



THE WALLINGTON WEEK

MESSAGE FROM THE HEADTEACHER

Friday afternoon saw our Year 12 students enjoying their Year 12 social following its cancellation during the first week of term. This was an opportunity for all of our Year 12 students, including those new to the school this year, to get to know one another and further strengthen the sense of community and belonging. A good time was had by all.

Mrs Godyn led assemblies this week on the theme of “E Pluribus Unum” (Out of Many, One), which centred around recognising the role each student and staff member plays in the success of our school. She encouraged students to consider this when making small choices in school, such as to pick up their own litter, utilise the bag racks or following the one way system and highlighted the negative accumulative effect on our community when lots of students forget to do this.

On Thursday Evening, we had our Key Stage 4 Music Recital, which is a fairly informal opportunity for our GCSE Music students to perform in front of an audience. They were treated to a range of high quality performances and I know that the students appreciated the opportunity to perform in front of their friends and families.

We are currently looking for an Examinations Officer, Library and Learning Resources Manager, Science Technician as well as lunchtime supervisors. If you know of anyone that might be interested in any of these vacancies then further details can be found on our website:

Vacancies - Wallington High School for Girls (wallingtongirls.sutton.sch.uk)

And finally, congratulations to Frema in Year 9 who became the current English Judo Champion for her weight category. An amazing achievement and huge congratulations to her.

MR R BOOTH
HEADTEACHER





LOST PROPERTY

WHSG is still encountering a significant number of items in lost property.

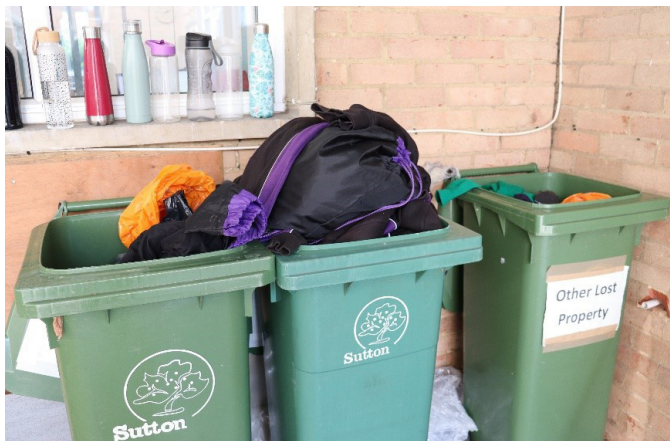
May we remind all students and staff that clothing, shoes and other items being brought into school should be named to allow for identification.

Students that have lost any items need to ensure to check the following locations on a regular basis. Lost property items not claimed after a week are removed

Clothing, shoes, books/stationery - are located in the brown and green bins at the end of the covered walkway by the canteen

Glasses, Watches and other more valuable items – are located at our reception.

**MRS C KINCHINGTON
HEAD'S PA**



NUT FREE SCHOOL

As we have some students in school who suffer from a severe nut allergy please could I take this opportunity to remind parents that our school endeavours to be “nut free”. This means that the following items should not be brought into school:

- Packs of nuts
- Peanut butter sandwiches
- Nutella/ Chocolate spread sandwiches
- Fruit and cereal bars that contain nuts e.g. tracker bars
- Chocolate bars or sweets that contain nuts
- Sesame seed rolls (children allergic to nuts may also have a severe reaction to sesame)
- Cakes made with nuts

Top tips for students to keep themselves safe:

- Always take allergies seriously
- Be respectful of another student's medication
- Know what your friends are allergic to and if they are having symptoms of an allergic reaction, get help immediately
- Do not pressure your friends to eat food that they are allergic to
- Do not share your food with friends who have food allergies
- Wash your hands after eating

**MISS M GOUGH
ASSISTANT HEADTEACHER
DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING LEAD**



YEAR 12 SOCIAL

On Friday 30th October, the school held a student Social for Year 12 and here's what some of our students had to say:

“ *The social was a lovely chance to bond with both students we knew from previous years as well as students who may be new to the WHSG community. It was a great way to take a break from our hard work, let loose and dance. Plus, being treated to pizza was the cherry on top!*

Overall, it was a wonderful event and we all really enjoyed it. Thank you to the prefects and the teachers for all their hard work! ”

YEAR 12 STUDENT - ELEANOR

“ *The Year 12 Social was a great way to let off some steam and have some fun with new and old friends after making the big leap into Year 12. Everyone had a great time and there was lots of laughter getting to know each other in a more enjoyable, stress-free environment. Thanks to the Senior Prefects who arranged such a lovely afternoon.* ”

YEAR 12 STUDENT - MAAHI





SCHOOL PRODUCTION REHEARSALS

Currently the students are rehearsing for our next school production.

“Recently I have been going to rehearsals for the school production - *Beauty and the Beast*). This has been interesting as I have been able to boarden my experiences in drama as well as meet new people along the way. I love *Beauty and the Beast* and I can't wait to perform it!”

YEAR 9 STUDENT - ZARA

GCSE MUSIC RECITAL

As someone who struggles to perform in front of a crowd, I found the recital a good opportunity to not only practise my performance skills, but also to enjoy the sound of the acoustics in the hall. I particularly enjoyed listening to the other pieces as I rarely have the opportunity to listen to people around my age perform solo. The evening was much less daunting than I had expected: I enjoyed the open atmosphere where I did not feel pressured to sound perfect, but rather to just enjoy the music that I can create. It was also fun to be able to practise my piece with a live piano accompaniment instead of on my own. Overall I had a great time playing and listening.

YEAR 11 STUDENT - ABITA



ENGLISH JUDO CHAMPION - FREMA

Frema in Year 9 is the current Judo English champion in her weight category in all Juniors English Programme that leads to the senior Team GB stage. This is an incredible achievement and we would like you all to join us in congratulating Frema and wishing her all the best on her continued journey!





YEAR 13 VISIT TO DORSET

From the 26th- 30th of September, our Year 13 Geography class enjoyed an engaging and busy week of A-level fieldwork. We began in Portsmouth, investigating the success of regeneration in the Gunwharf Quays area, before travelling to PGL in Osmington Bay (Dorset), where we stayed for the remainder of the week. Each day presented a new opportunity to develop our skills by completing tasks such as field sketches, wave classification, beach profiling and interviewing members of the public. Between the long hours spent braving the cold weather and the late evening lessons, we still managed to have plenty of fun; sharing breakfast and dinner times around the table, and blasting music on the minibus made this school trip feel a bit more like a holiday. On our final day, we were invited to put our strength to the test, spending the afternoon trying abseiling and climbing “Jacob’s Ladder” at the PGL site. The teachers also treated us with a trip to the cinema and even bought us snacks and drinks! This trip definitely broadened our knowledge on how to execute sophisticated and ethical fieldwork techniques, whilst bringing us closer as a class. We are all very grateful to Mrs Henderson and Mr Durant for making it such a fantastic experience.

YEAR 13 STUDENT - ARETHA





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