



## School Attendance

WEEK 2  
20th Oct.

### Attendance Ladder



Attendance is taken very seriously at Winchmore School; Attendance is a very important part of school life. In order to do well, succeed and achieve your full potential, it's really important that students are in regular attendance and punctual.

Every day in school offers valuable learning opportunities, helps students build important friendships and supports emotional wellbeing; consistent school attendance is key to academic and social growth.

Parents/Carers, please familiarise yourselves with our Attendance Policy on the school website but for now, here are a few tips to make the rest of the school year run smoothly for you:

- **Please ensure your child is in school no later than 8.25** so they are in their seats for the start of their first lesson at 8.30. If your child is going to be late, please call ahead to let us know or email us at:

[attendance@winchmore.enfield.sch.uk](mailto:attendance@winchmore.enfield.sch.uk) . Students who arrive late are issued with a lunchtime detention, so we will need to hear from you to excuse

- If your child is unwell or will be absent because of an appointment, please inform the attendance office as soon as possible.
- Ideally all medical appointments should be made outside of school hours, but where this is not possible, students will be expected in school before and/or after the appointment. If you have any concerns, please call the Attendance Office to discuss. Please also be reminded, students in Year 7, 8 & 9 will need to be collected by a parent, they are not allowed to leave unaccompanied.
- **Holidays are not to be taken during term time;** Requests for leave will only be granted in exceptional circumstances and only if there are no attendance concerns. Our Request for Leave form can be found in the Attendance Policy on the school website.
- Let us know immediately if you have changed address or contact phone numbers.

We carefully monitor each child's attendance and will contact you if we have any concerns to discuss how we can work together to improve attendance and ensure your child gets the most out of their education.



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17.10.25

If you are experiencing any difficulties getting your child into school, please let us know as soon as possible, whether that be your child's Form Tutor, Head of Year or the Attendance Office; we are all here to support.

Ms C Turner & Attendance Team  
 Tel: 020 8360 7773  
 E: attendance@winchmore.enfield.sch.uk



## Drama Trips

Our Year 12 and 13 A-Level Drama students recently enjoyed an inspiring trip to the Park Theatre to see '(The) Woman' a prize-winning work by Jane Upton. The gripping production, with its striking use of lighting, sound, and minimal set design, offered plenty of ideas for the students' own practical work and live theatre analysis. It was a fantastic opportunity to experience high-quality contemporary theatre and sparked lively discussion.



On Thursday 9th October, Year 11 Drama students enjoyed a thrilling trip to Alexandra Palace to see the classic ghost story *The Woman in Black*. The production's eerie atmosphere, clever staging, and powerful performances kept everyone on the edge of their seats and offered fantastic ideas for their written evaluation. It was a brilliant live theatre, and Year 11 were a credit to the school.



## CAREERS & LIBRARY SERVICES



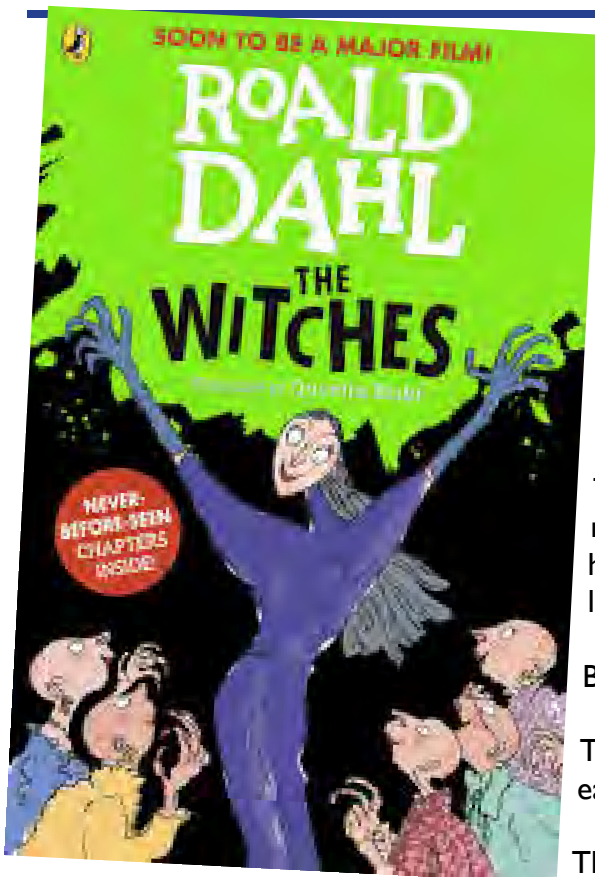
### Wig Master (or Wig and Makeup Designer)

