50-14:40	<b>Jazz Band</b> KHN (SF1) 13:25-14:15  <b>GCSE/A-level support</b> IBO (SF2) 13:25- 14:05	<b>Senior Choir</b> KHA (SF1) 13:25- 14:05  <b>Theory</b> IBO (SF2) 13:30-14:20	<b>Orchestra</b> IBO (SF1) 13:30-14:20
<b>After school</b>	<b>String orchestra</b> IBO (SF1) 15:45-16:30  <b>Brass Ensemble</b> (SF2) 15:45-16:15	<b>Chamber groups</b> IBO (SF1) 15:45-16:30			

These music sessions will be on weekly, girls should bring their own instrument and no registration is required for the sessions.

**PE Extra-curricular (Autumn 2)**  
**November 2021**



	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School			<b>Y7/8 Sports hall athletics</b> <i>JBR - Sports hall</i> 7:50 – 8:20		<b>All Year Groups - Morning Mile</b> <i>JBR – Field</i> 7:50-8:15  <b>Year 11 Badminton</b> <i>VJA – Sports Hall</i> 7:50-8:20
Lunch time (Times vary)	<b>Year 9 Badminton</b> <i>HBA – Sports Hall</i> 13:40-14:20	<b>Running Club with Rachael Lam (Y12)</b> Field 13:30 – 14:00	<b>Year 7/8 Football</b> <i>TLE – Netball courts</i> 13:30-14:00  <b>All Years – Athletics</b> <i>KRI – Sports hall</i> 13:25-14:10  <b>Year 9/10 Football</b> <i>HBA – Netball courts</i> 13:40-14:20	<b>Year 9 Netball</b> <i>HBA - Netball Courts</i> 13:30-14:20  <b>Year 10 Netball</b> <i>KRI – Netball Courts/Sports Hall</i> 13:10-14:00	<b>Y12/13 Netball</b> <i>LMA – Sports Hall</i> 13:10 – 2:00  <b>Boxercise (Invitation Only)</b> <i>HBA – Dance Studio</i> 13:40-14:10  <b>Year 10 GCSE Catch Up</b> <i>KRI</i> 13:30-14:00
After school	<b>Year 7/8 Football</b> <i>JBR - Field</i> 15:45-16:30  <b>Year 9/10/11 Netball</b> <i>VJA/LMA – Sports Hall</i> 15:30-16:30	<b>All years Trampolining</b> <i>JBR/LMA – Sports Hall</i> 15:40 -16:40	<b>Year 7 Netball</b> <i>VJA/LMA – Sports Hall</i> 15:45-16:45	<b>Year 8 Netball</b> <i>JBR – Sports Hall</i> 15:45-16:45	



# All years welcome



## **CROSS COUNTRY CLUB**

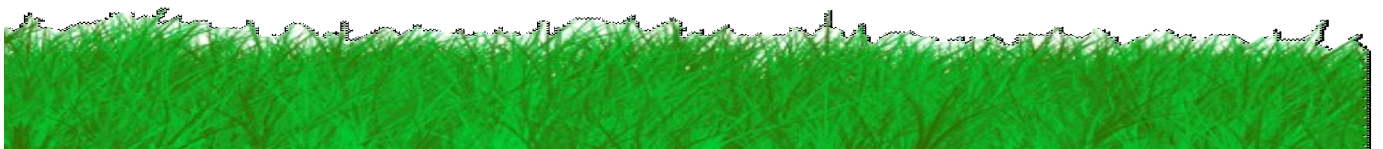
*Date: Every Tuesday*

*Time: 1:40 – 2:00*

*Location: Go to the Sports building to meet me and get changed. I will register you.*

*If it is sunny, we go to the field; if it is wet, we stay indoors.*

*Queries: talk to Rachael Lam (Year 12)*



## Camps – London Pulse Netball

Dear Pulse Fans, our Xmas Cams will be at our home venue this year!

Take the opportunity to go Xmas shopping at Westfield whilst your child plays with some of our Netball stars in the best Netball Arena in the Country!

[londonpulsenetball.com](http://londonpulsenetball.com)



The poster features a black background with white snowflakes. At the top left is the 'LONDON PULSE' logo, with 'PULSE' in a large, stylized font. Below it is a cartoon reindeer head with a red nose and antlers, positioned above a pink rectangular button labeled 'CAMPS'. The main text reads 'DECEMBER NETBALL CAMPS AT THE COPPER BOX ARENA' in bold white capital letters, followed by 'HOSTED BY' in smaller white capital letters, and 'Pulse Players' in a large, pink, cursive script. On the right side, four circular portraits of female netball players are arranged vertically, each with a pink border and connected by thin pink lines. The bottom of the poster has a white, wavy snow-like border containing the text 'BOOK NOW!' in bold pink capital letters and '20TH, 21ST & 23RD DECEMBER' in bold black capital letters.

