### 30 September 2019- Issue 3





## Message from the Head Teacher

#### **Dear Parents and Carers**

Firstly congratulations to all the winners in this year's Geography Summer Snaps Competition. The standard was very high this year and it was great to see the wide variety of places that students visited over the summer holidays. Well done to everyone who entered.

Last week we celebrated the European Day of Languages with a range of special events including tutor time quizzes as well as a 'A design a T-shirt competition' organised by the Council of Europe.

Many of our Year 13 students have been busy finalising their personal statements and UCAS applications this week. Earlier in the week, as part of their preparations for their degree courses, aspiring Medics, Dentists and Vets took part in our Mini Medical Interviews evening. Students had to complete a range of tasks and activities including interviews and role plays. Thank you to Mrs Watson, Dr Wallis and Mrs Boyle for organising this highly valuable evening for our students.

Finally, we have included another request in this week's Wally Week asking parents to be considerate if parking or dropping/picking up their daughters from school. This includes parking illegally on the yellow lines on both sides of the road outside the school which is extremely dangerous for pedestrians and other road users. Please can I ask those parents to be considerate and park safely further away from the school.

Have a great week

R V Booth Headteacher

#### Parking around the School

Please can we remind parents and carers that we enjoy a cordial relationship with our neighbours. Please be considerate if parking on the road especially when dropping off or collecting your daughter. We ask that you do not block entrances, exits, garages or park in a way that will cause them inconvenience. Please do not block the staff entrances to the school.

Unless your daughter is ill and you have been called to collect her from school or you hold a permit from ourselves, there is absolutely no dropping off or parking on school premises.

Please remind your daughters to be vigilant at all times when entering and leaving the school and to be mindful of her own safety—there is a great deal of traffic around the school at all times but especially at the beginning and end of the school day.

#### The Week Ahead

#### Wednesday 2 October

13.50-14.50—UCL Medical Science talk to Year 12

#### **Thursday 3 October**

18.00-19.30—Oxbridge Information Evening

#### **MacMillan Coffee Morning**

It was a case of "blow the diet" today but all in a good cause! The staffroom was buzzing at breaktime today with staff faced with a choice of an array of delicious cakes on sale to raise money for MacMillan.

We will let you know the final amount raised in next week's edition of the Wallington Week.



## GCSE ENGLISH LANGUAGE AND MATHS NOVEMBER RESITS (for Year 12)

Forms to apply to resit GCSE English Language or Maths in the November series are available from the Exams Office Payment is through sQuid or by cheque.

Completed forms, along with confirmation of payment, must be returned to the Exams Office by **11am THURSDAY 3 OCTOBER**.

exams@wallingtongirls.org.uk

#### **Dates for your Diary**

#### Wednesday 9 October

08.25-14.50—GCSE Music Recording 18.00-19.00—DOE Parent Presentation for Bronze, Silver & Gold



#### **Thursday 10 October**

13.50-14.50—Year 7 House Cross Country

#### Monday 14—Friday 18 October

Year 12 Geography visit to Osmington Bay

#### **Monday 14 October**

13.05-14.50-The Y7 social

#### **Tuesday 15 October**

08.25-14.50—Year 7 Meet the Tutor (by Appointment)

#### Thursday 17 October

Sixth Form Open Evening - Internal students 5.30, External Students 6.30

#### Friday 18 October

09.40—Late start for ALL students following Sixth form open evening

#### Monday 21—Friday 25 October

**HALF TERM** 

#### Monday 28 October

08.2514.50—Return to School

#### **Tuesday 29 October**

19.00-20.30-GCSE Recital

#### Wednesday 30 October

09.00-13.00—University Entrance Tests (BMAT etc)

#### Thursday 31 October

08.25-14.50—GCSE Dance Exam

#### Friday 1 November

08.25-14.50—GCSE PE Mock Practical Moderation

#### **Geography Summer Snaps Competition**

We were delighted to receive such amazing photos entered into the Geography summer snaps competition. Choosing the winners has been a very tough task, so much so that we have had to add in extra categories. This means that we have 2 different winners from each group-one winner for a picture taken in the UK (Home) and one from a different country (AWAY).

Please see the winners' photos below and we will also be putting up a display outside the Geography Office to show off most of the competition entries, so encourage your daughter to come and have a look.

From the Geography Department

Group	Home Winner	Away Winner
KS3	Isimioluwa - 8 Bronte View of Mount Bay from St Mawes Castle, Cornwall	Amelie 8 Bronte Coastline of Vancouver Island, Canada
KS4	Lydia 11 Bronte Brancaster Beach, Norfolk	Angelica James 10 Sharman Nepal
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KS5	Xenia Afudego 13DLE Snowdonia, Wales	Sarita Williams 13PBD Vilanculos, Mozambique

#### **Geography Summer Snaps Competition**

And, not forgetting the staff winners!

