



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing Monday 10th July 2023



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

Year 11 Leavers' Ceremony 2023

YOU ARE ALL WINNERS

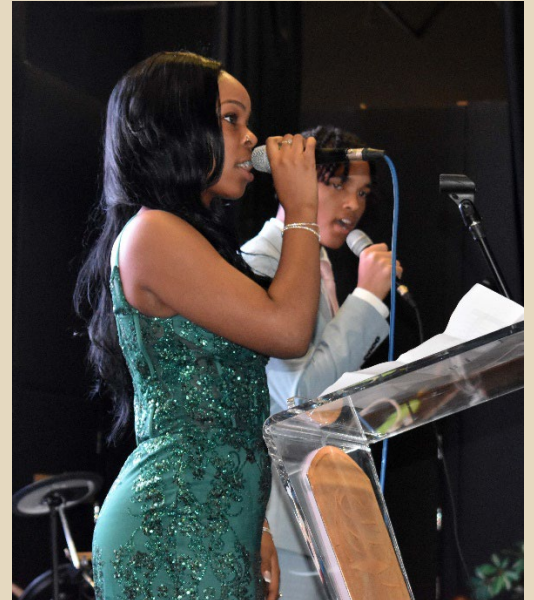
Seared into the memories of every Year 11 and probably every other attendee, prom and graduation for THE CLASS OF 2023 was by all accounts the standout event of the academic year.

It had the full complement of humour, seriousness, emotion, glitz and dare I say it glamour – students were adorned like superstars ready for Paris Fashion Week- they looked absolutely amazing and stunning.

A special thank you to:

1. The musicians, namely our very own rock n roll sensation Ivan, the soulful duo of Micah and Aaliyah and finally the soloist and chanteuse Ruxy.
2. The Parents and guardians for their support throughout the academic year. It is only through a partnership with you that we have been able move mountains with our outgoing Year 11s.
3. The staff of Southfields Academy for their dedication to the students

Year 11s, it has been an absolute pleasure and privilege to be your Head of Year. You have all made coming into work a joy – day in, day out. I will sincerely miss you all. I wish you all the best. You are all WINNERS!





Thought for the Week

“Only those who dare to fail greatly, can ever achieve greatly.” — Robert F. Kennedy





Year 9 News – Ms Gbolonyo

Apprenticeship Assembly- Guest Speaker

On Monday 3rd July 2023, Year 9s had a guest speaker Mary Cunningham (DWP Support for Schools Programme) who delivered an exceptional talk about apprenticeships. This set the tone for Year 9s busy week ahead.

Mary addressed myths about training whilst studying and demonstrated to students how apprenticeships have developed along the years. She explained to students what apprenticeships are, the different types of levels, at what age students can apply and the various types of apprenticeships available.

Three key points highlighted to students about preparing for their future careers:

A-Attitude

B-Behaviour

S-Skills

Having the right and positive attitude, conducting yourself in an appropriate manner in the working environment and utilising and developing skills are core themes that the year team share with students throughout their educational career.

What apprenticeships could you apply for?



Preparing for your future career



A – ATTITUDE



B – BEHAVIOURS



S - SKILLS

Work Shadow- Thursday 13th July 2023

Thank you to all parents/carers and relatives that will be taking their child to work with them on Thursday 13th July 2023!!!

This will be a valuable experience for the students and I looking forward to hearing all about the various roles and skills they applied.

If your child has not returned their forms and will be taking part, please do contact your child's tutor or myself or Ms Boothe.

Students who do not have a placement must arrive to school as normal for a day of activities.

Year 9 Foundation and Core Mock Exams

Well done to students for completing their in class foundation exams and core mock exams over the last fortnight. It was lovely seeing students engaged with their revision, leading focused group revision sessions during their lunch break as well as going to their subject teachers for support!

This is a great attribute to lead into Year 10.

Year 9 Trips and Graduation

After an incredible year, Year 9s are graduating to Key Stage 4.

Please continue to look out for more information regarding Year 9 trips on Friday 14th July 2023 and Year 9 Graduation on Tuesday 18th July 2023.

The tutor reps are busy designing their invitation cards for parents/carers and students. Students will be coming together wearing their smart/formal attire to mark the end of Key Stage 3!

This will be a remarkable celebration. Thank you parents/carers for your on-going support.

