



Woodford County High School

invites you to

Inter House Drama Festival

Thursday 17th November 2022

We have a limited number of tickets still available, if you would like some tickets, please email schooladmin@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk stating your daughter's name and house

Tickets can be collected from the Main School Office

Arrive 5.15 for 5.30pm Start - Main Hall

Refreshments and Raffle tickets will be available



Non-Uniform Day!!!



DISASTERS
EMERGENCY
COMMITTEE

When?

Friday 18th November

Why?

Raising money for the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) in aid of the Pakistan Floods Appeal and East Africa Hunger Crisis.

Cost:

£2 via ParentPay

Remember, lanyards should be worn even on non-uniform days!

Dear Parent

We need your daughter's help please! Our new catering Team Innovate are conducting a survey which will run for 1 week from Tuesday 15 November to Tuesday 22nd November 2022.

The survey is important because ;

- The pupils get to have their say about this new service
- Innovate get to know if the pupils are enjoying the new food
- Innovate get to know if the pupils have any ideas or suggestions for the service going forward

The survey should only take a few minutes to complete, they can scan the QR code or click on the forms link in the attached poster to get access to the survey questions.

Thank you for encouraging your daughters to complete the Survey, their feedback matters.

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BEST
LUNCH**

WITH
Innovate



We Need Your Feedback...

Let us know how we are doing



<https://forms.office.com/r/RFd6iuVeQg>





**THANKS FOR REMEMBERING
THIS IS A**



**PEANUT/NUT FREE
SCHOOL**

Year 7 & 8 Movie Night

Tuesday 22nd November 2022

3.45pm – 6pm

Jungle Cruise (12A)

£7 via ParentPay by 17/11/22
(incl. ticket, popcorn & a drink)

Limited to 130 places

Extra Refreshments on sale

Location: Conference Room





Woodford and Ilford County
Christmas Disco 2022

Tuesday 6th December

Years 7 & 8

6-8pm in the School Hall at
Woodford County High School

Ticketed Event

£8.50 per student

Pay via ParentPay by 25th November 2022

(letter with further information to follow via email)



Notice of Annual General Meeting of Parents & Friends of Woodford County High School (PFWCHS*)

Wednesday 30th November 2022 at 7pm – 8.15pm in Classroom N1

Dear Parent/Carer/Friend

You are warmly invited to attend the Annual General Meeting of the Woodford County High School Parent and Friends Association to be held at Woodford County High School on Wednesday 30th November 2022 in Classroom N1. Refreshments will be served.

The AGM will cover;

1. Reports from the President (Head teacher) , Chair and Treasurer,
2. Receiving and approving the accounts for the year end 31 July 2022
3. Election of trustees (see below for brief guidance on what the trustee's roles entails).

Trustees positions:

- **Chair** - The Chair provides leadership for the committee sets the agenda for meetings with the Secretary and manages meetings in line with the agenda.
- **Vice-Chair** (up to 2 positions) – Supports the chair in fulfilling his/her duties.
- **Treasurer** – The Treasurer is responsible for the management of financial records and procedures as well as the banking and handling of money from events.
- **Secretary** - The Secretary is responsible for ensuring that there are effective communication links between committee members and between the association and the school.

You can get involved by nominating yourself, supporting another parent's nomination &/or by voting. Nominations using form attached, should be completed and returned in the PFA BOX in the school entrance lobby prior to the AGM by **5pm on 18th November 2022**, or email the PFA secretary at the email address below. Alternatively, nominations can be made in the meeting itself. In the event of two or more nominations for any one post, a vote will be carried out.

Please note that the Chair and Vice-chair positions will be vacated this meeting, so please do consider these roles and feel free to contact us to make enquiries.

If you are unable to attend the meeting but wish to express an interest in supporting or joining the PFA, please email us at SecretaryP@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!

Farina Sharif, Chair of PFWCHS

* 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).

Trustee Nomination Form 2022-2023

Nominations for trustees of PFWCHS for 2022/23	NOMINATED BY	SECONDED BY
POSITION		
Chair		
Vice-Chair		
Treasurer		
Secretary		

WOODFORD CAREERS

Last week during tutorial time, students in year 11 would have been made aware of generous offers for work experience.

The first, will be for students (up to 12) who are interested in Medicine and offers the opportunity to work at the Royal Marsden Hospital, in the Ralph Lauren Centre for Breast Cancer Research.

