

Wallington High School For Girls

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

THE WALLINGTON WEEK

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

Dear Parents and Carers

I trust that everyone is keeping well and looking forward to some sunnier weather.

This week, we celebrated our annual Pride Week. Activities included making a rainbow mural from handprints as well as a bake sale and other fundraising activities. Organised by our senior students, they worked incredibly hard to make the week such a success. In the end the school managed to raise $\pounds 1207$ for the charities UNICEF and Stonewall Housing. Further details can be found later in this edition.

Also this week, Year 10 Geographers got to undertake their field visit at London Docklands, as part of their preparations for their GCSEs. We also hosted a STEM competition for some of our Year 8 students run by the Institute of Engineering and Technology. We also held our Year 12 Induction Day for our new Year 12 cohort in preparation for September, which included A level taster lessons. Students got to learn more about Sixth Form life and how best to make that transition from GCSE to A level study.

Sadly, this week it has become noticeable that more students are having to be reminded to wear their face masks in corridors. We know that nationally, infections are rising again, especially amongst the younger age groups and so it is important that we continue to follow all the extra safeguards put in place at school to help reduce transmission of Covid. In particular, students still need to be regularly washing or sanitising their hands, wearing masks in corridors and communal areas as well as self-testing twice a week at home and reporting the result to school. If you could continue to reinforce the importance of this to your child, then that would be much appreciated as we are not quite out of the woods just yet.

Have a great week

MR R BOOTH HEADTEACHER

Key Dates

Monday, 28th June	Year 10 End of Year Orals Exams 8 Curie House Music Rehearsals in Hall, 9:45-10:45 7 Curie House Music Rehearsals in Hall 12:45-1:45(30 mins booked) Year 7 Period 5 House Music (only 10 minutes for each form)
Tuesday, 29th June	Y10 End of Year Oral Exams
Thursday, 1st July	Virtual Open Evening 6-7pm 8 Sharman House Music Rehearsals in Hall, 9:45-10:45 8 Pankhurst House Music Rehearsals in Hall, 12:45-1:45
Friday, 2nd July	7 Athena House Music Rehearsals in Hall, 12:45-1:45



We raised $\pounds1207$ from the various events from pride week. The money will go to UNICEF and Stonewall Housing.









Students' Medication at School

If any student has a condition that requires medication such as Inhalers, Epi-pens or Antihistamines can parents and carers please ensure that we are provided with a spare to be kept in the first aid room. We require all medication to be accompanied by a completed Parental Permission Form, available from the school website, school Life, Pastoral Care or by this link: <u>http://wallingtonhighgirls.fluencycms.co.uk/Pastoral-Care</u>

We would also ask that you would provide the school with replacements as and when the expiry date is reached.

Sports Day 2021

I am happy to announce that we will be hosting our annual sports Day on **Tuesday 6th July** (Wednesday 7th July reserve day). After the year we have had it will be so important to get students and staff out on the field together to celebrate students successes and to have some well-deserved fun. We are outdoor and covid safe!

Each Year group will be sat for the day to ensure we keep our students in bubbles for as much of the time as we possibly can. A schedule for the track will be released nearer the time. All events will take place as per usual, and we will be adding additional covid cleaning/spacing etc as per our risk assessments for PE lessons.



Career Talks - Opportunity for Parents and Carers

We are hoping for some parents to give talks about their career journeys as part of our PSHCE day. The event will take place via MS Teams between 11.15 and 13.15 on Thursday 15th July. We are looking for a 20 minute presentation followed by a 5-10 minute Q and A session with the students. Ideally you would do this 4 times over the 2 hours but we can have flexibility on that. If you would like to offer you services please fill in the form <u>here</u> or email Mrs Boyle (<u>jboyle@wallingtongirls.org.uk</u>)







RAINBOW MURAL Abigail 12 SKN

As part of the school's celebrations for Pride Week, we decided that we would continue painting the rainbow mural that was started a few years ago. Some of us can remember the first time we took part; this time will be no different. We will never forget the loving atmosphere and joy that was created on Wednesday. To see so many members of the staff and the student body participate was so wonderful and this was such an important display of love and support to the LGBTQ+ community within school. On behalf of the Pride Society, I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone that took part.



