



International Poetry Day

The week started with a celebration of International Poetry. Students and staff sent the English Department their favourite international poems and pictures. Some are featured in this lovely display opposite the hall.



WES Physicists at UK's largest particle accelerator facility



Year 13 WES Physicists went on a trip to the Harwell Science Campus in Oxfordshire to visit the offices and laboratories of Public Health England as well as the UK's largest particle accelerator facility at the Diamond Light Source which is part of the Rutherford Appleton Laboratories.

Highlights included being able to visit a beam line experiment which was investigating the nature of magnetic fields and standing inside a low radiation lab which was manufactured from steel salvaged from a 1915 naval war cruiser as this lowered the background count rate!



School Food meeting on 13th April, 6pm - invite to all

Do join us for our meeting on School Food on Wednesday 13th April, at 6pm. Following concerns raised by WESPA members, a small group of parents visited the school canteen one morning in February to meet with our catering manager, Tony, and the school catering advisor, Lee, to discuss the provision of healthy food at the school. They saw the canteen in full swing during the morning break, and sampled some of the food on offer.

The meeting on Wednesday, 13th April will be a chance to hear feedback from the parents, and discuss any concerns and action. Do come along - we would welcome your views and input.

Spring Shindig

Our Spring Shindig last Friday was a fabulous event - a lively evening of great jazz, food and even dancing! With an audience of over 150, the fantastic performers from William Ellis and Parliament Hill schools created a relaxed, fun and highly musical evening.

We were treated to some superb performances and ensembles, with mellow music to get us into the mood, followed by some really big numbers from Daisy's Big Band. At the end, the staff band, with lead singer Mr Glover, brought the audience to its feet - with a lively rendition of Amy Winehouse's *Rehab* and Stevie Wonder's *Superstition*. Even Mr White felt moved to dance! Thank you to Liz Case for the idea - we look forward to the next one.

Many congratulations to WESPA and the Music Department for making the Spring Shindig such a success. It raised over £600 for the school - enough, with a generous individual donation, to buy a new upright piano. We look forward to the next one!

Royal Albert Hall



The Royal Albert Hall Camden Music Festival was another great evening. 15 boys in the WES Choir and 3 WES musicians performed - joining 2,000 other pupils from schools across Camden. They sang *Bridge over Troubled Water* and *All you need is Love*, as well as *Watercycle* with the Orchestra of the Age of Enlightenment, a piece written specially for the event. Well done to all the boys who represented our school so well.



Ties

As most parents know, school ties are on sale in the office. Please be aware that the price of ties has just increased to £4.

Easter Holiday: Friday 25th March – Friday 8th April. Ski Trip returns 29th March. China Trip returns 5th April.

Students return to school for summer term on Monday 11th April at 8.30am (Week A).

School Events week commencing 11th April:

Monday – Thursday – Breakfast Club: 8am, Homework Club: 3.15pm, with City Year

Monday –Registration: 8.35am, Duke of Edinburgh Award session: 3.15pm, Year 11 Action Tutoring: 3.20pm

Tuesday – Year 10 Peer Mentoring: 8am, Tree of Life Workshop: 4.30pm

Wednesday – WBA Project: 8.50am, Somali “Young Leaders” Workshop: 3.15pm, Camden Basketball Final RHS: 4pm, Canteen meeting for parents: 6pm

Thursday – Year 7 Transition Mentoring: 8.45am

Friday – Year 12 Speaking & Listening assessments

Saturday – Year 11 GCSE Art: All Day, Year 11 Maths: lunchtime

DIARY DATES

EASTER HOLIDAY (25th March – 8th April) <i>GCSE Easter Revision Classes</i>	
Summer term starts	<i>Monday 11th April, 8.35am</i>
School Food meeting for parents	<i>Wed 13th April – 6pm</i>
School closed to students for staff professional training Community Engagement Evening	<i>Wed 20th April: all day</i> <i>Wed 20th April: 6pm</i>
Governors’ School Improvement Committee SYDRC Educational Award Ceremony, London Irish Centre	<i>Thu 21st April: 5.30pm</i> <i>Thu 21st April: 6.30pm</i>
WESPA meeting	<i>Tue 26th April: 6pm</i>
International Evening	<i>Wed 27th April: 6pm</i>
Governors’ Personnel & Resources Committee	<i>Wed 4th May: 5pm</i>
LaSWAP summer concert	<i>Tue 14th June: 6.30pm</i>