



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing 11th November 2019



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

Prize Evening

On Thursday 31st October we held our annual Academy Awards prize evening.

This ceremony takes place to recognise and celebrate the achievement of students in Years 8 – 13 for the previous academic year and to recognise those Year 7s who have achieved most in their first half-term with us. This was a lovely ceremony, compered by Koshik Rubamoorthy and Mariam El Kouiriat Akhazan who did a sterling job of entertaining the audience. There were also two wonderful musical interludes from Lina Issa and Keira Cunningham-Jack.

In front of their peers and parents, a large number of students were presented with awards for their achievements by Ms Valin and our special guest, Steve Frew. Steve Frew is a Scottish gymnast. He has represented Scotland and Great Britain over 100 times at various international gymnastics competitions. He took gold in the men's rings at the 2002 Commonwealth Games in Manchester, England at the age of 28.

Special Awards were awarded to:

Emilly Vieira Dos Santos

- David Edwards Creative Writing Award

Luis Oliver

- Oliver Builders Award for Design Technology

Imran Bici

- Peter Brown Award for Construction

Thomas White, Tia Dumont and Lina Issa

- Lab Studio Achievement in Music Award

Chiranjeev Kurana

- SAS Copiers Award for Business Studies

Tiffany Daly

- Marta Stroczyńska Award for Mathematics

Abdullah Abdullah

- Early Builders Achievement in Humanities Award

Temesgen Tefere

- Robin Reeves Award for Overcoming Adversity

Tahira Ahmad

- James Murray Award for Determination

Amir Abdikadir

- Trustees' Award for Most Improved Boy

Nadija Ibrahim

- Trustees' Award for Most Improved Girl

Nabilah Minahal

- Principal's Award for Attainment - Girl

Reece Foot

- Principal's Award for Attainment - Boy





Thought for the Week

"He who wants a rose must respect the thorn."
Persian Proverb



Sixth Form Open Events

It is time for Year 11 students to complete applications for a Sixth Form place. Our last Sixth Form Open Event will take place on Wednesday 13th November from 9-11am.

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

Wednesday 13th November 2019 – Sixth Form Open Event

Wednesday 20th November 2019 – IEAP Day

Thursday 21st November 2019 – Year 7 Parents' Evening

Wednesday 27th November 2019 – Parents' Forum

Tuesday 3rd December 2019 – Year 7 Languages Evening

Wednesday 4th December 2019 – Christmas Lights Event

Tuesday 10th December 2019 – INSET Day

Remembrance Day Service

On Tuesday 5th November Year 10 students, along with Deputy Headteacher Lt Colonel Larry Davis, Commandant City of London North East Sector, Lt. Colonel Durup, Royal Marines Reserve, Mayor of Wandsworth Cllr Jane Cooper and Bugler Sue Wallace of the Royal Fusiliers, attended St Barnabas Church for a Remembrance service led by the Rev Ian Tattum. The service was, as always, very moving and a reminder to staff and students alike of the sacrifices and loss of life in the world wars and more recent conflicts.

On returning to the Academy, the last post was played and a wreath laid for ex-student Lance Corporal James Cartwright of the Royal Tank Regiment who died in service of this country. The wreath was laid by the Mayor of Wandsworth, Cllr Jane Cooper, who also gave a final address.





Year 8 Girls' Football – Ms Knight



On Tuesday our Year 8 Girls' football team played their Town Cup match against Ursuline.

Blu Halley-Hutson, Nevaeh Taylor, Ajla Vukalic, Leona Cole, Franchesca Andrews, Starr Macauley-Toomer and Summer-Rose Deleslie all had a great game and put 100% effort into the match.

Franchesca played a brilliant match in goal and made some incredible saves. Blu, Leona, and Starr played some excellent defence, denying Ursuline many scoring opportunities, whilst Nevaeh, Summer and Ajla worked hard trying to create scoring opportunities.

Unfortunately despite the girls' efforts, they were unable to beat Ursuline's defence and prevent them from scoring. Heads up girls, onwards and upwards from here.



Science Club – Mr Bhatti

BANG! Did you know that the largest firework rocket was 13kg and was produced and launched in Portugal in 2010?

Southfields Academy students developed their very own firework colour displays in Science Club this week where they learnt which chemicals are required to make specific colours.



Year 7 Football – Mr Philpott

Friday 1st November was the Year 7's first competitive match for Southfields Academy. After a brilliant turn out at all of the training sessions Mr Philpott had a big decision on his hands with who to select. This happy problem that has led to the creation of two teams in Year 7 to reward excellent participation.

The game against Graveney started well for Southfields seeing some brilliant passing moves from Callum, David and Ismael. Despite the best efforts of our defensive trio Joel, Alan and Harry nothing could be done to prevent Graveney scoring a great goal past Alexander in goal. In the second half the high quality continued for both teams, with Kemare coming closest to bringing Southfields level. Even with the introduction of Anthony and Abas, Southfields just couldn't break down the excellent Graveney defence.

