

GALA INTERNATIONAL EVENING 2024 TUESDAY 5TH MARCH 6-9PM

Woodford County High School, in association with its Parents & Friends Association, is hosting a Gala International Evening of music, dance, drama and poetry from across the world.



All girls, their parents and families are welcome to attend.

Dress code: traditional (optional).

Ticket prices are £5 for individuals, or £12 for families of 3 or more.

Please bring along additional money to buy food. A range of items with an international flavour will be available to purchase on the night.

All proceeds will go to the PFA, which funds school projects that benefit all of the girls.

Tickets are now available via Parentpay.

INSET DAY

A reminder that Wednesday 6th March 2024 is a staff training day.

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The International evening is approaching and the school and the PFA are asking you for donations of culinary delights from your part of the world.

If you are able to offer catering at a discounted rate that would also be greatly appreciated.

Examples of food could be:

1. Samosas
2. Backlava
3. Falafel
4. Bhajis
5. Natas
6. Paella/ biryani

All offers would be accepted as long it is clear if it has nuts, eggs, non - veg, halal etc.

Food may be able to be heated up but that is TBC.

Many thanks and looking forward to a wonderful evening celebrating diverse flavours, as well as the enchanting performances from the young ladies.



Valentine Cupcakes Competition



We want to see your Valentine Cupcakes

Deadline: 29th February 2024

Make 6 Cupcakes and design them inspired by the Valentines season!

Send your entries to Mrs Harkess : harkessl@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

Make sure you write the subject of the email as
"Valentine Cupcakes" (full name and form)

Include a photograph of your dish **and** a picture of you with it.

Include a short written piece on your dish explaining your inspiration
(not exceeding 100 words).

CERTIFICATE AND PRIZE FOR THE WINNER!



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS FEBRUARY 2024



*There are still a few places
Available for after school
Activities, Starting February 2024.*

- ✧ Pop workshop = 2 places*
- ✧ Advanced cooking = 6 places*

*Please book on ParentPay
By Thursday 28th February,
To secure your daughters place.*

Thank you



The Biology department had 33 yr 12 students complete Paper 1 and Paper 2 of the British Biology Olympiad 2024 on Wednesday the 31st of January and Thursday the 1st of February. (45 minutes at lunchtime in CC3 and CC11).

The A level biology students received their results and we can confirm that the school received 2 Silver medals, 3 Bronze medals, 6 Highly Commended Medals, 5 Commended Medals and 17 Participation Medals.

The results are as below. Congratulations to all the A level biology students that took part. It is a very challenging competition and all students performed very well.

Mr Howes, Head of Biology

Silver— Meena and Amber

Bronze—Aleesha, Soha and Saniyya

Highly Commended—Zareen, Ridhi, Rebecca, Afnan, Miraal and Saanvi

Commended—Emaan, Lami'Ah, Hiba, Dhurgahz and Abia

Participation—Ayesha, Lathangi, Safiyah, Tania, Irtiza, Amina, Prisha, Sarah, Adiba, Nahien, Sameen, Varsana, Keira, Keyuraa, Janna, Sara and Aisha

INFORMATION ON THE BRITISH BIOLOGY OLYMPIAD 2024

- The British Biology Olympiad 2024 comprises two 45-minute papers. They may be sat on separate occasions or back-to-back.
- The first paper contained many questions about all aspects of biology.
- The second paper contained longer problems.
- Students were presented with unfamiliar ideas and topics, and will have to use problem solving skills and intuition.

To Celebrate



British Pie Week



On Thursday 7th March 2024 Innovate will be serving up the below menu:

- ✱ ***Curried Cauliflower Cheese Filo Pie***
 - ✱ ***Cottage Pie***
 - ✱ ***Chicken and Mushroom Pie***
 - ✱ ***Apple Pie & Custard***
 - ✱ ***Key Lime Pie***
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ART EXHIBITION

Woodford students will be participating in the annual community arts exhibition being held at the Hawkey Hall (March 9th - March 12th).

