

Wallington High School for Girls

THE WALLINGTON WEEK

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

MONDAY 4TH MARCH 2024



SCHOOL PRODUCTION 2024

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VISIT TO THE CHURCH OF SCIENTOLOGY



See pg.7.

RAF ROYAL SQUADRON NATIONAL FINALS

On Sunday 15 cadets from Wilson's RAF Section travelled to RAF Wittering for the National Finals of The Royal Air Squadron Trophy Competition having qualified in fine style in the London and South East Regional round of the competition last term...see pg 9.

Message from the Headteacher



The school production, The Addams Family, was the highlight of last week. I was totally blown away by this performance - It was really well produced, all the performances were exceptional, the orchestra were amazing, the set and costumes all excellent. A huge thank you to everyone involved, what a night! It was great to see so many families there enjoying the show.

Thursday is another of our school enrichment days.

There is a fantastic range of activities for our girls to engage in. Please check where your child is going, what they need to bring and what their timetable looks like on the day.

Car park – we have recently seen some parent cars coming into the school car park and waiting in car park bays. All these bays are allocated to staff members who all leave at different times. Please refrain from using the car park even if it is just for turning as this can cause delays for staff who may need to pick up their own children or get to appointments.

We have a whole school INSET on the 22nd March – please ensure this is in your diaries.

We will soon be launching our Environment group. One of our first projects is to get our greenhouse full of seeds. If you have any spare pots/ compost/garden tools, please leave them at reception.

T O'Brien

- Ms T O'Brien
Headteacher



Girls' Learning Trust



WORLD BOOK DAY
CELEBRATE ON 7 MARCH 2024



Upcoming workshops

Autism advice sessions can be booked by e-mailing theautismadvice@cognus.org.uk. Dates found below.

<p>WOULD YOU LIKE TO TALK ABOUT YOUR YOUNG PERSON AND GET SOME NEW IDEAS OR STRATEGIES?</p> <p>PENDING AVAILABILITY, YOU WILL BE ALLOCATED A 30 MINUTE SLOT BETWEEN THESE TIMES.</p>  <p>Cognus <small>No Limits on Learning</small></p>	<p>AUTISM ADVICE SESSION FOR SUTTON FAMILIES</p> <p>9TH FEBRUARY 1PM-4PM</p> <p>13TH MARCH 10AM-1PM</p> <p>17TH APRIL 9.30AM-12.30PM</p> <p>9TH MAY 1PM-4PM</p> <p>BOOK BY EMAILING THEAUTISMSERVICE@COGNUS.ORG.UK</p>
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Useful links

Co-Curricular Activities

[SOCs](#), the school's new online system for Co-Curricular activities, will allow your child to see all available activities but also allow you to view after school registers to see if your child is attending and in school.

Careers Noticeboard

For live updates on careers related opportunities please click [here](#).

Current Vacancies

Click [here](#) for a link to our vacancies page.

This week: Week B

Monday 4th March

Author Visit - Faridah Àbíké-Íyímídé 11:10am-2pm
Year 10 Disco by WHSG PFA 4:30pm-6:30pm
Late detention 3:10-3:30pm

Tuesday 5th March

Late detention 3:10-3:30pm

Wednesday 6th March

Y10 visit to Barcelona (6th/7th/8th)
Late detention 3:10-3:30pm
Central detention 3:10-3:40pm

Thursday 7th March

Enrichment Day
Y12 Domestic Abuse Training 10:30am-4:30pm
Late detention 3:10-3:30pm

Friday 8th March

Year 9 Final Options
Year 12 Domestic Abuse Training 10:30am-4:30pm
Late detention 3:10-3:30pm
Central detention 3:10-4:10pm

Next week: Week A

Monday 11th March

Start of Ramadan
Year 13 Politics Conference
Late detention 3:10-3:30pm

Tuesday 12th March

NASA Parents' Meeting 5-7pm Main Hall
Late detention 3:10-3:30pm

Wednesday 13th March

Year 10 Parents' Evening 4-7pm Online
Late detention 3:10-3:30pm
Central detention 3:10-3:40pm

Thursday 14th March

Late detention 3:10-3:30pm

Friday 15th March

Late detention 3:10-3:30pm
Central detention 3:10-4:10pm

Work Experience:

Year 11 8th - 12th July 2024/

Year 12 15th - 19th July 2024

Every pupil should have first-hand experiences of the workplace through work visits, work shadowing and/or work experience to help their exploration of career opportunities, and expand their networks. Effective work experience can make a significant difference to the motivation, attainment and progression of students. However, finding a placement can often be a daunting task and so we would appreciate your support in helping your child to find a suitable experience.