Despite the result this was an excellent first outing for Southfields, with the future looking bright for football at the academy.





Year 8 News – Ms Gavin

Year 8 had a good end to our 1st half term with a total of 3,233 positives which is amazing! The winning tutor group out of all 8 groups was 8MNO with 645 positives. We are hoping to continue this positivity throughout the year.

Year 8 have also been very active this term. Here are some of the things that we have celebrated in our assemblies, which we would like to share with you.

PE have given many of the Year 8 students recognition for their remarkable efforts. Emirkan Karadal (8DAS) who has been absolutely fantastic in all of his PE lessons this year has now started attending the extra-curricular gym club as he is enjoying PE so much and wants to participate in more sport to get fitter!



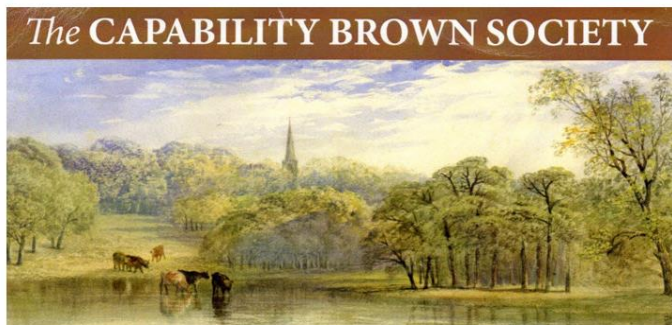
The students in Year 8 voted on who they felt was the most valued player in the year group and this award went to Tashai Hanson (8LNT). Tashai was outstanding during the invasion games unit. He put 100% effort in and was able to demonstrate great skill in every lesson regardless of what sport was being focused on. He confidently helped demonstrate in lessons and has acted as a brilliant role model. Tashai was nominated for MVP by his peers in several lessons, well done!

Lastly well done to Aaliyah Allotey-Darbin (8SMH) and Ms Darbin for raising £780 and completing the "5k Mud Run" for Cancer research.



Could I ask parents to encourage their child to return any outstanding library books to the library? This is to ensure that all of our students can benefit from the wide range of books on offer.

Friends of Wimbledon Park & Capability Brown Society in Heritage Wimbledon Park SW19



Art Competition/Exhibition 2019 Calling all artists aged 6-18!

This Art Competition/Exhibition is for you to showcase your talent.

The theme is: **Adventure in Wimbledon Park**

Art work in any media is welcomed: paint, collage, print, pencil, photography etc. A3 or A4 size

**There are 4 age ranges – school years 1-3; 4-6; 7-9 & 10-13.
There are prizes* for the winner and runner up in each age range**

All artwork is to be submitted to The Wimbledon Club, Church Road, SW19 5AG between 9 am and 5 pm.

The last day for submission is: **Thursday, 14 November.**

Please make sure that your name, age and contact details including a phone number are clearly displayed on the back of your submission.

There will be an exhibition of the art work in the Bowling Pavilion, Wimbledon Park on Saturday 16 November (11 am – 5 pm) & Sunday, 17 November (10 am – 3 pm)

*Winners' prizes will be worth £40; runners-up £20.

www.thecapabilitybrownsociety.com & www.friendsofwimbledonpark.org.uk

Art Competition – Mr Reis

For the 2nd Year running our students will be entering The Capability Brown Society Art competition following our amazing success last year in coming 2nd.





In PE This Week – Mr Munro



Mr Munro's Year 11 class continued with their invasion unit this week.

On this cold morning, the warm-up activity needed to be effective. Therefore, the students took part in a tackle pad relay. This warmed the students up and taught them the correct, safe tackling technique.

The students performed excellently and I definitely think some of them could have helped England in the Rugby World Cup Final.



They also linked the skills learned in previous rugby lessons and applied them to Tchoukball. Students had to move effectively into space to have a greater chance of hitting the target and scoring a point.

Students also focussed on positioning whilst the opposition were shooting, to increase their chances of catching the ball and preventing the other team scoring.



Ms Myers' and Mr Munro's Year 11 class competed in an inter-class volleyball tournament. Students were put into mixed teams to see what they had learned in previous lessons.

Students were encouraged to use the set and the dig to find space on the opponents' side of the court and increase their chances of winning a point.

Players also aimed to cover the space on their side of the court, to increase their chances of returning the ball to the opposition.



Ms Knight's Year 7 class continued their artistic unit of work through gymnastics. After last week's solo balance lesson, the students moved onto partner balances this week.

Students used various points and patches to create excellent partner balances. We are looking forward to what they come up with over the coming weeks.

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