

Wallington High School For Girls

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

THE WALLINGTON WEEK

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD TEACHER

As we draw to the end of what has been a very busy and a very intense term, students and staff have been busy this week helping to raise money for Save the Children and the charity Human Appeal. The Senior Prefect Team have organised various fundraising events including the Christmas Jumper/Winter Wear Day on Tuesday, a bake sale on Thursday and have raised around £1500. We also had a fantastic response to the Winter Clothes Drive with huge amounts donated so thank you to everyone that gave so generously.

Our Christmas Concert was launched online this week and includes a wide variety of different performances, ranging from Senior Orchestra through to Gospel Choir. Students and staff have worked so hard on this and the standard of performances, as always, has been very impressive. The link to this will be going out to parents and carers so please can I encourage everyone to watch it when you have the opportunity.

A reminder that the arrangements for the beginning of term can be found on the school website <u>here</u>, with onsite testing taking place for all year groups on Tuesday 4th January and normal school resuming on Wednesday 5th January. I can also report that the Trust has now agreed the term dates for next academic year (2022-2023) and again these can be found on our website <u>here</u>.

Finally, I wanted to end by making some very public thank yous. Thank you to parents and families for your continuing support through what continues to be a challenging time and working with us to ensure we continue to nurture and support our students to the highest standards. Thank you to the staff for all of the hard work, commitment and dedication that they have shown this term. I am very lucky to work with such an amazing and supportive team and I know that they will all be looking forward to the Christmas break. And of course, thank you to our amazing students and for making this school the great place it is. For being so generous and kind to one another, for working so hard and being such a pleasure to teach, and for just keeping going this term with such good humour and energy.

The staff and I here at Wallington would like to wish all of our students and their families a very happy Christmas and a relaxing break over the next two weeks.

MR R BOOTH HEADTEACHER





WE ARE ON TWITTER!

KEEPING YOU UP TO DATE WITH THE LATEST NEWS AND EVENTS DAILY HERE AT WALLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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TEST REGISTER

Please can every student ensure to continue the Lateral Flow testing over the school break.

Students should also be reporting the results to the school via the testregister system to inform the school of the results, whether positive or negative.

How to Log In

You will be receiving regular reminders to your school email; click on the link in the email and you will be able to login.

You can log in manually by clicking on the link below or searching for testregister.co.uk and entering your school email. You will then receive a verification communication to your school email to click on and enter the website and inform the school of your result.

https://testregister.co.uk/login

E-SAFETY

The link below from Alan Mackenzie, an e-safety advisor has many interesting and information sections and advice ranging from: the new online safety bill, sexual harassment online and changes to Instagram. We would encourage families to look at this with your child and discuss relevant sections and ask what their experiences are online.

DITTO - Ed 27 - Dec 2021 (esafety-adviser.com)

SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR

The Scholastic book fair run in the library last week sold £463.80 worth of books. This in turn then allowed us to keep £185.52 worth of books for free, to be added to the school library.

FREE ONLINE RESOURCES FOR STUDENTS OVER THE CHRISTMAS BREAK

National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration), a portal to games and interactive activities focusing on ocean and air themes, and promoting environmental stewardship. https://games.noaa.gov/

Fun stuff for kids and teens – Learn with Smithsonian <u>https://www.si.edu/kids</u>

NASA at home for kids and families https://www.nasa.gov/nasa-at-home-for-kids-and-families

Tour more than 1,200 museums and galleries around the globe without leaving your home <u>https://artsandculture.google.com/</u>

See what home life looks like for the Queen of England as you take a virtual tour of Buckingham Palace <u>https://www.royal.uk/virtual-tours-buckingham-palace</u>

The world-famous sea lions of PIER 39 in San Francisco. Find out how they came to live at Pier 39 after the 1989 earthquake and discover fun sea lion facts. https://www.pier39.com/sealions/

Chrome Music Lab - start experimenting with rhythm, chords, sound waves and more. https://musiclab.chromeexperiments.com/

A super-fun YouTube channel that aims to educate kids (and their parents) on everything from anatomy to world history. https://thecrashcourse.com/courses

The categories are Science, Tech, Maths; Humanities; Languages; and Resources. <u>https://www.thoughtco.com/</u>

Introduction to Ethics -Harvard Justice (justiceharvard.org)

We tackle complex ideas across a range of subjects and draw on research from **Oxford** University. <u>Oxplore | The Home of Big Questions</u>

RASTC REGIONAL (SE) COMPETITION 2021

On November 21st, 6AM, the Wilson's school RASTC team stood ready at our unit- pumped for the competition later that day. We had the full intention to revise on our coach ride but instead we sang songs and made jokes, definitely putting us in good spirits and helped with any anxiety going in to RAF Halton (the venue). Throughout the day, we were tested in various disciplines. Including: Military Knowledge, Aircraft recognition, First Aid, Drill, Drone flying, Command task and Air Rifle Shooting. The day was an emotional rollercoaster- some tasks leaving us a little more disappointing than others, however, we powered through. By the time it was the final parade, we were barely awake as most of us had been up since 4 that morning. As the winners of each discipline were announced, adrenalin kept us all on edge - we came 1st in both Drill and First aid. We were then announced the winners of the overall competition! We were so proud of each other and took what seemed like thousands of pictures with our medals, shields and shiny trophy. While we may have dominated the South East, we still are training hard to become national champions - wish us luck!

