



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing 17th December 2018



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

Parliament Trip – Ms Atley

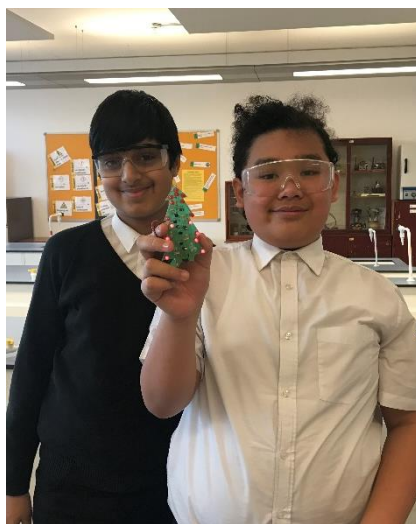
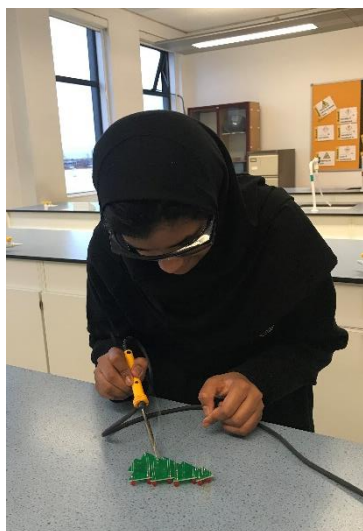
On Thursday 6th December, 20 Year 12 students went to Parliament. We witnessed some of the highly charged debates taking place around Brexit in the Commons and saw the House of Lords engaged in a debate about SEN funding in schools. Students also took part in a workshop about how legislation is created in Parliament.

Our local MP, Justine Greening, came to meet the students and answered their questions on a variety of issues, including the direction of the Conservative party, Conservative Party leadership and how to fund university education. A brilliant day out seeing the workings of government in detail.



Science Club – Dr Triggs

During science club for the last two weeks the students have been making a flashing Christmas tree decoration. It took two weeks to complete but the results are stunning!



Heart Dissection – Mr Ananthasigamany

Also in Science club this week we dissected a heart to see its inner-working. As some people are probably wondering and we are always asked by students when doing this experiment; "Is it a real heart?"...whatever 'real heart' is meant to mean. But no, it is NOT a heart from a human, it is from a lamb, sourced locally from the butchers.



Dates for Your Diary

21st December 2018 – Academy breaks for Christmas Holiday

7th January 2019 – Academy Resumes

15th January 2019 – Year 8 Options Fayre

16th January 2018 – 6th Form Open Morning

17th January 2019 – Year 11 6th Form Taster Day

18th January 2019 – KS 3 Drop Down Day



Wandsworth Champions – Mr Miller / Ms McDermott

Southfields Academy's U16 Girls Basketball team were crowned Wandsworth Champions for the third consecutive year with a 27-11 victory over Bolingbroke Academy. In a nervous first half, Southfields trailed 8-11. However, a stern team talk from Coach Ms McDermott, inspired the girls to an excellent second half performance.

Well done to Helen Parraga Salinas, Joana Carmo, Valentina Rendon Suarez, Kiana Amaning, Megan Channing, Nadija Ibrahim, Maria Olayiwola, and Tanisha Marshall. While Felicity Gamayon was voted the Most Valuable Player in the final, congratulations must go to the whole team on an incredible achievement.

They now go on to represent Wandsworth in the next round of the London School Games.



Thought for the Week

Everything that irritates us about others can lead us to an understanding of ourselves.
Carl Jung



Candlelight concert 2018

The PA was humming and the stage was lit. 'Tis the time for mince pies, mulled wine and Southfields Academy Music department's annual candlelight concert at St Barnabas Church. The concert, which had 25 students taking part, and thirty songs performed, was an eclectic mix of world music.

There was a rich mixture of musical heritage ranging from classical to blues, from rock to pop, from Ska to indie as well as classical Christmas songs including Santa Claus is Coming to Town and Let it Snow. It came to a magical conclusion with all performers stepping onto the stage to sing It Must be Love.