This specialist is responsible for designing, creating, fitting, styling, and maintaining all wigs, hairpieces, and facial hair for a theatrical production, working closely with the director and costume designer to achieve the characters' looks. Salaries



can vary widely, but experienced Head of Wigs roles in major institutions can range from around £40,000 to over £65,000 per annum, while assistant or contract positions pay less.

Qualifications often include a degree or college course in theatrical hair, makeup, or production arts, coupled with extensive practical experience in wig-making, hairdressing, and makeup artistry. Apprenticeships are possible; specific programs like the Hair, Wigs, Make-Up and Prosthetics Technician Level 3 apprenticeship exist, offering a work-based path into the industry.



### Available in the Library...

#### The Witches - Roald Dahl

*"One child a week is fifty-two a year. Squish them and squiggle them and make them disappear."*

This is not a fairy-tale. This is about real witches. Real witches don't ride around on broomsticks. They don't even wear black cloaks and hats. Real witches dress in ordinary clothes, have ordinary jobs and look very much like ordinary people.

But they are far from ORDINARY ...

The Grand High Witch, leader of all the witches, has a plan to make each and every child disappear.

That is, unless one boy and his grandmother can stop her ...

## Visit by Teesside University

We were recently visited by the Teesside outreach team and their American Yellow Bus. The vehicle provided a space for students to discuss University life, courses and finance with the outreach team.

Many of our 6th Form students visited the bus and we received lovely comments about our students from the Teesside Team.



## National Space Week

To celebrate National Space Week, Year 7 students took part in a virtual reality trip into space.

Students launched from a virtual space shuttle and visited the planets in our solar system. Discussion also focused on careers in this sector.



