

The Wallington Week

Monday 6th October 2025

This term we have launched Humanities Society, a supra curricular club where our students can investigate History, Philosophy, Politics, Geography and Economics beyond the classroom. It has been phenomenally popular- this week over 50 students attended, and it was standing room only at the back of the room.

Our theme this term is Power and every week we have a different guest speaker- last week Mrs Etherington spoke to the students about "Who deserves the power?" and this week Mr. Lawrence discussed Power and the Monarchy. We know that studying a Humanities subject for A Level has made our students' university applications stand out and we hope that the society will challenge our students to think more deeply.



Our Sixth Form Open Evening is on 16th October, families will have tours, an opportunity to speak to different subject teachers and a talk by myself and Mrs. Collins, Assistant Headteacher, Sixth Form. There is no need to book a place.

Our Winter concert will take place on Tuesday 2nd December from 6.30 to 8pm, this is a beautiful event and one not to be missed.

Another date for the diary - Our Christmas Fair will be after school on Friday 5th December from 3.30 - 6.30pm. Please contact the PFA to offer support or contribute some prizes for the raffle [Parents and Friends Association - Wallington High School for Girls](#)

- Ms T O'Brien
Headteacher



Upcoming Events

- 13th Oct- Y7 Meet the Tutor
- 16th Oct- Sixth Form Open Evening
- 17th Oct- Late Start 9:20am

Useful Links

Co-Curricular Activities

SOCs, the school's 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](#)

Calendar

Week B

Monday

- Osmington Bay trip- y13 geography, all week
- GCSE Music Recording (solos)

Tuesday

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- Drama Frantic assembly Workshop (GCSE and A Level students)

Wednesday

- Central Detention- 15:10-16:10pm

Thursday

- Senior Maths Challenge (y12/13 maths & FM)
- SLAM poetry workshop (lunchtime)

Friday

- Keyring Painting Workshop (lunchtime)
- Headteachers detention- 15:10-17:10pm
- Central Detention- 15:10-16:10pm

Attendance

Y7 Y8 Y9 Y10 Y11

97.80%

97.17%

97.31%

97.13%

96.61%

Staff Messages

Parent Workshop: KS4 Study Skills (Years 10 and 11 Parents) – new date

Date and time: Mon 13th Oct 2025, 18.00–19.00

Facilitator: Mr Donnelly – Assistant Headteacher for Teaching and Learning at WHSG

Location: This event will be held at WHSG

This workshop is for the parents of Years 10 and Year 11 students. Mr Donnelly will provide parents and carers with tips and techniques to support their child with revision and how to retain more information and knowledge. The session will also look at how we can increase students' chances of becoming expert learners.

If you would like to attend this workshop, please sign up [here](#).

– Mrs M Sundborg
Assistant Headteacher & DSL

Parent Workshop: Autism and Eating Disorders

Date and time: Wed 15th Oct 2025, 18.00–19.30

Facilitator: Jenny Langley – Mental Health Trainer

Location: This is a virtual event – Zoom

In recent years there has been much written about possible links between autism and eating disorders. There is no one recommended approach, although there is a large study currently being undertaken at the Maudsley hospital in London which is considering how treatment can most effectively be adapted for patients with a dual diagnosis of autism and anorexia. Of course, people with autism spectrum conditions (ASC) can present with a wide array of eating difficulties, not just restrictive eating. This session is aimed at providing parents and carers with the knowledge and skills to support a child with an eating problem and explore the possible links with autism.

Please see the meeting details below:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85759318427?pwd=ohgNJVdMaiT6xDtM9J3Cex3vGmU3F5.1>

Meeting ID: 857 5931 8427

Passcode: 322564

– Mrs M Sundborg
Assistant Headteacher & DSL

Staff Messages

Year 13 Interview Day 19th November 2025 (9:30 – 15:00) – Volunteers Needed

We are organising a special event for our year 13 students and are looking for volunteers to join us to help them develop a crucial life skill: interviewing.

