

## Message from the Interim Headteacher

Ms Wood, Head of Science, has very kindly set up Saturday Science Intervention sessions, with other members of her department also supporting, for Year 11s; the first session took place on Saturday. It was great to see 18 of our Year 11 students using the intervention session to busily revise!

I would also like to take this opportunity to ask the parents of Year 11 students to actively encourage their children to access the intervention sessions that are offered, if they are not currently doing so. Details of the half term intervention sessions to be offered will be sent out next week.

Mr Ramsay organised our wonderful 'Great Southchurch Bake Off' on Monday and Tuesday of this week. I can confirm that there were some great bakes made by the students who took part. At the time of writing, we are waiting for the winners to be confirmed.

Mrs Nomikou also launched her new Art Club on Monday. As it was Chinese New Year the students explored Chinese New Year and the Year of the Rabbit.

On Wednesday Mr Keane, Ms Wood, Mrs Samuels and Miss Clark accompanied Year 8 students on a trip to the Secret Nuclear Bunker at Kelvedon. The trip was organised as part of the current English study topic of the Cold War.

Mrs T Airoll  
**Interim Headteacher**

## Year 8 Trip - Secret Nuclear Bunker

On Wednesday, a group of our year 8 students visited the Kelvedon Hatch Secret Nuclear Bunker.

They all had a wonderful time and learned about the Cold War to support their studies in English.

The site was opened for the day especially for our students to explore and they also completed a quiz in teams.

It was a very enjoyable and educational visit!



## Lost Property

We have a large number of unclaimed/unnamed coats in lost property that have arrived since the beginning of term.

If your child has lost a coat from the list below, please send them to the main office as soon as possible to collect it.

- Boy's navy fur hood coat (George - 10 -11 years)
- Light blue waterproof jacket (Killtec)
- Girl's mustard yellow fur hood coat (TU - size 6)
- Black puffer coat (Primark XS)
- Black and white bomber jacket (Shien)
- Black puffer coat (M&S - 13 - 14 years)
- Ladies' navy coat (By Jessica Simpson)
- Black fur hood puffer coat (Firetrap - size 8)

## Art Club

This week, Art Club have been exploring Chinese New Year!

With 2023 being the year of the Rabbit, year 7, 8 & 9 students had the opportunity to create various types of art work referencing the theme.



## Lunch - Week 2 Menu

<b>SWAN'S RESTAURANT</b>		<b>WEEK 2</b>			
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Main Meal</b>	Chicken Curry Served with Boiled Rice & Naan Bread	Homemade Lasagne Served with Garlic Bread & Salad	Roast Pork Served with Roast Potatoes Mixed Vegetables & Gravy	Chicken Fajita Served with a Corn on the Cob & Coleslaw	Beef Burger or Battered Fish Served with Chips & Baked Beans or Coleslaw
<b>Vegetarian Meal</b>	Vegan Chilli Served with Boiled Rice	Vegan Meatballs Served with Pasta & Garlic Bread	Vegetarian Slice Served with Roast Potatoes Mixed Vegetables & Gravy	French Bread Pizza Served with a Mixed Salad & Coleslaw	Vegan Nuggets Served With Chips & Baked Beans or Coleslaw

### Attendance Matters

The top tutor groups for attendance this week are:

**7PBM, 8FLA, 9DOL & 10DBA**

Well done to all!

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, please report it to the Attendance Office **before** the start of the school day.

You can do this in several different ways:

- Send a SMS/Text to: 07984 439041
- Leave a voicemail on: 08449 842602
- Email: [Info@southchurchschool.com](mailto:Info@southchurchschool.com)
- Call Reception on: 01702 900777

### ♥ Feel Good Friday ♥

Don't forget our next fundraising event 'Feel Good Friday' will take place on Friday 10 February to raise funds for the school's chosen charity.

The Student Leadership Team, to celebrate Valentine's Day, will be selling heart shaped and emoji balloons which can be delivered anonymously or with a personalised message for £2.

### English - 'Word of the Week'



### News

We also have further news from the Library, the EAL department, Careers & Wellbeing Support.

Please see the attached newsletters from these departments.

## The Great 'Southchurch High School' Bake Off

This week, our budding bakers signed up to take part in the 'Great Southchurch High School Bake Off' with Mr Ramsay. Here are some of the results!



### Free School Meal Vouchers

Southend-on-Sea City Council will be funding free school meal vouchers for eligible families for the February half term. A £15 voucher will be issued for each eligible child on Monday 13 February.

### Key Dates

8 February	Year 9 Parent's Evening	4-7pm
10 February	'Feel Good Friday' Fundraising Day	
13-17 February	<b>Half term</b>	
20 February	Staff training day <b>Closed to students</b>	
21 February	Students return to school	
27 February	School choir performance @ Palace Theatre	