Key Dates for Year 9:

Year 9 Business Enterprise Challenge Wednesday 12th July 2023

Year 9 Work Shadow Thursday 13th July 2023

KS3 Reward Trips Friday 14th July 2023

Sports Day Monday 17th July 2023

Year 9 Graduation Tuesday 18th July 2023

Year 6 Induction Day 2023

Southfields Academy proudly embraced its newest cohort of pupils on Tuesday 4th July, for the eagerly anticipated Y6 Induction Day. The school grounds buzzed with excitement as students arrived to be warmly greeted by a dedicated team of staff members.

Once inside, the students were introduced to their tutors and their future classmates in the upcoming tutor groups for the September term. The day kicked off with an engaging assembly, fronted by Ms. Valin (Principal) and Ms. Golinska (Headteacher), who extended a warm welcome to Southfields Academy.

Following the assembly, students participated in team building activities, encouraging a feeling of friendship within their tutor groups. These activities encouraged collaboration and teamwork, setting the stage for a successful school year ahead.

In the afternoon, students had the opportunity to experience a variety of taster sessions, offering a chance to see the exciting lessons they will encounter in secondary school. From delving into the science behind chocolate making to engaging in creative tower-building challenges in PSHE, the students displayed their eagerness to explore new subjects.

A well-deserved break provided students with a chance to refuel and connect with their newly formed friendships. Some enjoyed a game of football outdoors, while others used this opportunity to further bond and socialise.

To ensure a smooth transition, students were taken on a guided tour of the school, by some of our current students, familiarising them with key areas they will need to navigate come September.

The day continued with captivating taster sessions focused on drama and music. In drama, students discovered techniques to command the stage with confidence, while in music they had a chance to display their skills on the keyboard.

The day culminated in a farewell assembly. Outstanding students were recognised and celebrated for their warm welcome to others and contributions throughout the day, receiving well deserved certificates.

The positive feedback received from students reflected their enthusiasm and appreciation for the day's events. Teachers who interacted with the students were impressed by their attitude and behaviour and expressed their admiration.

As September approaches, Southfields Academy eagerly anticipates welcoming these students back on a full-time basis. The Y6 Induction Day provided a glimpse into the exciting journey that lies ahead, creating a strong foundation for their secondary school experience.

Sports Day – Mr Sia

I am delighted to inform you that after a number of years of being away from Wimbledon Park, Sports Day 2023 will return there this year on **Monday 17th July 2023** for Year 7 to 9. Students will be escorted to Wimbledon Park in tutor groups. All students need to be at school for **8.15am** in full Southfields PE uniform. Unfortunately, we will not be able to accommodate parents on the day.

The department will check the local weather reports and will make a decision on the day before Sports Day so that you can be notified of any potential cancellation. We will notify pupils and parents via school communications and pupils will be expected to attend lessons as normal if this happens.

We are very much looking forward to seeing the students participate and compete on Sports day and look forward to sharing with you their successes.

End of Summer Term Arrangements 2023

Year 7	Friday 14 th July Monday 17 th July Tuesday 18 th July	<p>Achievement Assembly (students only). This is scheduled to finish at 3.15pm.</p> <p>Key Stage 3 Sports Day – 10am-1pm at Wimbledon Park track (students only). Students will be dismissed from the Academy at 1.30pm.*</p> <p>Normal lessons in full school uniform followed by tutor parties. Students will end the term and be dismissed at 1.15pm.</p>
Year 8	Monday 17 th July Tuesday 18 th July	<p>Key Stage 3 Sports Day – 10am-1pm at Wimbledon Park track (students only). Students will be dismissed from the Academy at 1.30pm.*</p> <p>Normal lessons in full school uniform followed by an Achievement Assembly (students only). Students will end the term and be dismissed at 1.15pm.</p>
Year 9	Monday 17 th July Tuesday 18 th July	<p>Key Stage 3 Sports Day – 10am-1pm at Wimbledon Park track (students only). Students will be dismissed from the Academy at 1.30pm.*</p> <p>Year 9 Graduation ceremony - parents and students are invited to attend from 12.45pm. Students will end the term and be dismissed at 3pm.</p>
Year 10	Monday 17 th July	<p>Normal school hours. Students arrive either in full school uniform or smart dress for work experience debrief followed by 6th Form tasters and an Achievement Assembly (students only). Students will end the term and be dismissed at 3pm.</p>
Year 12	Friday 14 th July	<p>Students attend school periods 1 and 2 only when the Achievement Assembly will take place (students only). Students will end the term and be dismissed at 10.45am.</p>

