

## Wallington High School For Girls

Friday 15th October 2021

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

# THE WALLINGTON WEEK

#### MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

We have now had our second week of Black History month activities, organised by our EDI prefects and Afro-Caribbean society (ACS). Last week Year 7 students took part in a scavenger hunt at lunchtime to learn more about important black figures from history and this week Year 8 students participated in a dance workshop. We also sent some students to the Sutton Youth Summit last Thursday where they were given a platform to discuss issues around justice as well as having the opportunity to network with other students in the borough. We look forward to hearing more about their experiences in a future assembly. This week we have also seen the first book club take place - where students came together over hot chocolate and cookies to discuss 'Ace of Spades' by Faridah Àbíké-Íyímídé and a movie nights last Friday. We are looking forward to our next movie night, book clubs, Y10 video showcase and Y11 poetry slam next week, with the finale of Black History Month being a mufti day next Friday.

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We have made some changes to our calendar for this term. We will now be holding the Sixth Form Information Evenings for our Year II students on Tuesday 23rd November and Wednesday 24th November and our GCSE Prize Giving will now take place on Wednesday 1st December (further details to follow).

We held our Sixth Form Open Evening for external students last night. Although this had to be held virtually, we had over 300 hundred attendees and it was a great opportunity for them to learn more about the Sixth Form here at WHSG.

Finally, as the weather gets colder, we still need to continue to make sure that classrooms and other areas of the school are kept well ventilated. Therefore students will be allowed to wear coats in classrooms during lessons if necessary (having been given permission by the class teacher to do so). Please note that students are not permitted to wear hoodies. Students will also still be expected to be outside at break time (unless it is wet break) so it is important that they bring a coat with them into school.

Have a great weekend

MR R BOOTH HEADTEACHER





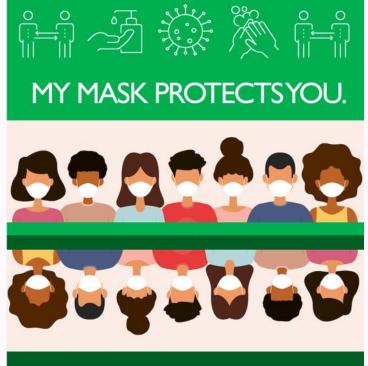
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Reminder -First Aid Room

A reminder that the first aid room is primarily for emergencies and students should only ask to visit if they are in genuine need of medical attention. For minor ailments such as headaches and period pain, there isn't much that First Aid can do to assist. Please try to be proactive before you arrive at school making sure that you are eating a good breakfast, drinking lots of water and taking painkillers at home with adult supervision if required so that you are prepared for the day. If you do need to visit First Aid and you are in a lesson please do ask for a Staff Pass or ensure that you get your planner signed by a member of staff.

Testing for Covid-19 – Please be reminded that Lateral Flow Tests should be taken twice weekly if a student does not have any Covid-19 symptoms. If symptoms start to show e.g. new persistent cough, even if they are also presenting with cold/flu symptoms, a PCR test should be arranged, and they should stay home until a negative result has been received.

# PARKING AROUND THE SCHOOL

Please can I 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.

### MESSAGE FROM Reception

Due to the current climate reception is unable to accept items brought in for students by Parents/ Carers unless they are essential items such as medication etc. Reception are experiencing such high volumes of items being dropped off that is isn't manageable.

### ATTENDANCE

When reporting an absence, please can parents and carers include your child's form and year group in the subject line.

#### e.g R. Booth 7 Seacole - absence

This will help greatly in supporting our Attendance Officer prioritise the relevant emails.

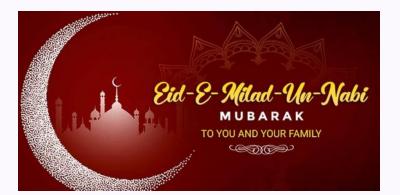
### **AUTUMN/WINTER WEATHER**

All students need to bring appropriate seasonal accessories which include a coat and an umbrella now that it is turning colder. Please remember to bring and wear these!

