

# Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter Week Commencing 1st October 2018



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

#### Year 10 - Ms Minto & Ms Gavin

It was lovely to see all of the students return to the Academy and see how much they have grown both physically and in their levels of maturity. The term began with students handing in their summer homework. It was fantastic to see that 60% of students had completed 100% homework. However, it is still a challenge for students, who need to be more organised and focussed, and we want parents to encourage their child to take homework seriously and ensure it is completed to the best of their ability.

The students have embraced the start of their second year of GCSEs, with great feedback being given from Science and English:

"The Year 10s had a FANTASTIC lesson P3. They came in, organised themselves perfectly and got on with their learning. I cannot believe how mature, sensible and responsible they were for the full hour! Special shout out to **Kyrone** for smashing every single question! "- Ms Newton

"I am very pleased with the way they have started Year 10. They have come back to school mature and ready to learn. They are focused and have completed every request asked of them (with a smile on their face). They are engaged and taking their studies seriously. All signs point to level 4 and beyond!" - Mr Carroll

"They are absolutely smashing their lessons with me, they have hit the ground running in Year 10!"- Dr Triggs

Year 10 have had several changes this year such as, compulsory boosters on a Thursday after school. It's been amazing to see how mature they have been towards their studies and really embrace the opportunity to gain a qualification early. We have also added a new tutor group to the year group, 10SCI, which further supports students who are doing well in Science by providing extra sessions to improve their grades.

The Year 10 students start their first assessments of the year on Monday 1<sup>st</sup> October and these assessments will take place throughout the week. We will be encouraging the students to be prepared for their assessments by reminding them to make sure they are revising efficiently, getting enough sleep and eating well. They will also need to be prepared on the day by knowing when, where and what assessments they will be completing, to be on time and fully equipped. Good Luck! Remember, we have inset day on the 5<sup>th</sup> October.

# Year 9 - Southfields V Ashcroft - Mr Munro

The Year 9 football team had their first fixture of the 2018/19 academic year and suffered a 4-0 loss to Ashcroft. This result does not accurately represent the way the pupils played, with Southfields having the majority of possession in the first half but could not convert that into goal scoring opportunities.

Maliki Adeniyi was a constant threat down the right wing but was always crowded out by two Ashcroft defenders. Connor McKechnie was the engine in the middle of the park and worked so hard to retain possession when it was lost. Dylan Porter was a rock at the back, winning headers and putting tackles in to stop Southfields conceding any more goals. He was worthy of his man of the match award. After one training session together, this will be a tough pill to swallow for everyone involved. But, in the words of Yazz, "The Only Way Is Up".

# **Year 10 – Southfields V Art Putney – Mr Philpott**

Friday 21st September saw the start of a new season for the Year 10 football team kicking off at home to Ark Putney Academy. Having only had one training session so far this left new team manager Mr Philpott with questions as to his best starting eleven. However, the eleven chosen got themselves off to a flying start developing an early 2-0 lead through some really good football. As the first half continued it was a standout performance from goalkeeper Jet Harris who kept Southfields in the game, making save after save, along with goals from Dylan Cole, with the first half ending 3-1.

The second half started well for Southfields and saw us develop a further lead with two goals from Chimalsi Richards and a goal from T'Shawn Whiteing. Ark Putney then began to take hold of the game, putting the Southfields defence under real pressure by scoring two goals to take the score to 6-3, before Dylan Cole finally put the game out of reach scoring two late goals to take his tally to five for the game. The game was seen out by some brilliant defending which was embodied by man of the match Kelvin Frimpong whose commitment and desire to win the ball back had a really positive effect on Southfields, winning the game 8-3.



# Thought for the Week

Acceptance and tolerance and forgiveness, those are life-altering lessons.

Jessica Lange



#### **Southfields Basketball Club**

Every Monday, Wednesday and Friday, regardless of the weather, over 20 intrepid students arrive at the Academy sports hall by 7am ready for an hour of basketball training. Coach McDermott said "It is lovely to see students, from all year groups, willing to put so much effort into their training sessions. Hopefully this will translate into winning performances in their upcoming matches."







# **Dates for your Diary**

4th October 2018 – Open Evening
5th October 2018 – INSET Day, Staff Only
11th October 2018 – Post 16 Options Fair
11th October 2018 – Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening
15th October 2018 – Open Week
18th October 2018 – Year 11 Parents' Evening

# ParentPay - Mr Elson

ParentPay is up and running for the new school year and already lots of parents and carers have signed up for it. The system is easy to use and means that you can pay for your child's meals without having to give them cash. All parents and carers are asked to sign up if you can, as Southfields Academy would like to become a cashless school as soon as possible. A cashless school will be safer for both students and staff and will save time and money for the school. If your child has not brought home a letter with your log-in details, please ask them to visit the finance office for a copy of the letter or you can email finance@southfields academy.com to ask for the details.

# Open Evening

The Academy is holding an Open Evening on 4th October for prospective parents. This is a great opportunity to see the departments and facilities around the Academy and chat to the staff in an informal setting. The Academy will be open from 5.30 – 7.30pm.

All very welcome!

# Year 8 – Southfields V Ashcroft Mr Forsyth

Good effort from the Year 8 football team on Tuesday afternoon. After their first game together and a really promising opponent, they suffered a 5-0 defeat. This score does not represent the effort put in and how well the team passed the ball and created chances.

Man of the match – Rio Grant – fantastic midfield play and passing of the ball.





### Uniformed Service Visit - Mr Davis

On Monday 24th September 2018, students on the Uniformed Service Course travelled to Royal Air Force (RAF) – Brize Norton situated in Carterton, Oxon, OX18 3LX. The visit forms part of the course where students get to investigate the roles and opportunities that are available in a uniformed setting and gives them a unique insight into the RAF in particular.

Students had the opportunity to speak with aircrew and engineers, whilst boarding a C17, as well as an opportunity to see operations from the control tower. Our students were a credit to the Academy, asking detailed and searching questions.





# Bright Futures Year 12 Study Skills – Ms Frusciante

On Friday 21st September, Year 12 students took part in Bright Futures workshops where they learned about growth mindset and how to challenge fixed mindset thoughts and behaviour. They also learned new study skills and tips whilst putting some great teamwork into practice. This was a valuable opportunity for students to think about what key stage 5 study will require of them. It also provided an enjoyable opportunity for students to get to know others in Year 12.







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# **Sport Fixtures**

Monday 1st - Friday 5th October 2018

Check the PE notice board for team sheets and updated informtion.



	Fixture	Location	Staff	Time
Monday				
Tuesday				
Wednesday	District Schools Cross Country (Y7-9 B&G) U16G Basketball Round 1	Tooting Bec Common Southfields SportsHall	DAS/BCE SMC	Leave: 12:00/Return: 15:30 4-6pm
Thursday				
Friday				



## Year 12 Art Work - Mr Reis



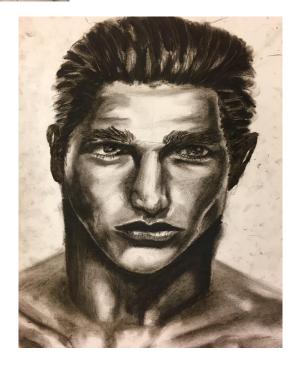
Our very talented Year 12 students' latest work - charcoal portraits on the theme, past, present and future.











### Partner School - Gran Canaria

We are looking forward to taking part in a project with our partner school I. Es La Minilla in Las Palmas Gran Canaria. A brilliant opportunity to explore what unites us and enjoy what sets us apart. Thank you to Erasmus for making this possible.



