



Southchurch High School

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The Southchurch Way

A community of opportunity, learning and aspirations

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Message from the Interim Headteacher

Last Friday, our Year 7 students had the opportunity to attend drumming workshops which you may have also seen on social media. The Year 7 students commented on how much they had enjoyed the experience. Thank you to Miss Cassar for her organisation of the day together with Mr Airoll and Mr Wilson for their support.

You may also have seen on social media this week some of the many activities that take place during break times for our students.

East 15, a local acting school, kindly worked with our Year 7s on Monday to create scenes for their upcoming 'Theatre in Education' performances that they are bringing back to our school next week. Once again thank you to Miss Cassar for her organisation and support of this event.

Thank you to the parents/carers who kindly attended the anti-bullying training presentation on Monday by Miss Murray.

Elections have been held this week for the Student Principal role. The two candidates have been going head to head all week addressing the year group assemblies. Once votes have been cast and counted, I look forward to announcing our new Student Principal.

On Thursday, as a sign of the school's appreciation and thanks, for an act of goodwill at school, we held a 'pizza party' for a number of Year 10s.

I am delighted to inform you that there are a number of school trips currently in the process of being organised for students so please keep an eye out for the letters to ensure that your child does not miss out on the wonderful opportunities that the staff at Southchurch High School are organising for your children. These enrichment activities can be just as important to young people in their education.

We are also arranging a number of parental engagement events and, again, could I please ask that you check emails sent out from the school in order that you do not miss out on an event(s) that you would like to attend.

Mrs Airoll

Interim Headteacher

Parent Governor Vacancy

The Local Governing Board of Southchurch High School currently has a Parent Governor vacancy and would welcome expressions of interest from the parent community. If you are interested, or would like to find out more about the role, please email info@southchurchschool.com

English - 'Word of the Week'



Lunch - Week 1 Menu

SWAN'S RESTAURANT		WEEK 1				
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
Main Meal	BBQ Chicken & Cheese Wrap Served with Corn on the Cob & Coleslaw	Meatballs Served with Pasta & Garlic Bread	Roast Chicken Served with Roast Potatoes Mixed Vegetables & Gravy	Steak Pie Served with Mashed Potato Peas & Gravy	Chicken Burger Or Battered Fish Served with Chips & Baked Beans or Coleslaw	
Vegetarian Meal	Fully Loaded Potato Skins Served with Corn on the Cob & Coleslaw	Macaroni Cheese Served with Garlic Bread	Vegan Sausages Served with Roast Potatoes Mixed Vegetables & Gravy	Vegetable Stew & Dumplings Served with Mashed Potato	Spicy Bean Burger Served with Chips & a choice of Baked Beans or Coleslaw	

Book Donations

We are currently in need of unwanted books for younger children (baby to 10 years in age) in preparation for an upcoming Reading and Refreshments parent and student event after the Easter holidays.

If you have any donations, please can you send them in to the Hub or Mrs Adams.

Music



Our Year 7 students recently took part in a 'Music on Sea' African Drumming workshop provided by Mark at Rhythm Connections.

The workshop was educational, entertaining and an exciting opportunity for students to experience different musical cultures, supporting their learning further. The students had an amazing time and learnt a range of different techniques for playing African drums.

Southend City Council Vaping Survey

Southend-on-Sea City Council's public health team and Southend City Youth Council are working together to promote a new youth vaping survey.

The survey aims to gather the views of young people, parents, and carers about e-cigarettes, known as 'vaping', with the results being used to inform future awareness campaigns about the effects of vaping and the benefits of stopping.

There are two surveys hosted by Essex County Council and supported by Southend-on-Sea City Council - one is aimed at all **young people aged between 11 to 18** in Southend, not just those who use smoking products, as well as **the parents, carers, and guardians** of young people aged 11 to 18 years old in Southend, whether their children vape or not.

Cllr Kay Mitchell, cabinet member for adult social care and health integration, said: "We know very little about vaping habits and attitudes of vaping among young people in Southend, so the feedback will help us shape our future work around vaping in Southend which could include preventative work and new health policies."

Thomas Cauchi, deputy youth mayor of Southend City Youth Council, added: "I have seen an increasing number of young people vaping and many people now see it as normal and are not acting on it."

Therefore, the Southend City Youth Council want to help try and make a difference and promote these surveys to get as many views as possible from young people, parents and carers across Southend.

Both surveys will be live on Your Say Southend until Thursday 27 April 2023. The surveys are completely anonymous and confidential. You can access the surveys here: **young people survey** or **parent/carer survey**

If any member of the public would like to alert Trading Standards about shops in Southend selling vaping products to children, please call their consumer helpline number on 0808 223 1133.

Year 11 Wellbeing Club

Miss Raus will be running a wellbeing club for Year 11 students on Monday, Thursday and Friday in room C005 from 3.15 - 4.00 pm. Students can stop by to relax, rest, talk or listen to music.

Art Club

Year 10 and 11 Art GCSE students are invited to participate in a workshop on Thursday 23 March with artist Laura Hammond who will be showing them how to create a realistic tiger eye with coloured pencils.



Art Club Workshop

Art Room A020 Thursday 23rd March 3:00-4:00pm

How to create a realistic tiger eye with pencil colours.

With Miss Hammond & Miss E.Nomikou

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PRODUCTION REHEARSALS



20-24 MARCH

DAY	WHEN	WHO
MON	LUNCHTIME	DANCERS
TUES	LUNCHTIME	PINK LADIES - SANDRA DEE
	AFTER SCHOOL	DANCERS – With Ella
WED	LUNCHTIME	T. BIRDS
	AFTER SCHOOL	GREASE LIGHTNING: ALL DANCERS AND T. BIRDS
THURS	LUNCHTIME	DANCERS - MISS CASSAR SINGING - MISS A (MUSIC ROOM)
	AFTER SCHOOL	CHOIR T. BIRDS SCRIPT (MUA)
FRI	LUNCHTIME	PINK LADIES SCRIPT - MISS CASSAR SOLO SINGERS - MISS NEIL (MUSIC ROOM)
	AFTER SCHOOL	FULL CAST - ALL MUST STAY TILL 4.30pm

Key Dates

23 March	First Parent Council Meeting - 6.00 pm
25 March	Parent Forum 2 10.00 am - 12.00 noon
29 March	Year 11 Parents' Evening 4.00 pm - 7.00 pm
3 - 14 April	Easter Holiday
17 April	Staff training day Closed to students
18 April	Students return to school

Forensics Club

At forensics club recently, the students learnt another important analysis technique.

They looked at blood splatter patterns and then created their own. They also learnt how to collect prints and take samples of the evidence.

The students finished the session with a look at pre-prepared slides of blood using microscopes.

Join us on Thursdays 3-4 pm in A117!



Ducklings coming soon

Our eggs arrive on Monday! There will then be a live stream on our Southchurch web page.

Please come and visit them in A117 at 3pm each day!

News

We have further newsletters attached from the Library, the EAL department, Careers and Wellbeing Support.