Mrs Rivadeneira Cabalin Sunset over Cromer Pier



Ms Gunn Pompeii ruins looking towards Vesuvius



#### **Clubs and Opportunities for your Daughter**

# Express and Empower yourself through Spoken Word Poetry

Students of ALL year groups are invited to enter the 'I know, I wish, I will' Spoken Word Poetry competition, which gives young people a voice to express their identity and views towards the future,

500 competition entrants from across the nation will be selected to perform their poetry on stage in London's West End, featuring in an epic 25-hour spoken word poetry marathon. Successful entries will be published in the souvenir book, creating a record of the nation's young voices in 2020.

Miss Mason will be running <u>weekly sessions in the library</u> for students to understand more about Spoken Word Poetry and write and their work. The sessions will run at <u>3pm every Tuesday after half term</u> - up until the closing deadline. 20th December 2019. Please email emason@wallingtongirls.org.uk if you would like to enter.

#### **Clubs and Opportunities for your Daughter**

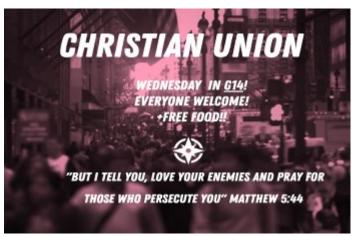
#### **Backstage Crew Needed**

There will be a meeting for anyone interested in being part of the backstage crew. Come and find out what you can do.

WHER: Drama Studio (F02)
WHEN: Friday 4 October
TIME: 1.10pm (bring lunch)

WHO: Y7- Y13







#### **Psychology Club**



#### WHAT?

We will be discussing fun & interesting psychological topics that everyone can learn from

WHERE?

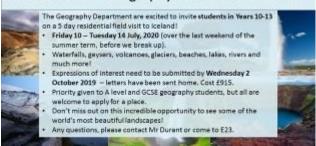
WHEN?

Every Thursday lunch time @ 1:10 pm





#### Iceland 2020 - Geography Residential Field Visit



# The annual ICE competition is open to pupils in Years 8 to 10

you can enter in teams of 2-4 people

We have won prizes in the last 3 years

See Mrs Caspary and visit FROG STEAM for more information

Submissions to Mrs Caspary by 28 October





#### PFA Quiz Night - Friday 8 November - 7pm for 7.30pm

Tickets are now on sale for our Quiz Night. This popular evening is normally a sell out so please book your tickets early to avoid disappointment! Tickets are £10 per person and this includes a fish and chip supper

- Prizes for winning team
- Fun for family, staff and friends
- Professional Quiz Masters

Before buying your tickets, please note the following:

queries, please email us on pfa@wallingtongirls.org.uk.

- 1. The maximum team size: 8, minimum recommended team size: 6
- 2. If you don't have a team we can arrange this for you (see below)

#### So how can I purchase my tickets?

Fill out the slip below, detach and together with your payment (cash or cheques made payable to Wallington Girls PFA please), post this in the PFA box in second reception (PFA box is marked in green) by Friday 1 November 2019

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eam Leader Name:			
eam Leader email address:			
Feam Leader contact telephone number:			
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Alternatively, if you are buying fewer than six tickets and would like to join a team on the night please put: "Join team on the night 'instead of Team Name			
My team consists of people and I enclose cash/cheque for £			
Please complete your meal requirements on behalf of your team			
No. of Fish & Chip suppers			
No. of Veggie burger and chips			
Feam leader may purchase all tickets on behalf of their team.			

WHSG PFA thank you for your support and look forward to meeting you on the night. If you have any

#### Year 9 Students visit the Design Museum

Last week a group of Year 9 students visited the Design Museum to take part in the Design Ventura workshop. The girls were a real pleasure to spend the day with and came up with some very creative ideas.

#### Mrs Caspary

Going on this trip was really fun as we discussed our project in a lot more detail which helped us realise how many ideas we could use. It was enlightening to meet some people working in the professional field as they gave us a lot of help in how to brainstorm good ideas. The museum itself was beautiful and grander in real life and, looking at the items in the gift shop, helped stimulate ideas for our own products.

#### Jiya—9 Curie

I really enjoyed the Design Ventura trip since it was so inspirational. It was fascinating to see how people would fix problems that I didn't even realise existed (e.g. sheep coaster holder). I really liked the workshop where we got to design our own solutions to problems that we faced in our everyday lives. The best part of the trip was able to go and venture into the

museum as well as the gift shops. It was cool to see how things have changed and other possibilities of change. Overall it was a great experience.

Piya—9 Curie



