



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing 19th November 2018



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

Year 9 News – Mr Arthur

Students have started the new academic year well. The Year 9 cohort have made a great start with their GCSE studies. Students have sat assessments for all foundation and core subjects. The students now have an understanding of the expectations for KS4.

Students in Graphics/3D Design and History were taken on trips to the Imperial War Museum and National Design Museum last half-term. This was a moment for students to visualise their learning in a more creative way.

Well done to those students who have committed to the extra qualifications in Dance and Textiles. The students have been studying an extended day twice a week.

It is important to balance work and leisure and so it's been great to see the Year 9 cohort enjoying the Academy's facilities and participating in extra-curricular competitions. Well done to the Year 9 football team led by Mr Munro and Ms Davies' netball team which have had a huge success in turnout and participation.



As always, I'm glad to be in a position to guide students through their successful moments and support them through their difficulties. Thank you as always to my year team tutors; thank you to Ms Marshall and all head of departments for the support in supporting the transition for the year 9s and supporting with new resources: Educake (science), Hegarty (maths) and Accelerated Reading (English).

Parents - please continue supporting the students around their studies and do not hesitate to get in contact. diran.arthur@southfieldsacademy.com

Science Museum – Ms Hodgson

On Wednesday the 7th of November, the Year 12 Travel and Tourism students visited one of London's best museums. We spent the afternoon in the Wonderlab which is one of the most spectacular interactive galleries in the world with over 50 exhibits, shows and demonstrations. It was great to see the students so enthusiastic and engaged with all the different exhibits.



Performing Arts Save the Dates – Ms Risolino

Thursday 6th December 4pm - 5pm - The Year 13 improvised performance, *It's a Serious Matter*
Monday 10th December 4pm - 5pm - *Spotlight*, the winter dance show
Tuesday 11th December 4pm - 5pm - The Level 2 performance showcase
Wednesday 12th December 4pm - 5pm - The Year 12 *Homeless project*



Thought for the Week

The test of courage comes when we are in the minority. The test of tolerance comes when we are in the majority.

Ralph W. Sockman

Science Club – Ms Newton

This week our mini scientists were investigating diffusion in different temperature water and testing the transparency of the diffused water using a colorimeter.



Dates for Your Diary

- 28th November 2018 – Parents’ Forum
- 4th December 2018 – INSET Day
- 5th December 2018 – Southfields’ Christmas Lights Event
- 10th December 2018 – Candlelight Concert
- 14th December 2018 – UCAS Deadline
- 21st December 2018 – Academy breaks for Christmas Holiday
- 7th January 2019 – Academy Resumes

Year 9 Football – Mr Munro

On Friday 9th November, Southfields hosted Ark Putney Academy for a Year 9 game of football.

After a slow first half display, Southfields Academy found themselves two goals down. In the second half, after an inspirational speech from Mr Arthur, Southfields appeared to be a different team. Each player gave their maximum effort in all situations. Southfields hit the post in the second half through Carlos Francisco. Alex Muschette had a goal disallowed, as the referee didn't deem it to have crossed the line. Goal line technology is definitely required for the next home game!

The final score being 3-0 to Ark Putney Academy.

Special mention to Kieran Sullivan, who played the majority of the game in goal as the regular goalkeeper went off injured. Another special mention to Maliki Adeniyi, who was a colossus in the middle of the park, playing like a young Steven Gerrard.



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Roehampton University Visit – Mr Whitfield



Earlier on this week Mr Whitfield and Ms Marshall took a group of Year 7 and 8 Higher Prior Attainment students to Roehampton University. The University of Roehampton offers a vibrant and welcoming community with undoubtedly one of the most beautiful campuses in London.

The aim of the visit was to garner a small understanding of what happens at university and to give the students a glimpse of the range of subjects they could study. The trip was very enjoyable with team building exercises, a tour of the university and the prospect of a bright future for our young students!



ParentPay – Mr Elson

ParentPay is up and running 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 they 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 you would like to sign up and have not already done so, please email finance@southfieldsacademy.com to ask for details.



Ms Walshe and her Year 7 Focus Group Chefetts!

As a group, the students have been working together for seven weeks. This is to encourage them to build up their confidence, learn some life skills and strengthen relationships with each other. We have found that by joining forces with Ms Mohammad and Ms Hughes's focus groups all the students have progressed really well, learning how to integrate with each other and to work together. The students are really enjoying their cooking each week and they have produced some amazing treats. This week the students made chocolate chip cookies, which went down very well with Mr French! Ms Valin, you are next, we promise!

