

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers, Staff & Governors

Our summer of celebration (if you can call this weather summer...) continues. This week we went to the Year 13 Prom held in Dulwich where the rain held off so students could fully enjoy the experience.

Another celebration goes to the success of our Girls under 15 football team proving that anything the boys can do, the girls can do too. With some playing opposition 4 years older than them, this is a real achievement and an indication of just how good they are. Go Girls! We look forward to putting more silverware into the trophy cabinet!

Another prize winning moment was the opportunity for winners of Battle of the Bands - Careless - to take to the Crystal Palace Festival Republic stage - to a bunch of screaming fans. Proof that Punk is not dead! With the news full of the election, it was great to hear of two of our own putting their time and effort into listening to local candidates and getting onto the campaign trail themselves. We recognise the importance of hearing young people's voices in politics and to see Lena and Inca actively involved for their generation made us very proud.

We hope to see many of you this week at our school production of the Wizand next week's Cultural Evening, more on that next week when hopefully it will look more like July...

Best wishes

Niki Clemenger & Richard Cole

Co-Headteachers



Sixth Form Prom at Bel Air House above, VA trip below middle, local hustings and Careless at the Festival Republic Stage in Crystal Palace below left.



Hustings - right

Highlights of the Week

Mr Francis sent some shots of Careless (Battle of the Bands winners) playing on the Festival Republic stage in Crystal Palace park- the spirit of punk is alive and kicking!

Ms Ockwell and Mr Foster took KS3 VA students on a reward trip to Frameless. The students had a fabulous time immersing themselves in the artwork and making new friends in other year groups.

Politics students Lena Wrate and Inca Martinez attended Dulwich and West Norwood Hustings at Herne Hill Baptist Church They had an extensive chat with Reform UK candidate, Gary Stevens and Green candidate Peter Elliott. The following day the pair canvassed with the Green Party - door to door.

All three Year 12 entrants to the Cambridge Chemistry Challenge (Sylvia, Mofi and Amelie) have qualified for the Silver Award, which is a brilliant achievement as the questions are degree style and silver places them in the top tier of students!

Students were entered to the competition with very little notice or preparation and smashed it! Thanks to Dr O'Brien Coker for organising and to Ms Perrot and Ms O'Neill for teaching them the knowledge that got them there!

Coach Lucio took a basketball trip to Worcester University, it was a fantastic experience for our Year 13, Year 12, and some Year 9 students, focused on physical benchmarking and basketball performance.

One of our Governors, Ros Millam, made our librarian Ms Gallant almost cry this week....with joy.... at a donation of books. Ros used her connections to Lambeth college who were clearing out their library with many of the books brand new! Ms Gallant is one happy lady!

Important Dates

- Whole School Show The Wiz 10th July 7pm, 11th July 3:30pm and 7pm
- Cultural Social Tuesday 16th July 6pm
- Sports Day at Tooting Bec Monday 22nd July
- Activity Day Tuesday 23rd July
- End of Summer term Wed 24th July 12:40

Hot Chocolate with the Heads this week

Congratulations to:

- Annie Grossart (7IKA)
- Saige Soppet (8CAT)
- Alexander Cudia (9EAN)
- Adnass Sahak (10HRO)
- Lena Wrate (12HAI)

Well done Sylvia, Mofi and Amelie



Thanks to a great team of parents who were in on Saturday and this week, helping staff with set, props and costumes for The Wiz - great team effort!



Basketballers visits Worcester Uni



The U15 Girls team won their Lambeth Football League with a 2-0 win over BTG in the final to win the school's first girls 11-a-side trophy. Brilliant!



Thank you to Ros Millam, Ms Gallant is so delighted with the new books!

July 10th 2024





It's time to elect your new PTA members to take Friends of The Norwood School to the next level! Here are the roles that will need filling - detailed descriptions are available if you contact us at

friendsofthenorwoodschool@gmail.com.

Full handovers will be given as well.

Some roles can be shared between two people.