The other, will be for two students based at Nomura Investment Bank in London, in the Technology Department. This is specifically for students studying Computer Science.

Both of these offers, are really exciting opportunities. Students need to come to the Careers Room or to the KS4 Administrators office to find out more details, to indicate their interest and leave their names.

Tutors will be checking up on progress with finding a placement, at the end of November.





REDBRIDGE EDUCATION AWARDS

supported by Lead Sponsor **Parker Smith Inclusion**

**Celebrating individuals
who are shaping
extraordinary futures**

Dear Parent / Guardian,

As we settle into the new school year, I am thrilled to announce on behalf of Redbridge Council, the launch of the first ever Redbridge Education Awards! The awards are an amazing opportunity for you to say **thank you** to a teacher or member of staff who you think deserves to be recognised and celebrated for all that they do for young people in Redbridge.

With 14 award categories to choose from, there is something for everyone. If you can think of an individual or team who has made a positive impact on your child's learning, development, or extracurricular activities, now is the time to give them something back!

If the person or team you nominate are shortlisted, they will be invited to a spectacular awards ceremony to be held in Wanstead next April 2023 – it will be a night to remember!

Making a nomination couldn't be easier, simply head to www.redbridge.gov.uk/redbridge-education-awards or scan the QR code at the top of the page. Please also encourage your child to make their own nomination!

If you have any questions or need assistance making a nomination, please speak to a member of staff, or contact educationawards@redbridge.gov.uk.

Thank you.

UNIVERSITY OF SURREY—Y11 REVISION MASTERCLASSES

The University of Surrey invites your Year 11 students to take part in their fully funded GCSE Revisions Masterclasses taking place in Autumn.

Led by educational consultants with a wealth of experience in teaching and assessment, these live online sessions will cover recommended revision tips and techniques within English, Maths and Science that will provide additional support when applying learning and understanding within examinations. All masterclasses are 60 minutes with each subject and its own series. All sessions take place online and will start at 17:00 and start from Tuesday 15th November.

The link to the opportunity where students can apply is here—

<https://pathwayctm.com/registration/>



WE WANT TO IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH SUPPORT ACCESS TO YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS LONDON

We know that **young people face more significant challenges to their mental wellbeing** than ever before.

As part of [Healthy London Partnership's](#) commitment to ensuring London is a centre of excellence for supporting mental health and wellbeing, especially for children and young people, **we want to hear from young people and their families** about their experiences and understanding of local mental health support.

Taking our short survey will help us to **identify the best ways to improve mental health support** access to young people across London in the future.

Parents can take the quick survey [here](#). You or your child do not need to be an active user of mental health services to respond.

All responses are recorded anonymously. No personalised data is requested and all data is held anonymously and securely. Read our full privacy policy [here](#).

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LONDON, JULY & AUGUST 2023



STEM SUMMER EXPERIENCES



THE ULTIMATE EXPERIENCE FOR TOMORROW'S STEM LEADERS

Do your students want to experience life as a doctor or engineer in London next summer? We are offering them the chance to work alongside top professionals in the internship of their dreams.

Highlights:

Medicine: shadow doctors in a teaching hospital; experience emergency theatre; learn to take blood

Engineering: explore a Boeing jet alongside aerospace engineers; study supercar engines in a private showroom; design a sustainable flood-prevention solution

Plus 8 other industries listed below. Work experience is an essential ingredient for university applications, especially in Medicine.

VIEW & REGISTER - AGES 15-18

VIEW & REGISTER - AGES 12-14

STEM & MEDICINE SUMMER EXPERIENCES

ARCHITECTURE: COMPLETE DESIGN PROJECTS IN A REAL STUDIO

DENTISTRY: DRILL TEETH ON PHANTOM HEADS

ENGINEERING: TAKE APART A PETROL ENGINE WITH F1 ENGINEERS

FORENSIC SCIENCE: EXPLORE A SIMULATED CRIME SCENE

INVESTMENT BANKING: TRADE THE MARKETS LIVE IN A LONDON SKYSCRAPER

MEDICINE: SHADOW DOCTORS IN A LONDON TEACHING HOSPITAL

PSYCHOLOGY: CARRY OUT PATIENT CONSULTATIONS IN A SIMULATED CLINIC

SOFTWARE ENGINEERING: CREATE YOUR OWN APP FROM START TO FINISH

VETERINARY MEDICINE: EXAMINE AND DIAGNOSE REAL ANIMALS

VIDEO GAME DESIGN: DESIGN A GAME AND PITCH TO INDUSTRY LEADERS



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GIRLS INTO TECH ONLINE EVENT

THE TECH INDUSTRY OFFERS A CREATIVE,
FLEXIBLE AND HIGHLY REWARDING CAREER
PATHWAY.