### Waltham Forest College

REGISTER NOW  
**OPEN EVENT**  
WEDNESDAY  
**22**  
OCTOBER  
4 PM - 7 PM



**16-18 courses:**  
T Levels | Vocational BTECs | Apprenticeships | Foundation learning

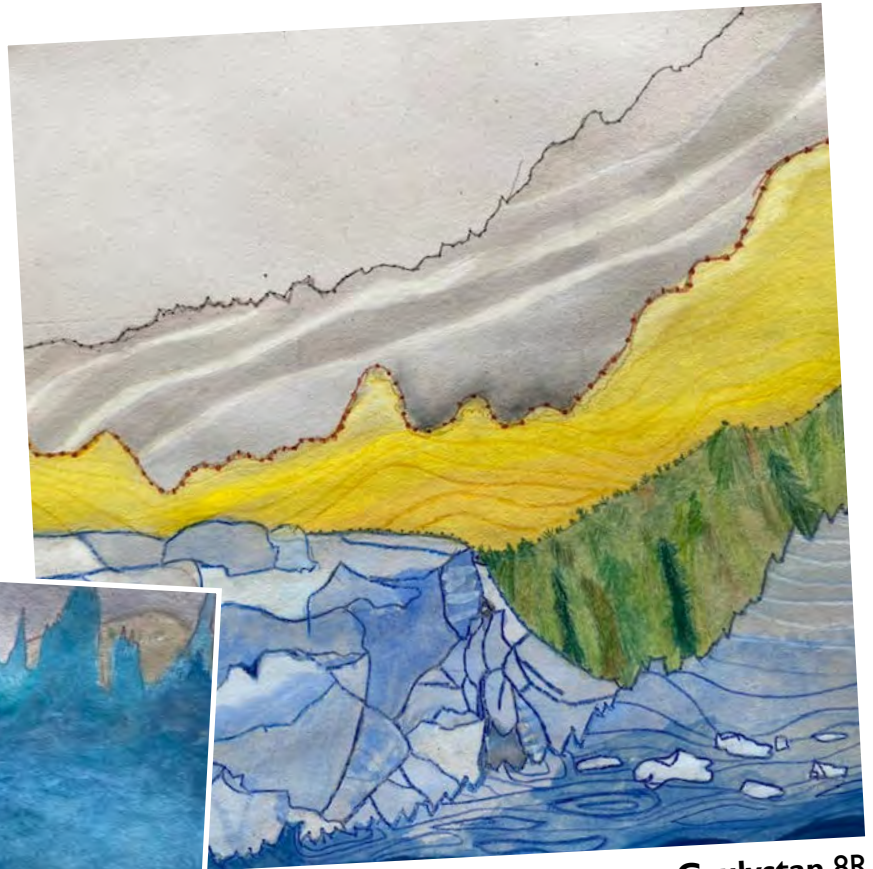
**Adult courses:**  
Access to HE | Full-time | Part-time | ESOL, English and maths



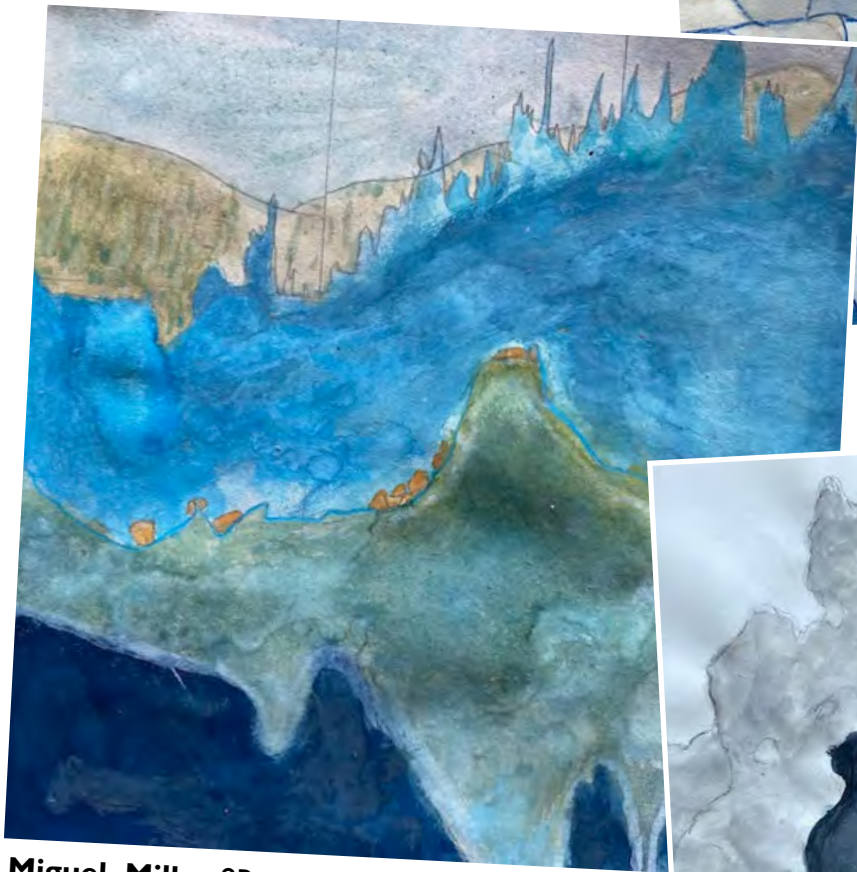
## Year 8 Art

Year 8 students have been working on landscapes inspired by Jill Pelto. These are three outstanding examples produced by 8R using watercolours and coloured pencils.