The changeovers were seamless and the performers all exuded talent and exuberance. Mulled wine and delicious mince pies were on offer and the collection for The Glass Door charity managed to raise a generous amount of much needed money. Many thanks to Mr Pinder, Mr Q, and Mr Gumble for playing, organising and running the concert in such superb fashion; all very much appreciated by the parents and staff that attended. Superb photos as always, taken by Rob Walker – thank you.



As London's largest emergency winter night shelter, Glass Door provides a safe, warm place to sleep for at least 100 men and women every night in winter – from November to early April. They are able to do this thanks to the partnerships with churches across the boroughs of Hammersmith & Fulham, Kensington & Chelsea and Wandsworth. Guests of their emergency shelters also receive a hot supper and breakfast in the morning, cooked and served by volunteers. These free services are a life-line to those who would otherwise be sleeping on the street.

Many thanks to the Revd. Ian Tattum and St Barnabas for supporting the Academy in this and many other ventures over the year.





Spotlight Dance Show – Ms Risolino



On Monday 10th December the Southfields Academy winter dance show, *Spotlight*, took place to a sold out audience of 130 people. Thank you so much to everyone who came - the audience was fantastic and so supportive of the talented and brave performers.

The show was a collection of work from students in every year, from a Year 7 soloist, Indiana, to performances from dancers in Year 13. All styles were celebrated and acts came in all shapes and sizes.

There was an exciting number by 5 Year 8 boys who created an original piece based on current social grooves; a dramatic dance by Year 12 dancers Deanna and Karl who performed two stunning duets as well as solos and duets from the most dedicated year 8 girls, Valentina, Caprice and Maria.

The Year 13 dancers, Shayanne, Luke, Daniella and Patricia, performed a contemporary piece based on the work of contemporary dance legend Alvin Ailey in an energetic and technically complex piece. They showed their versatility with a contrasting waacking number joined by Karl in Year 12 who performed in a total of 4 dances. The Year 13 dancers completed a trio of performances with a lyrical contemporary dance depicting the bittersweet end and a nostalgic nod to mark their journey at Southfields Academy with the use of their own directed film to complement their live dance edited by Daniella.

Year 10 and 11 BTEC dancers collaborated with each other to perform a piece of hip hop theatre as part of their mock assessment. The dancers had to communicate a clear message to a teenage target audience raising awareness about the consequences of gang culture. The dancers used a combination of ensemble moments, group sections and duets that created a full scale and dramatic production. This will also act as the dancers' competition entry for this year's London Youth Games, we wish them good luck!

A huge congratulations to the other superb performers who choreographed their own dances: Laysa, Eugenia, Gemima, Henry, Aiesha, Shannaigh and not forgetting the debut performance from the Year 9 new BTEC dancers who ended the unforgettable show in a celebration of the dances they have been studying this term.





Southfields Sporting Champions Festival – Mr Miller

Southfields Academy hosted the annual Inclusive Sporting Champions festival for young students in the borough. 34 children from Burntwood, Linden Lodge, Garratt Park and Southfields schools took part in the event led by the AFC Wimbledon Scholars and sports leaders from Southfields Academy 6th Form.

At the festival the students took part in a circuit of adapted games such as New Age Kurling, Adapted Cricket, Sitting Volleyball, and bean bag target throwing.

The event was organised by Mr Miller, Mr Philpott and Mr Knezevic from Southfields Academy as part of the Central London Project Ability programme.

Mr Miller said, "It was fantastic to see so many of the students taking part in the games and enjoying themselves at the same time." He also praised the sports leaders working with the younger children. "It is not easy to provide activities for students with a wide range of disabilities, but the leaders were excellent and ensured that all the children were involved and had fun".

Well done to everyone who made today such a great event.



Nutritional Sandwiches – Mr Munro

As a finale to the Sport Nutrition unit, as part of their BTEC course, the Year 13s created a sandwich for a selected sports performer. The pupils then had to justify why they had created the sandwich and present back to the group.