### **STREETSAFE**

StreetSafe is a pilot service for anyone to anonymously tell us about public places where you have felt or feel unsafe, because of environmental issues, eg street lighting, abandoned buildings or vandalism and/or because of some behaviours, eg being followed or verbally abused.

https://www.police.uk/streetsafe?fbclid=IwARInDPCvC3qSTdA-0mhrb7NfwhnAYtUKW3p3GxeIq8K7JoRKsiNCywOkQ-w



### YEAR 7 House Cross Country

This week all Year 7 students took to the school field to complete the annual Year 7 House Cross Country run. We would like to congratulate every student that took part, demonstrating great strength and resilience in windy conditions. Congratulations to the top 3 finishers, Xanthe, Sofia and Katrina, who all ran outstanding times. The scores of the top 10 runners from each house were combined, with Athena finishing on top and winning the first house competition of the year!

Year 7 House Cross Country Results		(Top 10 runners scores combined)	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Athena	255	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Sharman	270	
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Curie	302	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Seacole	386	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Bronte	413	
6 <sup>th</sup>	Johnson	420	
<b>7</b> <sup>th</sup>	Pankhurst	503	









### SURREY SCHOOLS UNDER 16 AND SENIOR NETBALL TOURNAMENT

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# BLACK HISTORY MONTH.

As part of Black History Month we would like each form group in years 7 – 10 to research and produce a poster about a Black figure from history who inspires them. All the details of this project are in the PowerPoint attached. We hope you will enjoy engaging with this project and learn something new about some of the hidden figures in history! Kind regards,

Miss Olulari on behalf of the EDI and ACS leadership team and History prefects





Black History Month 2021



# Hidden Black figures in history

This year for Black History Month we want to identify and celebrate Black figures in history.

- Your task is to choose and research a Black historical figure you admire as a form group and create a poster celebrating their life and achievements.
- You have two weeks to complete this. We have attached a template for you to use if you would like.
- The posters will be put on display the week beginning the 18<sup>th</sup> of October.

We look forward to seeing your choices!

## **Black History Month inspired competition**

To mark Black History Month, Cognus would like to invite all young people and Sutton Schools to get involved with our **EDI Artwork Competition**. The aim is to create a piece of art that illustrates what EDI (equality, diversity and inclusion) means to them.

### Categories: Primary, Secondary and 16+

**To enter:** Send a scan/photo of the original piece to <u>staffcouncil@cognus.org.uk</u> by 31<sup>st</sup> October 2021. **Prizes:** 3 winners will each get a £50 voucher and the original piece of their artwork will be hung proudly on display at the Cognus offices for staff, young people and their families to enjoy when they visit.

We hope this will be a great opportunity for schools to get involved and further develop their student's knowledge of equality, diversity and inclusion.

The Cognus EDI Group

Click the link below to open the Black History Month Learning Pack that the Museum of Croydon have put together. It includes information on English composer Samuel Coleridge Taylor, Stormzy and Sislin Fay Allen, Britain's first black female police officer. https://museumofcroydon.com/black-history-in-croydon-learningpack





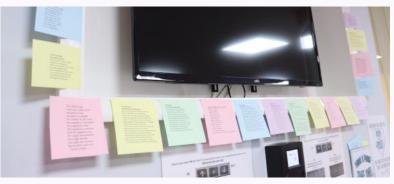


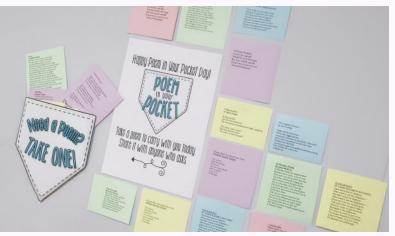
English Literature KS3 / GCSE: Poets in Person Six short films, each celebrating a different contemporary poem and featuring performances and personal insights from the poets themselves.

https://www.bbc.co.uk/teach/world-poetry-day-and-nationalpoetry-day-resources/zr6yd6f

To celebrate National Poetry day we popped up some mini 'poem in your pocket' displays.

