

WESTERFORD HIGH SCHOOL

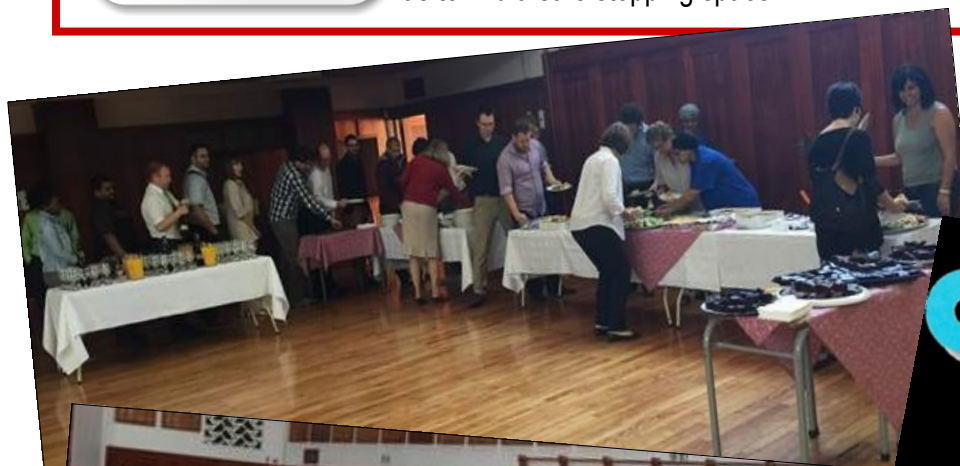


TRAFFIC CONGESTION ON MAIN ROAD

Please, parents move off when you have dropped your child/ren.

There is huge pressure on space in front of the Outspan gate. There is consistently no room to stop and drop-off because there are cars that drop children off and the drivers subsequently take the opportunity to catch up on e-mails, phone calls, text chats etc.. once their drop-off duty is done, with no consideration for others that need that stopping space to safely drop off as well.

It is a very busy road, and unbeknown to these inconsiderate drivers, their morning rest stop causes much angst, with motorists behind waiting for dropping-off cars to move so as to find a safe stopping space.



The Staff enjoyed a delicious lunch courtesy of the Grade 12 parents.

Thank you all very much!

MR LI

Our new Chinese teacher, Mr Li, has quickly settled into the busyness of our Westerford community.

Not restricting himself to the teaching of Chinese in the classroom alone, he has been involved during the fourth term with the Internal Sports programme where he has been training pupils in the ancient art of Tai Chi.



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CHINESE COOKING CLASS WITH MR LI



On Thursday, fifteen students eagerly rushed from their classes to a Chinese cooking class which was held by the Foreign Cultures Society and Mr Li during second break. Here the learners were taught how to cook famous Chinese dishes, which included vegetables and mushrooms in soy sauce, tomato chicken and shrimp. Mr Li enthusiastically demonstrated how to cook and prepare these delicious dishes and, much to their delight, he allowed the learners to taste each dish. The learners were able to take turns in preparing the dishes with Mr Li.

After the dishes were prepared, learners were taught how to use chopsticks correctly - a highlight of the event. This event was successful in spreading the Chinese culture and was enjoyed by all. It is hoped that there will be more events like these in the new year.

Rebecca Jo Helman, Grade 11

FOURTH TERM QUARTERLY CONCERT

Every term the Music Department holds a concert which is open to all music students. On 1 November, the last quarterly concert was held. The night kicked off with Westerford's new guitar ensemble whose music filled the halls with the beautiful sound of George Gershwin's *Lullaby*, led by Mr Narun. The night continued with many musical pieces played by pianists, vocalists, flutists, the recorder ensemble - you name it. It ended with two pieces from Westerford's very own Rock Band, which shook the crowd in the best way possible.

Overall the night was a huge success for both students and their teachers. It is an amazing feeling to have the opportunity to showcase what you have been working on all year, and the concert is the perfect platform to build one's confidence.

This is all thanks to Westerford's Music Department and the amount of dedication and passion they put into making our high school music experience one that we can both learn from and thoroughly enjoy while immersed in it.

Well done to all those who were involved!

Shannon Weaver, Grade 11

Please remember to use your **My School** card at every opportunity these holidays. It really helps Westerford. Thank you.



PS Make sure that Westerford is your beneficiary, please!

IMPORTANT DATES

NOVEMBER
 Thurs 17 Budget PTA 19h00
 Wed 23 Exams End

New November date for the Carol Service!
 Mon 28 Carol Service 19h30



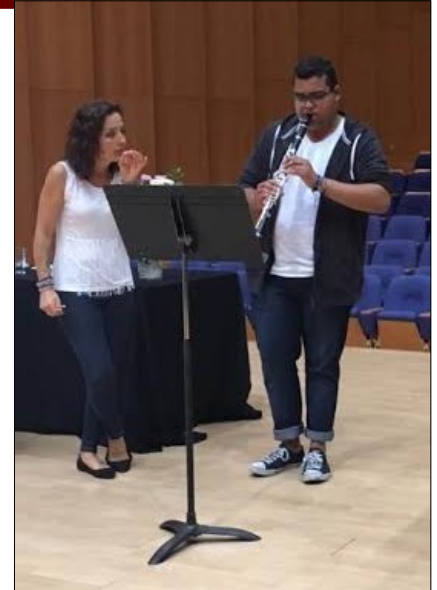
Mon 28 Carol Service: Families may picnic on the field beforehand.
 (Rehearsal 12h20 – 13h30 compulsory - for orchestra and choir)

DECEMBER
 Thurs 1 Mark Check
 Wed 7 School Closes - Pupils
 Fri 9 School closes – Staff

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MUSIC DEPARTMENT NEWS

- **Daniel Christian, Grade 11** (accompanied by Mr Daniell) recently played in a masterclass with visiting clarinetist, Maria Tien-du Toit, who is based in Holland.



- **Vashiv Naiker, Grade 9**, has been invited to play one of his guitar pieces at the Trinity Young Performers' Concert on Saturday 19 November from 15:00 - 17:00 at Charlies' Hope, Rustenburg Girls' High School. Top-scoring pupils are invited to play, so this is a great honour.

Well done, **Vashiv** and all the best for Saturday!



- Our brand new String Quartet (pictured below) performed at the Marsh Memorial Home Fête recently. The Recorder Ensemble also performed at this event. Both groups gave excellent performances!



Naomi Fokkens, Nicola Botha, Georgia Theunis, all Grade 9 and Yejin Yang, Grade 11.

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