20 January 2020- Issue 11





Message from the Head Teacher

Dear Parents and Carers

Happy New Year and welcome back to a new term.

Students have been working hard since our return from the Christmas break (which already seems like a distant memory). A number of students have also been working hard rehearsing for this year's school production, which this year is Guys and Dolls. Tickets are now on sale so I look forward to seeing many of you there to enjoy what will be a great show.

Thank you to all the parents that attended the Year 10 academic review meetings last week and we hope you found these useful and informative. Year 11 students have now started their guidance meetings with Senior Staff, giving them the opportunity to discuss their A level options and future career plans and again, it is great to see so many parents attending these meetings as well (although we understand this may be difficult for some parents).

Finally, congratulations to 'Noteworthy', one of our acapella music groups, who won the Jack Petchey Pitch Perfect regional final last Sunday and now go onto to compete in the Grand Final at the beginning of March. Also well done to our U13 and U16 table tennis players who competed in the English Schools' Table Tennis Butterfly National Team Championships, with the U16 team progressing through to the Regional Finals in Bristol.

Richard Booth Headteacher

The Week Ahead

Wednesday 22 January

16.00-19.00—Year 12 Parents' Evening

Thursday 23 January

INSET Day—no students in school

Friday 24 January

19.00-22.00—Cultural Evening

Sunday 26 January

School Production Rehearsal (Timings TBC)

Reminder regarding school uniform

We are delighted that so many students have started the term looking so smart in their school uniform. They really do epitomise what is means to be an ambassador for Wallington High School for Girls.

We have some polite reminders regarding uniform as per the Uniform Code in the student planners and the Behaviour policy:

- Only one pair of earrings is acceptable. These should be one pair of small plain gold or silver ear studs in the lobe of the ear.
- Hair should be a student's natural colour and must be worn in a neat and tidy style for school. Hair accessories should be in school colours and plain.
- Leggings are only to be worn for PE
- Make-up make-up, nail varnish, gel nails or false nails should not be worn.

We ask our parents and carers to support the school in ensuring that throughout the year all our students remain as smart as they look in January.

Dates for your Diary

Wednesday 29 January

16.00-18.00—Careers Evening (2)

Thursday 30 January

18.00-20.00—Year 9 Options Evening

Saturday 1 January

09.00-16.30—DOE Bronze In School

Training Day

09.00-17.00—DOE In School Training

Day & Route Planning for Silver & Gold.

9.00-17.00 for Direct participants & 9.00-13.30 for all others)

Sunday 2 January

School Production Rehearsal (Timings TBC)

Monday 3 February

08.25-14.50—School Production Tech Rehearsal

Tuesday 4 February

08.25-14.50—School Production Dress/Tech Rehearsal &

Matinee Performance

Years 7 & 8 Surrey Schools Netball

19.00-21.00—School Production

Wednesday 5 February

Year 7 Netball v Danes Hill 7A+B (H)

Year 8 Netball v Danes Hill 8 A-C (H)

19.00-21.00—School Production

Thursday 6 February

09.00-13.00—Intermediate Maths Challenge

Year 9 Netball v Sutton High A&B (H)

