



# WALDEGRAVE NEWS

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This has been a busy week which started on Monday with a super Christmas concert. Thank you to the students and staff who made the evening possible. I was pleased to see the first performance by the staff band. We hope that there will be more!

This week we have celebrated the 30th anniversary of the school. Mrs Colclough took the students on a journey through the changing fashions and developments of the school in an assembly. We were pleased to welcome past students and staff to the school.

Please note that the pedestrian crossing on the Staines Road end of Fifth Cross Road is closed because of gas works. Students are advised to be very careful when crossing the road. This week one of our students narrowly escaped being involved in an accident by running across the road.

Please be advised that there will be no PE clubs next week. Clubs will restart again on Monday 10 January.

**This is our final newsletter of the term.** School starts on Tuesday 4 January at the normal time. Thank you for your continued support, during a successful and enjoyable term.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy and safe Christmas break.

### School Uniform

Parents wishing to order school uniform from our suppliers, SchoolwearforLess, should order in December to beat the VAT and price rises in January. Please order by 12 December for deliveries before the start of the new term. Orders placed by 17 December will be delivered during the week of 7 January and orders placed up to 2 January will be delivered the following week.

## HOUSE NEWS



### Year 7 House Times Table Competition

The Year 7 House Times Tables competition took place at lunchtime on Tuesday 7 December in the Green Room. There were twenty finalists, who each brought along several friends to cheer them on. It was a tense but exciting competition where students had to answer correctly as many questions as possible in 45 seconds. There were five overall winners who have each won five house points:

Thanks also to prefects Aisling Chaudhuri I1JB and Emma Beer I1GT who helped to organise the competition.

## PTA NEWS

The date of the next PTA meeting is Tuesday 11 January 2011 in Room 15.

## EVENTS

Mon 13 Dec	Y10 Philosophy & Ethics GCSE visit to Canterbury Cathedral
Weds 15 Dec	Waldegrave 'Moves' auditions in the Hall from 3-5 pm
Thurs 16 Dec	Y7 Christmas Party and Mufti Day 3-4.15 pm

W/E 03.12.10	BEST ATTENDANCE		BEST PUNCTUALITY		MOST HOUSE POINTS	
Year 7	7JF	98.2%	7PG & 7PM	0 lates	7PMP	217 points
Year 8	8HH	97.8%	8DM	1 late	8JDS	180 points
Year 9	9ND	96.9%	9AL	1 late	9RAE	127 points
Year 10	10KP	94.2%	10RM	4 lates	10RMF	287 points
Year 11	11JB	95.8%	11JB, 11KD, 11CS	7 lates	11ABF	137 points

## SPORTS EVENTS & FIXTURES

Year	Sport	Date	Date	Year	Sport	Result
			08.12.10	Y10/11	Volleyball Finals – A team	3rd
			08.12.10	Y10/11	Volleyball Finals – B team	4th

## SPORTS NEWS

### Borough Cross Country Competition

Congratulations to the thirty students who took part in the Borough Cross Country competition on Friday 26 November at Richmond Park. Our Year 7 students finished in third place in their age group. The Year 8/9 students also finished in third place and Year 10/11 in second place. Overall Waldegrave finished in second place. The following students were in the top ten and will compete for Richmond in the Middlesex Championships in February. Year 7 – Anna Nicholas 7PM (3rd) and Lily Anderson 7PM (5th), Year 10/11 – Eliza Cottington 10NR (4th), Isabella Taylor 10RM (6th), Isabella Harvey 11KD (8th) and Julia Skinner 11JB (9th).

**Congratulations to Saraya Crofts 7HW** who has been awarded the Jack Petchey Achievement Award as a general gymnast for Richmond Gymnastics Association. This means she is able to choose how to spend £200 for the benefit of the RGA. Her outstanding achiever citation said: 'Saraya has been a member of the club for many years, consistently attending classes, camps and competitions. She puts a lot of effort into her training, she choreographs her own routines and has proved to be one of the RGA's most loyal general gymnasts'.

### London Youth Games Trials

The online application form for the London Youth Games 2011 is now live. It can be found at [www.richmond.gov.uk/sportsdevelopment](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/sportsdevelopment). The mini marathon online form is also available and can be found at [www.richmond.gov.uk/minimarathon](http://www.richmond.gov.uk/minimarathon). Paper copies will be available in the school in the New Year, however, the Sports Development team are encouraging participants to sign up online. Waldegrave has received the award for the highest number of girl participants for the last three years and it would be great if we could make it four years running!

## CHRISTMAS AT WALDEGRAVE

### Lunchtime Concert in Twickenham.

Year 8 students played and sang a variety of carols at Orchid Café where elderly residents and their carers come to a Day Centre at Howe Lodge, Twickenham.



### Christmas Concert

Sales of tickets for the Christmas Concert this week, and a collection at the concert, raised £699 for the charity, Winston's Wish, the leading childhood bereavement charity.

Next week some of our Year 11 students will help with Christmas lunch and entertainment for the residents of our nearest sheltered housing scheme - Sandown Court, Hampton Road, Twickenham.



## LOCAL NEWS

### Big Game 3 – Harlequins v London Irish at Twickenham Stadium Monday 27 December

Tickets £10 adults and £5 children. Pre and half time entertainment with X Factor's Jamie Archer and two other prominent X Factor finalists from this year, with more entertainment to be announced. Tickets on sale through community. Telephone Gerald Kelly on 020 8410 6062 or visit [www.thebiggame.co.uk](http://www.thebiggame.co.uk).



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