



# Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

## Week Commencing 30th April 2018



**Ethos statement:** We believe that through individual commitment, self discipline, integrity and respect for others, we inspire everyone to learn.

### International Evening 2018

On Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> the Academy celebrated International Week by hosting an International Evening for students, parents and staff. It was a wonderful evening full of colour, song, humour, dance and food. The audience of students, parents and staff, many in national dress, were treated to a smorgasbord of culture beginning with a fashion show.

Star performances included Eritrean, Thai and the Distinction dancers, along with Bulgarian, Ugandan, and Maya Angelou poems. There were also speeches including an original 'I have a dream' speech and a fabulously acted 'Cinderella' piece by the International Group actors. The medium of song was beautifully represented by Brazilian, Bulgarian, Luganda, English and Spanish numbers and also a variety of saxophone and piano pieces! The programme was brought to a close with a very uplifting and energetic dance routine with elements of Flamenco.

The show was brought to life and flowed smoothly with the fantastic compere abilities of Daniella Izquerido and Luke Brilley.

Both staff and students worked very hard to make this a truly memorable evening, not only with their performances but also with many parents and students bringing food to share and enjoy.

Many thanks to Anita Sollis and the International Group department who made this wonderful evening possible.





## Thought for the Week

“Do not be embarrassed by your failures, learn from them and start again.”

*Richard Branson*

### Staff V Student Basketball – Mr Cameron

A few weeks ago the students challenged me to find a collection of staff members to take part in a basketball game to help raise money for the Year 11 prom. After days and weeks of searching through the many staff members in the school, I was able to gather up some of the finest athletes available: from maths - the rabid rebounder Mr. Spencer, DT - former player and sky pilot Mr. Smith, ICT - the menacing enforcer Miss Minto, PE - Mr. Miller aka Ages Better Than Fine Wine, finance - the uber-experienced Steve Elson, admin - the former student and current site officer T'shon Carnegie-Whyte along with me of course - the Kobe Bryant merchant.

In what was expected by many (and even predicted by students from their year group) to be a tight game, it turned out to be quite the opposite... Despite valiant efforts from the students Nicolas Flores-Pujols, CJ Tibigar and Lorent Fetahu, Spencer's rebounding, the towering presence of Smith and Cameron's all-around dominance proved to be too much for the students as they unfortunately lost to the staff 73-37. The students were able to raise a rather substantial amount to help finance their prom however, which is always a good thing.

Who knows? Maybe they'll want a rematch...



### University of Brighton Students Inspire Sport Studies Students – Mr Burchett

5 University of Brighton students visited Southfields Academy this Wednesday to share experiences and offer advice to students studying sport courses. They spoke with AFC Wimbledon Scholars and EFP students about what it takes to be a university student and how to make the most of it.



They offered advice on which course to select, how to manage money and enjoy the social side of university. Our Sport Studies Students listened well and after speaking with some of them afterwards explained how they were excited about going to university. A big thank you to the students from University of Brighton.

### ParentPay – Mr Elson

Parents and Carers are reminded that the academy has an on-line payment system for school meals. This means that you can log on to a secure site – [www.parentpay.com](http://www.parentpay.com) – and credit your child's account so that they can pay for meals without using cash. If you need a password for the system, please email [finance@southfieldsacademy.com](mailto:finance@southfieldsacademy.com) and we will send you log on details. It is in everyone's interest to reduce the amount of cash in the academy. We would prefer that students carry as little cash as possible and it costs money for the Academy to bank cash. By using ParentPay you can also be sure that your child is spending their dinner money in the school canteen.



## Romeo and Juliet Challenge – Ms Reynolds



The English Department have come up with an exciting plan to get students from all year groups to engage with Shakespeare in a modern way. They have set a challenge like no other and a music video with more details will be released soon.

On Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April, Southfields Academy invited the CEO from Almond Visuals, Joe Almond, to film the music video for the Romeo and Juliet Challenge. Joe Almond is a British film maker who has worked as a freelance cinematographer with various clients around the world. Some of the clients have included the V&A Museum, Ferrari, Burberry- and Southfields Academy were very excited to be the next organisation added to Joe Almond's list!

All involved said the experience was amazing! Students from across the school have been heard singing the song and the English Department believe the Romeo and Juliet Challenge will help all abilities memorise quotes in this fun way.

Please check out previews of the music video on Southfields Academy's Instagram, Facebook and Twitter accounts. The school would love for you to 'like' and share material uploaded so that the Romeo and Juliet Challenge revision tool can benefit all students studying the text- not just the ones we teach.

