



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Monday 19th October 2026



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

Sixth Form News – Ms Harb & Ms Marshall

28 Year 13 Business students recently visited the All England Lawn Tennis Club (AELTC) for an insightful behind-the-scenes look at one of the world's most prestigious sporting venues. Students explored the iconic grounds and learned how the club builds and maintains its global presence. Students were able to gather real-world business insights to apply directly to their coursework.

It was a fantastic trip, and everyone came away with a wealth of knowledge!





Thought for the Week

"If you can dream it, you can do it." — Walt Disney



Navy Team Building:

All sixth form students participated in workshops run by the Navy, designed to develop students' team building and problem-solving skills. The activities - some more physically demanding than others - took students out of their comfort zone by getting them to work cooperatively with their peers... some of whom had not interacted with each other much before! An early activity saw 50 students arranging themselves along a line, in order of birth month. Without talking. Against the clock. Despite the outcome, students were able to reflect on different ways they could have approached the task, should they face the challenge again.

Throughout the sessions, the benefits were obvious: students were developing their confidence – live. Some students would often shy away from centre stage in the past, but were able to showcase their skills and ideas here. They also practiced their communication skills (verbal and non-verbal), all whilst demonstrating lateral thinking. It's difficult to measure the impact of developing such 'soft skills', but we frequently speak to students about how important these skills are beyond the classroom and Southfields Academy. It was therefore great to see them positively engage with the various challenges they were faced with.

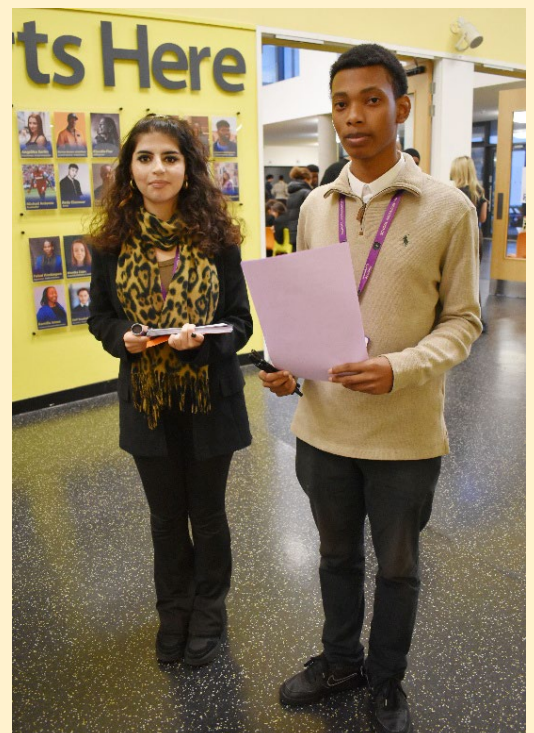


Open Evening:

What can be said about the Sixth Form Ambassadors? Throughout the recent Open Event, their involvement was felt at every opportunity.

From meeting guests at the door, supervising younger school students, taking a leadership role with tours and supporting with logistics on the night - they exemplified what it meant to be a sixth form student. At the very least, they were excellent role models!

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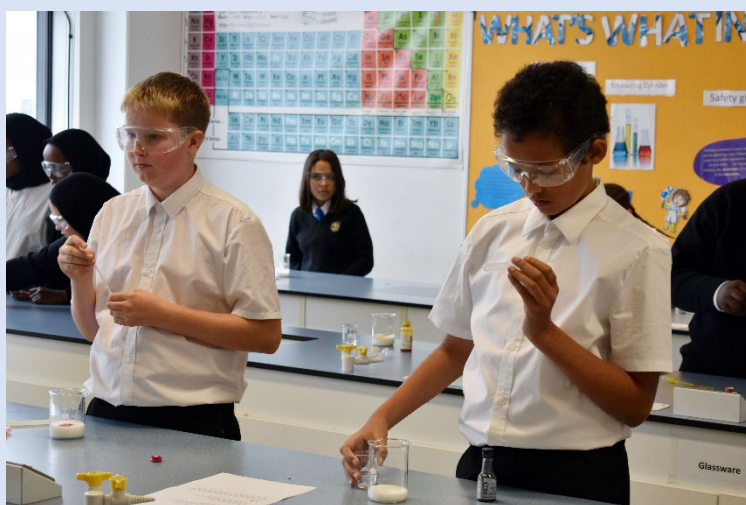
We would be remiss if we did not mention the closing speeches delivered by our Head Girl and Boy: Melody and Amari. After the Head and Principal spoke to our guests in their keynote speech of the night, the two sixth formers' words demonstrated the impact of Southfields 'work'. They were eloquent, personable and inspiring in the way they spoke about their time here, and it was a more than fitting way to end the night.