Thank you to all those who have volunteered for this event so far, it is very much appreciated. Further information will be sent to you in the coming weeks. We still however, require additional volunteers.

For many of our Year 13 students, this will be their first opportunity to experience a formal interview setting and as you will appreciate, this is an important skill to learn to give our students the confidence and a competitive edge when applying for higher education, apprenticeships or other employment opportunities in the future.

We require volunteers from all sectors but we have a particular need for; dentists and medical professionals, engineers, architects, lawyers, psychologists and individuals in accounting and finance.

What to expect:

We are seeking volunteers to conduct multiple 30 minute face-to-face practice interviews. Your role will involve asking questions, providing feedback, and sharing your insights and experiences. Where possible we will match your specialism to an appropriate student but we may also ask you to conduct a generic interview or one broadly related to your field. We are happy for you to use your own questions but you will also be supplied with examples to assist you. We are hoping for volunteers to attend the whole day, however we would still welcome your participation if you are only available for part of the day. Lunch and refreshments will be provided, and for some this may also be a great opportunity to network with other professionals in the local area.

How to volunteer:

If you are willing to volunteer, please could you complete the form [here](#).

-Mrs L Parkinson
Careers Coordinator

Student Achievements

Well done to Keisha from 8 Pankhurst for being awarded 'Purley Player of the year - U12s Girls' at the Purley Cricket Club last week.

-Ms S Yogeswaran



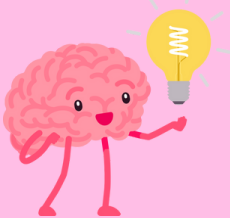
A huge well done to Adya and Alice, who brought home the doubles trophy at the recent Smash It Badminton Tournament in Slough! Their fantastic teamwork and determination paid off, and we are so proud of their achievement.

-Mrs Waight



Well Done!

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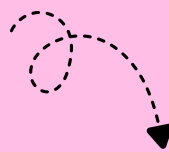
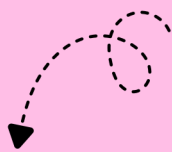
• For Years 9 - 12



- Competition to ignite interest in psychology, develop research and critical thinking skills, and showcase student abilities

• Interested in entering?:

Click link below



- <https://www.mindsunderground.com/british-psychology-olympiad>

Think Pharmacy First

Most pharmacies in England are now providing the Pharmacy First service.

This free NHS service allows you or your child to get quick access to healthcare advice for the following seven conditions:

- Earache (aged 1 to 17 years)
- Impetigo (aged 1 year and over)
- Infected insect bites (aged 1 year and over)
- Shingles (aged 18 years and over)
- Sinusitis (aged 12 years and over)
- Sore throats (aged 5 years and over)
- Urinary tract infections (UTIs) in women (aged 16 to 64 years)

If you or your child has symptoms that suggest you may have one of these conditions, you can walk into a pharmacy and be offered a consultation with a pharmacist in a private consultation room.

The pharmacist will provide advice and, if clinically necessary, a prescription medicine to treat the condition (the normal NHS prescription charge rules apply to people aged 16 and over).

Think Pharmacy First!

Find out more by watching the [Pharmacy First animation](#) or visiting nhs.uk/thinkpharmacyfirst

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

Contact Information and emails

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

When replying to any SchoolComms emails, please use the individual contact email provided and for general enquiries use info@wallingtongirls.org.uk



Parking

Parking Please note that parents are unable to park or drive into the school grounds between the hours of 7.30am-4.30pm for safeguarding reasons.

Families can contact our reception to ask for permission, where the need arises 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.

Punctuality

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.

If a student is late 3 times within a half-term (roughly 6 weeks) they will receive a 60 mins detention on a Wednesday or a Friday. If the student is late again within the half-term they will receive an automatic 60 mins detention, a late report and there will be a meeting with parents. This will re-set at the start of each half-term.

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.