FIND OUT WHERE STUDYING A TECH
SUBJECT COULD TAKE YOU!

Wednesday 16th November 2022
16:00 - 17:00



Queen Mary
University of London



SCAN ME TO REGISTER

COATS WORN AROUND THE SCHOOL

A large number of students are wearing coats in corridors between lessons and some times wearing them in lessons themselves.

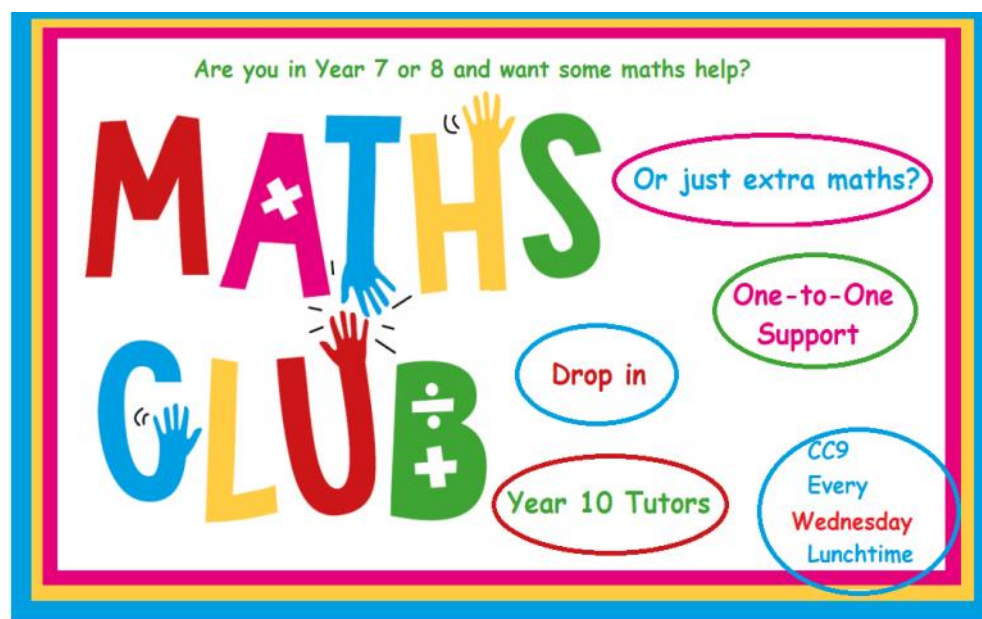
This is unnecessary. The buildings are well-heated and transition between them is too brief to cause serious discomfort.

Coats must be left in lockers. They may be collected to be worn outside at break and lunchtime and girls in Years 7-9 may take them to their lesson period 5, because they leave earlier than the rest of the school.

Exceptions are made for torrential rain and very severe cold weather.



PLEASE NOTE: Coats may be confiscated for all or part of the school day at the discretion of teachers.



Maths Club is a drop in session open to all Year 7 and Year 8 students run by Ms Gribble and older students. Students will normally receive one-to-one support and can ask for maths challenges, or specific maths topics they would like help with.

P.E. EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tues</u>	<u>Weds</u>	<u>Thurs</u>	<u>Fri</u>
<u>Before School</u> <u>7.50-8.20am</u>	All Years – Badminton Sports Hall KST	All Years – Volleyball Sports Hall VJA			Badminton for y12 & 13 ONLY STA
<u>Lunchtime</u> <u>1.30-2pm</u>	All Years – Basketball Sports Hall VJA	Football for y7&8 Sports Hall/Field STA & TL	<u>Running Club – led by</u> <u>Rachael Yr13 student</u> KRU Netball for ALL (courts) <u>Football for y9,10 7 11 only</u> STA & TL	Badminton Sports Hall VJA STA – Y9-13 Trampolining All Years – Athletics Sports Hall/Field KRI	<u>Trampolining – Y7&8</u> KRU
<u>Afterschool</u> <u>3.30-4.20pm</u>	A.S.C self defence Sports hall All years – Games (dodgeball / kickball etc.) Courts KST	A.S.C JIU JITSU Sports hall	Netball Training/Fixture (courts) INVITE ONLY STA VJA KRU KRI Boxing External Coach A.S.C	A.S.C DANCE Dance Studio	Prisons - led by Lilla Yr11 student 3.45 – 4.10pm Supervised by Ms Gribble Years 9, 10 & 11