Science Club – Ms Akhvlediani

Science Club members got their hands messy this week with a fun lesson on polymer chemistry - making slime! Students mixed up simple household ingredients and added vibrant food colouring to transform gooey liquids into stretchable, squishy slime.

It was a fantastic hands-on experiment with plenty of excited young scientists!



The Beaumont Mayfair Hotel Visit – Ms Hodgson

On Monday 12th October, our Year 13 Travel and Tourism students visited the beautiful 5★ The Beaumont Mayfair Hotel. They heard from staff across various departments and toured the rooms, bar, and restaurants. The students left feeling motivated and excited about future careers in hospitality - we can't wait to visit again next year!



🏆 PE Champions of the Half Term! 🏆 – Ms Lenton

What a fantastic start to the academic year! A huge congratulations to our PE Champions for their incredible energy, effort, and active participation in our PE clubs over this first half term:

- **Most Active Student:** Lois Alimi
- **Most Active Tutor Group:** 07GLH
- **Most Active Year Group:** Year 7

It has been a brilliant first half term for our Year 7s, who have taken the crown for all three awards: most active student, tutor group and overall top year group! Years 8, 9, and 10 definitely have some tough competition ahead. Keep up the outstanding momentum into next half term! 🙌

PE CHAMPIONS

**MOST ACTIVE
TUTOR GROUP**

07GLH

**MOST ACTIVE
STUDENT**



Lois Alimi 07GLH

**MOST ACTIVE
YEAR GROUP**

Year 7

Dates for Your Diary

Tuesday 20th October 2026 – Careers Fair
Thursday 22nd October 2026 – Staff Training Day
Friday 23rd October 2026 – Staff Training Day
Monday 26th October 2026 – Half Term Starts
Monday 2nd November 2026 – Academy Resumes
Wednesday 4th November 2026 – Year 11 Parents' Evening
Thursday 12th November 2026 – IEAP Day
Wednesday 18th November 2026 – Year 8 Parents' Day
Thursday 19th November 2026 – School Council Election Day
Monday 23rd November 2026 – INSET Day 2
Thursday 26th November 2026 – Prize Evening



Newsletter:

Please click to access the [7th Edition of the Southfields Academy Careers Newsletter](#), with information for all teenagers about getting into [Coding](#), [STEM Careers](#) etc. [Meet the Future You](#) is a free online careers quiz for students aged 11–14. Students answer short questions about their interests, skills and passions, and the quiz suggests engineering and technology careers that they might enjoy...

Degree Apprenticeships

Sixth Form: This is the season for the majority of Degree Apprenticeships to be launched - Amazing Apprenticeships [lists many of them here](#). InvestIn is running a free webinar on [Degree Apprenticeships: What they Are & How to Apply](#) on 22/10/26 @6pm & [The Essential Guide to Degree Apprenticeships](#) is now out.

Work Experience (WEX) Dates 2026/27

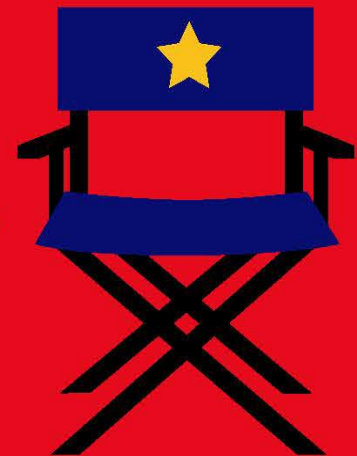
- WEX Year 12: Mon 8th – Fri 12th Feb 2027
 - WEX Year 10: Mon 12th – Fri 16th Jul 2027
- Please let the Careers Team know if you have any contacts who could help us with placement opportunities

WARNER BROS. DISCOVERY x HER, ME & ADHD

**BOLD**

Her, Me & ADHD have partnered with the DiverseAbilities and BOLD teams from Warner Bros. Discovery to help inspire the next generation of creatives, and show girls that being neurodivergent doesn't have to limit their ambition.

- Take part in fun, real-life activities delivered by the Warner Bros. Discovery team
- Be inspired by a 'My life and career with ADHD' talk
- Get creative with film poster design
- Meet other girls with ADHD
- Take home a Warner Bros. Discovery goody bag



When: Wednesday 21st October 2026

Time: 4:30PM - 6:30PM

Where: Henry Prince Clubroom, SW18 4UN

Limited spaces. Register your interest now:

<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/K6nCA9TBVp>

Open to girls from
Year 6 - Year 9 with a
diagnosis of ADHD
or on the assessment
pathway.
Wandsworth residents
& children attending
Wandsworth schools.