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Summer Term

The students and staff arrived back at school on Monday appearing relaxed after the break and ready for the Summer Term.

Over the break lots of Year 11s were in school for valuable revision classes in preparation for their GCSEs starting next month and the builders were busy completing the front steps. Although the whole area is not quite finished they are looking really good. Other builders were busy too......

New playground "chill space" is here!

Students arrived back from holiday to find that their playground has been transformed over the Easter break. The old concrete platform has been newly landscaped to provide attractive wooden seating and a splash of green synthetic grass. This playground development has been a big project for our parent's association, WESPA. The Student Council told WESPA that the boys wanted a "chill space" to sit and relax outdoors during breaks. WESPA started fundraising to meet this request and managed to raise over £20,000 to make the improvements with additional support from the William Ellis School Trustees. Student representatives then helped advise on the design. Phase one — the landscaping, artificial grass and wooden bench seating — is now complete. Phase two of the project will add covered seating "pods" which will be installed over the May half term. Thanks to all those who have supported WESPA with this project.





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School Food meeting on 13th April, 6pm

Parents met on Wednesday for a presentation by Imogen Sharp, parent governor, and a useful discussion regarding the food and drink on offer in the canteen with Imogen, the Headteacher, Mr White, and Director of Operations, Mandy Seeburn. As a result of the discussions, the school will be offering a greater selection of fresh fruit at break, will be review the range of soft drinks on offer and investigate ways of making more water fountains available throughout the school.



Just before the Easter break some of our staff, parents and "old boys" spent the weekend at The Mill with other volunteers to help with manual tasks to improve the facilities for the boys in Years 7, 8 and 9 camp there this term.

Camden Youth MP Election

Wednesday was also the evening the results of the Camden Youth MP elections were announced at the Town Hall Council Chamber. Amongst those present was Councillor Georgia Gould, Cabinet member for Young People (and WES governor!) and Martin Pratt, Director Camden Schools & Families. Mr Glover and Ms Ozkaya attended to hear the results and support Daniel in Year 10; a candidate in the election. Despite an excellent and hard fought campaign Daniel was unsuccessful in gaining the role of Youth MP but he showed great resilience, commitment and bravery and has been a great representative for the school and will continue to work with the Camden Youth Council.

International Evening

The school are pleased to be hosting the annual International Evening on **Wednesday 27th April, 6.30-8pm.**City Year will be organising this event and would like contributions of international food items to share during the evening and for boys to volunteer to perform. Please contact the City Year office via the school office if you can help and look out for your letter of invitation being sent shortly. All families welcome!



School Events week commencing 18th April: (Assemblies Theme: EU Referendum)

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

Monday – Duke of Edinburgh Award session: 3.15pm, LRC Drawing Club: 3.15pm, Year 11 Action Tutoring: 3.20pm

Tuesday – Year 12 UCAS Fair, ExCel: all day, Year 10 Peer Mentoring: 8am, Tree of Life Workshop: 4.30pm

Wednesday – INSET DAY – SCHOOL CLOSED TO STUDENTS (some Year 11s in school by invitation only)

Thursday – Year 10 Peer Mentoring: 8am, Year 10 BAML visit: all day, Governors' School Improvement Committee: 5.30pm, Year 8 National Theatre Trip: 5.45pm from Kentish Town Station, SYDRC Awards Evening, Irish Centre: 6.30pm

Saturday – Year 11 Maths revision: 10am – 12noon, Business revision: 10am-3pm

DIARY DATES

| Summer Term (Monday 11 th April – Friday 15 th July) | |
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| WESPA meeting | Tue 26th April: 6pm |
| Year 8 German Trip to Goethe Institute | Wed 27 th April: 4pm |
| International Evening | Wed 27 th April: 6.30pm |
| Year 8 Trip to London Met University | Thu 28 th April: All Day |
| MAY DAY BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed | Mon 2 nd May |
| Governors' Personnel & Resources Committee | Wed 4 th May: 5pm |
| LaSWAP Governors' Forum, LSU | Mon 9 th May: 6pm |
| Full Governing Body Meeting | Thu 12 th May: 5.30pm |
| Year 9 Camp | w/c 23 rd May |
| Performance Platform Concert | Tue 24 th May: 6pm |
| Deep Learning Day | Wed 25 th May |
| BANK HOLIDAY – School Closed | Mon 30 th May |
| HALF TERM HOLIDAY | Mon 30 th May – Friday 3 rd June |
| Year 8 Camp | w/c 6 th June |
| LaSWAP summer concert | Mon 20 th June* (changed date) |
| Year 8 Trip to National Enterprise Challenge Finals | Wed 29 th June: All Day |