



# **Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter Week Commencing 10th December 2018**





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

#### Sixth Form News - Ms Frusciante

#### Sixth Form Community Challenge

Year 12 and 13 students have been planning activities in these last few weeks of term to give something back to the community. Students were challenged to get together with others in their tutor group to:

- Raise awareness of an important issue
- Support a local charity
- Organise an event for others to enjoy
- Support with an issue in our community
- Provide a service that is needed

Through these activities we aim to give students the opportunity to develop their sense of community, leadership skills, organisation skills, resilience, initiative, and communication skills.

There are a number of exciting projects taking place, including a collection of winter wear for a local homeless charity, a local litter pick, a movies and munchies night for Year 7 students and a student-led Zumba class. We look forward to celebrating the success of these activities at the end of term, with a Community Challenge Award.

#### **ULAS System - Mr French**

The Academy is excited to launch its new way to apply for the Sixth Form. The Academy has signed up to the ULAS system which means that not only is the student experience easier and more user friendly, it also means that parents and school staff are kept informed of the students' progress and can guide and support where necessary.

Parents of Year 11 students please support us by signposting this link to your son/daughter. https://southfields.ulas.co.uk/

# Travel and Tourism Shard Trip - Ms Hodgson

On Wednesday 28th of November, the Year 12 Travel and Tourism students spent the morning at the Shard. They had the opportunity to see London's most iconic tourist attractions at 244m high. The students started their journey in a high-speed lift taking them from level 1 to 68 in sixty seconds. They then went up to level 72, to the air sky deck, where they took in the atmosphere and sounds of our amazing city. Some major attractions they saw included the Tower of London, the London Eye, Big Ben, Tower Bridge and the River Thames. Students behaved excellently and all had a wonderful day!







# Performing Arts Save the Dates – Ms Risolino

Tuesday 11th December 4pm - 5pm - The Level 2 performance showcase Wednesday 12th December 4pm - 5pm - The Year 12 *Homeless project* 



## **Thought for the Week**

Tolerance implies a respect for another person, not because he is wrong or even because he is right, but because he is human.

John Cogley Commonweal





### **Sport Leaders – Mr Miller**

10 Sport leaders from Southfields Academy assisted at the Primary Panathlon, Multi-Sport activity event for young pupils with special educational needs. The event held at Southfields Academy involved 58 youngsters from 8 primary schools in Wandsworth and was a fantastic success.

The festival consisted of the following 8 adapted activities designed to include a wide range of SEND students: Boccia, New Age Kurling, Table Cricket, Polybat, Precision Bean Bag, Flight Path, Parachute Popcorn and mini basketball.

Each school was invited to bring along teams of 8 players from Key Stage 2 to the event. They competed in teams to see who would go through to the London Final at Copper Box in the Olympic Park. After a fantastic day of fun and activities the team from Roehampton Church won the gold medals.

Chris Sugden from Panathlon said, "It was a great day with lots of children and teachers with big smiles on their faces. The sports leaders from Southfields were excellent and a credit to the school!"

Congratulations to Finn and Ruben from AFC Wimbledon Scholars, Danielle Solomon from Year 12, Chloe, Yuleen, Abdullah from Year 11 and Claudio, Ewan, India and Shmir from Year 10.







# **Sixth Form Open Events**

It is time for Year 11 students to complete applications for a Sixth Form place. Our last Sixth Form Open Morning will take place on Thursday 13th December between 8:30am and 10:30am.

Come along to our Sixth Form Open Event and take a tour of the Academy.

Meet students and staff and have all your questions answered about our thriving, vibrant and rewarding Sixth Form. In addition, you will get the opportunity to discuss our wide range of courses.

Our Sixth Form ensures bright and secure futures for all of its students, with outstanding A level and vocational results.

Each year we carefully track the progress of our Sixth Form leavers – more than 95% go on to positive destinations such as university, employment or apprenticeships, which is well above the national average.

Visit Eventbrite to book a place and register your interest:

https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/sixth-form-open-events-tickets-51461251990

# **Dates for Your Diary**

10th December 2018 – Candlelight Concert 14th December 2018 – UCAS Deadline 21st December 2018 – Academy breaks for Christmas Holiday

7th January 2019 – Academy Resumes 15th January 2019 – Year 8 Options Fayre 17th January 2019 – Year 11 6th Form Taster Day 18th January 2019 – KS 3 Drop Down Day

## Candlelight Concert – St Barnabas Church Monday 10<sup>th</sup> November, 6pm

You are warmly invited to join us for the Southfields Academy Candlelight Concert at St Barnabas Church, Lavenham Road. Mulled wine and mince pies will be served, with donations given supporting the Glass Door charity for homeless people.











## Capability Brown Competition Runner-Up - Mr Reis





Excellent news for Jakub Jamielak for winning second prize (14-18 category) for the Capability Brown Society's art exhibition. The competition consisted in creating art work inspired by Wimbledon Park landscape and lifestyle. All students' entries were to a very high standard.

Jakub's entry stood out for his very personal approach to the theme and very skilful and innovative combination of materials and techniques. Interactions with the local artists are paying dividends as students are now starting to develop very strong and personalised responses to the topics proposed.

Jakub's work ethic and creative ability are becoming a strength and are now starting to be acknowledged and celebrated by the local community.