Year 12 A level art students have an exhibition of recent work in paint, print and clay selected by Ms Jerome and Ms Appleby. There will also be a display of year 9 clay work. The finale of the show will be celebrated in a lunch time concert featuring the school's talented jazz orchestra ably lead by Ms Hannent on saxophone and featuring Ms Hasler, Head of Sixth Form on trombone!

Woodford students & their families are encouraged to visit the show over the weekend of March 9th & 10th. Opening hours are 11am to 6pm, Saturday and Sunday. Entry is free of charge.



Woodford Arts Spring Exhibition

Saturday 9th to Tuesday 12th March - 11am to 6pm

Sir James Hawkey Hall - Broomhill Road, Woodford Green, IG8 0BG

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 Woodford Arts Group

 EAC

 Woodford County High School

 Woodford Green Preparatory School

Sponsored by

 ART GROUP WANSTEAD

 The Redbridge Music Lounge

 Ray Lodge Primary School

 THE STOW BROTHERS

Woodford County Eco Info

As a school community we all have the responsibility to create a sustainable future for our beautiful planet.

March 2024
sustainability and
environmental
awareness dates



World Wildlife Day – 3rd March

Big Plastic Count – 11th to 17th March

Great British Spring clean – 15th to 31st March

Global Recycling Day – 18th March

International Day of Forests – 21st March

World Water Day – 22nd March

Earth Hour – 23rd March

Computer Programming Club

Year 9's CATP 1 and CATP 2 exams for computer science are happening this week.

The Computer Science programming club starts on Wednesday, February 28th.

The club time is from 1:45 to 2:15 every Wednesday in SG3.

GCSE Computer Science Revision Club

"Join our Computer Science Revision Club, tailored specifically for GCSE year 11 students! Dive deep into the most challenging topics, enhance your understanding, and conquer your exams with confidence.

Benefit from exclusive quizzes, comprehensive notes, and engaging Power-Points, all crafted with care. Don't miss this opportunity to boost your grades and knowledge in a supportive and interactive environment. See you there!"

Day, time and location: Every Thursday, During lunch in Room SG3

Run by: Ms. Paramesvaran (A* A-Level Student)

Supervised by: Head of Department



Music Extra-Curricular Timetable: Spring 2024

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



WCHS - ECTT – Term 3

	<u>Mon</u>	<u>Tues</u>	<u>Weds</u>	<u>Thurs</u>	<u>Fri</u>
<u>7.50-8.20am</u>					<u>Yr12&13</u> <u>Badminton-</u> <u>STA</u>
<u>Lunchtime</u> <u>1.30-2pm</u>	<u>Volleyball</u> <u>(all)</u> VJA	<u>*Netball</u> <u>- SQUAD</u> <u>Training</u> <u>Only*</u> STA, VJA, HBA, KRU (Fatima)	<u>Football Training</u> Week A = yr7 & 8 HBA Week B = yr9-11 STA <u>Athletics</u> (all) KRI <u>Badminton</u> VJA Week A = yr7&8 (Lekhana) Week B = yr9-11 (Pranathi) <u>Table Tennis</u> KRU From 22/1/24 In the conference room	<u>Yr10 & 11 GCSE</u> <u>Trampolining &</u> <u>Badminton</u> STA & KRU <u>Netball for all</u> (Kosom/Sampriti/ Sara) <u>Cross Country</u> (all) KRI	<u>Prisons Club</u> (Saanvi)
<u>3.30-4.20pm</u>			<u>*FIXTURES*</u>		



WCHS THEATRE SOCIETY

The Lion King

Tuesday 12th March @ 7.30pm

Lyceum Theatre

ONE TICKET AVAILABLE FOR £35.00

TICKETS NOW ON SALE FOR...