End of term arrangements – autumn 2018

All 6th form students will have their final lessons on Tuesday 18th December, periods 1 to 5, and then will commence their winter vacation from Wednesday onwards.

Year 11 students will complete their mock examinations by the end of Tuesday 18th December and will end the autumn term with an assembly during period 6 on that day.

Years 7 to 10 and International group students will have their final day of term on Wednesday 19th December. Students will come in for periods 1 to 5 and achievement assemblies will take place on this day. They will be released at the end of the school day to commence their winter break.

We will all return to school on Monday 7th January 2019 to commence the spring term at 8.20am with a normal school day.



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Sport Fixtures

Monday 17th - Friday 21st December 2018

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



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	Fixture	Location	Staff	Time
Monday				
Tuesday				
Wednesday	U18 Boys Football vs. Worthing U16 Boys and Basketball Finals	Worthing Caius House	AFC SMT/DAS	14:00 - 18:00 15:00-18:00
Thursday				
Friday				



A Christmas Carol – Ms Nearn



On December 12th a group of seventeen Year 11 English students attended 'A Christmas Carol' at the Old Vic theatre with Mr Griffiths and Ms Nearn. The production was true to its Victorian roots as cast members in long cloaks and top hats shared mince pies and oranges with the audience before the lights went down. The stage was replete with glowing lanterns suspended from above, and handbell carols filled the air evoking the essence of Christmas.

The cleverly staged production took a few liberties with the presentation of the three ghosts (I won't spoil the surprise here) and the Christmas Day lunch at the end was amusingly and joyously staged. In the end, it snowed so realistically that one audience member even put up her umbrella! Tiny Tim was truly tiny and he stole everyone's hearts as he delivered the iconic line, "God bless us, everyone!" In short, it was a delightful show and very much enjoyed by all. We hope that the experience will add depth to the student's knowledge of the text and will be reflected in their GCSE results!



Please give a shout out to my Year 7 Fashion & Textiles Class. They have all excelled in their hand embroidery skills, far exceeding my expectations. I was particularly impressed with their abilities to help each other thread the tiny needles and create some outstanding cushion designs. They have worked so hard and deserve to be mentioned. Well done everyone, keep up the hard work. Such a lovely achievement for the term.
Ms Waugh





Year 7 - 9 Core PE: Activity Rotations – Ms Davies

The students have made a fantastic start to the school year in PE and overall shown excellent attitudes towards the subject. After Christmas the students will continue with their activity rotation; their new activities can be found below. The whole curriculum plan can be found on the Core PE notice board by the swimming pool as well as their google classroom.

If your child cannot take part in PE due to medical reasons, please can a note be written in their planners so they can show their teacher at the start of the lesson. Students must ensure they bring their PE kit to every lesson even if they are excused due to medical reasons as they will be given an alternative role in the lesson.

07N: PE Thursday P2 and Friday P1

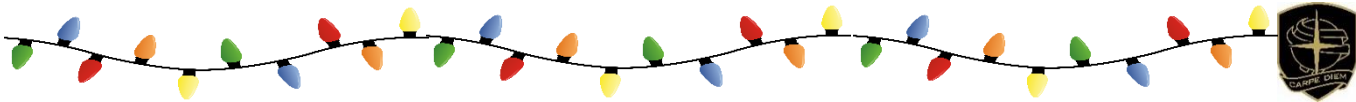
	CURRENT		NEW	
	Autumn 2 (8 Weeks)		Spring 1 (6 Weeks)	
	L1: Thursday 2	L2: Friday 1	L1: Thursday 2	L2: Friday 1
07N-PE1 Boys 1 (PLT)	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 PLT	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 PLT	Trampolining Activities BCE	SWIMMING Pool BCE
07N-PE2 Girls 1 (DAS)	SWIMMING Pool MYS	Trampolining Activities MYS	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 DAS	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 DAS
07N-PE3 Girls 2 (MYS)	Invasion: Netball Sports Hall DAS	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall DAS	SWIMMING Pool MYS	Trampolining Activities MYS
07N-PE4 Boys 2 (BCE)	Trampolining Activities BCE	SWIMMING Pool BCE	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall PLT	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall PLT

