

Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter Week Commencing Monday 28th February 2022



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

Year 11 News – Mr Millington

In December, Year 11 had their first full mock GCSE exams. The year group took these very seriously. Attendance, even with the pandemic, was good and students who missed exams came in on INSET days to re-sit. The results showed that most students are on track to achieve their target grades. This was followed up by a full report to parents. The effort grades showed that 68% of students were 100% outstanding and good and 86% of students had 87% good or outstanding. In March students will sit their final mocks before the real first exams in two years.

Ms Reynolds went in maternity leave at the end of last term and Ms Harb has taken over her tutees for the last two terms. The focus for tutors in registrations is to prepare students for the approaching exams.

As the school returns to normality, we have re-started the school council with representatives from each tutor group. Their first task is to re-evaluate the promotion of British values in the school. We are also about to set up the prom committee which will plan the leaving event at the end of term.



Multi-Award Winning Former Student - Charles Pinder, Head of Music

Further to last week's article regarding Patrice Campbell (Dennis), who won the prestigious BBC Songs of Praise Gospel Singer of the Year 2022 competition.

When at school, Patrice, a founder member of Southfield's gospel singing group 'Inspired', could always be found in the music department practising her singing or inspiring other students to further develop their musicianship skills.

Now a primary school teacher at Harris Purley Way, Patrice created a series of music related resources during the challenging period of Covid-19 lockdowns and home schooling that resulted in her being awarded the Harris Transforming Lives Award 2021.

In a recent dedication at Patrice's church, she thanked Charles Pinder and the music department for "the support, belief and inspiration that she received when she attended Southfields Academy". She also stated that "the music department created an environment in which she could be herself and was always safe and supportive".

Congratulations to Patrice and to our inspirational music department.





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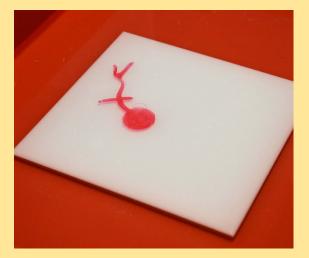


"A leader...is like a shepherd. He stays behind the flock, letting the most nimble go out ahead, whereupon the others follow, not realizing that all along they are being directed from behind." ~ Nelson Mandela

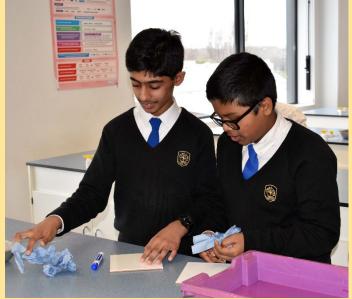
Science Club - Mr Clarke

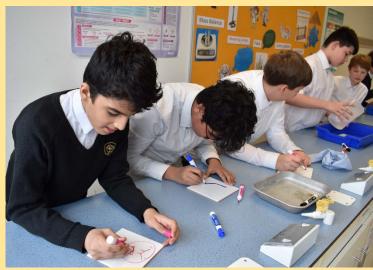
In this week's science club, students made stick figures float! Easily repeatable at home, this experiment sees students pour water onto a dry whiteboard pen drawing and watch as the buoyancy of the drawing overcomes its weak attraction to the surface, allowing the entire structure to detach and float. However, a mystery was stumbled upon – stick men seemed to be floating better than stick women. Oh well, I guess they were just good

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Primary Rugby League Festival – Mr Miller

Nick Miller from Southfields Academy's Wandsworth School Games and London Broncos Rugby League Team provided the first ever Rugby League Festival for primary schools on Friday 11th March.

Fifteen schools and 146 children took part in the festival at Rosslyn Park Rugby Club. Children from Year 3/4 were able to participate in fun rugby activities led by the London Bronco's first team players. It was a fantastic experience for everyone involved.

The festival was led by former Broncos Academy player and Community Officer Max Savage with first-team players Dalton Grant, Oli Leyland, Bill Leyland, Rob Tuliatu, Max Allen and Sitiveni Moceidreke helping participants develop new skills in a fun and supportive environment.

The Broncos' team mascot Buck was also on hand to pose for photos and join in the fun as part of Broncos Community Project's commitment to inspiring people to reach their full potential and make new connections through the power of Rugby League.

London Broncos Community Manager John Keynes said the festival was a huge success and helped the club connect a new audience to Rugby League.

"It was excellent to see so many young faces trying Rugby League for the very first time," said John. "The festival epitomised what Broncos Community Project aims to achieve by providing people with a platform to experience Rugby League in a supportive environment where they can develop individual and team skills and make friends.