#romeoandjulietchallenge



### Dates for your Diary

2nd May 2018 – IEAP Day

7th May 2018 – May Bank Holiday, Academy Closed

10th May 2018 – Year 7 & 8 Drop Down Day

14th May 2018 – GCSE & A Level examinations start

14th May 2018 – Year 7 & 8 Core Assessment Week

25th May 2018 – Academy Breaks for Half Term

## Travel and Tourism Trip to the Stafford Hotel – Miss Hodgson

On Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> of April, Year 12 Travel and Tourism students visited an historical 5\* hotel in St James's called The Stafford. They were welcomed by the manager and then engaged in presentations from different departments including: The Stafford Experience, sales & marketing, food & beverage and it's all about our people. They had a delicious lunch in their unique cellar and finished the visit off with a tour around the hotel, including the amazing penthouse. It was a thoroughly enjoyable and informative day and the students behaved outstandingly well and asked fantastic questions!

We are very excited to continue working with The Stafford.



## EXTRA CURRICULAR / STUDY SUPPORT – Summer Term 2018

Day	Subject	Support/activity	Venue	Teacher	Year information
	PE/Dance	Commercial, Street and Jazz dance	Dance studio	RSL	All Years
	Maths	KS3 Maths homework club	A215	AMD	KS3 students
<b>Tuesday</b>	PE	Football Academy	Astro	Mr Munro	Year 10 boys
	PE	Football	Astro	PE Staff	Year 8 Boys
	PE	Girls' basketball	Sports hall	McDermott	Girls - All Years
	PE	Girls' gym – Nike Training	Fitness gym	BCE	Girls - All Years
	DT	DT club (including repairs)	B036	SMH/MDY	All years
	Maths	Games / Chess Club	Maths dept	TRT	KS 3 students
	Music	Violin club	B142	GTS/PND	All Years
	Science	Science club	A308	Science Staff	Years 7 & 8 only
	Social Science	Citizenship Studies booster	D387	SAM	GCSE students
<b>Wednesday</b>	PE	Badminton	Aspire	JNI	All Years
	PE	Netball	Netball Courts	PE Staff	Girls - All Years
	PE	AFC/Staff football	Astro	AFC coach	Year 11 & 1 <sup>st</sup> team
	PE	Fun Swim	Pool	BHT	All Years
	PE	Volleyball – Break 1	Sports Hall	HBT	All years – Break 1
	PE	Indoor athletics club	Sports Hall	TCW	All Years
	Amnesty	Amnesty International	A126	SLS	All Years
	Art	KS3 Art club	B155	RES	KS 3 students
	Drama	Drama club	Drama	CTH	All Years
	Maths	Year 11 Boosters (compulsory)	Maths dept.	Maths Staff	Year 11 students
	Music	Saxophone	B140	SKN	All Years
	Music	Year 7 guitar and band work	B138	Mr Gumble	Year 7 students
	MFL	Culture club	C172	Mr Zayas	All Year 7 & 8 only
	Psychology	Psychology	D382	LNR	Break 2 Years 12 & 13
<b>Thursday</b>	PE	Basketball - Boys	Sports hall	Mr Cameron	Boys - All Years
	PE	Basketball Elite	Sports hall	Mr Cameron	Boys - selected
	PE	Gym club	Fitness gym	Mr Munro	All Years
	PE	AFC Girls Football	Astro	AFC Coach	Girls – All Years
	Business	6 <sup>th</sup> Form BTEC catch-up	D186	BOD	6 <sup>th</sup> Form students only
	English	Harry Potter Fan Club (Break 2)	C274	SUL	All Years
	History	Wargames Club	A125	HLN	All Years
<b>Friday</b>	PE	Gym club	Fitness gym	BCE	All Years
	PE	Academy Football - Boys	Astro	BHT / JNI	Years 7, 8 & 9
	Business	GCSE exam technique booster	D186	DPR	Year 11 GCSE students
	Urdu	GCSE & A Level revision	A118	Mr Danish	GCSE & A Level students

Library Open Mon-Fri. 7.30 – 3.30pm.

Dance Club is on every break time in the dance studio with Ms Risolino

International Group Homework club – every day – 2.40pm

HIU Homework support – HIU department – every day, break 1

Student Council meetings – Selected Wed P2, D387 - Mr Samuels – All student reps.

Sociology – Individual drop in and break time revision sessions when required – Years 12 & 13.

Music every Monday – Friday, Break 2 – Keyboards, ICT music and Logic recording – Mr Payne

Careers advice drop-in on Tues, Wed, Thurs, 3-4pm D381.

Gym – after 4pm – special membership required.

Supervised Reflection rooms for students (Boys – B156 / Girls – B153) are open every day at 2nd break & after school.

Mats on a first come, first served basis. Please see Miss Clark for more details.

The Reflection rooms are also available for 'one off' bookings after school (must be booked in advance).



### Democracy Lesson – Ms Atley

Year 12 Politics students taught Year 7 students about democracy and the role of Parliament for one lesson on Thursday 26th April. Students ran a mini election and discussed the main political issues which concerned the Year 7s, as well as learning a little about the main political parties. I would like to thank all the Year 12 students who confidently taught a lesson and shared their knowledge. I would also like to thank the Year 10 students who supported the activity so capably and Year 7 who engaged and were a fantastic audience.

