



Wallington
High School For Girls
HEIRS OF THE PAST, MAKERS OF THE FUTURE

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SCHOOL: Wallington Highschool for Girls
ROLE: Head of Theology & Philosophy
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WHAT LED YOU TO WALLINGTON?

I have been working for the GLT for 15 years now - I worked at Nonsuch for nine years and I am now at Wallington Girls.

During my time I have had the opportunity to lead on a number of roles; I have been Head of Department at both schools, Head of Year and SENCo, and I am currently Head of Theology and Philosophy to a wonderful team of staff at Wallington.

WHAT DO YOU LOVE ABOUT YOUR ROLE?

I actually attended Wallington Girls as a student a number of years back and returning to the school six years ago felt wonderfully familiar. Although the school has changed, in many ways the values of inspiring students who are engaged and love learning still hold firm today. The best thing about this job is definitely the students - I thoroughly enjoy teaching them and challenging them to think differently. The second-best thing are my colleagues - the TP team are simply fantastic.

I am so grateful to the leadership team at Wallington who recognise I am a Mum first and my job comes a close second - I have been allowed to attend Nativity plays and Sports days. The early finish means I can collect my children from school when I need to, and I feel that part time staff are valued when it comes to timetabling, also not held back from taking on leadership positions.

I really enjoy working at Wallington.