Please would year 11 and 12 parents and carers spend some time exploring any contacts which your child can use and help them to explore and research local companies who may be able to provide a placement.

If anyone is able to offer a work experience placement to a WHSG student for the above dates, please contact Mrs Lisa Parkinson (lparkinson@wallingtongirls.org.uk).



Medical Appointments

If your child needs to leave school early for a planned medical appointment, parents /carers need to email the attendance address (below) at least 48 hours in advance. Students need to inform their Form Tutor in the morning, then the relevant subject teacher if they need to leave a lesson early. Students must report to reception when leaving the premises where they will receive an out of school pass.

If your child returns to school on the same day, they must report to reception on arrival in order to sign in. If there is an emergency medical appointment, parents/carers should email the attendance address by 8.45am on the day.

If your child is ill, parents/ carers should email the school by 8.45am every day they are absent stating the reason for absence. The e-mail address is: attendance@wallingtongirls.org.uk.

- Miss M Gough
Assistant Headteacher
Designated Safeguarding Lead

Year 10 Parents' Evening

Year 10 Parents' Evening will take place on Wednesday 13th March between 4-7pm via the [SchoolCloud](#) platform.

Initially, you were able to book a maximum of 5 appointments however on Saturday 8th March, noon, we will release remaining appointments and remove booking limitations for anyone who wishes to speak to more than 5 of their child's subject specialists.

For full details about this event please refer to the communications sent on Wednesday 21st February.

Thank you.

- Mr J Parkinson
Assistant Headteacher
Academic Support and Co-Curricular

Students' Medications at School

If any student has a condition that requires medication such as Adrenaline Auto Injectors, Antihistamines or Inhalers, parents and carers must ensure that we are provided with a spare to be kept in the first aid room. **This is in addition to medication carried by the student.**

*Medication will be required for the upcoming Enrichment Activities and should be provided before that date/if you are notified of a medication request via email.

We require all medication to be supplied in its original container with leaflet, accompanied by a completed [Parental Permission Form](#).

General information can be found [here](#).

We would also ask that you would provide the school with replacements prior to the expiry date being reached.

The medication will be stored in the First Aid Room and given to your child as detailed on the Parental Permission Form.

- Ms D Newell
First Aider/Reprographics Technician

Year 9 Student to Work Day: 22nd March 2024

On Friday, 22nd March 2024, students in Year 9 are encouraged to accompany a parent, carer, or other adult to their workplace with the purpose of observing and gaining valuable insights into various professions, inspiring career exploration and promoting a better understanding of the working world. If you would like to participate in this opportunity we kindly ask that you complete this online [form](#) by Monday, 18th March 2024.

- Mrs L Parkinson
Careers Coordinator



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UCAS Extra - Now Open

If students have used all of their five choices on their original UCAS application and are not holding an offer, students are able to add another choice by using UCAS Extra.

For more information about how to add a choice, please click [here](#).

Please note, this information has been sent to Year 13 students via e-mail on Thursday 29th February.

- Mrs S Collins
Higher Education Co-ordinator



Year 12 Makers of the Future Day

On Wednesday 27th March we will be hosting our annual Makers of the Future Day for Year 12 students. This will be an exciting day for students and will include talks from universities, industry experts and WHSG Careers Fair.

Parents have also been invited to a Parent Information Meeting taking place at 6pm. To register parent/carers attendance please click [here](#).

More information can be found on the letter sent separately dated 4/03/24.

- Mrs S Collins
Higher Education Co-ordinator

My Voice Matters - Place2be



Improving children's
mental health

Feb 5th-11th marked Children's Mental Health Week. This year the theme was "My Voice Matters".

On Friday 9th Feb we held a dress to express non-uniform day, which helped to raise £1050.50 for Children's Mental Health Charity [Place2be](#).

Thank you all for your contributions!

- Miss C Nwankwo
School Counsellor

@greatbritishrailadventure

Ms Keohane's partner (David) is undertaking the challenge of visiting all the train stations in mainland UK in the fastest time possible for Great Ormond Street Hospital.