**Capability Brown Society entries** from SA on the theme of Wimbledon Park













## Y12 Trip to Seymour Powell Design Studio - Mr Smith





Monday afternoon saw a selected group of 7 Year 12 students from both Graphics and 3D Design go and visit the design studio of Seymour Powell on Merton Road. The students were invited by the studio to give their opinion of the design and packaging of soft drinks currently on the market. They each took along their favourite bottle design with the expected Fanta, Mountain Dew and Ribena influencing their decision as well as the more unexpected choice of Purdey's - which raised a very interesting discussion with their lead product designer about why it is was a good design.

The group were filmed giving their opinion on these designs as well as rating a whole range of soft drinks supplied by Seymour Powell and free pizzas. They have said this feedback has been invaluable as they prepare the design of the well-known but undisclosed soft drink they are currently redesigning.

The group were then treated to a tour of the studio by the lead designers and shown the range of products they have designed in the past including Lynx/Axe deodorant, Kolon Sports Jacket and a new seating for a train company, as well many other exciting and varied projects. Most excitingly they invited the students to try their own immersive Virtual Reality design program which enables them to design cars and motorbikes at real size by using a headset and two wands. This, they said, allowed them to quickly see and feel if a design was ergonomic and 'worked'.

We left on a good note with plans for them to come into school and give a talk and critique of students' work in the new year.

https://www.seymourpowell.com





#### **Sport Fixtures**

#### Monday 10th - Friday 14th December 2018

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



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	Fixture	Location	Staff	Time
Monday				
Tuesday	U14 B Basketball	Ark Putney	SMT/BCE	15:00-18:00
Wednesday	U18 Boys Football vs. Woking FC Y7 & 8 Wandsworth Sporting Champions U16 Girls Basketball Finals	Southfields Southfields Caius House	AFC PLT SMT/BCE	14:00-16:00 10:00-12:30 15:00-18:00
Thursday	Y7 6-a-side Boys Football A + B	Open View, Ashcroft	BCE	15:00-17:00
Friday				



#### Year 7 Cinema - Mr Bhatti

Ho Ho! Sixth form group 12BHI are launching Southfields' very own Christmas Cinema event for Year 7 students. After school on Thursday 13th December, the assembly hall will magically turn into a cinema with Year 7 having voted for their most popular Christmas film. A limited number of tickets are available to purchase for the bargain price of £1.

There is also a special deluxe ticket for the price of £2 which includes a free drink and popcorn. Light refreshments will also be available to buy and remember every penny is going to a charity that Year 7 will also vote for.

Tickets are available to purchase at break next to the Christmas tree outside the canteen. Wishing you a very merry Christmas.







## **Southfields' Christmas Lights**





On Wednesday night Southfields celebrated turning on their Christmas lights by closing Replingham Road so local shops could join in the celebrations, hand out mince pies and mulled wine and show the community what they have to offer. Mr Phillip Brook, Chairman of the AELTC switched on the lights, accompanied by Dan Bloxham, Head coach of the AELTC, Councillor McCausland, Mayor of Wandsworth and Sunny Patel of the Southfields' Business Forum.

To add to the festivities a number of local schools including Sheringdale, Riversdale and Southfields Academy were asked to perform songs on the night. A large crowd gathered in spite of the wet weather and the atmosphere was brilliant.

The Academy did a sterling job, our students sang for 3 hours! Around 30 students from all year groups sang about 40 songs, and gathered guite an audience who were very complimentary about their musical abilities.

Many thanks to the music department for all their hard work to support, play instruments and make this happen.







## **Year 7 Inter-Tutor Competition – Mr Munro**

The challenge this week was to see who could complete 0.5km on a treadmill in the quickest time. The girl with the quickest time was Suada Lala (7FLS) with a time of 1:57. The boy with the quickest time was Sahli Aydin (7NOR) with a time of 2:02.

Well done to everyone who took part and I hope this enthusiasm continues."

#### Year 8 Football - Mr Munro

On Wednesday 5th December, on a cold, drizzly day, Southfields hosted Bolingbroke Academy for a Year 8 game of football. This was Mr Munro's first game in charge of the Year 8s. The game started off as a cagey affair, with both teams treating the ball like a hot potato. It took until midway through the half for the first moment of quality to appear. Freddie Nuamah passed the ball to Israel Ngbanda, who curled the ball just wide of the post. From this moment on it was one way traffic, Southfields dominating possession and all of the clear cut chances. Twenty minutes in, Nuamah broke down the left and had his shot blocked by some courageous Bolingbroke defending. The chances then came like buses, with Ngbanda performing a Drogba-esque chest and volley, which sailed just over the crossbar.

The breakthrough finally came with five minutes to go before half time, Nathan Bartlett-Mingle with a sweet strike from 20 yards, zipped off the damp surface and left the keeper with no chance. Southfields players went berserk in their celebrations; this was the first goal they had scored this season. The half time whistle came and the score was 1-0 to Southfields. The second half began like the first half ended, Southfields on top. Rio Grant began to control the game, get hold of the ball and pass it around nicely. Abraham Burley was getting a lot of action down the right wing and created a lot of chances, which were wasted by some sloppy Southfields finishing. Southfields then got their reward for the pressure, when Grant played a perfectly weighted through ball to Nuamah, who struck the ball in off the far post to make it 2-0. Nuamah was rewarded for this goal by being substituted, which gave Ngbanda a chance to come back on. Ngbanda clearly didn't want to be overshadowed by Nuamah and started working extra hard, I'm sure his teachers' wish he'd be like this in lessons.

His hard work paid off when he unselfishly played a ball to Burley, who struck the ball home to make it 3-0. Ngbanda didn't get his deserved goal but the score finished 3-0 to Southfields. Some would say it was the Munro effect, others would say it was the work rate of the players. Either way, like Katrina and the Waves said, we were "Walking on Sunshine".