



Welcome to Year 7 Pankhurst

Hey Everyone,

We would love to offer you a warm welcome to Wallington High School for Girls. We are looking forward to the journey ahead. Key this year in helping you settle into the new routines and environment are; to be organised, responsible, respectful, supportive and above all else to be yourself. It will be important for you to balance workload with extra-curricular activities, whether you choose from the wide range of clubs and activities available in school, or participate in, for example, Scouts, a music group or a sports club out of school.

First we would like to introduce ourselves My name is Shazia and I am Year 7's current Form Captain and I am Yasmine and I am Pankhurst's year 7 Sports Captain. The most important thing when you join Wally girls is you should be yourself and everyone will like you for who you truly are. Making friends will be a breeze. At the end of the day everyone is new and you might even have friends from your school or tuition.

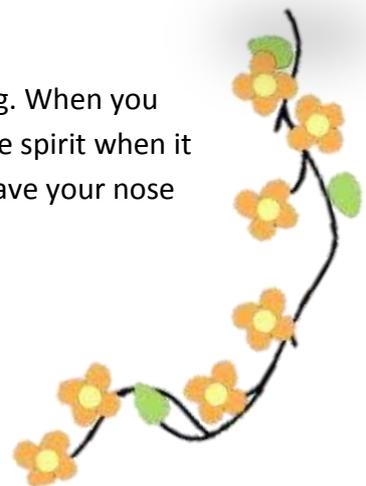


We know during these uncertain times you may have worries about how things will work, such as going to a new school, not being able to be in contact with your friends and social distancing around the school, washing your hands thousands of times when school resumes. Don't worry everyone around you is here to help - not just us, but your two fabulous house leaders, plus a sixth form prefect assigned to your house who you can email if you have any questions or worries. If you don't feel comfortable talking to the house leader you can also get the advice of a trusted adult on our SHARP system that allows you to contact the pastoral leader (Mrs German) or your Head of Year.

Emmeline Pankhurst is your house iconic female. Emmeline Pankhurst (born Emiline Goulden 15 July 1858 – 14 June 1928) was a British political activist. She is best remembered for organizing the UK suffragette movement and helping women win the right to vote. In 1999, *Time* named her as one of the 100 Most Important People of the 20th Century, stating that "she shaped an idea of women for our time" and "shook society into a new pattern from which there could be no going back". She was widely criticised for her militant tactics, and historians disagree about their effectiveness, but her work is recognised as a crucial element in achieving women's suffrage in the United Kingdom. You see, if Emmeline Pankhurst never existed, Pankhurst wouldn't be here today and we wouldn't be speaking to you!



We don't want to overload too much information on to you, as it can be overwhelming. When you join Wally girls, uphold the honour of Pankhurst, work together and have a competitive spirit when it comes to house competitions. Being at a grammar school doesn't mean you have to have your nose



stuck in a book all the time! You should also take part in the wide selection of clubs. Yasmine and I look forward to meeting you when everything goes back to normal.

Kind Regards, Shazia and Yasmine

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hPHuSEei15U>: Year 7 virtual induction day



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