



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing 18th March 2019



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

Year 8 News – Ms Lindau and Ms Hughes

In Year 8 news, a few lucky students were given the opportunity to attend this year's WE DAY event at Wembley SSE Arena.

A day of inspiration, education and celebration aimed at empowering a generation of youth to create change in the world. WE Schools is a unique, four-step programme—delivered in more than 14,500 schools across the UK and North America—that challenges young people to identify the local and global issues that spark their passion and then empowers them with the tools to take action. Students met and heard from The Duke and Duchess of Sussex, Prince Harry and Meghan Markle – delivering a personal and powerful message on social change, mental health and participation. Other guests included Niki Christou, Naomi Campbell, Liam Payne, Nicole Scherzinger, Pixie Lott and many more.

Additionally, a group of Year 8 students are headed to Kingswood at the end of the month. They will spend 4 days learning outdoor skills and physically challenging themselves. They will also have the opportunity to work on their leadership skills by helping the year 7s.

We are currently emphasising homework completion in all lessons as we prepare for KS4. Please support your student by ensuring that they are writing their assignments in their diaries and attending subject-specific homework clubs if they are struggling. Next week all students will be meeting with their tutors or SLT on IEAP day. We will focus on their progress and effort in all lessons and helping them prepare both academic and extracurricular targets for the rest of the year. We encourage all parents and carers to attend in order to support these discussions.

PE Fundraiser – Mr Munro

Throughout last week, Southfields Academy hosted a Soccer AM style "You Know the Drill" to raise money for Year 11 NRA. There was a fantastic turnout, with the week-long event raising a whopping **£46!** The response by the pupils was amazing, with them already asking when the next one will be! BIG thank you to Mr Philpott, Mr Wilson, Ms Sulliman, Mr Charlton and everyone else who gave up their time to make it a success.

The winners for each day were:

Monday - Israel Kalo Ngbanga (8NWN) - Scored 4 goals in 46 seconds

Tuesday - Kieran Sullivan (9FRH) - Scored 3 goals in 32 seconds

Wednesday - Liam Sullivan (7SAM) - Scored 4 goals in 31 seconds

Thursday - Joe Adams (11JON) - Scored 4 goals in 29 seconds (Winner)

Friday - Rio Grant (8HBG) - Scored 3 goals in 33 seconds

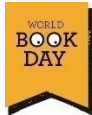
Special mention to Kieran Sullivan and Aidan Parsons who were in goal for the event and provided a tough test for anyone who took part.



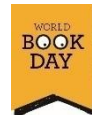
Sports Fixtures – Ms Davies

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd March 2019

	Fixture	Location	Staff	Time
Monday				
Tuesday	Y10 Boys Football vs Ashcroft	Southfields	PLT	15:00 - 16:30
Wednesday	U18 Football Home vs. Aldershot Town	Southfields	AFC	14:00 - 16:00
Thursday				
Friday	Y8 Boys Football Tournament	Southfields	FYH/BCE	15:30-17:30



World Book Day update – Ms Reynolds



Southfields Academy had a record number of internal competition entries for World Book Day. Luckily, the English Department have a great team of student leaders who double checked scorings for the quiz and helped rank winners for the book cover competition.

The winners, with 12 out of 12 on the World Book Day quiz are:

Nouhaila Boudlal 12 HLR

Jodie King 12 HLR

Adiba Sroya 10 SCI

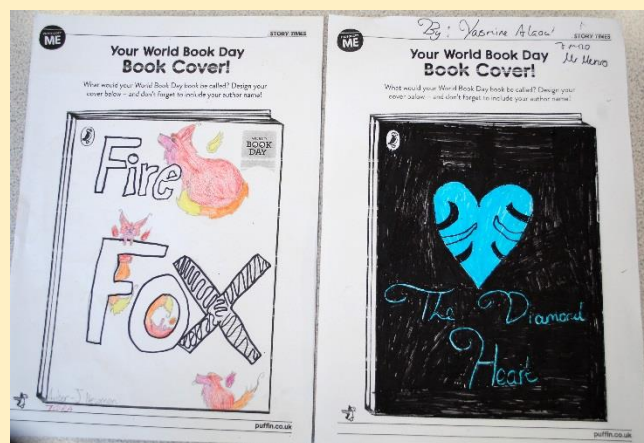
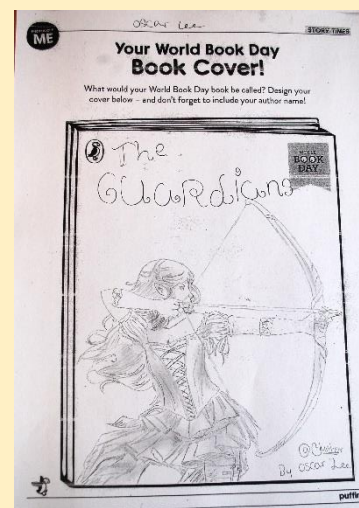
The book cover competition winners are:

1st place - Oscar Lee 11ALE

2nd place- Amber Newman 7QRA

3rd place - Yasmine Alaoui 7MRO

Unfortunately, teacher costume winners are not yet confirmed; student leaders are currently discussing and battling over their favourite looks!

