



WALDEGRAVE NEWS

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We have had an exciting book week with lots of activities. On Monday Year 7 showed their creative skills by coming to school dressed as some great characters from books, including students from 7JD who portrayed many characters from Alice in Wonderland.

There were also writing workshops and talks from authors and an inter-house book quiz (see over).

Year 11 students continue with their GCSE exams. We wish them well.

We have had some very hot weather and I would draw your attention to the safe in the sun advice in this newsletter.

At this time of year it is lovely to see students are collecting so many green marks (Years 7-9), stickers (Year 10) and house points for the excellent work that they have been doing in class and for extra-curricular activities. We are looking forward to Sports Day when our newly appointed house captains and their deputies (see over) will be leading their houses. There will be a cup for the winning house in each year group and an overall winning house. Points from all students and team events will be totalled to find the overall winning house at the end of the year. Some students who may have picked up orange and red slips for poor behaviour or uniform will need to think carefully about modifying their behaviour before they move up a year. I am pleased to report that the majority of students have not gained any orange or red slips during the year.

As a quick reminder:

5 green marks or stickers = 1 house point (for positive behaviour); 5 orange slips = 1 red slip (for poor behaviour).

Parents can see a full copy of our behaviour policy on the school website, under the policies section which can be found in the list on the left hand side of the front page.

Year 11 Record of Achievement and Dress-up Day photographs

The password for parents and students to access photographs from Year 11 Record of Achievement and Dress-up Day from www.vibephotography-uk.com is 'flower'.

NEWS

Safe in the Sun Advice: Parents please send your daughter in with a refillable water bottle during the hot weather and ensure that students have sun cream applied before they come to school. Students should avoid over exposure to sun, for further information please see the website www.sunsmart.org.uk

Measles: There have been several cases of confirmed and suspected measles in South West London within the last seven days. The signs and symptoms include: fever, red watering eyes, runny nose, dry cough and a flat blotchy rash that appears 3-4 days after the start of the illness, beginning on the face and behind the ears and spreading to the whole body. The complications, which affect 1 in every 15 children, include chest infections, fits, encephalitis and brain damage. In very serious cases, measles can kill. The South West London Health Protection Unit advises that the best way to protect children from measles is with two doses of the MMR immunisation. Please check that your child/children are up to date with their MMR vaccines. Contact your GP to arrange vaccination or if you think your child has measles. NHS direct 0845 4647 or www.immunisation.nhs.uk for more information.

EVENTS

Sat 29 May	DoE In-school skills session 10 am to 2 pm
Sun 30 May	DoE Day Walk in Richmond Park 10 am to 2 pm
Mon 7 June	Y8 MFL exams in lessons / Y10 statistics mock examination / Y10/11 Maths GCSE Module examination (pm)
Mon 7 June	Y10/11 Maths GCSE Module examination (pm)
Tues 8 June	Y11 GCSE English examination (am)/ Y8 help with science at Trafalgar Infants
Weds 9 June	Y11 GCSE History examination (am)
Thurs 10 June	Y11 GCSE French examination (am) / Y11 GCSE English examination (pm) / Toplink Primary School Festival
Fri 11 June	Y10/11 GCSE Maths Module examination (am) / Y11 GCSE Graphics examination (pm)

BEST ATTENDANCE – week ending 21 May

Y7	7YH	99.1%
Y8	8DR	98.2%
Y9	9RM	98.3%
Y10	10AB	97.5%

BEST PUNCTUALITY week ending 21 May

7JD, 7YH & 7DM	0 lates
8DR, 8DN, 8ND & 8AL	0 lates
9CD	0 lates
10CS	0 lates

SPORTS EVENTS & FIXTURES

Year	Sport	Date	Date	Year	Sport	Result
Junior	Rounders match v Christ's	08.06.10	26.05.10	Senior	Rounders tournament	WON
Y7-10	St Mary's Relays	09.06.10				
Senior	Rounders match v Christ's	10.06.10				

HOUSE CAPTAINS

Our new House Captains and their Deputies.

BOOK WEEK

Authors who visited included Joe Craig, seen here with Year 7 and Mrs Garcia who did much of the organising; and Alan Gibbons who ran a writing workshop with Year 8. Well done to Seacole House who won the Year 8 book quiz.

**LOCAL NEWS**

A new information and advice service to support parents and carers of children with additional needs in the Richmond Borough was launched on 19 May. This service, run by Richmond AID, Richmond Carers Centre, the Family Information Service and Three Wings Trust, will provide a quarterly newsletter and regular outreach surgeries across the borough. Telephone 0845 6048348 or email info@accessinfoservice.com for information.

Step on Stage, weekly drama, dance and music classes for ages 3-18 based in Twickenham. For further information visit www.steponstageacademy.co.uk.

Family Week Sports Day Saturday 5 June 12-5 pm Twickenham Stadium

The RFU will be hosting a giant sports day extravaganza as part of National Family Week. Try out a number of fun sports and activities and put your family on track for a healthy future. Join in the attempt for the world's largest three legged race at 3 pm.

Volunteer Recruitment Fair Wednesday 2 June 1-7 pm in the Clarendon room, York House, Richmond Road, Twickenham. This event provides the ideal opportunity to find out how you can help support your local community while gaining new skills and meeting new people at the same time. Visit www.richmondcvcs.org.uk and click on Volunteer Recruitment Fair for further details.

Twickenham Green Fair Monday 31 May. Visit The Rotary Club plant stall. Large range of cheap attractive plants for sale.



RUGBY FOOTBALL UNION

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