Richard Siaw, PE Lead teacher for Penwortham Primary school, said, "It was amazing for all the children to take part in such a fun and inclusive event. The pandemic has been tough on children and meant they have missed out on taking part in festivals like this. Therefore, the focus on learning and developing new skills was perfect".

Nick Miller, School Games Organiser for Wandsworth said, "Thanks to London Broncos for their hard work and support in organising this event. It is great to develop a new working relationship with their community programme and look forward to linking up with them again in the future. Thanks also to Rosslyn Park for hosting the event. It is brilliant that our local sports clubs such as the Broncos and Rosslyn Park support our work and provide amazing opportunities for our children in Wandsworth Schools"



PE News - Ms Clark

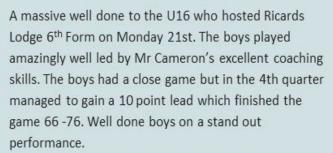












Player of the match was: Johnrey Pangilnan #BETHEBESTYOUCANBE



Y7 - Please log onto MiMove to keep track of your physical activity during your time at Southfields

Chelsea vs City in the final of the FA Women's Continental Cup. The final is being held on our doorstep at AFC Wimbledon Plough Lane Stadium on Saturday 5th March. Buy tickets from the AFC Wimbledon online shop.







MFL Winners Cookery Session – Ms Terrington

The MFL Department were delighted to invite 10 winners of a homework competition to a French cookery session after school on Friday 11th February.

Winners achieved 100% in one or more homework pieces last half-term, and celebrated by making some delicious French pastries to share with their family and friends.

Hats off to all budding chefs who attended this session, and congratulations on your hard work and dedication - a great time was had by all!













Are you interested in your child learning (and enjoying) music?

Please join World Heart Beat's Open Day on Saturday 26 February (1.30 – 3.30pm) to try a musical instrument and to find out more about the academy's music lessons, bands and ensembles and meet with students and teachers firsthand.

World Heart Beat is fully inclusive and offers young people some of the finest music tuition available. It teaches a rich music programme for young people (aged 6 – 25 years) from grassroots to early-career level, across a breadth of music genres including Jazz, Asian, Brazilian, Celtic, Eastern European, Gypsy and Latin.

The academy also offers bursary-assisted places to low-income families who are keen to learn music. Part of the bursary agreement will require a commitment to also taking part in our fantastic American 51st State Band.

The Open Day is a 'drop-in' session at World Heart Beat, Kimber Rd, but please do email info@worldheartbeat.org to register your interest in advance.

Further information: https://worldheartbeat.org/open- day-tri ... nt/Address: World Heart Beat Music Academy, 58 Kimber Rd (look out for the pink door) London, SW18 4PP



WORLD HEART BEAT MUSIC ACADEMY

TRIAL AN INSTRUMENT

SATURDAY 26TH FEBRUARY, 1:30PM-3:30PM

Try a musical instrument of your choice, and meet the students and teachers of World Heart Beat!

Reserve your free space at info@worldheartbeat.org 58 Kimber Road, SW18 4PP 0208 870 3042 www.worldheartbeat.org



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Dates for Your Diary

Monday 28th February 2022 – Year 8 Mock Examinations Begin Thursday 3rd March 2022 – Year 9 Parents' Evening & Options Evening 17:00 – 19:30 irl event Friday 4th March 2022 - Year 9 Options Form deadline Monday 7th March 2022 – Year 11 GCSE Mock Examinations Begin Monday 7th March 2022 – National Careers Week Begin Thursday 10th March 2022 - Year 10 Parents' Evening Monday 14th March 2022 – Year 13 Mock A Level Examinations Begin Thursday 24th March 2022 - Year 8 Parents' Evening Friday 1st April 2022 – Academy Breaks for Easter Holiday Friday 1st April 2022 - INSET Day

Window Wanderland – Southfields

- ◆► LAST CALL for window-makers! 5 sleeps to go till Window Wanderland brings the light, joy & magic back to Southfields. 195 of you AWESOME people have signed up.
- ★ To get your window location marked on the paper maps sign up deadline today. You can still sign up all week but will only appear on the online map.

https://www.windowwanderland.com/event/southfields-london-2022/

With your help our aim is to transform our streets into a magical outdoor gallery for all to see. Taking part is FREE and everyone in the community is welcome. You can make a display in the windows of your flat, house, business, school, nursery, car, campervan, shop – or in your front garden!