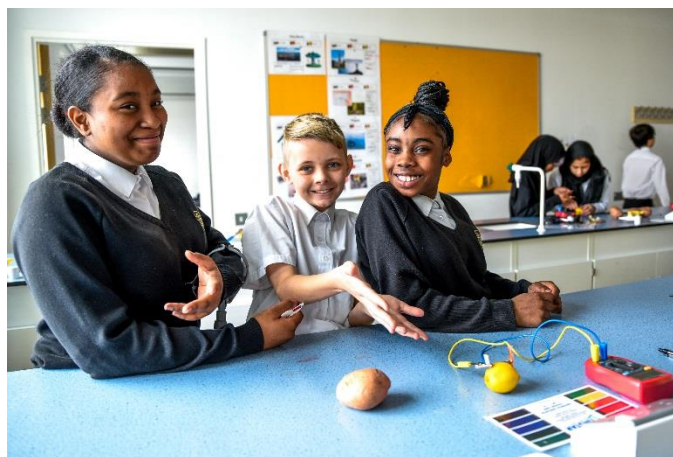


Science Week – Mr Bhatti

This week marked Science Week and the lives of students were challenged by the Science department as students were transported from South London to a remote desert island where they learnt invaluable survival skills.

Students learnt how to generate electricity from using fruit they foraged on the island, they learnt how to evaporate urine to gain a vital source of clean water and they were rewarded with their very own bush-tucker trial where students feasted on tasty chocolate-coated crickets and delicious BBQ-flavoured meal worms.

There are no fixed plans to add these to the school-canteen menu just as yet. However, it does look like our students would do Bear Grylls proud. The Science department, not so much.



Dates for Your Diary

20th March 2019 – IEAP Day

27th March 2019 – Parents' Forum

1st April 2019 – INSET Day

4th April 2019 – Year 10 Parents' Evening

5th April 2019 – End of Spring Term



Pi Day challenge – Ms Felbinger

Congratulations to Koshik Rubamoorthy (8CRT) for remembering 185 digits of Pi and winning a Nando's voucher.

Also well done to the runners up Alexia Calawara Tario (8MYS) with 140 digits, Samuel Tobierre (7MDY) with 55 digits and Kashif Muiz (7TGG) with 40 digits.

We had a large number of students participating in the qualifying rounds earlier this week with lots of apple pies for students.

Thanks to all the maths teachers for their help to make this competition run smoothly.



Pi Treasure Hunt – Ms Frost

In addition to the Pi memory challenge, students were invited to take part in the first ever Pi Treasure Hunt. Students were taking to the corridors, armed with entry forms and rulers looking for obscure circles. The students who were able to identify the circumferences and areas of these circles, accurately using Pi, will be named on Friday and suitably rewarded!



Thought for the Week

Believe in your infinite potential. Your only limitations are those you set upon yourself.

Roy T. Bennet



International Women's Day – Ms Myers and Ms Knight

On Friday 8th March many people across the world celebrated International Women's Day, a day to acknowledge how far women have come in society and their strive for equality. Girls across the Academy took part in a number of activities as a means of promoting that Southfields Girls Can. All girls from Years 7 to 11 took part in different activities in their PE lessons where they were working with their peers, competing against each other and demonstrating their strength, courage and dedication to sport.

Throughout the week, with the majority of presentations being on International Women's Day itself, pupils were given a presentation about powerful women that have helped bring about change in both sport and society. Year 7 girls were spoken to by the principal, Ms Valin, who gave the pupils an inspiring insight into her life growing up as a sporty student, becoming a teacher and then a successful leader.

The presentation also addressed the struggles faced by their female PE teachers, their sporting and non-sporting success stories and nominations from other members of staff around school of women that were perfect role models. Examples ranged from sports stars such as Serena Williams to female family members that had a huge impact on people's lives.

Pupils remained engaged and enthusiastic throughout the presentations, asking several questions about the information they had received and giving impromptu rounds of applause after hearing motivational accounts of occasions where staff had overcome barriers to get to where they are today. Pupils left the presentations feeling inspired and motivated as young females to believe in themselves, remain confident and make a difference.

