



A VERY LIVELY WEEK!

The second week back at school has seen a very busy five days in the school with the boys settling back into their school routines. The Year 8 parents' evening on Thursday night was well attended and our thanks to all parents/carers who completed our school questionnaire and updated/confirmed their son's contact details on their data sheets. Please do make sure you inform the school office if you change your address/email address/daytime telephone numbers, etc. as it is important that we can contact you swiftly if we need to.

School Canteen

Now that the new refrigerated self service area has been installed we are offering two new meal deals at lunchtime and a new selection of snacks at break. We trust that the boys will enjoy these and that it will mean that they can be more speedily served.



The school would like to invite 10 parents to visit the canteen on Thursday 4th February at 10.30am-12pm and join in an initial discussion with the school, our catering manager and school catering advisor regarding the provision of healthy food in school and prior to a meeting for all parents to be arranged for an evening later in the term. If you are interested in being involved please phone the school office or email: admin@williamellis.camden.sch.uk

Honours for ex William Ellis History Teacher

We have received news that ex William Ellis History teacher, Edward Davis, now education advisor for the Department of International Development (DfId), and member of a team working in Sierra Leone during the Ebola crisis last year and credited with helping achieve a 98% effective burial rate which helped halt its transmission, received an OBE in the New Year's honours.

Nominations for Honours for two William Ellis Students

Two students from Year 11 last year – Monzur (GCSEs -4A* and 8A) and Efan (GCSEs- 3A*, 5A and 1C) have been nominated for Outstanding Achievement Awards from the Bangladesh High Commission in London to recognise the attainment of the Bangladesh origin British students who have excelled in the 2015 GCSE and A Level examinations across the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland. We wish them every success.

Sporting Events this Week

Unfortunately the Year 9 Rugby fixture against St Aloysius had to be cancelled due to the poor condition of the rugby pitch but a Year 7 football team, accompanied by PE Teacher, Mr Szymanski, played in the Year 7 Islington & Camden Football Cup on Wednesday night at Market Road. They showed great resilience and made a fantastic effort in cold and unpleasant weather conditions until 6 o'clock at night. They had fixtures against Haverstock School, winning 2:0 and against Acland Burghley School winning 5:2. They now proceed to the semi-final.



On Wednesday night the school also hosted a KS3 Basketball fixture with UCL, Haverstock and Maria Fidelis School.



Message from School Office

A significant amount of lost property is being handed into the school office on a daily basis. Although we would love to return items to their owners - and we do check to see if they are named, most items do not have any indication who they belong to – including mobile phones, keys etc. Can you please make sure your son has all his possessions clearly labelled and that he comes to the office to check if something is lost. Many boys and their parents are asking us to look out for items, which unfortunately can't be found. Please do remind your sons to be as careful as possible with their possessions and keep them with them throughout the day, or put them in their lockers.



Office hours: 8am-4.30pm

Message from Camden:

Need help to support your child through university?

If your child has just applied to UCAS, are you worried about student debt? In need of a plan B in case things don't work out in August?

Camden Council is working in partnership with Anglia Ruskin University, London and HULT International Business School to offer Camden school children a range of part and fully-funded scholarships to help them realise their full potential.

With tuition fees increasing, the scholarships provide a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to transform your child's career prospects without getting into debt. (The Hult undergraduate scholarship is worth £90,000). Read our case studies to find out more.

The offer includes part-time options for some courses and the opportunity to study overseas. The scholarships are offered from Year 12 upwards but are also available to residents of any age with minimum B/CC A level grades or BTEC equivalent. Both institutions are located in Camden and qualify for UK student loans to support living costs.

For more information, phone: 0207 974 1388

To apply, visit: www.camden.gov.uk/camdenscholarships.

Deadline: 4 April 2016



Next week

Assemblies: Holocaust Memorial assemblies all week in preparation for Holocaust Memorial Day on 27th January

All Week:

- Hidden Soldiers of the Empire Exhibition, Learning Resources Centre
- Year 12 Geography Field Trip to Somerset

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

Monday – Year 11 Action Tutoring/Tree of Life Workshops: 3.15pm

Tuesday – Year 8 German Film Study Trip to BFI Southbank

Wednesday – Somali “Young Leaders” workshop: 3.15pm, KS3 Basketball fixture v West Hampstead at WES: 4pm

Thursday – Governors’ School Improvement Committee: 5.30pm

DIARY DATES

SPRING TERM	JANUARY	
	Early Closure for students (Staff Training)	Wednesday 27 th January from 1.10pm
	FEBRUARY	
	Year 11 Parents’ Evening	Thursday 4 th Feb -4.30pm
	Year 13 Parents’ Evening	Thursday 11 th Feb – 6.00pm (ABS)
	Half-term break (15th-19th February)	
	Year 8 and 9 French/History Trip to Normandy	23 rd -26 th February
	MARCH	
	LaSWAP admissions interviews	Various dates
	Year 12 & Year 13 Mock Exams	w/b 7 th Mar
	Year 9 Options Evening	Thursday 9 th Mar – 4.30pm
	*Year 9 Music Concert with James Redwood	Tuesday 15 th March – time tbc
	Year 10 Parents’ Evening	Thursday 17 th Mar – 4.30pm
Spring Concert	Friday 18 th Mar – 6.00pm	
EASTER HOLIDAY (25th March – 8th April) GCSE Easter Revision Classes Ski Trip, China Trip		

**Please note new event/ revised date*