Come and join us for

Prisons Club

Fridays after school 3.45—4.10pm in the Sports Hall

Run by Lilla in Year 11 and supervised by Miss Gribble

Years 9,10 & 11 welcome! Free to attend

Team B's Prison	Team A	Team B	Team A's Prison
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Music Extra-curricular Timetable: Autumn 2022

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	Junior Choir (SF1) 13:30- 14:10 Brass Ensemble MTH (SF2) 13:45-2:15 Kalimba Club (Conference room) 13:45-14:20	Junior Band IBO (SF1) 13:30- 14:10 Musical Theatre club (Conference room) 13:40-14:15	Jazz Band KHN (SF1) 13:40-14:15 String orchestra IBO (Conference Room) 13:40-14:15 Carnatic Ensemble Jubilee Room 1 13:40-2:15	Senior Choir KHA (SF1) 13:40- 14:15 Theory and GCSE/A-level support IBO (SF2) 13:40-14:15	Orchestra IBO (SF1) 13:40-14:15 Guitar and Ukulele Ensemble (SF2) 13:40-14:15
After school		Chamber groups IBO (SF1/2) 15:45-16:30			

Jazz band is a group for wind, brass and percussion players of grade 4/5+ standard. We primarily play big band music, but there are opportunities to learn improvisation skills and perform solos within ensemble playing. We perform at concerts and events like the summer showcase.

Junior choir is our main choral ensemble for years 7-9, run by Yolanda Thompson from Redbridge Music Centre. It is also an excellent group to participate in for new students in year 7, reinforcing musicianship skills required during the curriculum. No previous singing experience is required and so the group gives great confidence to those looking for a friendly environment to develop their abilities while also producing high-quality performances for concerts.

The **orchestra** is the main music ensemble of the school which plays music from the classical repertoire plus arrangements and film music. All string/wind and brass instruments are welcome and entry requirements are for students, are to be at least grade 4 standard.

String orchestra is a group for all string instruments for students at least grade 3 in standard. We will be tackling some 20th-century Russian repertoire this term.

Junior band is an excellent group for younger musicians, from those just beginning on an instrument up to grade 3 in standard, to engage in an ensemble playing a variety of musical arrangements. All types of instruments are welcome, regardless of previous experience. Again, this is an excellent opportunity for younger musicians to build up confidence in performance and develop skills which also strongly support their curriculum work.

The **brass ensemble** welcomes students from beginner to advanced level to take part playing music for the end-of-term concerts. This group is particularly appropriate for musicians who have previously done the year 8 brass projects as part of the curriculum lessons, and is an excellent next step in developing their instrumental skills. Instruments can also be provided by the tutor so please do come even if you do not own an instrument.

The **senior choir** is an excellent ensemble for years 10-13 which tackles more challenging and diverse repertoire for performance in concerts and other functions. Again, as with other groups, new-comers are always welcome in this friendly and supportive environment.

Theory and **GCSE/A-level support** provides theory tuition at all levels for those wishing to build up their theory knowledge. GCSE and A level students are also supported in their studies for example in coursework or revision.

Chamber groups – This is an opportunity for self-led student groups to run rehearsals with the support of music staff when required.

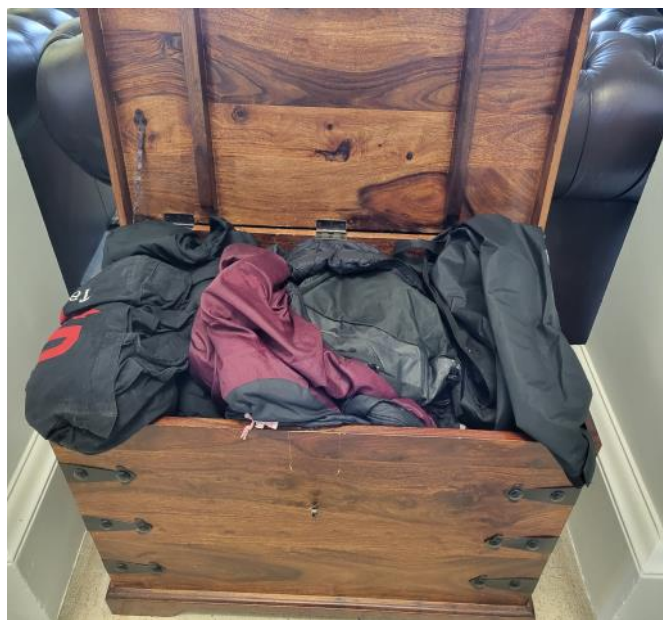


LOST PROPERTY

Our lost property box (located near the Main School Office) is full.

