Woodford County High School for Girls

Bulletin

Issue No. 445

27th June 2023

Dear Parents / Carers,

NEU Industrial Action: School closed to students Wednesday 5 July and Friday 7 July 2023

We have been informed by the National Education Union (NEU) that they will be taking industrial action in the form of a strike on two non-consecutive days next week (see above). You will already have noted these dates from last week's bulletin. This action is not against the School itself but is part of national industrial action organised by this trade union about teachers' pay and its funding. We have not been informed by the union of which members of staff will take action, but believe that a significant proportion of teachers at Woodford will be involved (as has been the case on every strike day throughout the current period of Action.)

Neither the governing body nor the Head are legally allowed to close the School 'in sympathy' with the strike and we will not do so. However, we are responsible for the safety of our students. A risk assessment has been completed. Supervision levels on the days of the strike cannot be guaranteed to be adequate to ensure the safety of our students on site and for this reason Woodford will be closed to all students on Wednesday 5 and Friday 7 July 2023 . Those teachers who are working on these days will be teaching lessons via MS Teams for their timetabled lessons. The incidence of lessons taught is not predictable at this point. Students should check communications on Satchel One first thing and throughout the day and should log into MS Teams for the first 5 minutes of each lesson slot, to determine if a live lesson is occurring. They are otherwise advised to use the time to catch up on any outstanding work, to review or revise recent learning and to read for pleasure. Students need to take home any necessary resources on the previous day, in either case.

For attendance purposes the absence of students will recorded as "exceptional circumstances" and therefore your child's attendance record will not be affected. Students entitled to free school meals will have access to their Wednesday and Friday meal allowance all next week.

I write to you now to give you notice of this issue. I regret having to close the school but consider there to be no safe alternative. School will operate as normal on Thursday 6 July and our New Year 7 Introductory events will continue as planned. Next week's MFL Visit to Germany is not impacted by this industrial action.

Yours sincerely

Ms Jo Pomeroy

Headteacher

INSET DAY 28TH JUNE

A reminder that tomorrow, Wednesday 28th June is a staff training day.

There will be no access to the site.

THE GREEK THEATRE
WOODFORD COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
30TH JUNE 7PM
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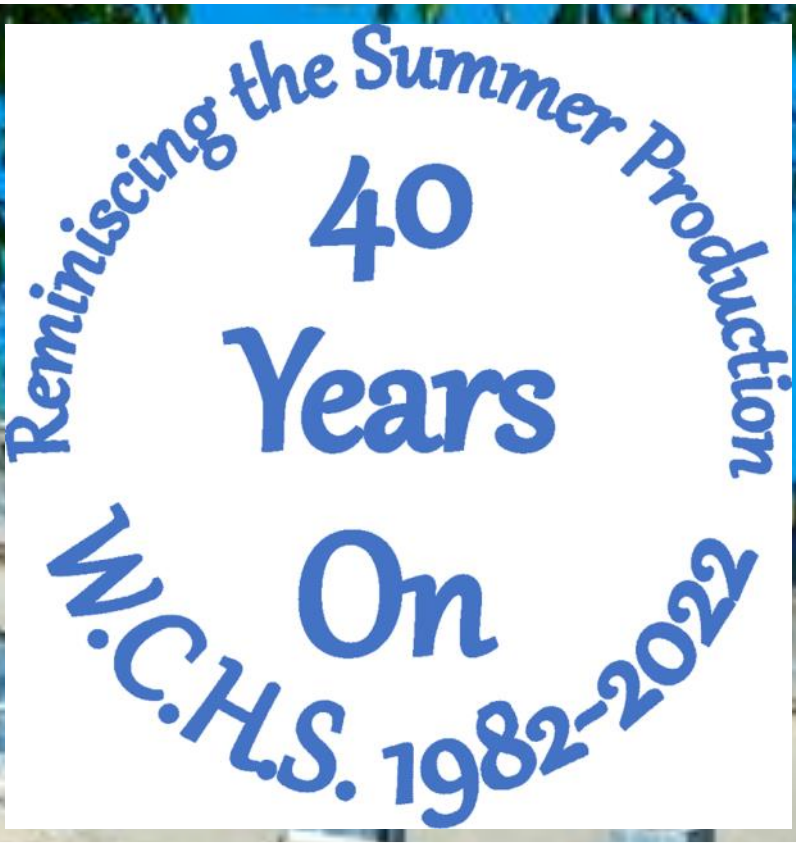
WOODFORD COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL

Presents...



Friday 14th July 2023 at 7p.m.

