

Message from the Head teacher:

As we enter October, I am excited to share that our school will be celebrating Black History Month, a time to honour the rich contributions and history of Black individuals and communities. This annual observance provides us with a wonderful opportunity to engage our students in meaningful discussions about diversity, culture, and the impact of Black history on our society.

Throughout the month, we will be hosting a variety of activities designed to educate and inspire our students. Students will engage in special classroom projects and presentations focusing on influential figures, historical events, and significant movements within Black history. This will help them understand the struggles and triumphs that have shaped our world today. Our library will showcase a selection of books and resources dedicated to Black history, allowing students to explore and learn at their own pace.

We encourage families to participate in this celebration at home as well. Consider discussing notable figures in Black history with your children or exploring resources together. This can enrich their understanding and appreciation of the cultural contributions that have shaped our communities.

Black History Month is not only an opportunity to celebrate achievements but also to foster discussions about equality, respect, and the importance of inclusivity. Together, we can create a supportive environment that values diversity and encourages all students to appreciate the richness of different cultures.

Thank you for your continued support in making our school a welcoming place for all.

Warm regards,

Aneta Maculewicz



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SCHOOL CALENDAR



15 th Oct 24	SEND Specialist Drop-in Clinic @ BH 9.30-11
16 th Oct 24	SEND Specialist Drop-in Clinic @ WM 9.30-11
17 th Oct 24	Coffee Morning @ BH 9.30-10.30
18 th Oct 24	Last day of Term
04 th Nov 24	Return to school

This Week's Top Attendance

Whole School Attendance

(Average this year)

86.6%

Attendance Congratulations

Classes with above 90% attendance

- (WM) Hawking – 96.4%
- (WM) Fox – 95.4%
- (BH) Blue – 94.4%
- (BH) Ruby – 94.3%
- (WM) Capaldi – 93.3%
- (WM) Mandela – 93.1%
- (WM) Watson – 93.0%
- (WM) Pearson – 92.6%
- (BH) Rose – 91.9%
- (WM) Fotheringham – 91.8%
- (WM) Charles – 91.6%
- (WM) Angelou – 90.5%
- (WM) Goldberg – 90.8%

Makaton theme for this term will be animals - Chicken



You tube link for - [Chicken](#)

Learning @ BH – Navy Class

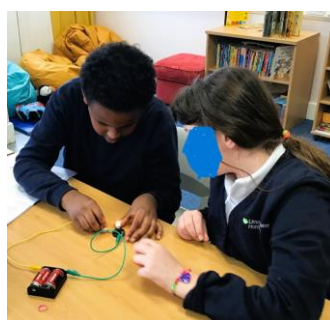
Learners in Navy class have settled very well into their new routines this first half term. They have been getting to know each other and making new friends, through sharing a range of activities such as the sensory room and a picnic on a late summer's day in the sensory garden. The latter also linked to the "Understanding the World" curriculum area where pupils are learning about 'Autumn'. In art lessons Navy class are making a large tree together, representing changes from summer to autumn.



They have been experimenting with different materials and techniques, including bashing paint with a mallet to create autumn leaves!

Learning @ WM – Capaldi Class

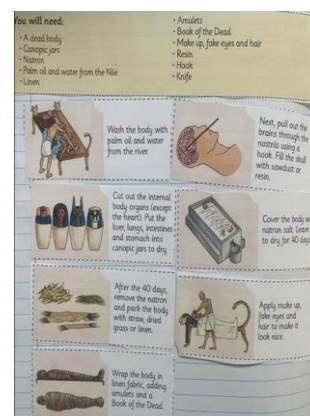
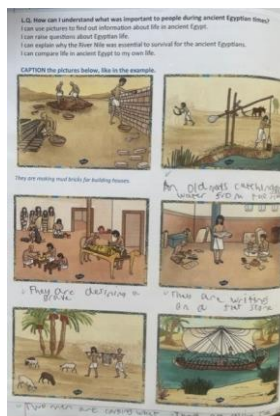
In Science, the students from Capaldi class have been making simple circuits and have been investigating conductors and insulators.



In Maths we are exploring decimals and ways to make one whole with tenths and hundredths.



In History we have been learning about what mattered to ancient Egyptians and the process of mummification.



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Some Kind of Hack Space

'Some Kind of Hack Space'

A space for autonomous creative exploration with technology

For neurodiverse young people age 14-25

What is 'Some Kind of Hack Space'?

Some Kind of Hack Space is a project space for neurodiverse young people to experiment, test out creative ideas, and meet up.

A relaxed supportive environment in which neurodiverse young people can explore their own creative ideas supported by regular staff and visiting creative practitioners with expertise in neurodivergent conditions and youth work.

Visiting artists, designers and scientists will bring a variety of creative workshops and activities to each session.

You can bring your own projects to get on with. You might for example want to code, edit film, animate, draw, knit, write music...just let us know what you're thinking of doing in the sign-up form. You will have access to some equipment, computers and drawing materials.