**LONDON PULSE**

**CAMPS**

**DECEMBER NETBALL CAMPS AT THE COPPER BOX ARENA**

HOSTED BY

*Pulse Players*

**BOOK NOW!**  
**20TH, 21ST & 23RD DECEMBER**

**SILVER CAPS  
ACCREDITED CLUB**

**AP SAINTS**  
Netball Club



**AGES 10-14  
WEEKLY TRAINING SESSIONS**

# AP SAINTS NC

**LOCATION: LAMMAS SCHOOL AND SIXTH FORM, 150  
SEYMOUR ROAD, LONDON E10 7LX**

**DATE: EVERY WEDNESDAY STARTING 3RD NOVEMBER 2021  
Time: 5:30-7:30PM**

**JOIN US FROM 3RD NOVEMBER FOR FRIENDLY BUT INTENSE  
TRAINING SESSIONS TO IMPROVE BALL SKILLS, FITNESS AND  
TECHNICAL & TACTICAL SKILLS**

**COMPETING IN A COMPETITIVE DIVISION IN THE ESSEX MET  
NETBALL LEAGUE WITH FORTNIGHTLY MATCHES**

**TO JOIN EMAIL [SHANA.APSAINTS@GMAIL.COM](mailto:SHANA.APSAINTS@GMAIL.COM)**



## Online Training: E-safety Training for Parents

Dear Parents,

You are invited to participate in online E-safety training.

This can be carried out in the comfort of your own home at a time that suits you best! There is no time limit once you commence the training but please allow yourself fifteen minutes to complete this comfortably.

Please enter your name in full at the start as you will be able to download your certificate at the end of the session.

<https://www.safeguardingessentials.com/onlinetraining?course=rHW8CqtkcGB8&school=144/>

Link contained within the email. Please copy and paste into your web browser.





## SAFER SCHOOLS & YOUTH ENGAGEMENT NEWSLETTER

*We hope your child has had a pleasant start to the new academic year. We are already approaching the October half term, and with darker evenings drawing in we would like to take this opportunity to give you and your child some important information.*



**OCT 21**

### OPERATION AUTUMN NIGHTS

With Halloween and Bonfire night fast approaching Operation Autumn Nights is the MPS plan to crack down on anti-social behaviour and associated crime. This annual operation will see an increase of police presence in priority areas. It is a great opportunity for our officers to engage with our communities while preventing and detecting crime and ASB. Some incidents of low level ASB can quickly escalate into criminal allegations, such as throwing eggs at an address is classed as criminal damage. Please remind your child to behave appropriately and be mindful of this. We want everyone to enjoy this Autumn safely and considerately.

### ANTI SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

East Area operate the CHANCE system that is used for students participating in low level anti-social behaviour. In the first instance students will be given yellow cards with conditions attached to support them to improve behaviours. Their behaviour will be monitored for 3 months and they will receive a certificate at the end if this period is without incident. However students displaying reoccurring anti-social behaviour (or involved in more serious incidents) will receive a red card. This then triggers other agency involvement. We work closely with our partners to identify problem individuals from CCTV. Please help us educate your children that anti social behaviour will be tackled robustly.

### Safer Transport Team – YOUTH ENGAGEMENT TEAM

The Safer Transport Team have a newly formed Youth Engagement Team that will work across East Area BCU. Their role is to engage with the community through community stalls at transport hubs and by attending different venues including schools to give advice on crime prevention and travelling safely on the bus network. Presentations will also be given to students to educate them on the free Zip Travel card scheme and about the terms and conditions that they will need to adhere to.

### ZIP CARDS

At aged 11 students can apply for their ZIP card. It is important to remember that there is a behaviour code that students MUST adhere to in order to use this scheme.

If this behaviour code is breached further action is triggered which ranges from warning letters being sent home, to TFL applying for the child's free travel to be revoked.

It is important that your child is aware of this.

### THINGS TO KNOW:

#### YOUTH PRODUCED SEXUAL IMAGERY

Did you know that 40% of teens think it is normal to share nudes with their peers?

Not only are they committing criminal offences by taking, possessing or distributing images of children (even if it is an image of themselves), they are exposing themselves to real risk.

There are some fantastic resources out there to educate you and your child on how to keep them safe.

