



# Wallington High School For Girls

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

## THE WALLINGTON WEEK

### MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER



All students had an enrichment day this week that saw them go on trips, have university interviews, CSI missions and much more. The days were brilliantly planned, and I have seen some really lovely emails from the girls themselves thanking staff

for organizing the great days. I am sure you have heard about it. The Year 13 interview attracted over 100 alumni and guests who all volunteered their time to come to school and run mock interviews for the students applying to University this year. If you were one of them, thank you so much. We really value this support and I know the girls got a great deal out of it.

Festive Fair 7th Dec 4.30pm– tickets and stalls.

Get ready for a fantastic evening filled with festive cheer and fun activities, including stalls, performances, Santa and even his Elf!. We will also be having a raffle with very generous prizes. It would be great to see you all and please bring your friends, family, and loved ones to share in the joy and excitement. We can't wait to see you there!

Tickets are only £1 and can be found by clicking [here](#).

I have seen that the weather will be turning much cooler next week, please ensure your children are wrapping up warm for their days.

Sadly, there are still a few parents who park badly, blocking driveways including the school one, and I even saw a student hop out of a car whilst on the roundabout! Please do be mindful about safety and emergency access if you are dropping off your girls.

### PARENT WORKSHOP: UNDER- STANDING SELF-HARM, THE RISK AND PRACTICAL STRATEGIES

**Date and time:** Mon 27th Nov 2023, 18.30-20.00

**Facilitator:** Jenny Langley - Mental Health

**Trainer from The Charlie Waller Trust**

**Location:** This is a virtual event - Teams

Self-harm is behaviour that is done deliberately to harm oneself. Varying from one young person to another, it can include: self-cutting, taking an overdose, hitting or bruising, intentionally taking too little or too much medication, burning, hanging or suffocation. At least 10% of adolescents report having self-harmed in some way. This session is aimed at helping parents, carers, other family members and friends to cope when a young person is self-harming.

#### Meeting details:

Microsoft Teams Meeting

Meeting ID: 345 883 976 943

Passcode: JH9Vwi

### CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

[SOCs](#), the school's new online system for Co-Curricular activities, will allow your child to see all available activities but also allow you to view after school registers to see if your child is attending and in school.

### CAREERS NOTICEBOARD

For live updates on careers related opportunities please click [here](#).

### CURRENT VACANCIES

Food and Textiles Technician, Teacher of Geography (MAT) and Teacher of Humanities (MAT), Cover Supervisor, Lunchtime Supervisor are all available. To find out more, click [here](#).



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## UPDATING CONTACT DETAILS

A reminder to please inform the school if your contact details change, e.g. your mobile number changes or you move house. Please email [info@wallingtongirls.org.uk](mailto:info@wallingtongirls.org.uk) with the updated details.

## SAFER SUTTON FOR ALL

Please see the poster below with information which includes a planning meeting on 30th November which will focus on how we can make Sutton Safer.

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## CLASS CHARTS

Since September we have been using Class Charts to record and monitor student behaviour. We are now in a position where we are able to launch student accounts which will allow them to log in and see their own progress and reflect on their achievement and behaviour. Students will receive information on how to set up their accounts during tutor time next week. Parent accounts will also be launched shortly and more information will be sent out in the coming weeks.

## PUNCTUALITY

Good punctuality to both lessons and to school is expected of all students. We know that employers place great importance on punctuality and attendance, therefore it is important for our students to understand the value of being on time.

WHSG will issue same day, 20 min detentions for students that are late into school, without a valid reason or persistent lateness to classes. Parents and students will be notified as soon as possible of the detention and the reasoning by email.

We ask that parents support these actions as important processes for the school and understand that detentions cannot be moved for any after school clubs or enrichment events. Should a detention clash with a medical appointment, evidence will be requested for the school to show flexibility.