We raised £1207 from the various events from pride week. The money will go to UNICEF and Stonewall Housing.



Thanks to all those who contributed.



Following on from the very successful Year 11 practical food exams, it was the turn of Year 10 food students to produce some amazing practical dishes. Here is just a very small snap shot of some of the products that were created. All of the students worked extremely hard and really extended their skills by making a wide variety of complex products. All bread, pasta ,noodles, pastry , jam, ice cream etc were produced from scratch. Students were fantastic at managing their time and resources efficiently and they thoroughly enjoyed their practical making exam. It also provided them with an opportunity to practice their presentation skills. I am very proud of their achievements and look forward to seeing them progress even further next year in Year 11. Well done classes 10 C and 10 D you should be delighted with how well you all worked.

Mrs Beales Head of Food



Congratulations!



...to our year 12 Computer Science students for winning the ATOS challenge 2021



ENRICHMENT UPDATE

Again we had another great week in the world of enrichments, with two activities happening; Year 10 Geographers undertook a second visit offsite to the London Docklands and visited the London Docklands museum for their GSCE topics and 36 year 8 students were selected to take part in a prestigious STEM challenge with the Institute of Engineering and Technology; where students were set the task of creating a solution to an everyday problem.



We also had out Induction day for the new year 12 cohort that will be starting in September; introducing them to the school and their new tutors. It proved to be an fun and useful day for all those involved. Over the coming days, years 7 - 10 will also see some further details and information being released regarding the Summer Enrichment Week. This will include important information about the timings of the days, any differences in locations for registration and clothing/uniform and lunch arrangements. Please ensure to get in touch with enrichment@wallingtongirls.org.uk if you have not received these communications by Tuesday 29th June 2021.

Sports Day 6th July 2021

Your house needs you! Don't forget to sign up and participate for your house! We need two athletes per event, so that as many students as possible can get involved. It looks like it should be a really fun day!

CADET Organizations to the following people who were promoted last week! Dining the NCOs mess, from Cdt to LCpl. Appaina Beastian Dining the Sergeant's mess, from Cpl to Spt: Dining the Sergeant's mess, from Cpl to Spt:

RECRUITS AND EX PLUMBER 29th April – 2nd June

During half term, the Year 9s attended Recruits Camp at Wilsons. This was an opportunity for the recruits to gain more experience of the CCF, as well as an opportunity to pass the necessary tests to allow them to become cadets. They took part in a drill test where they were inspected by Lt Col Burton and a navigation test on Roundshaw Downs. On Monday, they attended Ex Plumber where they fired their first blank rounds, as well as doing some exciting practical lessons. The camp ended on Tuesday, with all in attendance being given their berets as a sign of them becoming cadets. Congratulations to them all! Cdt Romanov deserves a special mention for being awarded the best WHSG cadet, well done!

EX CAVAN 3rd - 4th June

Year 11 cadets rotated through different leadership roles such as section IC and 2IC. Both days included setting up a harbour area, where the cadets put up bashas and learnt how to take on orders from the Platoon Commander. This was then followed by a series of attacks and ambushes. After successful demonstrations of leadership, the following Parade at Wilsons saw a handful of Year 11s being promoted to Lance Corporal. Well done to all!





IMPORTANT EVENTS

JUNE 28

- 1838 Coronation of Queen Victoria in Westminster Abbey, London
- 1919 Treaty of Versailles, ending WWI and establishing the League of Nations, is signed in France

JUNE 29

 1613 Shakespeare's Globe Theatre in London, England, burns down during a performance of "Henry VIII"

JUNE 30

- 1860 Famous debate on Charles Darwin's theory of evolution held at the Oxford University Museum and dominated by arguments between Thomas Henry Huxley and Bishop Samuel Wilberforce
- 1938 Superman 1st appears in DC Comics' Action Comics Series issue #1



Did You Know?

World's first female diocesan Anglican bishop, Dr Penny Jamieson, appointed in New Zealand

On June 29, <mark>1990</mark>



Did You Know?

The world's first emergency call telephone service is launched in London using the number 999

On June 30, 1937



Did You Know?

"SOS" ($\cdots - - \cdots$) distress signal becomes the worldwide standard for help

On July 1, 1908