

Dear Parents, Guardians, Carers, Staff & Governors

Last week was blessed with beautiful sunshine which we are sure you all enjoyed. It meant that break and lunchtime saw many more of us outside. Our resident dungeons and dragon group came out into the sun to play their regular game and attempt to teach us how it worked. We still don't get it but loved their teamwork.

With World Book Day also a highlight of the week, it was appropriate that Buddy reading pairings were made between some of our Year 7 and 6th form volunteers. We hope it is the beginning of a positive relationship with reading and books. On World Book Day we actually had a look around Maths lessons too where students were hard at work and demonstrating their numeracy skills (and not at all distracted by Ms LT dressed as the Lion from Wizard of Oz!)

We also had a fantastic 6th form workshop provided dance artist, Roseann Dendy this week. The results were lovely to watch. She was incredibly impressed by our students and their abilities - they were equally impressed with hers and thoroughly enjoyed it.

Best Wishes,
Niki Clemenger and Richard Cole
Co-Headteachers



Highlights of the Week

Mr Murphy wanted to say a massive thanks to everyone who got dressed up for World Book Day. The kids had a blast and so did some of our staff who also dressed up! We had Ms Havisham, Scrooge and even The Cat in the Hat! It really gave the school a good buzz at what was a busy time of year

A massive shout-out to Ms Gallant for her help with the book quiz at lunch time and the author's talk in the afternoon with the librarians - she has been an absolute superstar!

The KS3 play season took place last week. With 6 plays over 3 nights, full audiences each time and a cast of so many it was quite an undertaking. Year 13 switched to the director role with success - we caught a few of the plays and were impressed with the commitment and variety. A big well done to them!

Apologies for the typo in the newsletter last week. Year 11 Information evening will be on Thursday 20th March 16:30-19:00. More details will follow.

Important Dates

- A Level Assessment W/C 10th March
- Y12/13 VA Mocks W/C 17 March
- Y11 Information Evening 20 March 4:30-7
- Spring Music Showcase 3rd April 7-9
- Spring Term Ends Friday 4th April
- Return to School Tuesday 22nd April

Hot Chocolate with the Heads this week

Congratulations to:

- Rose German (7SV)
- Silas Campbell (8DRO)
- Leo Holmes (9MCL)
- Ella Widdup (10JHB)
- Adnass Sahak (11GA)



Highlights of the Week

A big well down to Osaze who was part of the Next Steps Lambeth Career Fair. He had a fantastic day co-hosting the event with Kheron Gilpin, meeting Florence Eshalomi the MP of Vauxhall & Camberwell Green and interviewing John-Paul Ennis the Mayor of Lambeth. As well as inspiring and motivating over 2k year 10 students across Lambeth with his talks of investing in their future and share his future ambitions he was also able to explore the his own career pathway through engaging with employers such as Spotify, post 16 organisations, talks and workshops on offer on the day. What an achievement!

6 week Youth Led Workshops in The Old Library

Explore, Create & Discover – Inclusive Workshops for Young People!

Free, hands-on workshops are being launched for young people (ages 9–14, with younger and older participants welcome) at West Norwood Cemetery, one of London’s Magnificent Seven. These workshops provide an opportunity to:

- Explore history, nature, and hidden stories
- Create art, storytelling, and digital projects
- Shape their own experience through collaborative workshops

As part of *West Norwood Cemetery: A New Beginning*, a National Lottery Heritage Fund project, these sessions offer an engaging and interactive way for young people to connect with history.

Important: If a child prefers not to enter the cemetery for cultural or personal reasons, alternative arrangements will be made to ensure inclusivity for all participants.

Saturday mornings – spaces are limited! Join us by booking [here](#):

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/6-week-youth-led-workshops-in-the-old-library-tickets-1264009760219?aff=oddtcreator&fbclid=IwY2xjawl1oT1leHRuA2FlbQlxMAABHe8d9oCjdX9nOOpaGLKaiVytJAJV_lcTPMI5N7Zi5sYkSFPPCD4sKzccMQ_aem_hVW5JcTZks91ehphafSZfw



Friends of Norwood Notices

- Thanks to Miranda's charity efforts, we have been shortlisted for **Tesco Stronger Starts Green tokens programme** for fundraising for the 'Mindfulness Garden' aka The Wedge. Voting will commence in store from the first week of April 2025 to June 2025 with the green tokens so please spread the word if you use those stores. Participating stores are:
 - 2723 Croxted Road, Dulwich Express SE21 8SZ
 - 3317 Tulse Hill Express SW2 2QB
 - 4342 Streatham Extra SW16 6HP
 - 5122 Clapham Superstore SW4 9DF
 - 5358 Streatham Place Express SW2 4QY
 - 5470 West Norwood Express SE27 9DL
 - 5494 Streatham High Street Express SW16 1DA
 - 5678 Clapham Wandsworth Express SW8 3JL
 - 6239 Streatham Crown Express SW16 3JG
 - 6791 Brixton Hill Road Express Express SW2 1SD

It could be worth up to £1500 if we get the most votes so it will be very helpful.

A message of thanks from Mr Lever:

Many thanks to the Friends of Norwood, who have supplied the geography department with A-Level and GCSE geography magazines. The magazines come every quarterly, with new and up-to-date themes and insights into the world of geography, with tips and hints on exam questions and coursework preparations. The most recent editions included Earthquakes and Tectonics, Migration and the Impacts of Brexit on London's Financial Centre. All in all - a great read!!