Encouraging staff and students to pick up a poem and to share that poem with others during the day.





### https://nationalpoetryday.co.uk/



American artist Nina Katchadourian creates witty poetry from the spines of different books stacked in a way so that their titles form coherent phrases.

The artist says that's exactly how the idea dawned on her: "You know how when you're in a library and you walk along the stacks of books and turn your head to the side and read the titles? I thought it would be amazing if accidentally the titles formed a sentence, and then I realized I could make that happen."

## ENRICHMENT UPDATE

Exciting news for the 1st Enrichment day on the 17th November 2021

Plans have now been finalised and parents will be sent letters shortly confirming the arrangements and to ask for consent and any payment towards the costs where appropriate. In planning these activities, we do also want to rest assure both students and parents that, the implications of COVID 19 have been considered and the events will be run to ensure we accordance with all COVID protocols at the time. Where any activity incurs a cost for the students, WHSG will always attempt to keep the costs as low as we can whilst also providing the best experience as we can. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at enrichment@wallingtongirls.org.uk

7	8	9	10	П	12	13
7 Orienteering Day Dept: Geography Offsite event Following on from your in school learning, this day will give you a chance to get more immersive and get a hands on experience your new map	8 PE Challenge Day Dept: PE In school event A day to physical- ly and mentally challenge stu- dents developing team building, problem solving and experiencing new sports / activities. Stu- dents will experi-	9 Forensic Science Day Dept: Science In school event Students will un- dertake a day dedi- cated to forensic science; hands on activities to solve a crime but also learning about its uses and impact in the real world.	10 Modern Foreign Languages Day Dept: MFL The day will be packed with im- mersive learning opportunities to help increase confidence and improve listen- ing and oral skills in the chosen language. Activities will range from learning about	II Exams Revision day As the Year II exams are run- ning during this period, you will have the day as a dedicated revision day Good Luck in those exams!	12 Big Day Out Offsite Event Year 12 will experience the "Big Day out" in London. Choosing their own itinerary students can visit museums, Important buildings and Historical	13 Interview Day
reading skills. This trip will also give you the oppor- tunity to visit Bocketts Farm and get close up with the animals and learn how a farm works Cost: £20 per student	ence 5 sports from the follow- ing offer: Climb- ing, fencing, ar- chery, trampolin- ing, martial arts, skateboarding and Salsa. Cost: £10 per student		and watching a well- known foreign lan- guage film, playing language learning games, practising a scene from the film in the foreign lan- guage with the script or writing a review of the film.		Landmarks, developing mul- tiple skills and confidence along the way.	

### WORLD CHALLENGE

We are also pleased to announce that the world challenge sign up is opening shortly!

Year 10 and 11 are able to sign up to join the trip of a lifetime for 4 weeks in July 2023. World Challenge expeditions are designed for participants to really experience life with the locals; whether that be wildlife or people! Students that sign up get to experience and help participate in a local community or conservation project.

More information will be issued in the year 10 form groups the week of the 18th October. Year 11 will receive more information via email and Ms Edwards, who runs the world challenge program, will be running an informal drop in on the 21st October in C1 during Lunch for students to find out more. A formal Parental Information evening will be held on the 9th November at 7pm for parents to hear more about the program and to raise any questions before their signing their child up for the world challenge trip.

If you have any questions, please ask Ms Edwards.

### DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARDS

Calling all adventurous students with the love of outdoors in Year 9,10 and 12. The Duke of Edinburgh award scheme is about to open for 2021-22 academic year. Students in the relevant year will be sent information on the program and details on how to apply plus links to a virtual information evening that will provide more detail next week.

