



# WALDEGRAVE NEWS

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We have had an exciting and enjoyable week, which was tinged with sadness, saying goodbye to our Year 11 students who now move onto their revision lesson timetable. On Wednesday we had an impressive Dress up Day (see photos on reverse). The Year 11 used their creative skills and great teamwork to come up with some truly amazing costumes, we all had a lovely day. On Thursday we were pleased to welcome Seema Sharma (Entrepreneur) to the Record of Achievement assembly, which was quite an emotional event for students, parents and staff. We wish our Year 11 students luck as they enter the final phase of preparations for their exams.

Please could I ask all parents to remind students about the importance of being aware as they cross the road. I am becoming increasingly concerned about the number of students crossing roads in large groups, chatting or on mobile phones and therefore not concentrating fully on crossing the road safely. Students should use the crossings provided.

**HANDS STALL**  
(Help a Neighbour in Distress)  
at Twickenham Fair 31 May 2010  
**Donations of soft toys needed**  
– bring to reception before  
half-term please.

## NEWS

**Year 11 French GCSE students.** Are you interested in a private exchange with a family in Poitiers this summer? Friends of one of our Year 11 families would like to set up an exchange with two families for their 17 year old daughter and her friend. If you are interested please contact Ms Lyon at the school by 25 May.

### French and Spanish Twilight Classes

Reminder that the return slips for the above classes for Year 7 and 8 students are due in by **18 May**.

### Developing Self Esteem, Free Workshop for Parents 7 – 9 pm Wednesday 23 June.

Presented by Gill Hines, a freelance Health Education and Healthy Schools consultant for the Local Authority who has a great deal of experience in conducting workshops for young people as well as providing training for staff and parents. She is also the author of two parenting books, both of which deal with self esteem.

This is a fully participatory two hour workshop to introduce you to the important features of self-esteem – what it means and what we can do to help build good strong self-esteem.

The evening will consist of some activities, some information and time to talk. It is guaranteed to be thought provoking and fun. Only 30 places available, offered on a first come first serve basis. To book contact Mrs Bamford on 020 8894 3244.

## LETTERS SENT HOME

Fri 14 May	Year 8/9 After School Cookery Classes
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## EVENTS

Sat 15/Sun 16 May	Year 10 volunteers to Moonwalk 4pm – 1.30 am
Mon 17 May	9X Target Mars event in the Hall
Tues 18 May	9Y Target Mars event in the Hall / Year 11 GCSE RE Philosophy examination pm
Weds 19 May	Y11 GCSE Dance & Astronomy examinations 9 am / Year 8 Earth event in Hall
Fri 21 May	Y11 GCSE Biology examination 9 am / Year 11 GCSE PE examination (full and short) pm

**BEST ATTENDANCE – week ending 5 May**

Y7	7HH	99.4%
Y8	8SA	100%
Y9	9RM, 9NR & 9CJ	100%
Y10	10PI	98.8%
Y11	11CC	95.8%

**BEST PUNCTUALITY week ending 7 May**

7SD	0 lates
8DN, 8ND, 8SA & 8AL	0 lates
9RM, 9JS, 9AE, 9CJ & 9CD	0 lates
10JB, 10PI & 10CS	1 late
11HF	0 lates

**SPORTS EVENTS & FIXTURES**

Year	Sport	Date	Date	Year	Sport	Result
Y7/8	Rounders v Teddington	18.05.10	11.05.10	Y7/8	Rounders v HCC	WON 18.5-7.5
Y9-10	Rounders v Teddington	20.05.10				
Y7/8	Cricket Tournament	21.05.10				

**BOOK WEEK 24-28 MAY**

During Book Week we are lucky to have three popular and entertaining visiting writers:

Monday 24 May – **Joe Craig** will be talking to Year 7 students / Year 7 ‘Dress up as a book character’ day.

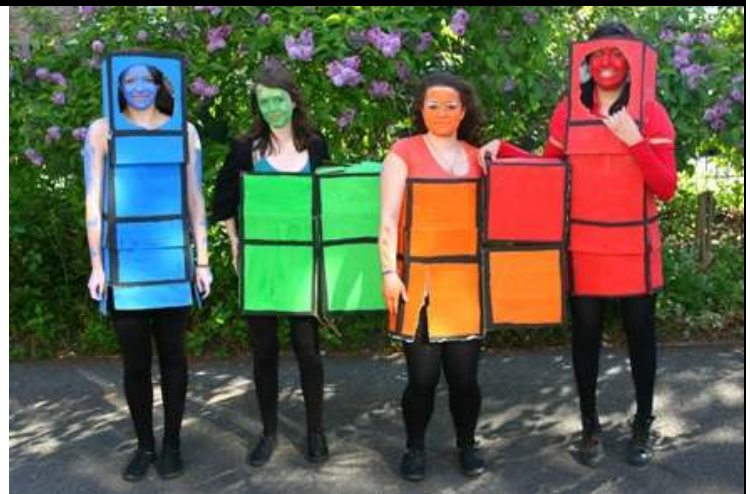
Tuesday 25 May – **Alan Gibbons** will be talking to Year 8 students and giving three workshops.

Wednesday 26 May – Year 8 inter-house book quiz at lunchtime in the Hall.

Friday 28 May – **Patrick Ness** will talk to Year 9 students.

**See the Writer – Buy a signed book!** The authors will be in the LRC to sign books at lunchtime, which are on sale.

Prices range from £5.99-£8. Patrick Ness’ new book ‘Monsters of Men’ is just out and will be available in hard back for £14.99.

**YEAR 11 DRESS-UP DAY**

Year 11 photos can be purchased from [www.vibephotography.co.uk](http://www.vibephotography.co.uk) – this is just a small sample!

**LOCAL NEWS**

**New Service in Richmond.** Providing information and advice to parents of children with additional needs in the Richmond Borough run in collaboration with Three Wings Trust, Richmond Aid, Richmond Carers Centre and The Family Information Service. To find out more drop by at our launch on Wednesday 19 March at Croft Centre, 20 Windham Rd, Richmond TW9 2HP.

**Twickenham Stadium’s Family Sports Day on 5 June hosted by the RFU.** Try out a number of fun sports 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.**

‘Run for their Lives’ 5km run or 2.5km run for children or those with limited mobility, starting at 1 pm to raise funds for the charity, Future Hope. For more information or to register email: [rachelmowbray@hotmail.com](mailto:rachelmowbray@hotmail.com).

**Stir It Up at Energize.** 8 weeks of free fun family sessions, cooking and active games for parents and junior school children. Tuesdays 4.30-6.30 pm starting 18 May at Whitton School and Sports Centre, Percy Road, Whitton. Sign up for Energize... email [health@richmond.gov.uk](mailto:health@richmond.gov.uk) or telephone 020 8891 7445. Visit [www.richmond.gov.uk/energize](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/energize) for further information.



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