Please have a look at the following two sites:

<https://parents.thorn.org/>

<https://www.ceop.police.uk/Safety-Centre/>

#### SOCIAL MEDIA

Our school officers spend an extensive amount of time educating students on the appropriate use of their social media.

As the contract holder it is important that you have access to this safety advice too. Please have a look at the website

[www.thinkuknow.co.uk](http://www.thinkuknow.co.uk)

# "When I grow up, I want to be a superhero!"

London Borough of  
**Redbridge** 



## **Foster for Redbridge**

**0208 708 6068**

**[fostering@redbridge.gov.uk](mailto:fostering@redbridge.gov.uk)**

Dear Parent/Carers,

### LOST PROPERTY

Can you also please ensure that your daughter's name is shown on their coat/uniform clothing and on other items, where practical, so that items which are lost and found can easily be identifiable.

We have a number of clothes/coats in the Lost Property Trunk in the main reception area. Again, please ask your daughter to come to the main school office if they wish to search through the lost property wooden trunk.

Thank you for your co-operation.

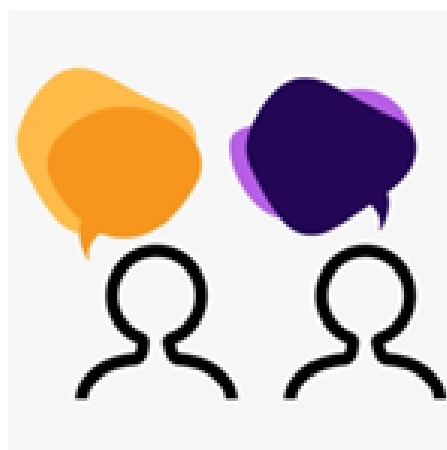


## Educational Psychology Parent Helpline

*Would you like to talk to someone about difficulties that you or your child are experiencing during the COVID-19 pandemic? Do you need some support with creating a daily routine for your child? Are you concerned about your child's emotional wellbeing? Are you struggling to motivate your children at home or manage sibling relationships? The Educational Psychology Service are here to support you.*

The Redbridge Educational Psychology Service have a **dedicated telephone helpline for parents/carers** where you will receive advice and guidance from a professional psychologist.

The EPS helpline is available for all parents and carers - your child does not need to be known to the EPS, does not need to have a special educational need or additional support within school. We welcome calls from all parents and carers.



### EPS Helpline

Telephone: 077 41 3 31 009

Opening hours:

Every Wednesday 10am - 4pm

Webpage: <https://www.redbridge.gov.uk/schools/educational-psychology-service/>



FIND: [Educational Psychology Service](#)

@Redbridge\_aep Twitter account.





**Advanced Notice – WCHS will be taking part in the National Christmas Jumper Day to raise money for Save the Children. This is on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December. Plan / save up / create / make / customise your jumper!**

[WWW.WOODFORD.REDBRIDGE.SCH.UK](http://WWW.WOODFORD.REDBRIDGE.SCH.UK)

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# Dates for the Diary

<b>AUTUMN 2021</b>		
<b>Term</b>	Friday 3 September	Friday 22 October
<b>Half-term</b>	<b>Monday 25 October</b>	<b>Friday 29 October</b>
<b>Term</b>	Monday 1 November	Friday 17 December
<b>Non Contact Day</b>	Friday 8 October	
<b>SPRING 2022</b>		
<b>Term</b>	Tuesday 4 January 2022	Friday 11 February 2022
<b>Half-term</b>	<b>Monday 14 February 2022</b>	<b>Friday 18 February 2022</b>
<b>Term</b>	Monday 21 February 2022	Friday 1 April 2022
<b>Non Contact Day</b>	<b>Tuesday 8 March 2022</b>	
<b>SUMMER 2022</b>		
<b>Term</b>	Tuesday 19 April 2022	Friday 27 May 2022
<b>Half-term</b>	<b>Monday 30 May 2022</b>	<b>Friday 3 June 2022</b>
<b>Term</b>	Monday 6 June 2022	Friday 22 July 2022
<b>Non Contact Day</b>	Wednesday 29 June 2022	



## KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 11th November—Prizegiving  
 Monday 15th November—Covid-19 vaccination for 12-15 years of age  
 Tuesday 30th November—Year 11 Parents Evening  
 6th to 10th December—House Charity Week (Warner)  
 Monday 6th December—Year 13 Parents Evening  
 Thursday 9th December—Christmas Concert  
 15th/16th December—Years 7 & 8 Flu Vaccines