



Weekly Newsletter – 28 June 2024
We show PRIDE by being PROUD of our own achievements
and the achievements of our peers

Message from the Principal

Dear Parents/Carers,



As you know, we were the proud recipients of three of the Best in Everyone Awards last week, so I am starting with a photo of our two student winners together with Ms Taylor and Ms Britchfield who travelled up to represent the Inclusion Team. Congratulations to them all!

This week we have continued our successes. Michael in Year 10 excelled himself at the Athletics on Tuesday, securing 1st place in Shot Put and Discus and breaking the record for his age group within the competition. Michael's dedication, commitment and sportsmanship have truly come to light and this achievement highlights his talent and inspires all our students to strive for excellence, underpinning our PRIDE values.

We were also very pleased this week to reach the national finals of the Goldsmith's Community Awards for the third consecutive year. This brings the spotlight on our students who volunteer to go above and beyond to work with the community in a wide variety of ways and we are delighted that this brings national recognition to the school.

Earlier this week we had virtually all of Year 9 in the West End at the theatre to watch the amazing Lion King (we had NO problem finding staff volunteers for the trip!) and also had an Enterprise Team competing in a Pay it Forward competition. This is an inter-school challenge which at this stage was against other United Learning schools. I am thrilled to let you know that our team won this and are now invited to the Grand Final to pitch their product against other schools. The judges will include Levi Roots, Seema Malhotra, Peter Gladwin and Naushad Jivraj and the event will be at the prestigious Drapers' Hall in the City. (I believe that the final is against schools in another well-known academy group!).

Others in Year 9 have been in Braithwaite this week – experiencing the Lake District in the heat and by all accounts having a brilliant week. On top of that, we have the Duke of Edinburgh qualifying weekend.

Next week is no less busy! Year 12 are off to Braithwaite, we have two days of Year 12 induction on Monday and Tuesday and then a day of Year 7 induction on Wednesday. On Tuesday evening we have our new year 7 Parent Information Evening and on Wednesday afternoon our Drama Club are putting on a Showcase Event. Wednesday evening will be our Year 11 Prom. On Thursday we are inviting in to school our new teachers

who will also be joining us in September and then on Friday we can take some time to stop and reflect on the history of the school as it is Founder's Day.

Thursday next week is also Election Day (in case you had forgotten!). We are a Polling Station and so will be guiding our students into the Westcombe Park site from the main road for the day to allow a separate entrance to the Polling Station from the side gate.

Founder's Day FRIDAY 5TH JULY 2024 – this is a key date in our diary and a formal event for everyone at the school. For many years the students of the school have walked down through the park to attend a celebratory concert in St Alfege's Church. Within the church is a large plaque that notes John Roan's gift to the community that founded our school. Our Music Department put on a wonderful showcase of their very best musicians each year and we all remind ourselves of our rich history and the pride we feel as members of the John Roan Community.

The church is no longer big enough for all students in our growing and popular school, so we have some students in the church, together with the musicians (of course) and our VIP guests who are largely Old Roans, but this year will also include the Deputy Mayor of Greenwich. Those who are not able to be at the church will be watching a live feed of the concert in their classrooms. This is also available for parents to watch and we will share the link with you nearer the time.

Following the concert, at around 12.30pm, we will dismiss the students – either from the gate at the bottom of the park or from school.

There will not, therefore, be a newsletter for parents next Friday, but please do look out in your inboxes for specific information relating to Sports Day which is on Wednesday 10th July. We also apologise that due to technical issues, this week's newsletter is late in reaching you.

Best wishes,
Cath Smith
Principal

Dates for the Week Ahead - Year 12 Braithwaite Trip

Monday, 1st July

Sixth Form Taster Day - MH

Year 6/7 Friendship Afternoon – 4.00-5.30pm - WP

Tuesday, 2nd July

Sixth Form Taster Day - MH

Y8 Height & Weight Clinic - WP

Greenwich Schools Track & Field Event – Girls

Year 6/7 Parent Information Meeting – 6-7pm – MH Hall

Wednesday, 3rd July

Year 6/7 Induction Day - WP

Drama Showcase – 5.00pm - MH

Year 11 PROM

Thursday, 4th July

CFA Trip to Southend

Founder's Day Rehearsal's – 2.30pm

Celebration of ECT/ITT Cohort – 3.30pm – WP Balcony

Friday, 5th July - Founder's Day Annual Celebration

The JRSA (PTA) – Updates

Sales Success!

The pre-worn uniform sale held on Monday was a real success with many parents and students attending to pick out some uniform essentials at great prices. This event takes place each term, so we always need lots of donations to keep up with the demand. If your child has grown out of a blazer or any piece of uniform, please consider donating it back to school. As long as it is clean and in good condition, all donations can be dropped into the Westcombe Park Reception. Thank you.

Donations Needed

Preparations are in full swing for the Summer BBQ. We really appreciate all the help that parents and carers provide to help this event be the success it is.

If you are able to provide a side dish to compliment the BBQ food, please bring it along on the night, rice, pasta, salads are all perfect and very appreciated, clearly marked with allergens.

The raffle table is always popular and such a great fundraiser. Donations are coming in but if you can provide a small raffle prize or approach a local business to ask for a donation, every prize will help us fundraise.

Click on the link here to confirm what you can donate or offer help

<https://signup.com/go/oZsDRUT>

You can bring along on the night or drop to the office at Westcombe Park. Thank you.

The JRSA Committee



Get your BBQ tickets – Friday 12th July

BBQ-ing from 6pm, tickets can be purchased on the [link here](#) or use the QR code shown on the poster. Tickets are £10 for adults, £5 for children and a family ticket (up to 4 people) can be purchased for £25

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Join our...
BBQ
The heat is on!

Come Along to our **Summer** fundraiser
meet **friends** & chat to **teachers**
Friday 12th July **BBQ'ing** from **6pm**
£5 child, **£10** adult, **£25** family of **four**
Scan **QR code** for tickets & details

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INFORMATION

Athletics News

Boys Greenwich Schools Track and Field Championships 2024

Congratulations to the Boys who represented the school at the annual Greenwich Schools Track & Field Championships on Tuesday. We are also looking forward to the Girls event this coming Tuesday 2nd July.

Here are some of the highlights from the event:

Joshua 6th Yr 7 Javelin

Samuel 6th Yr 8 800m

Deyjuan 4th Yr 8 300m

Alfie 6th Yr 9 800m

Joshua 6th Yr 9 Discus

Michael 1st Yr 10 Discus & Shot

Owen 3rd Yr 10 Long Jump

Yr 10 4 x 100m Relay 3rd (Jake, Mark, Michael & Nicholas)

Miss Mann

Head of PE

WOOLWICH CROWN COURT OPEN DAY 6TH JULY 2024

Further to previous communications, the Open Day is fast approaching!
They hope to see you on the 6th July. *DRAFT programme attached.*

UNIFORM POP UP SHOP – SATURDAY, 6TH JULY 2024 FROM 11AM-3PM

Back by popular demand, the uniform pop up shop will return to Westcombe Park Road on Saturday, 6th July from 11.00am to 3.00pm. Please note we invite you to attend in time slots according to your surname, see the attached flyer for more information and *DISCOUNTS on offer*.

Students will be able to try items on and you can pay by card or cash. Please also note that Khalsa Schoolwear have moved from Crayford to Dagenham, Essex so Saturday 6th July is a great opportunity to try on items and place your order.

Thank you.