Please keep an eye on your email and the Duke of Edinburgh page in the enrichment section of our website for all the important updates. Deadline for applications will be after our autumn half term.

If you are interested, watch this quick videoclip to see if you would like to enrol in DofE <u>Lavine's story - BRONZE</u>



### YEAR 11 PHOTOGRAPHY

We are really pleased to announce that year 11 also have the opportunity to join the photography field visit to London on the 19<sup>th</sup> October 2021. Students undertaking Photography GCSE should have already received the communication. Please do ensure to secure the parental consent ASAP to ensure you can join the visit.

### MFL 2021 Languages Translation Competitions

The MFL Department are delighted to announce the 2021 Languages Translation Competitions with the School of Languages and Cultures at the University of S h e f f i e l d . T h i s y e a r w e a r e running Translation Competitions for French and German open to Year 12 and 13 students in the UK.

#### About the Competition

Students are invited to submit their translation of an original short text. Only one translation for each language per student is permitted. The texts and information about each competition are available at the following websites:

French:

shef.ac.uk/slc/french-translation-competition-2021

German: shef.ac.uk/slc/german-translation-competition-2021

#### Prizes

The ten best entries for each competition will each receive a prize of a  $\pounds 25$  voucher and an invitation to take part in a special Translation Workshop held at the University of Sheffield. This is an excellent event to note on your UCAS application. The deadline for entries is 5pm on Friday 5 November, and winners will be notified by Monday 29 November 2021.

#### How to enter

Please visit the competition webpages above to enter. You must complete the competition entry form and upload your entry as a Word document or pdf using the dropbox file request link in the entry form. You must complete **both** the form and the file upload. Failure to do so may mean your entry can not be considered. Any questions, please come and see Mme Hopgood in F13



## Music Groups 2021/22



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#### GROUPS WILL START W/C 27th September

MONDAY	LUNCH-1:20-1:45PM	JUNIOR CHOIR (Y7-9) ACTIVIT	Y STUDIO KGN
MONDAY	AFTER SCHOOL 3-4PM	GCSE COMPOSITION (Y10-11)	R7 MNI
TUESDAY	LUNCH-1:20-1:45PM	GOSPEL CHOIR (Y8-13) (by audition)	R7 KGN
WEDNESDAY	LUNCH-1:20-1:45PM	A CAPELLA (Y7-13) (by audition)	R7 BP
WEDNESDAY	AFTER SCHOOL 3-4PM	CHAMBER CHOIR (Y8-13) (by audition)	R7 MNI
THURSDAY WEEK A	LUNCH-1:20-1:45PM	MUSIC SOCIETY (Y10-13)	R7 BP
THURSDAY WEEK B	LUNCH-1:20-1:45PM	GCSE COMPOSITION (Y10-11)	R7 MNI
THURSDAY	AFTER SCHOOL 3-4PM	ORCHESTRA (Y7-13)	R7 MNI
FRIDAY	LUNCH-1:20-1:45PM	INDIAN ENSEMBLE (Y7-13)	R7 (TBC) ST

## **Candlelit Macbeth**

♥ Cryerarts theatre, Carshalton, SM5 3BB ■ Tue 19th October 2021 7:00PM

"Something wicked this way comes" the Macbeth's are heading to Carshalton! This version of Macbeth, faithful to Shakespeare's text and set in the 11th century, centres on the Witches. They are out for revenge against the Christian kings who are killing their sisters in vast numbers. They possess a champion and Macbeth answers the call. "Is this a dagger I see before me" Murder, mayhem and sword play! The Macbeth's lie and cheat their way to the top but guilt and betrayal take their toll as the Witches champion falls from favour. Defeated, the witches slither back into the darkness to trap another soul.