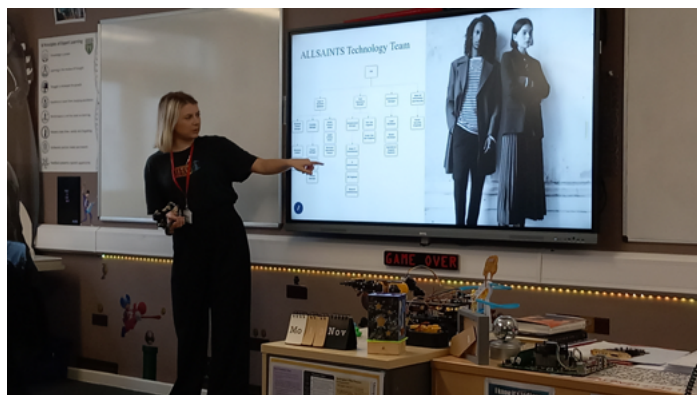
## NEWS FROM THE COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

### VISIT FROM META FOR YEAR 10 AND 12

Year 10 and 12 students had the chance to explore fantastic Virtual Reality technology brought in by Meta. How exciting?!



## ALL SAINTS FASHION PRESENTATION



On 14th November, we were lucky to have a very informative presentation from the famous fashion retailer, AllSaints, during our computer science lesson. The UK headquarters of the British fashion retailer is located in London. AllSaints employs about 2,400 people in 27 countries and territories and offers menswear, womenswear, accessories, and footwear in 281 locations. During the lesson, Dara, Shannon and Kezia provided us with insights on their roles. This included talking through their day with us and each of their career journeys as to how they found themselves at All Saints. They also taught us how to create project planning flowcharts which helps the team organise and structure the tasks required for the company to be successful. We had two business analysts as well as one project manager come in and they talked about their daily work life and showed us how broad the computer science field is. It was good to know that there are so many different career options within the same company. The importance of teamwork and collaboration was also shown. We absolutely loved learning about the real-life applications of what we learn in school in a more advanced environment. Thank you, AllSaints, for coming to talk to us!

- Tia and Lakshmi, Year 10







## MUSIC DEPARTMENT CONCERTS ARE APPROACHING!

### REHEARSALS

High grade musicians need to keep up their participation in Orchestra. It is part of you being at Wallington Girls.

If you can't make some rehearsals, try to join us for at least one Tuesday rehearsal and the concert day rehearsals and the concert (Tuesday 19th December).

Keep having fun in the music department.



## PHOTOGRAPHY AT WHSG PHOTOGRAPHY WALK

Recently our Year 10 GCSE Photography group enjoyed a hugely successful day learning to take site specific photography around London. The weather was kind and they were on their feet all day, but they took some fantastic photographs and we look forward to seeing how they develop these as part of their ongoing learning back in the classroom. Our walk around London started at London Bridge, along the Thames to Tower Bridge, Roof Top Gardens, St Dunstan's place and then culminating in photographing (and tasting) some delicious food at Borough Market. Well done all!



## NEWS FROM THE MATHS DEPARTMENT

### INTERNATIONAL YOUTH MATH CHALLENGE

The International Youth Math Challenge is one of the biggest online mathematics competitions for students from all around the world.

We have very exciting news as Mugdha (8Bro) has recently taken part in this competition and had huge success! She took part in the qualifying round earlier on this term in which she had to answer six challenging problems that required comprehensive skills in mathematics, logical thinking, and knowledge. Her impressive result in the qualifying round meant she was selected to take part in the final in which she achieved a Bronze Honour certificate and was placed among the top 25% of all participants. Solving these questions required comprehensive skills in several mathematical areas well beyond her age group. Well done Mugdha!



## HANS WOYDA MATHEMATICS COMPETITION

On Monday 13th November a group of four students, Caitlin (Y9), Huda (Y11), Abhishree (Y12) and Naomi (Y13), represented Wallington in the second round of the Hans Woyda Mathematics Competition. This is a London-wide competition in which schools compete directly against each other, answering maths questions in a very short time. We played against Wallington Boys and it was an exceptionally close match. We were very close for most of the contest but lost out in the final round.

Our team work was excellent and this is the question we had in the Team Round...

#### Section 4 – Team Question

**Time: 5 minutes**

Your task is to express as many numbers from 1 to 40 as an arithmetic expression using the four digits of 2023 exactly once each. You can use the operations  $+$ ,  $-$ ,  $\times$ ,  $\div$ ,  $!$ ,  $(, )$  and powers.

