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Achievement for all in a unique world-class school

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Week ending 09/06/23



Tuesday 13 June
Yr8 – HPV 2nd Vaccination

Wednesday 14 June
London Youth Games Football

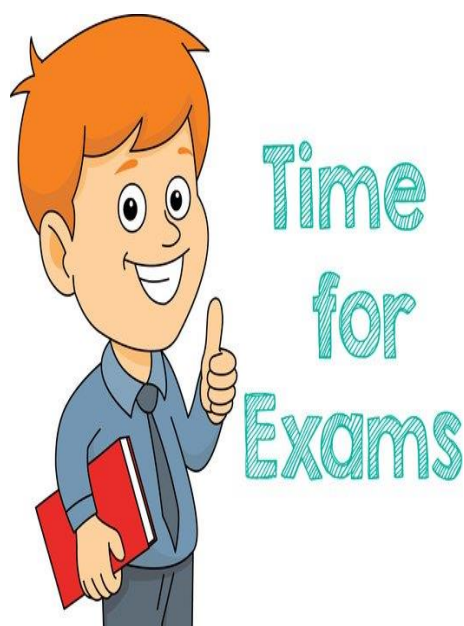
Friday 16 June
INSET Day (School closed to all Pupils)

Green Frog Tombola **Winners**

Key Stage 3 Winner
Oriana – Y9

Key Stage 4 & 5 Winner
Jose – Y10

WELL DONE!



Exams

Year 11A will sit their GCSE exams with English Language GCSE Paper 2 and Chemistry GCSE Paper 2. All parents/carers of those students entered for GCSEs will already have received an individualised timetable in the post and several reminder texts but to confirm those GCSE exams remaining are as follows:

- **Monday 12 June (AM) - English Language GCSE Paper 2**
- **Tuesday 13 June (AM) - Chemistry GCSE Paper 2**

If your child is struggling with exam stress there is some really useful tips and support on Young Minds

www.youngminds.org.uk/young-person/coping-with-life/exam-stress/



It's Child Safety Week!

This week we are supporting the [Child Accident Prevention Trust's](#) (CAPT) annual campaign to raise awareness of the risks of child accidents and how they can be prevented. Did you know that 80% of accidents for under 5's happen at home? This year's theme is **'safety made simple'** so it's all about the simple and practical things we can do to keep children safe.

- Signposting parents and carers to the [CAPT parent's information pack](#).

<https://capt.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Child-Safety-Week-Parents-Pack-Safety-Made-Simple.pdf>

Window Safety

The weather is warming up and whilst we all need good ventilation in the home, it's important to consider the danger of open windows and balcony areas to young children. Children want to see what is going on outside and this means that windows are tempting to play near or climb onto. Following a number of tragic deaths in East London, there is a need to especially consider window safety during the school holidays when children spend more time at home. Please signpost parents and carers to the [Window Safety Leaflet](#) produced by Hackney's Resident Safety Team. It offers advice to council tenants and contact details of repairs teams if there are faults with safety catches and closing mechanisms.

Water Safety

Did you know a child can drown in as little as 5cm of water? This means it's especially important to supervise children around baths, garden containers, ponds, pools and open water. Parents and carers should also remain alert to threats when visiting other people's homes e.g. hot tubs or access to a neighbour's garden.

Find out more about water safety in the local briefing produced [HERE](#) and on the CAPT website [HERE](#).

Dog Safety

As a nation of dog lovers, it is important for parents and carers to consider how to keep children safe when there are pets in the home. One way is to closely supervise children when they are playing with dogs:

- Watch, listen, and remain close during child-dog interactions. Remember some common child behaviours like preventing a dog from moving freely or taking away their toys can precede a bite.
- Intervene when either the child or dog looks uncomfortable or acts in an unsafe way.
- If you will be preoccupied or distracted, separate the child and dog.

Find out more, including how to prepare a dog for a new baby in the family [HERE](#).

Safer Sleep

All professionals need to be alert in their conversations with parents and carers to anything that indicates a change in a baby's sleep routine e.g., party seasons, staying overnight at relatives, car seats for long journeys, use of alcohol or medication which causes drowsiness.

Professionals can signpost parents and carers to resources on Safer Sleep including short videos [HERE](#).