19.00-21.00—School Production

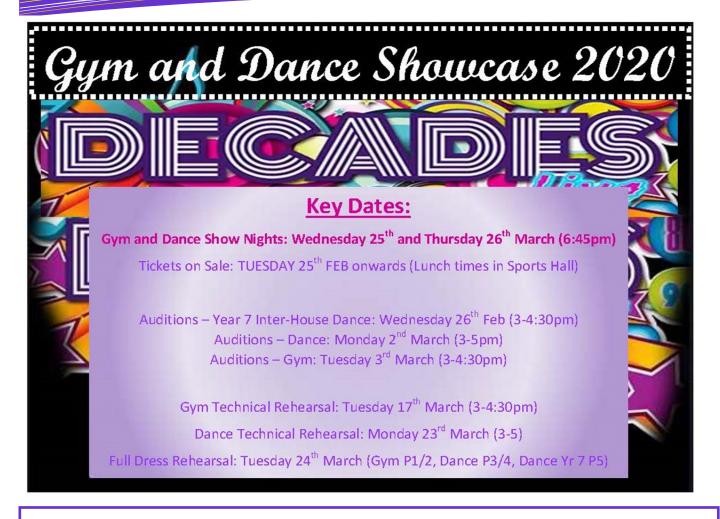
Friday 14—Thursday 20 February

Ski visit to Austria

Sunday 16—Thursday 20 February

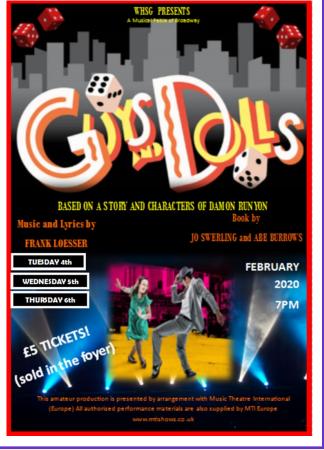
Sixth Form visit to New York

Half Term Monday 17—Friday 21 February



TICKETS FOR THE SCHOOL PRODUCTION ARE NOW ON SALE!

£5 in the foyer, at lunch times
COME AND SUPPORT YOUR
FELLOW STUDENTS AND HAVE
A BRILLIANT NIGHT OUT



Life in the Sixth Form

Year 13 does....TED talks

At the end of last term, in place of their usual enrichment lectures a number of Year 13 students took to the lectern to deliver a short lecture to the rest of their year group about something they felt was important to share. The 'Ted talks' varied in title, from 'The Sri Lankan genocide' and 'Why you should go vegan' to 'Freedom of speech: the right to criticise ideas' and 'The dark side of woke culture'. We completed the series last Thursday with a talk from Head Girl Alisha on 'The most important thing you can learn is how to think for yourself' where we heard about the bystander effect, biases and fallacies. It was a real joy to see young people talk so passionately and fluently to their peers and was an incredibly humbling and inspiring experience. Thank you to all the Year 13 speakers who took the time to share their thoughts with us.

Lecture Series

In addition to the TED talks, last term Year 13 have followed a packed enrichment lecture programme. We have welcomed a number of internal and external speakers, including a World War II refugee, a representative from the Bank of England and recently Local Councillor Manuel Abellan on the 'importance of voting' who moved us with his personal story of having to leave his home country several times due to political events. With Brexit and the General election forming a major part of our everyday lives last term, the spotlight has very much been on political and economic issues and ensuring that by the time they leave us, students are ready to become 'Makers of the Future'.

Prefect Hustings

Last Wednesday we held the Year 12 Prefect hustings where a record-breaking 64 students took to the stage to give a short campaign speech to the rest of their year group, in the hope of being chosen as one of this year's Senior Prefect team. Standing up and speaking in front of over 220 of your peers is not an easy thing to do, but we were blown away by the confidence and maturity everyone showed – we had poems, performances and even a song. Well done to all involved for putting yourselves out there and we are looking forward to naming the new team in the coming weeks.



Opportunities for Students

Music Groups

We are welcoming new members to the following groups. All groups will start the week beginning January 13.

Junior Choir KS3 Orchestra Chamber Choir Senior Orchestra Ukelele / Guitar club

Monday	1.25	Junior Choir	R7
Tuesday	1.25	KS3 Orchestra	R7
Wednesday	1.25	A Cappella	R7
Wednesday	1.25	Carnatic Ensemble	Gym
Wednesday	3-3.45	Chamber Choir	R7
Thursday	1.25	Gospel Choir	R7
Thursday	1.25	Theory Club	R1
Thursday	3-4	Senior Orchestra	R7
Friday	1.25	Flute Choir	R7
Friday	1.25	Ukelele / Guitar Club	R1

WHSG HISTORY SOCIETY



WHO: EVERYONE WELCOME!
WHEN: FRIDAY LUNCHTIMES STARTING AFTER CHRISTMAS
WHERE: F20

WHY: TO DISCUSS AND DEBATE BBC HISTORY'S LIST OF 100 MOST INFLUENTIAL WOMEN IN HISTORY AND EAT SWEET THINGS!