You may also concatenate two of the numbers as digits to make a two-digit number, but you cannot make three-digit numbers and you cannot concatenate digits after manipulating them (so, for example, using a 2 and the 0 to make 20 is permitted, but using 230 is not, and nor is using  $3!$  to make 6 then using the 6 and the 0 to make 60).

Each expression must use two 2s, one 0 and one 3.

You are reminded that  $0! = 1$ .

So, for example, some possible answers (which you may not use) would be:

$$25 = 20 + 3 + 2$$

$$20 = 20^{(3-2)}$$

$$3 = 3! - 2^2 + 0!$$

**Could you have answered these starter questions in 30 seconds?**

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- 1) There are exactly two integers between 30 and 45,  $a$  and  $b$ , whose squares have a digit sum of 7.

Find  $a + b$ .

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- 2) Find the number of positive perfect squares which are less than 1000.

10-11

- 3) Twelve people are travelling in a lift. Their mean mass is 70kg. On one floor, four people with a mean mass of 50kg get out of the lift.

Find the mean mass, in kg, of the people who remain in the lift.

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- 4) Find a fifth of 125% of £3000.

Well done to everyone who took part – we did very well under quite a bit of pressure!

Miss Tucker





# Building community safety and cohesion in Sutton

Collective responses to preventing violence in the community



## What is Safer Sutton For All?

Everyone in Sutton has a right to belong and feel safe.

Whether people call Sutton their home, place of work, an important place for community or family, we all have a vested interest in making it the best possible place to be.

Violence in the community affects us all. It puts a toll on our perception of safety and wellbeing. Safer Sutton For All provides an opportunity to work closely together to understand why it might occur, how we can effectively respond to it and what is needed to prevent community violence from happening all together.

**Safer Sutton For All invites Sutton's community and residents, organisations, businesses and faith groups to work together in building strong partnerships for community cohesion and violence prevention.**



Commissioned by London Borough of Sutton, this 12-month project is an opportunity to:

- Strengthen and grow awareness of local work on community safety and violence prevention
- Identify local gaps, barriers and opportunities to create a safer Sutton
- Collectively develop and fund community led initiatives to prevent conflict and/or respond to violence when it happens

The project is supported by Innovation Unit, a social enterprise working to address inequalities through place-based system change. Find out more about us [here](#).



## Work with us to make Sutton Safer for All!

### Talk to us

Over the next few weeks, we will be reaching out to community organisations, residents and wider local partners to find answer to:

- What are local community perceptions on safety and violence in Sutton?
- Who is already doing amazing work in this space?
- What are current opportunities and barriers to building community-led responses to safety and violence prevention?

### Join our Visioning & Mapping Session on 30th November

We want to co-develop a collective vision for this work and community safety in Sutton, and to create a better understanding of existing resources and networks for joint ways of working.

Please, join us for a Visioning & Mapping Session on 30th November from 3pm - 5pm in Sutton (venue tbc).

Stay connected for further details!

### Get in touch:

Please, reach out to [steph.gamauf@innovationunit.org](mailto:steph.gamauf@innovationunit.org) to learn more about this project, how to get involved and to receive updates.

## Wallington High School for Girls PFA Winter Fair

Woodcote Road, Wallington, Surrey, SM6 0PH

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

**4.30-7.30pm**

**Amazing Raffle + Prizes \* Refreshments \* variety of stalls \* Photo Booth  
Form Music competitions \* Gym & Dance showcase**



**Come and find that perfect gift for someone special, savour a warming drink and some seasonal music, or just enjoy the atmosphere and get into the festive spirit.**

**Entrance: £1 per person (under 5's free)**

**Entry tickets & Raffle tickets can be purchased on Eventbrite**

**[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/wallington-girls-winter-fair-tickets-755806015137?utm\\_experiment=control\\_share\\_listing&aff=ebdsshios](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/wallington-girls-winter-fair-tickets-755806015137?utm_experiment=control_share_listing&aff=ebdsshios)**

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**Sellers fee only £25**

**Set up: 4pm onwards**

**Pack up: to be completed by 8pm (latest)**

**One complimentary hot drink to all stall holders**

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