Don't forget, the PTA provide the bars and snacks at the main school events, run the second hand uniform sales, plus have created the Quiz Night and the Comedy Night events, highlights of the school calendar!

Along with supporting all the departments at the school with new kit or extra items to support learning, money is also contributed to the school proms and the end of year day out to ensure that everyone has the chance to go. Our constitution is set up to ensure everything we do reaches as many/all of the children that we can.

Every child in Norwood will have benefitted from the money raised in the last three years. Please do keep it

going by volunteering!

AGM 12th July

Have you bought your

summer social ticket? Click on this link! Pre ordered food tickets on sale until Friday 12th Here's the menu from Jerky Friday Rice and Peas or sliced Hard Dough Bread, Jerk Chicken, (Callaloo for the vegan) Fried Plantains & Salad NON food tickets admission only now on sale!



Calling all Parents and Carers – Your school needs you!



We are recruiting for our Parent-Teachers Association, The Friends of The Norwood School (FOTNS) for the new school year, 2024/25.

FOTNS is a thriving and active PTA, playing a pivotal role in supporting the school's ambitions and community life.

Our mission is to;

- Create a positive, inclusive school community
- Provide extra opportunities for our children
- Fundraise for amazing equipment
- Facilitate the extras that enhance education

All parents and carers are welcome to apply for roles on the PTA. All skills are needed but the most important skill is enthusiasm! We are grateful for any contribution no matter how much time or support you can offer.

Please take a look at the roles below and get in touch if you would like to know more and/or to apply. (Ideally we would like to elect roles at the annual FOTNS AGM on 12 July). Email: friendsofthenorwoodschool@gmail.com

Committee roles

Chairperson

Main duty: To lead and direct the FOTNS PTA. **Key jobs:** To make all committee members feel welcome and valued; to set the PTA agenda; to provide leadership; to co-write the annual PTA report; to make decisions for and on behalf of the FOTNS.

Needs to be: Enthusiastic, calm; good at listening; decisive.

Treasurer

Main duty: To oversee the PTA's financial affairs. Key jobs: To manage accounts; do banking and maintain up-to-date financial

Needs to be: Reliable; organised; good with numbers.

Secretary

Main duty: To keep up-to-date records of PTA activity. Key jobs: To organise PTA meetings; to prepare and distribute agendas and minutes; to build strong relationships with key school staff. Needs to be: Organised; good at time management and friendly.



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The Bartender

Main duty: To manage the school bar for all events (where required). Key jobs: To be the key figure looking after beverages and bar volunteers at any event -

taking care of the necessary licences; sourcing the beverages and snacks, managing the inventory for the bar and the running of the bar, including organising the bar staff.

Frequency: Approx 12 events per school year.

Needs to be: Organised; responsible; clear-headed, collaborative.

The Second-hand Uniform Coordinator

Main duty: To organise and manage the collection of second-hand

Key jobs: To sort, clean and organise the donation of second-hand uniform (in collaboration

with other volunteers). Keep an inventory of clothing, organise the selling of uniforms and manage the pricing and finances from the sales of uniforms.

Frequency: Approx. 4 sales a year

Needs to be: Organised; responsible; clear-headed.

The Social Media guru

Main duty: To help promote the good work of FOTNS.

Key jobs: To manage the communication channels used by FOTNS and help raise awareness of the PTA activities through creative content and delivery across WhatsApp, the

school website, and offline channels.

Frequency: As and when

Needs to be: Creative; responsible and collaborative.

The Estate Agent Manager

Main duty: To manage the partnerships with local estate agents. **Key jobs:** Coordinating the display of estate agent boards to help raise funds for the school.

Involves liaising with agents and organising the placement of boards...

Frequency: 2-3 times a year max.

Needs to be: Organised; responsible; clear-headed and collaborative.

The Charity Expert

Main duty: To identify new funding streams and activities aligned to our charitable status.

Key jobs: Identifying grant opportunities, assessing, and applying for appropriate grants.

Frequency: As and when.

Needs to be: Analytical; responsible; and collaborative.