THE PLAY THAT GOES WRONG—Wed 20th March @7.30pm, Duchess Theatre **£27.50**

THE HILLS OF CALIFORNIA—Tues 30th April @7pm, Harold Pinter Theatre **£30**

THE WITNESS FOR THE PROSECUTION – Tuesday 30th April 2024 @ 7:30pm, London, County Hall **£27.50**

MAMMA MIA! – Wednesday 1st May @ 7:30pm, Novello Theatre **£30**

MRS DOUBTFIRE—Wednesday 22nd May @ 7.30pm, Shaftesbury Theatre **£30**

BACK TO THE FUTURE – Mon 10th June @ 7.30pm, Aldephi Theatre **£40**

STRANGER THINGS – Tues 9th July @ 7pm, Phoenix Theatre **£35**

SHREK THE MUSICAL – Thurs 25th July @ 2.30pm, Eventim Apollo **£55**

THE DEVIL WEARS PRADA – Wed 6th November @ 7:30pm, Dominion Theatre **£30**

The WCHS Theatre Society is a PFA initiative. An adult must accompany lower school students – this is not a school trip and is not supervised. For more information and to book tickets, email Ms Horn in the library.

PAYMENT MADE VIA PARENTPAY. Search for PFA Theatre Society.

library@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

SPRING 2024 WEBINAR SCHEDULE

Register with Mrs Horn in the Library
TIMETABLED LESSONS TAKE PRIORITY OVER WEBINARS
hornd@Woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

FEBRUARY 2024

28th @ 1.00pm-1.45pm
28th @ 2.15pm-3.00pm
28th @ 4.30pm-5.30pm
29th @ 2.10pm-3.00pm
29th @ 4.00pm-5.00pm

Politics: Can We Control Nuclear Weapons?
History: The Making of a Superpower – USA, 1865-1975
Creative Writing Workshop
Psychology/Biology: Exploring Memory
English – The Picture of Dorian Gray

MARCH 2024

4th @ 9.10am-9.55am
4th @ 10.30am-11.15am
5th @ 11.10am-11.55am
6th @ 2.00pm-2.45pm
6th @ 4.15pm-5.15pm
7th @ 4.30pm-5.15pm
7th @ 5.00pm-6.00pm
8th @ 12.45pm-1.30pm
11th @ 10.10am-11.00am
11th @ 12.45pm-1.30pm

Linguistics: Child Language Development
History: Strong or Weak Dictator? Hitler & the Nazi Political System
Sport Psychology & Performance
EPQ: Presentation Skills
Politics/International Relations @ Uni
HE: How to Write a Personal Statement
Nursing @ Uni
International Women's Day: Healthcare – Medieval Origins & Practices
Classics: Love & Relationships
Law/Politics/Human Rights: Sending Refugees to Rwanda?

Register with Mrs Horn in the Library - hornd@woodford.redbridge.sch.uk

SAVE THE DATE— BATTLE OF THE BANDS 2024!

WHEN?

WEDNESDAY 10TH JULY
18:00-20:00

WHERE?

WCHS MAIN HALL

AUDITIONS

AT THE BEGINNING OF THE SUMMER TERM

ALL WELCOME

START FORMING
YOUR GROUPS
AND PLANNING
REHEARSALS!

MORE DETAILS
COMING SOON





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.

Find out more

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Join our next class at...

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Location:

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FREE FEMALE SELF-DEFENCE CLASSES!

Throughout February and March 2024, Dennis and Dyer are giving back to the local community and will be putting on a number of free self-defence classes for females.

We want to aid in the improvement of self-defence, confidence, and overall fitness!

Dates to book: February 4th 18th & March 3rd 17th at 11 am



Download the app and keep an eye out for the notifications. Free classes valid through February and March 2024.



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REECE-MENNIE.COM



Are you a girl aged 13-19?
Do you enjoy dancing?

These opportunities are for you!



Have your say! Girls in Dance survey



AWA DANCE is launching a Girls in Dance Festival in 2025, to support and celebrate girls who enjoy dancing. We want to hear your voice! Take 5 minutes to help us making this the best opportunity for girls in dance.

Girls in Dance Bootcamp (online)

Saturday 13th April 2024, 12-2pm

Join our FREE online Girls in Dance Bootcamp to meet role models from the dance world, discover exciting opportunities & take part in a k-pop class!



AWA DANCE

AWA DANCE is a charity dedicated to the leadership development of women and teenage girls, using the transformative power of dance as the tool to empower their voices

www.awadance.org



Educational Psychology Service Parent

Helpline

London Borough of

Redbridge



Would you like to talk to someone?

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 (EPS) are here to support you.