Bella - Year 12



SWIMMING MEDAL SUCCESS THIS TERM -Anna Year 7 Student

Ist photo Kingston Royal meet: with Gold medal in 50m breast and 100 breast, silver in 50m Fly and bronze in 50m free and 50m back.

2nd photo Guildford meet :with Gold in 50m breast, silver in 100m breast and bronze in 200m breast

Waking Meet : silver in 100m free and bronze in 50m free and 50m back. In this meet Anna was not allowed to compete in the breaststroke because she is too fast in all 3 distances, well above the max qualification times. Well done Anna!









Winter Clothes

Drive

Christmas

Bake Sale!!





£283!









Thanks for all of your support!





HERE ARE THE SHORTLISTED ENTRIES FOR THE YEAR 8 CHRISTMAS CARD COMPETITION. WELL DONE EVERYONE!











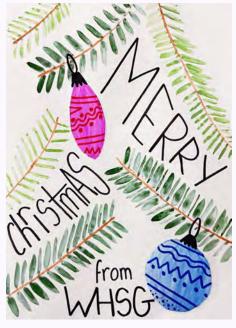














Bee well

Wallington

This half-term's issue of the wellbeing newsletter is mainly in response to the feedback from the google form we sent out last half term. Thank you again to everyone who sent in responses as this really helps us direct our focus to what you need or want from us.

First of all, congratulations! You've all gotten to the end of the Autumn term, you've all gotten through various block tests, end of topic tests and even some mocks. A massive well done from all of the Well-being mentor team!

There is one thing that is probably on all of your minds though- the reports. It can sound very scary, whether it's your first report or your fifteenth, and that is completely normal. If you're not happy with a grade, that's normal as well, what's important is to give yourself time and go easy. One of the first things that comes to mind when getting back a grade that you weren't expecting is to waste time looking back at it rather than looking forward; try and avoid this. Take a deep breath and look for the good- it's not always easy to stay positive, but it is good to try, and this can be a stepping stone to improving for the next report.

Who should you go to for support in school? The first person you should go to is your form tutor or Head of Year, as you may find them more approachable. However, if you feel the situation is getting out of hand, you can talk to Mrs Beaumont, Chisom, Mrs German or Mrs Antonio.

Fun activities to do this winter:

Go Ice Skating –

https://visitlondon.com/ Queens London (bowling or ice skating on Monday and Tuesday is £7) Go on Cable cars – Emirates Air Line – Transport for London

The referral process

If you want to talk to a Wellbeing Mentor all you need to do is send an email to

wellbeingmentors@wallingtongirls.org.uk and wait for a response. You will then receive an email with a referral form attached, which you will be required to fill out and email back. From there, you will be assigned a mentor who will contact you and set up meetings. Alternatively, you can always talk to your form tutor or Head of Year, who will then arrange for you to get a form (email or hard copy) that you can then fill in.

Confidentiality

We received many concerns about the confidentiality of any wellbeing mentor meetings and so we just wanted to highlight that **anything told to us will always be regarded as confidential information.**

Our main purpose is to be guidance givers and an outlet for any worries you may have and so confidentiality is a big part of our system.

Whatever you tell any of us in a meeting won't be told to anyone else with the exceptions of safety concerns.

Go on Uber Boats across London – <u>here</u> (you can use your oyster card)

Go to a Christmas market – Best London Christmas markets in 2021 – https://visitlondon.com/



We understand how important it is to be able to know somebody in order to open up to them and so we thought we'd take the time to properly introduce ourselves.

Below are short introductions of each wellbeing mentor with a few facts so you can get to know us a little bit better...



Opening hours during Christmas

OFF RECORD 0800 980 7475

Support for

ages 11-25 in Croydon,

Sutton and

Merton

Telephone support line

We're open everyday from Friday 24th December to **3rd January, 3pm - 6pm.**

www.talkofftherecord.org

Registered Charity No. 1051144



BEDDINGTON CRICKET CLUB COLTS

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 Cricket Championship leagues. Experienced coaching team that focuses on motivating players to learn new skills, develop natural talent and enjoy the game! Full winter/summer programme available.

Winter Training - £80

10 weeks starting week commencing 10th January 2022 at Wallington CG School, SM6 7PH

Monday 6-7pm - Girls Only Year 4 and above Monday 7-8pm - Year 5 & 6 Hardball Monday 8-9pm - Year 9 & 10 Hardball

Friday 6-7pm - Reception, Year 1 & 2 - Mixed Friday 7-8pm - Year 3,4 & 5 – Softball, Mixed Friday 8-9pm - Year 7 & 8 - Hardball

Summer training starts in April for 16 weeks. Also available All Stars, Dynamos, Easter and Summer holiday clubs, Festivals, 1-2-1 Coaching.

ECB Club Mark accredited. All coaches DBS accredited.

For more information or to book space on the Winter Training Sessions contact Chris Austin, Colts Manager at **<u>beddingtoncolts@hotmail.com</u>**

www.beddingtoncc.co.uk