Tickets £7

Ticket includes a programme and refreshments
Available from:
40-years-on.eventbrite.co.uk

'40 Years On' is a celebration of the contribution that the Summer Production has made to Drama at Woodford since 1982.

It will be held in the school Assembly Hall on the evening of Friday, 14th July at 7:00pm and will consist of songs, music and dramatic excerpts, highlighting the many Summer Productions over the years. It will be an opportunity to remember past achievements and to thank the many former students and staff involved.

Please DO NOT attempt to buy Gallery tickets - they are reserved for former students who have taken part in previous Summer Productions.

HPS
The Highams Park Society
Promoting Community Life

Summer Talk & Lunch

"The Warner Family – House Builders & Lords of the Manor"

Saturday 15th July

at Woodford County High School (Highams)

Doors open at 1 pm - Buffet Lunch at 1.30

Talk at 3 pm

Tickets are £10 for the talk and lunch and are available from V and A Books and Gifts from Tuesday 20th June: 2 The Avenue, E4 9LE

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Property Lettings & Management

The Highams Park Society has been sponsored by Hobson of Highams Park since 2004

(For more details, call 07414 810013)

WCHS THEATRE SOCIETY

The Crucible

Monday 3rd July 2023 @ 7pm

Gielgud Theatre

TICKETS AVAILABLE

TICKETS NOW ON SALE FOR …

The Effect 11th September. National Theatre @ 7.30pm

Six the Musical 3rd October. Vaudeville Theatre @ 8pm

The Lion King 10th October. Lyceum Theatre @ 7.30pm *(£35)*

My Neighbour Totoro 28th November. The Barbican Theatre @ 7pm *(£30)*

Hadestown 27th February. Lyric Theatre @ 7.30pm *(£30)*

The WCHS Theatre Society is a PFA initiative. An adult must accompany lower school students – this is not a school trip and it is not supervised.

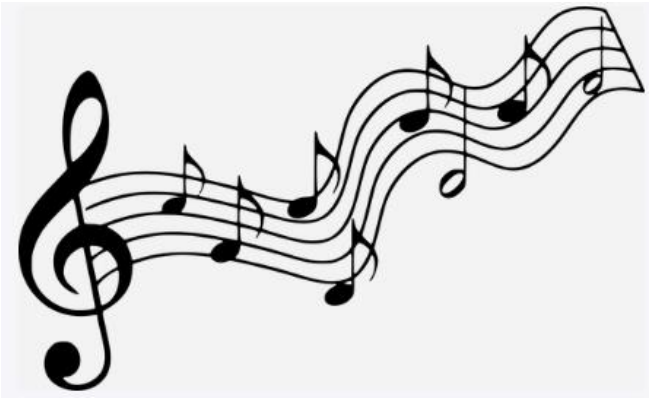
ALL TICKETS £27.50

TO BOOK TICKETS + MORE INFORMATION - EMAIL MS HORN IN THE LIBRARY

LIBRARY@WOODFORD.REDBRIDGE.SCH.UK

Music Extra-curricular Timetable: Summer 2023

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Lunchtime	**Junior Choir** (SF1) 13:30- 14:00 **Senior choir** (SF1/2) 14:00-14:30 **Brass Ensemble** (Jubilee Room) 13:45-14:15 **Kalimba Club** (Conference room) 13:45-14:20	**Junior Band** IBO (SF1) 13:30- 14:10 **Musical Theatre club** (Practice room) 13:40-14:15 **Flute ensemble** KHN 13:40-14:10	**Jazz Band** KHN (SF1) 13:40-14:15 **String orchestra** IBO (SF2) 13:40-14:15 **Carnatic Ensemble** (Conference room) 13:40-14:15	**Theory** and **GCSE/ A-level support** IBO (SF2) 13:40-14:15 **Guitar Ensemble** (SG7) 13:30-14:15	**Orchestra** IBO (SF1) 13:40-14:15
After school		**Chamber groups** IBO (SF1/2) 15:45-16:30			



P.E. EXTRA-CURRICULAR TIMETABLE

	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri
Before School 7.50-8.20am					Morning Mile STA
Lunchtime 1.30-2pm	Running Club with Sara GC	Cricket VJA & GC Hafsah Outdoor Games HBA	Rounders for all STA, KRU, HBA, VJA	All Years – Athletics KRI & KRU (see notice board for updates) Netball for All GC Kosom	All Years – Athletics KRI & STA (see notice board for updates)
Afterschool 3.30-4.20pm			**Fixtures**		

LOST PROPERTY

If you recognise any of the below items, please ask your child to come and collect them from the main school office.

