



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

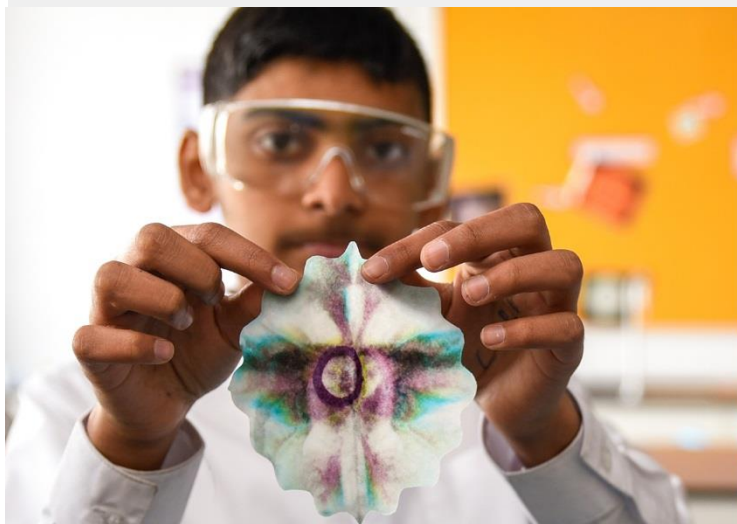
Week Commencing 6th May 2019



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

Science Club Mrs S. Gibson *Chromaflies*

Using filter paper, the students drew a thick circle in felt tip around the centre. Having folded the filter into a cone, it was dipped in a beaker containing an inch of water. The students could then watch the coloured ink travel up the filter paper. Once dry, these filter shapes can be made into stunning butterfly shapes using pipe cleaners to form antennae.



Dates for Your Diary

6th May 2019 – BANK HOLIDAY

9th May 2019 – Year 7 Parents' Evening

14th May 2019 – Key Stage 3 EP Celebration

16th May 2019 – Year 9 Parents' Evening

Reminder to check our website and download our School News app to keep up-to-date with events and news from the Academy

Sports Fixtures

Monday 6th – Friday 10th May 2019

Check the PE noticeboard for team sheets and updated information.

	Fixture	Location	Staff	Time
Wed 8 th	Year 7 & 8 Athletics Championship	Battersea Park	DAS /MNO /KGT	08:30-16:30
Fri 10 th	Year 9 & 10 Girls' Football League Finals	Southfields	KGT	16:00-18:00

Thought for the Week

If you really look closely, most overnight successes took a long time.
Steve Jobs



INALA performance, The Peacock Theatre Karen Marshall, Assistant Headteacher

On the evening of Wednesday, 1st May – courtesy of The Mosaic Network and The Prince's Trust – Mr Whitfield and I took 50 students from across the year groups to The Peacock Theatre to watch a performance of INALA. It was simply spectacular!

The production combined the strong yet graceful skills of dancers from Rambert and The Royal Ballet, performing seamlessly with the powerful, rhythmic sounds of the Soweto Gospel Choir. The performance was moving, exhilarating, inspirational and thoroughly entertaining!

Our students were a credit to the Academy, and many of the other theatre-goers commented on their excellent conduct. A huge thank you to the following staff for supporting the trip: Ms Risolino, Ms Whitley, Ms Thompson, Mr Bhatti, Ms Ahmad, Ms Leander, Ms Boothe, Ms Frost, Ms Campino and Ms Delamare.

This is what our students had to say:

Shemiah, Year 7: *"An amazing experience and has made me think of what I would like to do in the future."*

Katy, Year 8: *"The dancers synchronised like swans. It's a must-see!"*

Daniel, Year 8: *"It's a one-of-a-kind production, a must-see... worth the money."* Even though the ticket was fully funded!

Nyah, Year 7: *"I would recommend the show because of the themes and how it encourages and inspires others to perform."*

Connor, Year 13: *"I'd give the show five stars all round!"*





International Evening 2019



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As you can see from the photographs above and over the page, words cannot really express the vibrancy and joy that is International Evening. It is the highlight of the Southfields Academy year and is our most treasured celebration of what is most important to our community; namely the diversity, vibrancy and joy, tolerance and unity that makes Southfields Academy unique. The event was hosted by our King and Queen for the evening, Daniella and Luke, with Daniella also performing. We had many distinguished guests including Justine Greening MP and, of course, the friends and families of our students and staff. There was singing, dancing, comedy, thought-provoking drama, poetry resulting in huge smiles everywhere.

Ms Sollis is the heart and brains behind this evening and her passion and commitment to ensuring this is the best evening of the SA year is infectious and our music department, the expressive arts department and the art, design and technology department throw their all in to supporting our student performers. What a night!

“A truly inspirational evening with marvellous and heartfelt performances... It was a really joyful and harmonious evening, showing at its best what can be achieved by working together, enjoying and celebrating our respective cultures.” Mr Dryja, Chair Linden Lodge School Local Governing Body.





Exam season is here! Mr T. Bhatti, Head of Key Stage 3 Science



Exam season is here! Last week after school, Year 12 biology A Level students served their community by tutoring Year 11 biology GCSE students. Year 12 students sat with Year 11 students to assist them with their revision and talked them through their exam experiences. Each Year 12 Biology student agreed to take one challenging topic from the GCSE biology course and agreed to tutor that specific topic. Year 11 students were then able to pick and choose which tutor they went to visit based on their revision needs. The sessions were informal and students could stay for as long or as little as they liked. It was extremely encouraging to see so many Year 11 students and how serious they all are about ensuring they are prepared for their upcoming exams. It also looks as if Year 12 contains some budding teaching professionals.



Paul Osew signs with AFC Wimbledon Mr S. Elson, Director of Finance

Congratulations to Paul Osew from Year 13 who has been given a professional football contract by AFC Wimbledon. Paul's story is a remarkable one as he was not a part of the AFC Wimbledon apprentice footballer scheme and was seemingly not destined for a career in football. He was spotted playing for the Southfields' school team and given a chance to train with the AFC Wimbledon Scholars. Paul seized the chance and impressed enough to play regularly for the AFC Wimbledon U18 team. His performances for that team brought him to the attention of the club's senior management and they offered him a first year professional contract that he has signed. Of course there is still a long way to go before Paul becomes established in the Wimbledon first team but he has already shown so much determination to get his contract that I think that we can be sure that we will see him playing at the new Wimbledon stadium in the future.

Congratulations also go to Ayoub Assal and Reuben Collins from the AFC Wimbledon Scholars studying at Southfields who have also been given professional contracts.