SCHOOL MAGAZINE

Fancy yourself as a reporter, writer or photographer?
Send in your
Creative writing pieces (poems, short stories)
Reports on School Events
Opinion pieces

Email us at

schoolmagazine@wallingtongirls.org.uk

To be featured in our annual school magazine



Opportunities for Students



DO YOU LIKE MATHS, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY LESSONS?

DO YOU WANT TO BECOME AN ENGINEER?

OR ARE YOU JUST INTERESTED IN STEM?

JOIN THE STEMILLIONS CLUB FOR YEARS 7 TO 9

EVERY FRIDAY T6 @1:15

WE WILL BE DOING EXCITING EXPERIMENTS EVERY WEEK!

WE HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE

KS5 Biology Drop Ins

Friday Lunch Time in S14

Have a topic you are struggling with? A question you cannot answer? Come and see us in S14.





Year 8 Indoor Cricket Interhouse

Where: Sports Hall

When: Monday 27 January 3 - 4.30pm

Who: Team of 8

**we will be promptly at



starting 3pm

SOUTH ASIAN

SOCIETY

Join our club to try new and different foods, celebrate festivals and explore Asian culture by watching Bollywood movies and so much more!

ALL YEARS ARE WELCOME AT E27 EVERY THURSDAY LUNCH

Year 10 5-a-side Football Interhouse



Where: Field

When: Wednesday 22 January 3 - 4.15pm

Who: Team of 7

**we will be starting promptly at 3pm
** you must wear football boots



Advice for British passport holders if the UK leaves the EU without a deal

New rules will apply for travel to Europe if the UK leaves the EU without a deal.

You should have at least 6 months left on an adult or child passport to travel to most countries in Europe (not including Ireland).

If you renewed your current passport before the previous one expired, extra months may have been added to its expiry date. Any extra months on your passport over 10 years may not count towards the 6 months needed.



https://www.gov.uk/guidance/passport-rules-for-travel-to-europe-after-brexit#stay-up-to-date

PE Sporting Stars of the half term

The following girls have been awarded sporting star of the half term

Yasti	8 Bronte
Yetunde	8 Curie
Shu Ying	9 Johnson
Alice	9 Sharman
Elisha	10 Bronte
Cerys	11 Sharman

G28—Old Artwork needs collecting



Old Year 7 and 8 exam work has been collected but there is still a huge amount of old Year 9 and GCSE work that still needs to be collected. Year 9 canvases are going to be recycled or disposed of very soon so, please remind your daughters to collect as soon as possible.

Old GCSE projects are going to be combed for work for the 6th form building/exemplar etc. and then disposed of.



BEDDINGTON CRICKET CLUB COLTS

Beddington Park, Church Road, Wallington, SM6 7NN www.beddingtoncc.co.uk

NEW MANAGEMENT AND REVISED COACHING STRUCTURE

4-16 years - Boys and Girls Welcome!

Come along and join our friendly club for cricket coaching and opportunity to join our colt teams that compete in the Surrey Junior Championship League. Experienced coaching team that focuses on motivating players to learn new skills, develop natural talent and enjoy the game!

Winter Training

10 weeks starting Friday 31st January 2020

£70 for 10 sessions @ Wallington County Grammar School, SM6 7PH

Tots aged 4–8yrs, U9's, U10's & Girls 5.30pm–6.30pm

U11's, U12's, U13's 6.30pm–7.30pm

U14's, U15's, U16's 7.30pm–8.30pm

Summer Training

18 weeks starting Wednesday 15th & Friday 17th April 2020 Membership from £99 @Beddington Cricket Club

> Fridays: Tots aged 4-8, Girls All Ages 5.45pm–6.45pm U9, U10's, U11's, U14's, U16's 6.50pm-8pm Wednesdays: U12's, U13's 6.30pm–7.45pm

Also available All Stars, Dynamos, Holiday Clubs, Festivals, 1-2-1 Coaching

ECB Club Mark accredited. All coaches DBS accredited

To book space on the winter sessions now or enquiries contact Chris Austin at beddingtoncolts@hotmail.com