



WORLD BOOK DAY MURDER!

Ms Rushbrook, Learning Resources Manager devised a special "Guess who: murder mystery" for Years 7 and 8 library lessons this week.



With clues including a red herring, a bathroom plunger and a crime scene, the boys had great fun finding clues held by various staff members to discover the murderer and the murder victim.

Ms Rushbrook also ran a "Guess Who" event for all boys. It involved teachers wearing badges with quotes from fictional characters. Students had to ask them questions and guess the name of the character and the book the quote was from. Beats dressing up!

City Year's Got Talent – The Final

City Year UK will be running a fun packed inter-school talent competition on Wednesday 9th March at the Islington Assembly Hall. Over 500 students from schools across London, including William Ellis auditioned for the competition with highlights including singing, break dancing, cup stacking and kickboxing! We wish our own Year 11 WES Got Talent winner the very best for the competition and hope to hear more about the evening next week.

Football Kits wanted for South Africa

Dan Carrier, Camden Journal journalist and parent of one of our boys in Year 7 runs a football club called West End, which features many of the boys at WES...

They are currently running a charity drive to collect pieces of football kit - old shirts, socks, shorts, boots and shin pads - to ship to a township in South Africa, where there is a club with 4,000 young people but no kit at all.

It would be great if William Ellis could help out, so please bring any spare kit in a bag to the school office for us to pass on, or pass directly to the Camden Journal. See below for more details.

<http://www.camdenjournal.com/targettownshipkit>

Quiz Night

WESPA ran a very enjoyable and successful Quiz Night on Thursday evening. It was a great opportunity for parents to meet not only other parents, but teachers and governors too, who all had great fun competing in an informal setting for the prize of £50 cash. The Year 7 parents' table won – very well done! The school thanks everyone for their support. (See flyer for details).



House/Sports News

Years 7-9 Rugby Club starts on Tuesday and then all Tuesdays for the rest of the term, from 3.30-4.45pm. These sessions are run on Hampstead Heath by Hampstead RFC coaches, along with Mr Needham, who is covering for Mr McGowan who is off school for a few weeks following an operation. This is an excellent opportunity for boys to develop their skills. Boys should see the PE Department for further information.



Dodgeball Competitions continue next week for Year 8 on Monday and Friday lunchtimes in the Sports Hall. Full reviews will follow in an upcoming newsletter.

School funding

With this newsletter is an important letter to parents/carers about the Government's school funding plans and the significant impact these will have on Camden schools. Councillor Angela Mason, Camden's Cabinet Member for Children is inviting parents to a meeting at Camden Town Hall at 7pm on 16th March to share concerns and ask questions. She is encouraging parents to get their voice heard about the impact these changes could have on the education of young people in Camden.

WESPA News

Tuesday 8 March – WESPA Meeting

6pm in library - All parents and carers welcome.

Friday 18 March – 'Spring Shindig'

Doors and bar opens 6.30pm, 'Shindig' starts at 7pm

£3 suggested donation on door (£1 for students) with bar and food for sale.

Fun evening for all, not just for those with sons performing. Please come along and bring friends. (see flyer attached).

If you are not already on the WESPA mailing list and would like to join please email Anna Wright, Chair, WESPA - anna.wright@blueyonder.co.uk

Indoor Car Boot Sale is on Saturday, 19 March, 11am-1pm

Please come along and support this popular event. There will be lots of clothes, toys, and interesting bric-a-brac and gifts to buy or you can book a table to sell some of your own fabulous items.



Week commencing 7th March:

All week: Year 12 and 13 mock exams

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

Monday – Year 8 Inter-house Dodgeball: 1.15pm, Duke of Edinburgh Award session: 3.15pm, Year 11 Action Tutoring: 3.20pm

Tuesday – (International Women’s Day) Year 10 Peer Mentoring: 8am, Year 10 National Theatre Trip: All day, Year 12 Women in Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths’ event: 2pm, Year 7 Volcano Eruptions: 3.15pm in quad, Year 7-9 Rugby: 3.30pm, Tree of Life Workshop: 4.30pm, WESPA Meeting: 6pm

Wednesday – WBA Project: 8.50am, Year 7 Drama Club rehearsals: 11.15am, Year 12 Biology Trip to Royal College of Physicians: 12.15pm, Somali “Young Leaders” Workshop: 3.15pm, KS4 Basketball: 4pm, Year 9 Options Evening: 6pm

Thursday – Year 8 BBC School Report at Broadcasting House: All Day, Year 10 Peer Mentoring: 8am, AS Geography Field trip to Shoreditch: 11am

Friday – Year 8 Inter-house Dodgeball Competition: 1.10pm

Saturday – Year 11 Maths Revision: 10am-12pm

DIARY DATES

MARCH	
MFL Oral Exams (Years 9-11)*	Monday 14 th – Wed 16 th March
Year 12 UCAS Fair	Monday 14 th March (tbc)
Year 7 (Current) Parents’ Information Evening	Monday 14 th March – 6pm
Year 9 Music Concert with James Redwood	Tuesday 15 th March – time tbc
Trustees Meeting	Wednesday 16 th March – 5pm
Deep Learning Day*	Thursday 17 th March – all day
Year 10 Parents’ Evening	Thursday 17 th Mar – 4.30pm
‘Spring Shindig’ Concert	Friday 18 th Mar – 6.00pm
EASTER HOLIDAY (25th March – 8th April) GCSE Easter Revision Classes Ski Trip, China Trip	
Canteen Meeting*	Wed 13 th April – 6pm

* New listing



Don't cut Camden schools' funding

**Wednesday
16th March**
7pm, at
Camden
Town Hall

Speakers:

John Hayes, head teacher
Madeleine Holt, governor
Eddie Hanson, parent,
Megan Quinn, teacher
Chaired by Cllr Angela Mason

Camden schools are some of the best in the country. Strong leadership, excellent teaching backed by vital investment have raised aspirations and then outcomes.

This is now at risk. Changes planned to the way government funds education will lead to less money for Camden schools.

Please help us campaign to keep the investment we need in our schools and to ensure Camden's young people continue to get the opportunities they need and deserve.

**INDOOR
CAR BOOT
SALE**
at **William Ellis School**

**SATURDAY
19th March
11am-1pm**

**CLOTHES, TOYS,
BRIC-A-BRAC,
GIFTS and more**

To book a table (£10 each), please email
williamellispa@gmail.com
More information on WESPA page, William Ellis School website



WESPA & the William Ellis Music Dept

present the

"SPRING SHINDIG"

A WESPA social evening of acoustic music-'jazz cafe style'- from students & teachers,
followed by the fantastic William Ellis Big Band & the Samba Band.

House band: The All -Star staff band (with mystery guests)

on **FRIDAY 18TH MARCH**

At

William Ellis School, Highgate Road, NW5 1RN

Doors Open: 7pm for a 7.30pm start.

Bar & Snacks available

Tickets: £3 adults (suggested donation) £1 students

Available on the door on the night

In a quest to create the ultimate playlist for the Spring Shindig - let us know the song that makes you get up on to the dance floor or...if dancing a step too far! Your favourite feel good song. Send suggestions to easscase@gmail.com .

All profits will be used to help buy a piano for the music department