



WALLINGTON HIGH SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

# The Wallington Week

HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

Monday 19th May 2025

## Message from the Headteacher

The photographs of all the different activities from enrichment day last week were amazing, showing how much fun our students had. Day trips included a Forensic Day, a trip to Tate Modern, Rap Therapy, a UCAS writing day and Project Work of creating and planting flower beds around the school and we also had some fantastic residential to Blackland Farm and High Ashurst.

Thank you all for your support on Tuesday. We were really glad to be able to re-open the school fully on Wednesday and welcome all our students back in on site. If you had any issues with students not being able to access any work or resources, or issues with MSN Teams, please contact your child's tutor.

Year 11 and 13 continue with their public examinations and I continue to be impressed by their conduct throughout this period.

We have our annual Wallington Walk next Friday where we dress in our house colours and raise money for our school fund. We continue to raise money to refurbish some of our science laboratories. Since the launch of this campaign, we have raised £42,000 – thank you so much for your generous donations. This means we have reached a third of our goal and need another £88,000 to start the work in Summer of 2026. Please see the new fundraising pack [here](#). The day will start at the normal time, but students will be dismissed once they have returned to school and have been registered in their form room around 1pm.

Thank you to the PFA for running a super successful joint Year 10 disco with our students and some from Wallington Boys. Everyone had a lot of fun, and we hope to repeat this next year.



## 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](#)

## Upcoming Events

23<sup>rd</sup> May: Wallington Walk

Half Term: 26<sup>th</sup> May- 30<sup>th</sup> May

## Calendar

### Week A

#### Monday 19th May

- Public Exams
- Y7 & 8 EOY Exams
- Late Detention (3:10-3:30pm)

#### Tuesday 20th May

- Public Exams
- Y7 & 8 EOY Exams
- Late Detention (3:10-3:30pm)

#### Wednesday 21st May

- Public Exams
- Y7 & 8 EOY Exams
- Central Detention (3.10-3.40pm)

#### Thursday 22nd May

- Public Exams
- Y7 & 8 EOY Exams
- Late Detention (3:10-3:30pm)
- Central Detention (3:10-4:10pm)

#### Friday 23rd May

- Public Exams
- Wallington Walk (early finish for students 1pm)
- Eurospace x 20 Y9's
- Hay on Wye x 10 students (Hay on Wye)

#### Weekend (24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> May)

- Bronze DofE Expedition

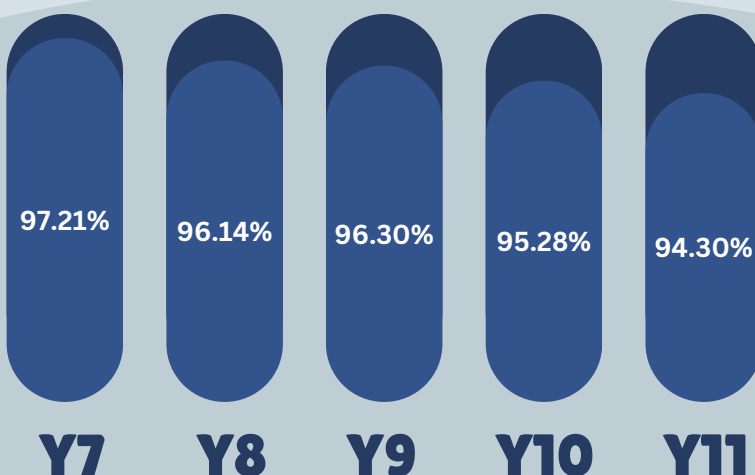
### HALF TERM: 26th-30<sup>th</sup> May

### 2025 INSET Days

- Monday 16th June
- Monday 1st & Tuesday 2nd September

### Attendance Percentages

Between 02/09/24 - 06/05/25



# DSL Messages

## Late Detentions

Feedback from parents and students is that the same-day late detentions are not working, therefore, we are going to trial a different system starting after half-term. We discussed a few different options with students during a focus group last week and this was the preferred option:

- 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

## Exam Revision and Stress – Advice from the NSPCC

Out of 1,647 calls made to Childline from 1st April 2024 to the 31st March 2025 an average of 137 each month regarded exam or revision stress. Tests and exams can be a challenging part of school life for children and young people and their parents or carers. But there are ways to ease the stress. For advice on how to support young people with exam stress please click [here](#).

## The UK's Online Safety Act

The Online Safety Act 2023 is a new set of laws that protects children and adults online. It puts a range of new duties on social media companies and search services, making them more responsible for their users' safety on their platforms. The Act will give providers new duties to implement systems and processes to reduce risks their services are used for illegal activity, and to take down illegal content when it does appear.

Ofcom, the online safety regulator, is implementing the act in three phases. Phase one, focused on illegal harms, started in December 2024 and is expected to be completed by March 2025. Phase two, focusing on child safety and protection of women and girls, is expected to be completed by July 2025. Phase three, concerning categorized services and additional duties, is expected to be implemented in the spring of 2025 and early 2026.



# Staff Messages

## Lost Property

We currently have a large collection of lost property waiting to be reunited with its owners. Items include belongings from the recent residential trip, as well as long-lost uniform, water bottles, coats, glasses, jewellery, keys, a couple of old mobile phones.

All unclaimed items (except valuables) will be laid out at the end of next week for a final opportunity to collect them. After that, any remaining items will be disposed of. Valuable items, such as jewellery, glasses, keys, and phones, are being securely held at Reception. Please remind students to come and check if they have lost anything this term.

-Reception

## Time Capsule Opening Photos





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**GCSE Art & Photography & A Level Art Exhibition**

**Thursday 5th June, School hall 4.15 - 7.00 pm**



# INSPIRE THE NEXT GENERATION AT OUR CAREER DAY!

MONDAY, 14TH JULY



We are excited to invite professionals from **all industries** to take part in our upcoming **Career Day**.

We're seeking **inspiring speakers** to share their career journeys, helping our students explore their futures and understand the diverse paths available to them.

## What We're Looking For:

- A brief outline of your career and how it has progressed
- The routes you took to achieve your current role
- Insights into the challenges you've faced and how you overcame them
- Key skills needed to succeed in your field

Whether you're in **tech, healthcare, the arts, business, trades, education, law, public service**, or any other sector — your story matters.

**Get involved and help shape young minds and futures!**

If you're interested in taking part, please complete the MS form [\*\*here\*\*](#) or contact Mrs Lisa Parkinson with any question at: [lparkinson@wallingtongirls.org.uk](mailto:lparkinson@wallingtongirls.org.uk)





*The London borough of Sutton's Parenting service are pleased to announce that*

*Adapt to Learn are coming to Carshalton Family Hub and Children's Centre to facilitate a session for parents/carers on the subject of Pathological Demand Avoidance (PDA)*



**Venue: Carshalton family hub and Children's centre.**

(Previously known as Tweeddale children's centre)

**Date: Wednesday the 3<sup>rd</sup> of June 2025.**

**Time: 6pm till 8pm.**

To register your interest and to secure you place please Contact Clare Kennedy on the Detail's below!

Telephone number: 07873 702 777

Email address: [parenting@sutton.gov.uk](mailto:parenting@sutton.gov.uk)

### Have you ever thought?

*'Why do some children become overwhelmed with anxiety and present as demand avoidant when everyday demands are made of them?'*

### Session aim:

**This two hour workshop will explore the characteristics of PDA, how it links with autism and offer practical strategies to help.**

## Attendance

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

[attendance@wallingtongirls.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto:mandrews@wallingtongirls.org.uk)

KS5 –

[jday@wallingtongirls.org.uk](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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.

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.