We have a **dedicated telephone helpline for parents/carers** where you will receive advice and guidance from a professional Educational 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: 07741 331 009

Opening hours: Every Wednesday 10am - 4pm

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

FIND: [Educational Psychology Service](#)

@Redbridge_aep Twitter account.



Call to Action—Educational Psychology

Please click on the link to access the “Call To Action” video from the Redbridge Educational Wellbeing Team (REWT) and the Redbridge Mental Health Support Team (MHST), who work with students and staff here at Woodford. This video is specifically for parents and carers and is part of their “break the stigma” campaign.

[Click here to access video](#)



Support for residents struggling with the cost of living



Please see the message below from The London Borough of Redbridge:

Please can you send the following links to families which will support them with the cost of living:

[Cost of Living \(redbridge.gov.uk\)](https://redbridge.gov.uk/cost-of-living)

[Cost of Living - Cost of Living payment \(redbridge.gov.uk\)](https://redbridge.gov.uk/cost-of-living-payment)

[Cost of Living - Foodbanks \(redbridge.gov.uk\)](https://redbridge.gov.uk/cost-of-living-foodbanks)

There is the [Ilford Community Grocery](https://communitygrocery.org.uk/ilford/) - we urge every family in need to join the Ilford Community Grocery, 25-29 Clements Rd where residents can buy food at 80% discount:

For the longer term you may be interested in buying your groceries at the Ilford Community Grocery. Join this grocery for £5 a year and you can buy 12 items for just £5. It is located at 25-29 Clements Rd, Ilford.

It is open Monday through Friday 9:30am - 4:30pm.

More details: <https://communitygrocery.org.uk/ilford/>



PREGNANCY YOGA

MONDAY 7:30 - 8:30PM

DANCE STUDIO, WOODFORD COUNTY
HIGH SCHOOL

BOOK YOUR SPOT: [YOUSEFIYOGA.COM](https://yousefiyoga.com)



London Borough of
Redbridge



Are you looking after a child who is not your own?

- Is the child under 16 (or 18 if they have a disability)?
- Are you NOT the child's step parent, sibling, aunt, uncle or grandparent? This also includes host families to overseas students
- Do you plan to have the child with you for more than 28 days?
- This is called "private fostering" and we must be LEGALLY notified to ensure the child is safe.

**Please contact Redbridge Children's Services:
020 8708 3885**

CPAT.Referrals@redbridge.gov.uk

or visit: www.redbridge.gov.uk/private-fostering for more information

Aveți în grijă un copil care nu este al dvs.?

- Copilul are mai puțin de 16 ani (sau 18 ani dacă are un handicap)?
- NU sunteți părintele vitreg, fratele/sora, mătușă, unchiul sau bunicul/bunica copilului? Sunt incluse și familiile gazdă ale studenților din străinătate
- Intenționați să găzduiți copilul la dvs. mai mult de 28 de zile?
- Acest lucru se numește „private fostering” (plasament privat) și trebuie să fim anunțați LEGAL pentru a ne asigura de siguranța copilului.

Vă rugăm să contactați Redbridge Children's Services (Serviciile pentru copii din Redbridge):

020 8708 3885

CPAT.Referrals@redbridge.gov.uk

sau vizitați: www.redbridge.gov.uk/private-fostering pentru mai multe informații

آپانی کی آپنار نیجہر نمان۔من کونو شیشور دکھاپونا کرکھن؟

- شیشو کی 16 বছرہر کم بھسی (اٹھا تار کونو اٹھماتا تھاکلے، سکھہرے 18)؟
- آپانی کی سبھانہر سہ پیتا/ماتا، ڈھیبوان، خالا، چاچا یا دانا-دانی نمان؟ امر مٹھو بیدہشی آھادہر جنیا ہوسٹ پریبارو اتھرتھوٹ
- آپانی کی شیشو کی 28 دینہر بھشی سامہر جنیا آپنار ساٹھ راکھار پریکھننا کرکھن؟
- اٹھیکہ "پرائیویٹ فاسٹارینگ" یا "بھکشیگت لالان-پالان" بھلا ہمان اہم شیشو کی نیراپاد کینا یا نیشیت کرکھتہ آمادہر اہمٹھائی آھینگتھابہر اہمٹھتہ کرکھتہ اٹھتہ۔

