



Wallington High School *For Girls*

MONDAY 13TH
SEPTEMBER 2021

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

THE WALLINGTON WEEK

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Welcome to our first newsletter of the new term. I would like to extend a particularly warm welcome to our new Year 7 and Year 12 joiners and their parents. I hope that you find our weekly newsletters useful in keeping you up to date with what has been going on in school. You can also visit the school website as well as follow the school on twitter.

It has been a very busy start to the term with the relaxation of some of our Covid measures, including the removal of year group zones, as well as LFD testing of all students. Thank you to everyone who helped with our testing programme, many of whom were former students, and once again thank you students and parents for their support and understanding. As I have said in previous communications, we shall continue to remain vigilant and agile so that should the need to put in place any contingency measures arise, then we will be able to do so quickly and effectively.

Congratulations to all of our students on their achievements at A Level and GCSE this summer. Once again all A-level and GCSE exams were cancelled this summer. In their place, using a fair and objective process, the school was required to generate and submit teacher assessed grades (TAGs) which were quality assured by the exam boards.

Our results for this year were as follows:

A level: 74.3 % of grades at A*/A and 41.1% at A*

GCSE: 93.4% of grades were grade 7 or better, 80.3% grade 8 or better and 52.4% grade 9

It is of course important to remember that these results sit alongside all of the other things our students will have achieved during their time at school including all their contributions to our school community and beyond.

We also welcome a number of new staff this year:

Mrs L Hackin (Psychology and Sociology), Mrs R Whitely-Beckford (Psychology and Sociology), Ms C Gallagher Byatt (Design Technology), Miss R Chatfield (History), Mrs M Ngobi (Head of Music), Mr C Thorp (Biology), Ms C McLuckie (Theology and Philosophy), Mrs K Shah (Mathematics), Mrs Z Hole (Careers Leader), Mr J Landless (Science Technician), Mrs P Singh (Science Technician) and Mrs A Hui (Cover and CPD Co-ordinator). We also welcome Mr N Sasson (PE), Miss R Peneda (Art), Mr J Gatty (Theology and Philosophy), Ms I Nixon (Science), Mrs R Mughal (Mathematics) and Miss K Hughes (Drama)

who are covering for maternity leave or sabbatical leave.

September also sees a number of staff taking up new roles: Mr J. Parkinson (Assistant Headteacher), Miss D Lowe (Director of Science), Dr S Wallis (Director of Modern Foreign Languages), Mrs H Isaac (Head of Biology), Mrs S Khan (Head of Year 10), Mrs H Vas (Head of Year 7), Ms L Sepanya (Head of Year 12), Miss J Lake (2 i/c PE and Dance), Mrs C O'Connell (Acting Head of Art), Mrs K Bochenski (Joint Head of Year 9 – Mat Cover) and Miss Y Dowlet (Joint Head of Year 9 – Mat Cover).

We will be holding our Parent Information Evenings for Years 7, 10 and 12 over the next few weeks. These will be held online this year– further details to follow.

Finally, can I also remind parents that the school is closed to students tomorrow as we will be running the SET. Students will be set work remotely for the day.

Have a great week.

MR R BOOTH
HEADTEACHER



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ENRICHMENT UPDATE

The exciting news for the 2021-22 academic year is the return of Enrichment!

For those new to Wallington, we are a school that endeavours to provide amazing additional learning opportunities to all students through one day and residential visits during the academic year plus our dedicated enrichment days.

Please keep your eyes peeled to these updates in the student bulletin and Wallington Week for exciting opportunities both arranged by the school and externally throughout the year. Over the coming weeks, we will be announcing the full return to the extra-curricular clubs but first we are pleased to confirm.

A LEVEL LIFE DRAWING CLASSES ARE BACK!

For those Art students in year 12 and 13, you will have been notified of the opportunity to undertake these additional sessions after school; providing you with the opportunity of strengthening and further developing your skills with a live model.

Places are limited so please complete the parent pay consent and payment as soon as possible to secure your place.

COMPETITION TIME – CALLING ALL INTERESTED IN SCIENCE OR ART!



The Linnean Society have just launched their Species competition for 2021. Open to all ages.

Your chance to create your own new species; drawing on both your Artistic and Scientific skills, your imagination is the only limit. Draw a diagram of your new species and create/list its adaptations.

Please see their website for more information below:
[The Special Species Game | The Linnean Society](#)

We would love to see details of any entries submitted so that we can publish in our newsletters. Send any copies of entries into
enrichment@wallingtongirls.org.uk

FARADAY CHALLENGE 2020/21

Although the summer term of 2020/21 may now seem an age away; we are also really pleased to now have the opportunity to confirm the winners of the STEM Faraday Challenge undertaken by year 8, in July. The winners idea for environmentally friendly improvements to a railway station platform will now go on to compete against other schools within the region.

The members of the winning team, that have all won a £10 gift voucher, are:

Farwa R, Curie
Nicole K, Curie
Sarina A, Curie
Diya K, Bronte
Phoebe V, Bronte

These will be presented at the next year 9 Assembly.

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A Midsummer Night's Dream

AUDITION NOTICE: OPEN TO YEAR 7- 13

We are proud to present this year's school production!

There will be a meeting to give you more information on Wednesday 15th at lunch time in F02 (the large Drama studio). Please bring your lunch and be prompt.

Auditions will take place on Monday 20th and Wednesday 22nd after school at 3- 4.30pm in the Hall.

The show will include opportunities to sing and dance. Backstage Team meetings to follow- keep an eye out!



YEAR 11 PSYCHOLOGY

9 mark Q practise
Monday Week B
1.30-1.40 in C03
Sign up sheet on Psy
office door.



YEAR 13 PSYCHOLOGY

16 mark Q practise
Monday Week A
1.20-1.40 in C03
Sign up sheet on Psy
office door.



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Maths Puzzles

Why not get your brain working and get a housepoint by trying the maths puzzle aimed at your year group. Please send your answer with workings/explanation to Miss Tucker on stucker@wallingtongirls.org.uk by Monday 20th September.

Years 7 and 8

1. Alex has a pile of two pence coins. She swapped exactly half of them for the same number of 10p coins. Now she has £4.20. How much money did Alex have initially?

Years 9, 10 and 11

2.

Two straight lines have equations $y = px + 4$ and $py = qx - 7$, where p and q are constants. The two lines meet at the point $(3,1)$.

What is the value of q ?

Years 12 and 13

3.

Two circles C_1 and C_2 have their centres at the point $(3,4)$ and touch a third circle, C_3 . The centre of C_3 is at the point $(0,0)$ and its radius is 2.

What is the sum of the radii of the two circles C_1 and C_2 ?

Good luck! Miss Tucker PS Feel free to try a question for a different year group if it appeals to you!