



# Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

## Week Commencing 23rd March 2020



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

### Year 10 News – Mr Arthur

I love my Year 10's staff and students for the effort they continuously put in week after week, time after time.

We are entering a period where things are far from easy and I am appreciating the effort everyone have put into their Mock exams and pastoral programmes.

It has been fantastic to witness the Year 10's involvement in their PE lessons: orienteering, tug of war, health related fitness and team sport invasion games.

Thank you to my fellow Heads of Year who have supported each other as always, in continuously engaging the students.

Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, the Jack Petchey final was hosted by Bolingbroke Academy. I was honoured to witness such an outstanding group of young individuals speaking on such a wide range of topics and for having the privilege of spending the evening alongside two outstanding individuals from our own Year 10 cohort: Malik Adeniyi and Charlie Treves.

The competition was fierce and the students did us proud!

With Year 10 Parents Evening cancelled, for now at least, student results will be with Parents/Guardians soon to allow everybody some time to review and reflect on progress and current attainment.

I look forward to seeing all the parents as soon as time allows it. I wish you all the best for now and encourage you all to keep yourselves safe, healthy and mindful of your family and loved ones.



### Academy Updates

As you will know, the Government has announced that schools will close from the end of Friday, except to vulnerable students, those with EHCPs and students whose parents/carers fall into the category of essential workers. We await further clarification from the authorities on this but these include:

- NHS workers
- Health workers
- Police Officers
- Essential delivery drivers

We have emailed all parents/carers to ascertain who comes under the essential worker category so that we can plan our provision for these children.

#### Exams

We are working with the Department for Education to get more clarity on what the arrangements will be for students in Year 11 and 13 who would have been taking exams in this summer. At this stage we have asked our students to continue with the hard work they are doing to prepare for exams as we are anticipating testing of some sort to be carried out at some time in the future. We understand that students may be upset about this sudden and unexpected change to their plans and we are doing our best to support them through this. We will communicate information to students and parents when we receive it which we expect will be towards the end of next week. Year 11 students please follow the link for further advice:

<https://www.southfieldsacademy.com/news/?pid=3&nid=1&storyid=1155>

Please keep checking the website for up to the minute information.



**Thought for the Week**  
 “Always remember that you are unique, just like everyone else.”  
**Margaret Mead**

**Pi Day – Ms Howie**

Our reigning Pi Minister managed to hold on to his title by remembering 252 digits of Pi for Pi Day!

He welcomes his new deputy Pi Minister with 172 digits remembered!

March 14<sup>th</sup> is known as Pi day because the date looks like the first 3 digits of Pi: 3/14!

Koshik RUBAMOORTHY – winner with 252, Pi Minister  
 Danial RANA – runner up with 172 Deputy Pi Minister



**International Women’s Week**

The Academy staff and students recognised International Women's Day 2020 by looking at women who inspired them and producing displays around the site. The students also took part in debates about what equality means and what their own views on it are.