For more information and donations, please visit www.gofund.me/d86eb2d1 and follow David's journey on social media [@greatbritishrailadventure](#).

- Ms V Keohane
Teacher of English

Update - Year 10 Disco

Unfortunately we have had to postpone the disco scheduled for today. We are issuing refunds for tickets purchased and will be in touch soon with a new date later this term.

We apologise for any inconvenience caused by this.

- WHSG PFA
Enquiries: pfa@wallingtongirls.org.uk

Intermediate Mathematical Challenge

This term, a selection of students from Years 9, 10 and 11 took part in the Intermediate Mathematical Challenge. This is a multiple-choice test that is sat by students across the UK. It encourages mathematical reasoning, precision of thought, and fluency in using basic mathematical techniques to solve interesting problems. The problems are challenging and designed to make even the most able students think!

The competition was tough this year and the thresholds for certificates this year are 77+ gold, 61+ silver, 47+ bronze.

It is a great achievement to have been awarded a certificate and we would like to congratulate and celebrate the success of the following students:

Gold Certificates

Year 9

Mira, Katrina, Maya, Shona, Uma, Harshitha, Amritha, Iasna, Ching Sum, Safiyyah, Estela and Aizah.

Year 10

Amelia, Louisa, Joanne, Coco, Mathuraa, Ji-San, Cassandra, Duaa, Sara, Maja, Palak, Anqi, Florence, Inaayah, Emma, Lucila, Abinaya, Chandani and Jessica.

Year 11

Shriya, Ashviya, Diya, Riya, Macy, Huda, Mozn, Miriam, Sarah, Saanvi, Jia, Abigail, Sreeranjini, Sai, Thulasika, Aarani, Jade, Lucy, Branavi, Zoha, Annette, Sinyi, Sherine, Najira, Maheli, Sarina and Corrie.

Silver Certificates

Year 9

Lucy, Kelly, Aarna, Radha, Nawaal, Caitlin, Anushka, Safa, Janany, Shambhavi, Thammiha, Gavija, Le, Minal, J'Nai, Nada, Enioluwa, Emily, Hrudy, Ananya, Ruby, Ihinosen, Sivani, Advika, Grace and Mahishaa.



Year 10

Millie, Gloria, Beth, Nishi, Gracie, Melissa, Amy, Angelica, Baruni, Emma, Nillasha, Maryam, Emily, Anaa, Asjhhvini, Nitya, Caitlyn, Humda, Lakshmi, Cassie, Aarnavii, Annabel, Ruhma, Kavisha, Maahi, Nikhita, Zaynab, Jaghana, Tia, Haashini, Harshini, Jashmin, Angelina, Aena, Josie, Suruthi, Jessica Sanjana, Annie, Ishika, Stella, Chloe, Pragnaya, Anishka, Damilola, Haniya, Aashita, Chloe and Malahat.

Year 11

Surabe, Iniya, Sujaanie, Sofie, Jennifer, Aashi, Ania, Orla, Sarina, Diana, Simone, Abenaya, Ria, Sivaranjini, Hafsah, Jessica, Rohiny, Tharmavi, Poppy, Radchaya, Vikaasnie, Saffa, Sanjana, Isabelle, Diya, Prieyaa, Amina, Reigenah, Phoebe, Abbinaya, Parishkruta, Rosie, Olohirere, Safiyyah, Amy, Lucie, Maia, Scarlett, Salvia, Daania, Shruddha, Calista, Emily, Meera, Shorna, Zahra, Vrisha, Aashni, Muniza and Dilani.

Bronze Certificates

Year 9

Nivitha Sree, Lakshmi, Ozcar, Aara, Sayulhet, Pagisha, Libby, Maya, Manahil, Maya, Christina, Serah, Gua Gua, Katerina, Tasfia, Diya, Akshayani, Kulsum, Safiya, Rakshitha and Sukayna.

Year 10

Kajaniga, Piyasha, Shruthi, Ayushi, Adshaiya, Isabella, Isabella, Raya, Pranneeta, Ashwaq, Nithia, Shaili, Reeve, Zara, Anna, Salma, Lily, Gracie, Sehej, Megha, Aanya, Aishani, Abirami, Smriti, Zara, Kanisha, Elizabeth, Saranja, Zahra, Onyema, Mayurika, Simarpreet, Taskin, Radhika, Sarina, Elaine, Fatima, Grace, Reena and Ashwika.

