

## WALLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS The Wallington Week

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

## Message from the Headteacher

If you haven't already seen this, please do take a look at the Autumn term publication of 'Heirs and Makers' where we try to capture a glimpse of last term's activity in one magazine. It celebrates our students in a whole host of ways and some of the things they have been up to.



Well done to two amazing groups of students last week. The first is the group who ran and supported the staff library event. The library assistants were a real credit to the role – helping staff choose books and offering refreshments at this wonderful event.

The second group is the Sports Leaders who were outstanding, they are in action again this week and I hope to pop in and see them in action with some of the primary school students that we host.

Well done to Year 13 who have finished mocks and for Year 11 who continue to engage well in their guidance meetings.



Monday 20th January 2025

## **Useful Links**

## **Co-Curricular** Activities

<u>SOCs</u>, 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 <u>click here.</u>

#### **Current Vacancies**

Click here for a link to our <u>vacancies</u> page

## **Upcoming Events**

**W/C 20th January**- Y12 Academic Review week

20th January- Year 12 Parents Evening

31st January- Alumni Event

## Calendar

<u>Week A</u>

#### Monday 20th January

- Year 11 Guidance Meetings- (ALL WEEK)
- Year 12 Academic Review Week
- Year 13 Mock exams (ALL WEEK)
- Late Detention- E06 (15.10-15.30pm)
- Year 12 Parents Evening (16:00-19:00pm Online)

#### **Tuesday 21st January**

• Late Detention E06- (14.10-14.30pm)

#### Wednesday 22nd January

- CERN Residential Trip (Weds-Sat)
- Central Detention E06 (15:10pm-15:40pm)

#### **Thursday 23rd January**

• Late Detention E06- (15:10-15:30pm)

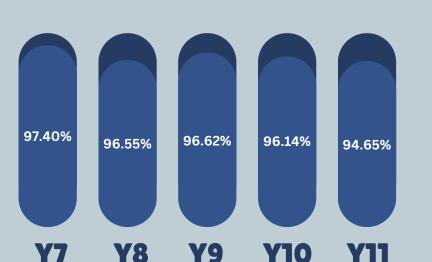
#### Friday 24th January

- Central Detention- E06 (15:10-16:10pm)
- Late Detention- E06 (15:10-15:30pm)

#### Saturday 25th January

• CERN Residential Trip- return

## **Attendance Percentages**



#### Between 02/09/24 - 13/01/25

## **DSL** Messages

#### <u>Social Media & Gaming - What Parents</u> <u>Need to Know - Parent Workshop</u>

Date and time: Thurs 6th Feb 2025, 19.00-20.00 Facilitator: Dr Danielle Shbero - Clinical Psychologist from Sutton CAMHS Location: This is a virtual event – Eventbrite

This workshop talks through the relationship between mental health and different forms of screentime – some of the myths, science and also tips for how to think about and support your teen around different forms of screentime.

To register for this online workshop please click on this link: <u>Social Media & Gaming - What Parents Need to Know Tickets</u>, <u>Thu 6 Feb 2025 at 19:00 | Eventbrite</u>

#### <u>E-Safety – Parent Workshop</u>

Date and time: Thurs 13th Feb 2025, 18.00-19.00 Facilitator: Steve Welding - Education E-safety Adviser from Cognus Location: This is a virtual event – Teams

Steve Welding is an online safety specialist who wishes to educate all parents on how they can support their children to make the correct choices online. As a parent or carer you play a key role in helping your child to stay safe online. You don't need to be an expert on the internet to help keep your child safe online. This workshop will provide you with advice and resources to help you in supporting your child to use the internet safely, responsibly and positively.

Please see the meeting details below:

Microsoft Teams Meeting Meeting ID: 381 417 558 588 Passcode: HUGTxw

> -Mrs M Sundborg Assistant Headteacher Designated Safeguarding Lead

## **DSL** Messages

#### **Class Charts**

A reminder for parents/carers to please set up your Class Charts account so you can monitor your child's conduct in school. Please follow the steps in the parent guide that will be emailed to you for setting up your account. So far we have 939 parents who have set up their accounts.

#### Students outside at break

Students are encouraged to be outside for 10 minutes at break time so they can get some fresh air and stretch their legs. However, should the weather turn very cold again then we will allow them to be inside, just as we would if it was raining.

#### <u> Pharmacy First – an NHS service being offered from pharmacies across England</u>

Pharmacies across England are now offering an NHS service for children and adults called Pharmacy First. This NHS service allows children and adults to get quick access to healthcare advice as they can walk into a pharmacy and access the service, removing the potential delay of having to wait for a GP appointment. The person will be offered a consultation with a pharmacist in a private consultation room, with some pharmacies also offering the service remotely as a video consultation.

The service supports the following conditions:

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

For more information watch this clip - Do you know about Pharmacy First?

-Mrs M Sundborg Assistant Headteacher Designated Safeguarding Lead

# PARENT/CARER SUPPORTIVE ONLINE DROP-IN: PRACTICAL STRATEGIES WHILE WAITING FOR AUTISM & ADHD ASSESSMENTS

## JOIN US FOR ONLINE EVENT ON: WEDNESDAY 26TH FEBRUARY 2025, 12:30-1:30PM

## What to expect:

- Practical Tips: Learn strategies to manage behaviours and support your child while awaiting Autism & ADHD assessments.
- Open Q&A: Ask questions and share tips in a supportive environment.
- Support: Connect with other parents and carers.



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#### **General Notices**

## Attendance

Requests for absence, including illness or appointments should be sent to: <u>attendance@wallingtongirls.org.uk</u>

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 that 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

## Parking

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 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

### **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 – <u>mandrews@wallingtongirls.org.uk</u> KS5 – <u>jday@wallingtongirls.org.uk</u>

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



## 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.

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.