انٹوگھ کرکھ ریکڈبرج چیلڈرنس سارٹیسس ساٹھ ہوپاہوپا کرکھن اہی نمبرہ:

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اٹھا تارو اتھوٹھر جنیا اٹھانہ مان: www.redbridge.gov.uk/private-fostering

کیا آپ ایسے بچے کی دیکھ بھال کر رہے ہیں جو آپ کا اپنا نہیں ہے؟

- کیا بچہ 16 سال (یا اگر وہ معذوری کا شکار ہے تو 18 سال) سے کم عمر ہے؟
- کیا آپ بچے کے سوتیلے والد/والدہ، بہن/بھائی، اٹھی، انکل یا دادا/دادی نہیں ہیں؟ اس میں غیر ملکی طلباء کے میزبان خاندان بھی شامل ہیں
- کیا آپ کا 28 دن سے زیادہ بچے کو اپنے پاس رکھنے کا ارادہ ہے؟
- اسے "نجی رضاعت" کہتے ہیں اور بچے کے محفوظ ہونے کو یقینی بنانے کے لیے ہمیں اس کی اطلاع دینا لازم ہے۔

براہ کرم ریڈ برج سروسز برائے اطفال سے رابطہ کریں

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یا مزید معلومات کے لیے: www.redbridge.gov.uk/private-fostering

ملاحظہ کریں

کیہ نسیں کسے ایہو جے بچے نوں ساتھیہ رہے او جیہڑا تھڈا اپنا بچہ نہیں اے؟

- کیہ بچے دی عمر 16 ورھیاں نوں گھٹ اے (یاں 18 ورھے جے اوہناں نوں کوئی معذوری اے)؟
- کیہ نسیں بچے دے مٹرے مایہ، بھین، چاچا، چاچی، ماما، مامی، تایا تائی یاں دادا دادی، نانا نانی نہیں او؟ ایہدے وچ بابرے ملکوں آئے پڑھیاراں دے میزبان ٹیر وی شامل نیں
- کیہ تھڈا بچے نوں 28 دیہڑیاں توں ودھ وپے لئی آئے کول رکھن دا ارادہ اے؟
- ایہتوں "نجی پرورش" آکھدے نیں تے سائوں قانونی طور تے اطلاع دینا لوڑی دا اے تاں کے پک ہو جاوے بٹی بچہ محفوظ اے۔

بور جانکاری لئی مہربانی کر کے Redbridge Children's Services نال رابطہ کرو:

020 8708 3885

CPAT.Referrals@redbridge.gov.uk

یاں www.redbridge.gov.uk/private-fostering وزٹ کرو۔

DATES FOR THE DIARY

SPRING 2024		
Term	Thursday 4 January 2024	Friday 16 February 2024
Half-term	Monday 19 February 2024	Friday 23 February 2024
Term	Monday 26 February 2024	Thursday 28 March 2024
Spring Break	Monday 1 April 2024	Friday 12 April 2024
Non-Contact Day	Wednesday 6 March 2024	

SPRING 2024		
Term	Monday 15 April 2024	Friday 24 May 2024
Half-term	Monday 27 May 2024	Friday 31 May 2024
Term	Monday 3 June 2024	Tuesday 23 July 2024
Non-Contact Day	Thursday 27 June 2024	

KEY DATES TO REMEMBER



5 March—International Evening
 6 March—Non-Contact Day
 21 March—Spring Concert
 27 March—Career Fair
 29 March—Bank Holiday
 18 April—Year 8 Parents' Evening
 30 April—Repton House Charity Week Begins
 1 May—Year 10 Parents' Evening
 9 May—Year 5 Virtual Open Evening

DROPPING OFF PUPILS

We have had several instances recently where parents have stopped on the pedestrian crossing outside school to drop off their daughters. There have also been a number of cases of cars blocking the vehicular gate for the same reason.

Please ensure in future that students are dropped off in more sensible locations.

REMINDER

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