Year 11

Veronika, Aysha, Nila, Laynah, Hindara, Amrah, Anika, Kasturi, Madison, Isobel, Varsha, Nithoojaah, Varunika, Aize, Amaya, Nilasha, Pranavi, Hannah, Taqwa, Emily, Shreya, Aarabi, Mili, Zainab, Anthonia, Acksharaa, Lucy, Shruti, Ayla, Ella, Princess, Emily, Esther, Siyanu, Jessica, Hannah, Parisa, Fiona, Anvesha, Natale, Tharigga, Saadia, Charlene, Smriti, Zaima, Yasmine and Zaina.



Best of luck to all the students who are taking part in either the Pink or Grey Kangaroo follow-on rounds.

Particular congratulations go to Mira (Y9) and Amelia (Y10) for achieving the best results in their Year groups and to Shriya (Y11) as her incredibly impressive score of 106 is the best result of the whole school!

We are very proud of all the students who took part and hope they enjoyed the experience.

- Miss S Tucker
Teacher of Mathematics

Enrichment Day

On Thursday this week (7th March), we are running a range of activities for pupils across the school, see below for overview:

- Year 7 - Mousetrap
- Year 8 - Wetlands Centre
- Year 9 - Wisley
- Year 10 - Barcelona, Church visit or Art Gallery
- Year 11 - Art Gallery or Hamilton
- Year 12 - PSHCE: Student Wellebing workshops
- Year 13 - Life Beyond Wallington workshops

Year 13 visit to the Church of Scientology



"On Wednesday 21st February, the year 13 Sociology class went to the Church of Scientology in central London. Sandy - the volunteer at the Church taught us about the core beliefs in Scientology. We found out about the founder - L Ron Hubbard's belief in multiple lives, the emotional tone scale and the role of therapy which uses a process called auditing. We also had a tour of the church where we saw interview rooms, auditing machines, informative screens with multiple languages and a 'purification' room with exercise machines and a sauna. I found the experience very interesting and really enjoyed asking questions. My favourite part of the trip would definitely be the Q&A session, because I was able to ask as many questions as I wanted, and the staff answered very openly. I think the religion of Scientology is very intriguing".

- Sakina, 13MNI

WHSG's, The Addam's Family

This week has seen our brilliant cast of The Addams Family perform to very appreciative houses. On Tuesday we welcomed local primary schools in for a matinee performance, then opened on Tuesday night to rave reviews!

Show week is the culmination of a rehearsal process that started back in September – and the hours of hard work that everyone put in certainly paid off this week. Highlights included excellent portrayals of the famous Addams Family by our talented principal performers, an all singing and dancing, ghoulish chorus of ancestral ghosts and a superb live orchestra, made up largely of our school musicians.



The cast was ably supported by a host of scenery painters and prop makers who made the stage look beautifully creepy; lighting and sound technicians whose added technical expertise; costume and make-up artists who added some sparkle and a considerable amount of ghoulish white face paint; a box office and publicity crew who promoted the event and ticket sales; and finally a very able back stage crew, who ran the show with absolute precision under the watchful eye of our excellent stage manager.

Thanks go to Mrs Borrageiro-Maier and Mrs Yard as Director and Musical Director, Mrs Gunn as Assistant MD and Mrs Broadbent for choreography.

The pupils surpassed themselves, both in terms of showing their talents, and of being able to work together as part of a team.

- Mrs K Broadbent
Director of English, Drama, Media and Classics

The Royal Air Squadron Trophy Competition National Finals

On Sunday 15 cadets from Wilson's RAF Section travelled to RAF Wittering for the National Finals of The Royal Air Squadron Trophy Competition having qualified in fine style in the London and South East Regional round of the competition last term. The coach journey up to Northamptonshire was shared with local rivals Dulwich College.

The 15 teams competed across a number of disciplines including a command task, air rifle shooting, drill, aircraft recognition, RAF knowledge and first aid. Our team was captained at the regional competition and the national final by Flight Sergeant Micherva, the first Wallington High School for Girls cadet to be given this responsibility, she was ably assisted by CWO Fernando along with the other NCOs in the team. The pair shaped and inspired a young and inexperienced team admirably since they started training in September.