**Event Details** 

Starts at 7:00PM

Cryen Arts

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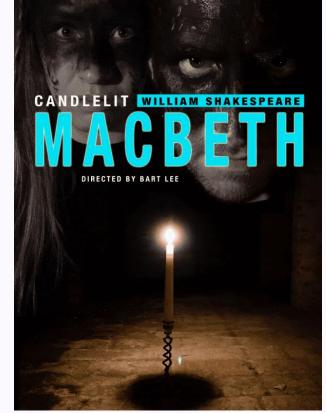
SCOTT PRIZE

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#### Tickets £10

A great opportunity for all English or performance studies students to see this reworked production of Macbeth

Book tickets through ticketsource.co.uk/cryerarts



## Then imagine winning all this:

- A £500 travel grant
- An invitation to the Baillie Gifford Borders Book Festival
- The chance to see your writing in print

#### YWSP.CO.UK

<u>The Young Walter Scott</u> <u>Prize -The Walter Scott</u> <u>Prize for Historical Fiction</u>



Enter a story of between 800 and 2000 words, set any time before you were born, and you could be our 2021 Winner, receiving a £500 travel grant, tickets to one of the UK's best book festivals to meet published authors, and the opportunity to see your own work in print.

Do you believe in time travel?

Do you have a big imagination?

Do you have a passion for

history and writing?

We must receive your entry by 1<sup>st</sup> **November 2021**. But remember, we love all forms of fiction – prose, poetry, drama, fictional letters or reportage – so let your imagination be your time machine.

If you believe in time travel, we believe in you...







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### **Mathematics Competition for A-Level Students**

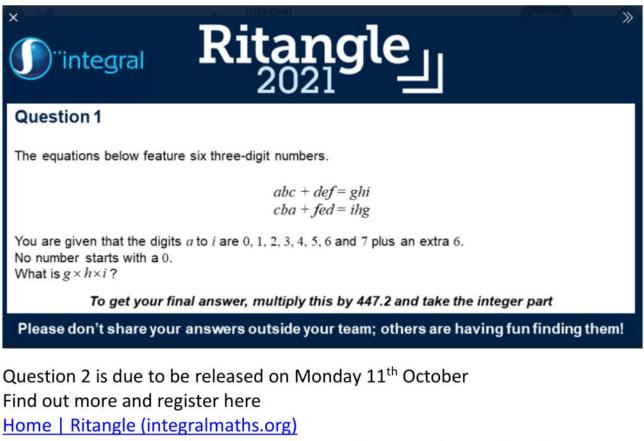


Ritangle is a competition designed for teams of students aged 16-18 who are currently studying either:

- A level Mathematics
- the International Baccalaureate
- Scottish Highers
- qualifications with equivalent content.

No knowledge of maths beyond A level Mathematics is expected.

You enter as a team and will be challenged to answer 24 questions that will be released slowly over the next few weeks. As a taster, here is question 1 :



Please use Miss Tucker, email : <u>stucker@wallingtongirls.org.uk</u> as the nominating teacher.

Best of luck to everyone who takes part!



# NATIONAL POOL LIFEGUARD QUALIFICATION

## at Westcroft Leisure Centre Includes AED

#### **Course dates and times:**

Mon 25th Oct10:00-18:30Tue 26th Oct10:00-18:30Wed 27th Oct10:00-18:30Thu 28th Oct10:00-18:30Fri 29th Oct08:30-13:30

#### Assessment day:

Sat 30th Oct: 12:00-18:00

#### Cost:

£250

#### All applicants will:

- All applicants need to be over 16 yrs old on the day of assessment
- Swim 50m in less than 1 minute
- Swim 100m continuously on your front then 100m on your back
- Tread water in deep water for more than 30 seconds
- Surface dive to the deepest part of the pool
- · Climb out of the pool unaided

## For bookings and employment opportunities please email robertanderson@everyoneactive.com

Everyone Active is an equal opportunities employer and an Investors in People organisation, who are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children, young people and vulnerable adults. All applicants will be required to undertake checks and references prior to appointment.



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