Blind Cord Safety

Over the years a number of tragic accidents have occurred across the country where babies and small children have injured or strangled themselves on internal window blind cords and chains. Young children can very quickly be strangled by loops in pull cords, chains, tapes and inner cords that operate the blinds.

It is always better to remove blinds on internal windows or doors and where possible move children's cots / beds away from windows.

A number of other safety measures that can be taken to reduce the risk of tragic accidents occurring can be found [HERE](#).

Fire Safety

Everyday fire risks are present at home. Families can protect their children by:

- making sure their smoke alarm is fitted and regularly tested. A working smoke alarm will give you the vital minutes needed to leave your home before it is filled with deadly smoke.
- storing heated hair appliances (like hair straighteners) safely away from the reach of children.
- getting into a routine of storing flammables like matches and lighters in a designated secure place away from small children every time they are used.
- planning and practicing escape routes with all members of the family. This includes teaching children what to do if a fire breaks out so they are less likely to hide (which could mean it takes longer to rescue them).
- clearing away clutter from hallways so they are not a trip hazard when leaving a dark smoke-filled home.

Find out more fire safety advice [HERE](#).

Button Battery Safety

Button batteries, in particular big, powerful lithium coin cell batteries, can badly hurt or kill a small child if they swallow one and it gets stuck in their food pipe. They can be found in a wide range of places in the home including toys, decorative lights, remote controls, old musical greeting cards and car key fobs.

Top tips for keeping children safe include:

- identifying anything in the home which does not have a secure battery compartment and keeping these away from children.
- storing spare button batteries in a sealed container in a high cupboard.
- taking care when buying toys from markets, discount stores or temporary shops as they may not conform to safety regulations.
- teaching older children that button batteries are dangerous and not to play with them or give them to younger brothers and sisters.

More tips including a downloadable poster to share with parents can be found [HERE](#).

Work In the Garden

This is Eiden, Mya and Jayden from 7MY. On Wednesday some students worked in the garden to remove some overgrown plants. We used tools and the wheelbarrows. We worked as a team to dig some weeds that were even bigger than us!



WHAT'S FOR LUNCH? WEEK 2



	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAIN (OPTION 1)	Basil Pesto & Crème Fraiche Pesto Fusilli Pasta	Turkish Pepper & Molasses Chicken Wings	Veggie Lasagne	Beef Burger	Fish Goujons
MAIN (OPTION 2)	Roast Vegetable & Tomato Sauce with Fusilli	Chickpea & Herb Falafel	Roast Vegetable & Tomato Sauce with Spaghetti	Bean Burger	Roasted Seasonal Vegetable & Cheddar Frittata
SIDES <small>Where main includes, portion will be offered as optional extra</small>	Mixed Lettuce, Cucumber & Tomato Salad	Roasted Vegetable Couscous	Mixed Lettuce, Cucumber & Tomato Salad	Potato Wedges Pickles	New Potato Salad
VEGETABLES	Roast Broccoli	Corn on the cob	Steamed Peas	Red Cabbage & Carrot Slaw with Lemon & Herb Dressing	Roast Cauliflower
BREAD	Garlic & Thyme Focaccia	Wholemeal Bread	Garlic & Thyme Focaccia	Seeded Burger Bun	Wholemeal Bread
DESSERT	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Orange Cookies	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Fresh Fruit or Yoghurt	Banana Bread

Weeks commencing 24th April, 15th May, 12th June, 3rd July **Wherever possible, all food is homemade on site**

Year 12 Duke of Edinburgh Expedition

Following a successful practice expedition in May, Year 12 students were ready to take on their Duke of Edinburgh Qualifying expedition. Like before this expedition was to include an overnight camp, cooking their own food and a lot of walking.

The students had to plan, train for and complete the expedition through their own physical effort and with minimal intervention from adults. Their qualifier started at Wood Street in Epping Forest for the three teams. From this point they had to use their orienteering skills to navigate their way to Gilwell Park Scout Camp using a map and compass, all the while carrying their rucksacks with equipment for the overnight stay. All 3 teams did very well navigating their way to camp and finished the first days walk in the afternoon, ready to set up camp.

The Year 12's had fantastic weather, enjoying the sunshine by playing cricket and running around the camp field. On Thursday morning they had to pack up camp and make their way to the finish point on Bury road, Chingford, which marked the end of their Qualifying expedition. Once all the teams finished the Assessors from H5 told all of the Year 12's that they had passed their Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award expedition.

Well done Year 12!