Artists and technicians are available to assist you with your projects if you need them. They have lots of skills they can share with you including coding and electronics, making music, animation, filmmaking, using a camera, fabric construction and mathematical origami! **Please follow link below for more information**

[For more information](#)

Where is it?

- Leyton Sixth Form College, Essex Road, Leyton, London, E10 6EQ

Other Stuff

- It's free
- Parents, carers and siblings are welcome to come along and support you, join in the activities, have a cuppa with other parents in the foyer, or drop you off for the day. Whatever suits you.
- We will have some snacks, but do bring your own food and drinks

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Coffee Mornings

17th October 9.30 – 10.30 @ BH School

5th November 9.30-10.30 @ WM School

14th November 9.30 – 10.30 @ BH School

12th December 9.30 – 10.30 @ BH School



Sensory Explorers at Walthamstow Wetlands



Walthamstow Wetlands are running a new session one Sunday a month, Sensory Explorers, which involves using our senses to connect with nature.

Sessions are for families with children with additional needs and/or a disability. Full details including booking links and dates can be found using the link.

[Sensory Explorers at Walthamstow Wetland](#)





Thursday 10th October Lunch Time Menu

Main – Jerk Chicken – This hearty stew from Louisiana showcases the blend of African, French and Spanish cuisine.

Vegetarian Option – Ethiopian Lentil Stew – This spicy lentil stew is a staple in Ethiopian Cuisine, rich in flavour and nutrients.

Accompaniments – Rice and Peas, Fried Plantain, Steamed Vegetables.

Desert – Ginger Cake

Lunches cost 2.50 per day unless your learner qualifies for Free School Meals, please call school office if you would like to give it a try.



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SEND Specialist Practitioner Drop in Clinics

15th Oct 9.30 – 11.00 @ BH site

16th Oct 9.30 – 11.00 @ WM Site

Waltham Forest
0-19 School Health

SEND Specialist Practitioner Drop-in Clinics

We offer public health interventions, confidential support and advice for your child around (but not limited to)...

- Healthy eating and lifestyles
- Hygiene
- Weight
- Dental health
- Healthy sleep
- Immunisations
- Toileting
- Behaviours
- Puberty
- Emotional and Wellbeing
- Drugs alcohol and smoking
- Sexual health and relationships
- ...or just a chat

Drop-in clinics during the school year

- One per half term
- Usually on a Monday
- Time: 9.30am-11am or 2pm - 3.30pm

How to contact us
Email: thgpcg.WF0-19sendspecialistservice@nhs.net
Call Single Point of Access (SPA): 0300 033 6200
Email SPA: thgpcg.wf0-19spa1@nhs.net

If we cannot help, we will find someone who can.

We also refer and signpost to specialist services.

Website: www.gpcaregroup.org | Social media: @THGPCareGroup

September 2024

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St Johns College Open Day – 17th October 2024



In partnership with New City College

Invite you to St John's College Open Day

Thursday, 17th October 2024

Four Sessions to choose from

11am, 11.30am, 2.00pm or 2.30pm

St John's College is part of the specialist provision of New City College for learners with a wide range of needs including moderate to severe Learning Difficulties, autistic spectrum disorder (ASD) and those with associated speech, language and communication difficulties, aged 19-25 years.

This is your chance to visit and explore our fantastic College. See what we can offer to prospective students, as well as an opportunity to meet our current students and staff.

St John's College

Turpins Lane, Woodford Bridge, Essex IG8 8AX

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You are invited to....



LAH Coffee Morning @ BH Campus

On the 17th of October, 09:30-10:30

We have our special guest from the
London Borough of Waltham Forest...

Amber De Rosa – Adult
learning/Family learning!!!



See you there.

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COMMUNITY DROP-IN

WALTHAMSTOW SESSIONS ARE MOVING!

**FROM 1 AUGUST 2024
THE COMMUNITY DROP-IN
ON THURSDAY, 9.45AM TO 11.15PM
WILL MOVE FROM WALTHAMSTOW FAMILY HUB
TO WALTHAMSTOW LIBRARY, HIGH ST, E17 7JN**



WALTHAM FOREST

FAMILY HUBS

ACCESS, RELATIONSHIPS, CONNECTION

CAN YOU HELP?

**You can find
out how to
volunteer here:**



DROP IN FROM 9.45-11.15AM

FREE DROP IN SESSION, NO NEED TO BOOK

TUESDAY

**QUEENS ROAD
FAMILY HUB
215 QUEENS ROAD
E17 8PJ**

WEDNESDAY

**CHINGFORD
FAMILY HUB
5 OAKS GROVE
E4 6EY**

THURSDAY

**WALTHAMSTOW
LIBRARY
HIGH STREET
E17 7JN**

FRIDAY

**LEYTONSTONE
FAMILY HUB
2-8 CATHALL ROAD
E11 4LF**



Waltham Forest

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