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 11th July 2023 – Open Morning
 Friday 14th July 2023 – KS3 Trips Day
 Monday 17th July 2023 – KS3 Sports Day
 Tuesday 18th July 2023 – Year 9 Graduation

AFC Wimbledon Football Holiday Club - Southfields Academy

Holiday Football Club runs every during every school holiday, except for the Christmas break.

Holiday Football Club is open to any boy or girl of any ability between the ages of 4 -16 years.

Sessions focus on developing core sporting skills and providing opportunities to implement them in match play.

Activities include:

- skills and drills
- medals and prizes
- fun games
- matches
- players visits
- mascot visits
- tournaments
- competitions
- player of the day/week

Registration is 9:45am to 10am

Mini Kickers (ages 4 - 6) is from 10am to 12:30pm

Junior Players (ages 7 - 10 and 11 - 16) is from 10am to 3pm

Costs

Details	Mini Kickers: Day price - £20 Full week (4 days) price - £60
	Junior Players: Day price - £30 Full week (4 days) price - £90

Battersea Sport in the Park

Come along to this fun filled holiday programme and participate in an array of activities including rowing, tennis, music, climbing, boxing, assault course and loads of other team games.



Sport in the Park is for young people aged 8-16 years old.

Children and young people can:

- try out new sports such as high ropes, a climbing wall, archery (any many more!);
- take part in arts, crafts, and music;
- learn new skills;
- make friends and socialise; and
- have fun.

Please just turn up - there is no need to book. Please wear suitable clothing and footwear and bring a packed lunch.

Costs

Details Free

The Tooting Hub

This is a place where young people can go to learn, have fun and relax.

It is for children and young people aged 11-19 years old or up to 25 years old for young people with disabilities.



At the youth club young people can:

- meet friends
- use the IT suite and music studio
- play sports such as football, badminton and basketball
- learn a martial art
- get involved in dance and drama activities
- take part in art and craft workshops
- learn life skills, including cooking

The youth club also offers:

- advice and support workshops
- one-to-one peer education programme
- short taster courses
- accredited courses for young people aged 13-19 years
- cultural trips

You can just "drop-in" to the centre during opening times and you will be shown around. If you are interested you will then be asked to complete an application form.

Costs
Details Free

Time / Date Details

Time of day Evening

Session Information 11 - 19 year olds (up to 25 with SEND): Monday - Thursday: 6pm - 9pm
8 - 11 year olds: Monday - Friday: 4pm - 6pm

Devas Club

This is a place where young people can go to learn, have fun and relax.

It is for children and young people aged 11-19 years old or up to 25 years old for young people with disabilities and/or special educational needs. During term time the club is open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 6-9pm.



At the youth club young people can:

- meet friends
- use music studio creating music or learning to play an instrument
- play sports such as football, basketball, table tennis and boxing.
- get involved in dance activities
- take part in arts and crafts workshops
- learn life skills, including cooking

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Devas Juniors is for those aged 8-11 and runs during term time Monday – Friday 4-6 pm.

Costs
Details Free

Wandsworth Connected – HAF 2023

The Wandsworth Connected – HAF programme is for young people and families in receipt of benefit related free school meals, from school years reception to Year 11, to access activities and services during the winter, Easter and summer school holidays, including a nutritious meal and a fun physical activity every day.

All Wandsworth Connected – HAF activities will provide an element of nutritional education and the meals provided will meet dietary requirements and food standards.



The next Wandsworth Council - HAF programme will run in the summer holidays.

Costs

Details Free

Kimber Skatepark and BMX Track

Kimber Skate Park and BMX Track is a free children's facility ideal for all ages and abilities.

The site is staffed and monitored during opening hours and provides a small snack shop for refreshments.

The site offers various holiday programmes and clubs relevant to the site and offers a space for hire for parties and other children's clubs.

Toilet facilities are available to all and a fully equipped kitchen for use with building hire is also available.

Please contact us on kimberskatepark@gmail.com for any further information about what we offer.



Costs

Details Free