The Wilson's team were disappointed not to bring any silverware home. But after reflecting on their 5th place in The Nationals they should be proud of their hard work and efforts. They came a creditable 2nd in First Aid, their highest ever finish in this discipline and 3rd in Air Recce. Congratulations to Loughborough who won the Trophy and all the teams for setting such high standards. Thanks to the staff and volunteers who make this excellent so rewarding and challenging for the cadets and to special mention to our friends and rivals from Dulwich College for making the coach journey home such an enjoyable, sing-along, part of the day.

Many of the team would have been out of their home for up to 19 hours by the time they got home on Sunday night! A mammoth effort by Cadets and Adult volunteers, not to mention the Thursday evenings and days at the weekend that the team and staff have put in in the build up to the event. A selection of photos is available on the CCF Instagram account (@wsccf) and all the photos will be posted on the CCF Facebook page as they become available, many are already there.



 **ROYAL
AIR FORCE**



Attendance

Requests for absence, including illness or appointments should be sent to:

attendance@wallingtongirls.org.uk

Please provide at least 2 full school days notice of a planned absence for the school to complete the required processes before the event.

Absences for longer than one day need to be confirmed at least 2 weeks prior to the event. Families should note that requests for holidays during term time will not be approved and penalty fines can be issued.

To notify WHSG of a leave of absence, please complete this [form](#) and return to the email above.

Changes in contact information

If you need to update your home address or contact telephone number, emergency contacts or any other information, please send the updates to:

KS3 and 4 – mandrews@wallingtongirls.org.uk

KS5 – jday@wallingtongirls.org.uk

Parking

Please note that parents are unable to park or drive into the school grounds between the hours of 7.30 -4.30 for safeguarding reasons. Families can contact our reception to ask for permission, where the needs arise for a pupil with mobility issues.

reception@wallingtongirls.org.uk

Please also ensure that when dropping your child at school each day, you are respectful of our local residents by not blocking drives and roads or impacting others safety by parking or dropping off your child(ren) irresponsibly.

Back-to-school advice

Click [here](#) for essential information provided by the GovUK website.

Punctuality

Good punctuality to both lessons and to school is expected of all students. We know that employers place great importance on punctuality and attendance, therefore it is important for our students to understand the value of being on time.

WHSG will issue same day, 20 min detentions for students that are late into school, without a valid reason or persistent lateness to classes. Parents and students will be notified as soon as possible of the detention and the reasoning by email.

We ask that parents support these actions as important processes for the school and understand that detentions cannot be moved for any after school clubs or enrichment events. Should a detention clash with a medical appointment, evidence will be requested for the school to show flexibility.



WALLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

Y12 MAKERS OF THE FUTURE DAY 2024



Unlocking

Your

Potential

Student Event:

Wednesday 27th March, 8:15am–3pm.

Parent Information Meeting:


Wednesday 27th March, 6pm.


Parent attendance form via letter.


Don't miss

this opportunity

27TH MARCH





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London


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Improving the health of pregnant women, babies, children
and young people throughout South West London
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**Should I be
worried about
my child's
health?**

Visit www.SWLondon-HealthierTogether.nhs.uk
or scan the QR code for trusted help





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CHANCE TO
PLAY SQUASH
AT THE LONDON
YOUTH GAMES**



ARE YOU UNDER 17?

DO YOU PLAY A RACKET SPORT?

Why not try out for your place on Sutton's squash team at the London Youth Games?

**INTERESTED? SCAN THE QR CODE:
OR EMAIL: samuelhodgkins@yahoo.uk**



EASTER

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES & FOOD PROGRAMME

THU 28 MARCH – FRI 12 APRIL



FREE*
FOR
RECEPTION
– YEAR 11



Inclusive activities:

- > Arts & craft
- > Sports
- > Performing arts
- > Tailored workshops for 13+ year olds
- > New experiences
- > Day trips
- Plus much more!

Book your child's place today!

Enjoy a holiday filled with exciting activities,
engaging workshops, trips and more.
Nutritious food included.

Let's 'HAF' FUN this Easter!

*Eligible children entitled to benefits-related free school meals can book a free place with their unique vouchers. Limited free places are available for children outside this cohort.



Scan the QR code or visit
suttoninformationhub.org.uk/HAF
to find out more.