Thank you

Nuffield Health

LIVE FOR THE MOVEMENT

Sign up today for **FREE** weekly fitness classes

Calling all girls aged 11-16! Check out our new **MOVE TOGETHER FITNESS CLASSES.**

Good for both body and mind our specially designed classes will help you to build strength, confidence and get you moving. It's the perfect opportunity to have fun with friends.

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Date:

Location:

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Rock Skool!

What - A one-day course for budding rock musicians

When - Monday 24th July 2023 10am-5pm

Where - John Savage Centre, Hainault IG6 2NB

Who - vocalists, guitarists, bass guitarists, keyboard players and drummers aged 13 to 18

How much - £40 per participant

To apply for ***Rock Skool!***, simply write to adam.walters@visionrcl.org.uk with a short recording (between 45 seconds and 1 minute) of an extract of **one** of the songs listed below or, if you prefer, a different song but of a similar standard to those listed. This will help us to select the most appropriate participants for the day and put musicians of a similar level in the same groups. (Please note that no elaborate recording equipment is required - an audio file made from a phone's voice recorder would be fine.)

- *Black Night* - Deep Purple
- *Dancing in the Moonlight* - Toploader
- *Let It Be* - The Beatles
- *Knock On Wood* - Eddie Floyd
- *She Sells Sanctuary* - The Cult
- *Song 2* - Blur

With your application, please indicate the following:

- Your instrument
- Your age

Details of your prior experience (groups you've played in, any music exams you've taken and so on)

Please note that the deadline for applications for *Rock Skool!* is Monday 3rd July 2023.

Barracudas Activity Day Camps, the UK's favourite school holiday provider for children aged 4½ to 14 years, will be open at our school this Summer.

80+ exciting activities including archery, arts and crafts, motorsports, sports, teambuilding and much more!

Ofsted registered, confidence building camps with high staff to child ratios, plus parents of the school receive an extra £10 off per child per week if they quote code HSCP23 at the time of booking.

Book now at www.barracudas.co.uk or call 01480 467 567.

COMMUNITY CAFÉ

ST MARY'S CHURCH WOODFORD

LAST SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH
1PM - 3PM

LONDON AUTISM GROUP CHARITY

Adults, families, carers welcome

We value neurodiversity

Come and chat to others who have experienced something similar, get advice, or simply relax with a warm drink.

No registration needed, just drop by!

Wheelchair accessible

Who are we?

The London Autism Group Charity is autistic-led and supports anyone in London (and surrounding counties) who is autistic, or supports someone autistic.

Please come and say hello

Our long term goals are:

- To promote social inclusion of autistic people as well as family carers
- To advance their mental and physical health, and well-being
- To promote social awareness and acceptance of autism
- To reduce autism stigma and discrimination

More information

https://www.londonautismgroupcharity.org

contact@londonautismgroupcharity.org

To donate and support us please scan this QR code:

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SCHOOL-AGED IMMUNISATIONS CLINICS

Children and young people attending a Redbridge school will automatically be contacted through their schools with a link to consent when they are due for vaccinations for in-school offer. If your child has missed the school session and you would like to attend a clinic, please either email us at appointments@v-uk.co.uk or call on 0203 343 2400

- HPV: Year 8
- DTP & Meningitis ACWY: Year 9
- MMR: Rec – Year 13

Date	Time	Venue
Thursday 6th April	12:00pm – 3:00pm	Fullwell Cross Library
Tuesday 25th April	3:30pm – 5:30pm	Loxford Children's Centre
Thursday 11th May	3:30pm – 5:30pm	Fullwell Cross Library
Tuesday 23rd May	3:30pm – 5:30pm	Loxford Children's Centre
Thursday 8th June	3:30pm – 5:30pm	Fullwell Cross Library
Tuesday 20th June	3:30pm – 5:30pm	Loxford Children's Centre
Thursday 6th July	3:30pm – 5:30pm	Fullwell Cross Library
Tuesday 18th July	3:30pm – 5:30pm	Loxford Children's Centre

Fullwell Cross Library	**Loxford Children's Centre**
140 High Street Barkingside IG6 2EA	138-140 Ilford Lane IG1 2LG

London Borough of Redbridge

Parent Views of Mental Health

Does your child go to school in Redbridge?

We are seeking parent views on accessing mental health support through schools for you and your family

Please scan the QR code with your phone to fill out our five-minute survey and help us develop the best support for families in

Redbridge Mental Health Support Team

DATES FOR THE DIARY

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

30 Jun—Year 13 Leavers' Day
14 July—40 Years On - Reminiscing the Summer Production
24 August—GCSE Results Published
6 September—Back to School
15 September—Remote Schooling (One Day Only)
12 October—Non-Contact Day

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REMINDER

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