



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing Monday 29th March 2021



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

National Day of Reflection – 23rd March 2021

Tuesday 23 March was a special day – bringing people from all backgrounds, communities and all parts of the UK together, to reflect on the tragic loss of life we've all felt over the last year and support all those who are grieving.

Hundreds of organisations and millions of people paused for a minute's silence at midday, including both the House of Commons and the House of Lords.

Landmarks – from the London Eye, to Cardiff Castle, Belfast City Hall and the Scottish Parliament Building – shone yellow to light up the night for the bereaved. And many people took to their doorsteps with their own candles, torches and phone lights too.

Here at the Academy, we observed the silence and this is the tribute from our Year 9 students to mark this day.





Thought for the Week

"Discord is the great ill of mankind; and tolerance is the only remedy for it."
— Voltaire

Year 7 Creative Work – Ms Gbolonyo National Reflection Day- 23rd March 2021

To celebrate the National Day of Reflection on Tuesday 23rd March 2021, Year 7 students were encouraged to get creative and express their reflection on our google classroom platform.

Well done to Kavinran and Aarron for the lovely pieces of work they shared.



Lockdown:

In the lockdown, I stopped playing sports as much. I didn't leave my house for the entire first lockdown and started to learn online. I got used to going in online classes and realised that I can learn more easily online.



During the pandemic, I have changed schools and met new people. It is now more common to do things virtually and I think the pandemic has given the world a different perspective to view things from.

Poem by Aarron W. 07ROB

Today last year,
End some people carrier,
Was when we all went silent.
The kids stopped school,
Although some thought is wasn't cool
And I don't know what rhymes with silent. ;)

One year later,
We had a massive crater,
In our hearts and minds.
We stand quiet,
Against this terrible tyrant,
And hope we return to good times.

Lockdown by Kavian P 07AND



Mr Spencer & Ms Humayun – PI DAY 2021 winners

Koshik Rubamoorthy (Year 10) won this year's PiMinister award for memorising PI to 235 decimal places

Koshik (left) won a selection of maths puzzle books. Enzo Tejero (right) won an apple pie.

All students who could memorise 10+ decimal places won an apple pie.

Below are students from Ms. Humayun's Year 7 maths class. (Left to right)
Hani, Dunja, Oliver, Anthony, Gjulio, Luke.

Well done all.



London Youth Games – Champions!

We are extremely excited to announce that after 8 weeks of the London Youth Games Virtual Fitness Challenges - Wandsworth was crowned as the London Champions beating the other 32 London Boroughs. The LYG Fitness Challenges were a huge success with 70,000 entries across the 8 weeks, with at least one school from every London borough taking part. Therefore, we are delighted for Wandsworth to come top of the final table. Please see below the London Leaderboard:

<https://www.londonyouthgames.org/virtual-games/lyg-school-games-fitness-challenges/>

Team Wandsworth was represented by 25 different schools in total with 133 team entries over the eight weeks and an amazing 8,785 young people taking on the challenges.

Southfields Academy students and staff played a vital role in Wandsworth's team victory by participating and promoting the fitness challenges while the students were at home and when they returned to school.

Mr Miller from Southfields Academy, who co-ordinated the Wandsworth schools involvement in his role as School Games Organiser said; "A massive thank you must go to all the teachers, staff & parents for their efforts supporting and encouraging our students to participate and making the Fitness Challenges and Wandsworth's victory a huge success! "





Drama Projects – Ms Risolino



Good news:

The following students will be starting a project with Tara Theatre and Southfields Academy this week, those students are:

Blu Halley-Hutson	9HLN
Willow Baker	9MNO
Anika Lorin Ching	9LNT/SWT
Alexander Price	9HLN
Ajla Vukalic	9LNT/SWT
Wiktorija Dadok	9HLN
Starr Macauley - Toomer	9HLN
Miriam Meite	9QRA
Madia Amiri	9QRA
Nevaeh Taylor	9HLN
Arslan Habib	9QRA
Macchio Eccleston	9SMH
Krzysztof Aktas	9DAS
Summer Rose Deleslie	9DAS

They have been chosen because of their outstanding attitude, effort, talent and enthusiasm. We hope they get so much out of this project as a way of saying a big thank you for being such great drama students. The workshops and rehearsals will take place remotely, led by theatre industry professionals. Please see their biographies below:

Guleraana Mir is an award-winning writer, theatre maker, and one-half of female-focused theatre company The Thelmas. She regularly facilitates playwriting masterclasses in schools, community groups, and for emerging writers. She is leader of the National Theatre's Writing for Theatre 16-21 programme and previously VAULT Festival's New Writing Programme in 2020. She mentors on the MFA Writing for Stage and Broadcast Media at Royal Central School of Speech and Drama.

Natasha Kathi-Chandra is an international theatre director, writer and dramaturg based in London, UK and Hyderabad, India. Besides her many credits as a director, she is also a facilitator for the Creative Learning team at Park Theatre where she is involved as a director and workshop leader for regular outreach, workshops and shows with young people & adults

Drama Success – Ms Brown

8dr4- Friday P3

8DR3 - Wed p4

7dr2 - Tue p1

7DR1- Friday P1

All students were able to work together as a team creating their own physical theatre sequence using new drama techniques. They all performed to each other and was a respectful audience; I was left speechless as to how serious they took their main task and recalling all prior knowledge from remote learning. I am so looking forward to next week's lessons.

Year 13 -

Students have worked in two small groups to create a movie trailer from a given stimulus.

For the last week they all have brought their A1 game once again by using big costumes, different camera shots/angles and trending TikTok transitions.

They have filled the drama department with their fun and vibrant energy all week.
Very big shout out to them all.



Year 8 News – Ms Hughes

Year 8 have proved themselves incredibly resilient with their return to school! From successful online learning to being back in the classroom has seen our positive logs rocket this week!

Positive mental attitudes have prevailed and students and tutors are discussing their own experiences and feelings of the last few months.

Lateral flow testing has now been completed at school and students showed just how responsible they are in regards to their health and wellbeing whilst being respectful and kind to their peers.

Armitage Foundation – Junior Doctors.

Eleven students are undertaking the Armitage foundation program. The Armitage Foundation runs a series of programmes in partnership with universities, in this case St. Georges University Hospital, and is delivered in schools across London and the UK, to support fair access and widen participation into medical school.

These programmes are created and delivered to support the vision of creating an NHS of tomorrow made up of diverse doctors who represent the communities that they serve. Students are learning first hand from Junior Doctors about heart valves, blood pressure, organs, medical equipment, first aid and much more. They will also be offered the great opportunity to attend a University hospital at the end of the year.

We have many other exciting things happening too, including Year 8 football competitions, afterschool interventions, book club and much more.

Dates for Your Diary

Thursday 25th March 2021 – Year 10 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 31st March 2021 – Y11 Prep' For GCSEs Evening
Wednesday 31st March 2021 – Live Stream Information Session
Thursday 1st April 2021 – INSET Day
Friday 2nd April 2021 – Easter Holidays begin
Monday 19th April 2021 – Summer Term Starts



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