If your child has misplaced something, please ask them to come and check the box.

Jewellery, watches, USB sticks and glasses can be picked up from the main reception—please check the photo below to see if you recognise any of the items. Thank you.



REMINDER

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



Please find below a copy of the letter that we have received from Leukaemia UK:



Ms Jo Pomeroy
Woodford County High School
High Road, Woodford Green
Essex
IG8 9LA

25 October 2022

Dear Jo,

On behalf of Leukaemia UK, I am writing to thank you for the very generous £1482.09 raised by your pupils at Woodford County High School, taking part in a 5 Penny Race earlier this month. Please pass on our thanks to everyone who donated and supported you!

We are extremely grateful for this donation. It is such a thoughtful gesture, and we are touched by the support. Thank you so much.

Leukaemia doesn't discriminate. It affects people of all ages – from babies to grandparents. More people are living longer with leukaemia but, despite decades of progress only half of leukaemia patients live longer than five years after their diagnosis. We won't stop until we change this.

What if through research, we could accelerate progress and improve the lives of people affected by leukaemia today and in the future?

By bringing together the experience and expertise of people who are living and working with leukaemia, we will do everything we can to make sure that the next person diagnosed has the best possible experience of diagnosis, treatment, and care.

Your donation will help fund ground-breaking research aimed at developing kinder, more effective treatments for blood cancers and support innovative projects to improve care.

If you would like to receive an update on how your donation is making a difference, please let us know by contacting contribute@leukaemiauk.org.uk. We would be delighted to tell you how your gift is supporting the 40,000 people diagnosed with blood cancer every year.

Thank you once again for your support.

Yours sincerely,

Hanna Chorley
Community & Challenge Events Manager

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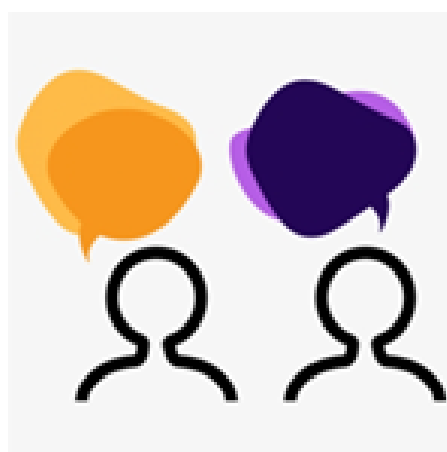


Educational Psychology Parent Helpline

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.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

AUTUMN 2022		
Term	Monday 5 September 2022	Friday 21 October 2022
Half-term	Monday 24 October 2022	Friday 28 October 2022
Term	Monday 31 October 2022	Tuesday 20 December 2022
Non-Contact Day	Friday 7 October 2022	

SPRING 2023		
Term	Thursday 5 January 2023	Friday 10 February 2023
Half-term	Monday 13 February 2023	Friday 17 February 2023
Term	Monday 20 February 2023	Friday 31 March 2023
Non-Contact Day	Tuesday 7 March 2023	

SUMMER 2023		
Term	Monday 17 April 2023	Friday 26 May 2023
Half-term	Monday 29 May 2023	Friday 2 June 2023
Term	Monday 5 June 2023	Friday 21 July 2023
Non-Contact Day	Wednesday 28 June 2023	



KEY DATES TO REMEMBER

- 17 November—House Drama Event**
- Week of 21 November—Warner House Charity Week**
- 22 November—Year 7 & 8 Movie Night**
- 24 November—GCSE Prizegiving 2022-23**
- 25 November—Woodford & Ilford County Christmas Disco**
- 29 November—Year 13 Parents Evening**
- 5 December—Year 11 Parents Evening**
- 6 December—Years 7 & 8 School Disco**
- 8 December—Christmas Concert**
- 12 December—Year 13 (2020-2021) Certificate & Social Event**
- 20 December—End of Term**