07S: PE Tuesday P2 and Friday P5

	CURRENT		NEW	
	Autumn 2 (8 Weeks)		Spring 1 (6 Weeks)	
	L1: Tuesday 2	L2: Friday 5	L1: Tuesday 2	L2: Friday 5
07S-PE1 Boys 1 (MNO/PLT)	Invasion: Handball Courts BCE	SWIMMING Pool BCE	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall BCE	Trampolining Activities BCE
07S-PE2 Girls 1 (DAS)	Gymnastics Activities KGT	Trampolining Activities MYS	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 DAS	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 DAS
07S-PE3 Girls 2 (KGT/MYS)	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 DAS	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 DAS	Gymnastics Activities KGT	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall MYS
07S-PE4 Boys 2 (BCE)	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall MNO	Invasion: Handball Sports Hall PLT	Invasion: Rugby Astro MNO	SWIMMING Pool PLT

08N: PE Tuesday P3 and Friday P2

	CURRENT		NEW	
	Autumn 2 (8 Weeks)		Spring 1 (6 Weeks)	
	L1: Tuesday 3	L2: Friday 2	L1: Tuesday 3	L2: Friday 2
08N-PE1 Boys 1 (MYS)	Invasion: Handball Astro MYS	Trampolining Activities MYS	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall PLT	SWIMMING Pool BCE
08N-PE2 Girls 1 (MNO/KGT)	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 MNO	Invasion: Rugby Astro KGT	Gymnastics Activities MYS	Trampolining Activities MYS
08N-PE3 Boys 2 (PLT/BCE)	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall PLT	SWIMMING Pool BCE	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 MNO	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 KGT



08S: PE Thursday P5 and Friday P4

	CURRENT		NEW	
	Autumn 2 (8 Weeks)		Spring 1 (6 Weeks)	
	L1: Thursday 5	L2: <u>Friday 4*</u>	L1: Thursday 5	L2: <u>Friday 4*</u>
08S-PE1 Boys 1 (DAS)	SWIMMING Pool BCE	Invasion: Handball Courts BCE	Trampolining Activities DAS	Invasion: Rugby Astro DAS
08S-PE2 Boys 2 (BCE)	Trampolining Activities DAS	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 BCE	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 BCE	Net: Badminton Sports Hall BCE
08S-PE3 Girls 1 (MYS)	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 MYS	Invasion: Rugby Sports Hall PLT	SWIMMING Pool MYS	Invasion: Football Astro KGT

09P1 PE: Wednesday P4 and Thursday P4

	CURRENT		NEW	
	Autumn 2 (8 Weeks)		Spring 1 (6 Weeks)	
	L1: Wednesday 4	L2: Thursday 4	L1: Wednesday 4	L2: Thursday 4
09P1-PE1 Boys (BCE)	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 BCE	SWIMMING Pool BCE	Gymnastics Activities BCE	Trampolining Activities BCE
09P1-PE2 Girls (KGT/MYS)	Gymnastics Activities KGT	Trampolining Activities MYS	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 KGT	SWIMMING Pool MYS

09P2 PE: Tuesday P5 and Friday P4

	CURRENT		NEW	
	Autumn 2 (8 Weeks)		Spring 1 (6 Weeks)	
	L1: Tuesday 5	L2: <u>Friday 4*</u>	L1: Tuesday 5	L2: <u>Friday 4*</u>
09P2-PE1 Boys 1 (MNO)	Gymnastics Activities MYS	SWIMMING Pool MNO	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 MNO	Net: Table Tennis Aspire 2 MNO
09P2-PE2 Boys 2 (MYS/PLT)	Net: Badminton Aspire 2 MNO	Trampolining Activities MYS	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall DAS	SWIMMING Pool PLT
09P2-PE3 Girls (DAS/KGT)	Invasion: Basketball Sports Hall DAS	Invasion: Rugby Astro KGT	Gymnastics Activities MYS	Trampolining Activities MYS