Well done!



**Beyza Gyulystan 8R**



**Miguel Miller 8R**



**Noor Fatima 8R**

## Extra Curricular Activities

Here is the diary of the Extra Curricular Activities for next week. Lunchtime and after school activities are free of charge. There is no need to sign up to the activity, your child can just go along and join the fun!  
Students should exit through the Laburnum Grove Gate if they attend an after school activity.

Monday  
20th October

### LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

Library  
Careers Drop In Session

### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Library - After school - 3pm to 4pm  
Coding Club Room 3 - 3pm to 4pm - Miss Askin  
Year 10 GCSE Drama rehearsal DRI - 3 to 4pm - Mrs Kazim  
Boys Football - Years 11-13 Field - 3 to 4.15pm - Mr Patrick  
Badminton - Years 7-11 Sports Hall - 3 to 4.15pm - Mr Birchell  
Netball - Year 7-9 3-4:15pm - Miss Winter  
Art Club - Room A2 - 3-4pm - Ms Marin-Pache

**MFL MOCK EXAMS:** 11wx Period 1: Listening (Spanish & French)  
Period 3&4: Listening and Reading (Turkish)

### LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

Library  
Careers Drop In Session

### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Library - After school - 3pm to 4pm  
Duke of Edinburgh Award (Bronze and Silver) Support - Careers Office 3pm to 4pm  
Mary Poppins Dance 3:15pm to 4:30pm  
Mary Poppins Rehearsal ALL cast and Ensemble 3:10 to 4:45pm - HALL  
Fitness Club - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Fitness Suite - Mr Miller  
School Run - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Field - Mr Patrick  
Table Tennis - Years 7-11 3 to 4.15pm - Gym - Mr Atu  
Girls Football - Years 7-8 & 9-10 3 to 4.15pm - Field - Miss Baptiste  
Netball Game - Year 7 A&B

**Duke Of Edinburgh Award Parent/Carer Online Meeting 6pm**

Tuesday  
21st October

**MFL MOCK EXAMS:** 11wx Period 4: Reading (Spanish & French)  
Period 5: Writing (Turkish)

### LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:

Library

### AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:

Library - After school - 3pm to 4pm  
Boys Football - Years 10 - Field - 3 to 4.15pm - Mr Aourarh

Wednesday  
22nd October

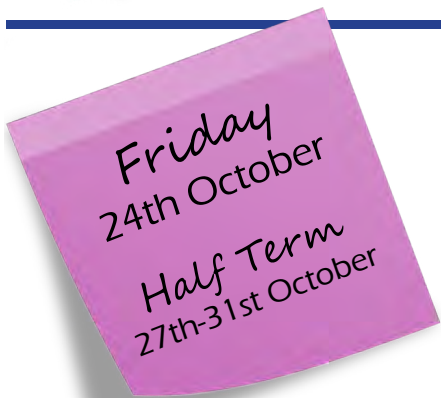
**MFL MOCK EXAMS:** 11wx Period 4: Writing (Spanish & French)  
11yz Period 2: Writing (Spanish, French & German)

**LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:**

**Library** - silent reading only  
**Careers Drop In Session** - including college application support  
**Year 9 Drama Booster session** - 1.30pm in DR2 - Mrs Goddard

**AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:**

**Library** - After school - 3pm to 4pm  
**Mary Poppins Dance** 3.15pm to 4.30pm - DA1  
**Mary Poppins Main Cast only rehearsal** - 3.10 to 4.15pm - HALL  
**Fitness Club** - Years 9-11 3 to 4pm - Fitness Suite - Mr Miller  
**Volleyball Club** Year 7-13. 3:00 to 4:15 PM - Miss Winter  
**Basketball** - Years 10-13 3.15 to 4.30pm - Sports Hall - Mr Pohl  
**Football** - Year 8 3 to 4.15pm - Field - Mr Atu  
**Football** - Year 7 3 to 4.15pm - Field - Mr Birchell  
**Guitar Club and KS3 Band** in M1 - 3.15-4.15pm - Mr White



**MFL MOCK EXAMS:** 11yz Period 5: Reading (Spanish, French & German)

**LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES:**

**Library**

**AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES:**

**Targeted Yr 11 GCSE PE Boost class** 3pm  
**No Dance Club**  
**Winchmore Tabletop Society** Room 88 3pm to 4:30pm - Miss Davies, Mr Pohl, Mr Menda, Miss Zamora and Mr Melling

**WINCHMORE'S**  
**WOW!**  
**WORD OF THE WEEK**

## Ubuntu

Week beginning: 20th October



**Word Class** **Ubuntu** (Origin: Bantu languages e.g. Zulu)

**Meaning** A quality that includes the essential human virtues; compassion and humanity.

- Examples**
- **Ubuntu**, an Nguni Bantu term often translated as “I am because we are,” embodies a philosophy of humanity towards others and universal shared responsibility that profoundly relates to the communal strength and struggle for dignity central to Black history.
  - As a core value, **Ubuntu** celebrates the inherent worth and human dignity of every individual, aligning perfectly with the overarching theme of freedom and respect championed throughout the entire arc of Black history.
  - To show **Ubuntu**, the students organised a food drive to help families in need, recognising that the well-being of their neighbours directly contributes to the strength of the whole community.

**Synonyms** **Communal Aspect:** Humanity, Interconnectedness, Fellowship

**Ethical/Moral Aspect :** Compassion, Generosity, Benevolence, Mutual Respect

**Philosophical Core (as a phrase) :** “I am because we are”, Human-ness

# BLACK HISTORY MONTH

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## NUMBER OF THE WEEK:

# 1943

**Katherine Johnson** – a brilliant Black mathematician who joined NASA in 1943, Her calculations helped send astronauts into orbit and land on the Moon.

## WHY 1943 IS IMPORTANT

- **Historical Significance:** 1943 marks the year Katherine Johnson began her NASA journey – a breakthrough moment in mathematics, science, and equality.
- **Mathematical Significance:**
  - It's an odd number.
  - The sum of its digits =  $1 + 9 + 4 + 3 = 17$
  - In prime factor form:  $1943 = 37 \times 53$ .
  - It's close to 1,944, a perfect square.

### SILVER CHALLENGE (INTERM)

1. Find the prime factors of 1943.
2. Calculate the difference between 1943 and the next perfect square.
3. If Katherine Johnson was born in 1918, how old was she when she joined NASA in 1943?

### GOLD CHALLENGE (ADVAN)

1. Create a maths expression that equals 1943 using only digits 1–9 once.
2. Convert 1,943 seconds into minutes and seconds.
3. Suppose a spacecraft travels 1,943 km per hour – how far will it go in 3 hours and 20 minutes?

# WINCHMORE WEEKLY



## CROSS COUNTRY LONDON YOUTH GAMES 2025

Represent Team Enfield!



### WHERE?

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> November  
Parliament Hill, Hampstead Heath

### WHO?

Boys and girls  
Under 11 (Year 5 & 6)  
Under 13 (Year 7 & 8)  
Under 13 (Year 9 & 10)  
Under 17 (Year 11 & 12)



**DEADLINE TO REGISTER**  
Monday 20<sup>th</sup> October



### HOW TO SIGN UP?

Scan the QR code and submit your best park run time or another established run time which can be verified

### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

All athletes need to live or go to school in London Borough of Enfield



0204 534 2691



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