



Secondary School Weekly Update Friday 14th February 2025

As we approach the half term break, I would like to reflect on my first few weeks at South View School.

The last six weeks have been full of new learning for me as I have settled into the routine and enjoyed all that happens here. I have witnessed a wide range of academic activities above and beyond what happens every day in the classroom. These activities only serve to enhance the learning experiences for our students.

The learning environment at South View School is one based on nurturing the well being of our students, creating challenging activities and injecting fun and enjoyment along the way.

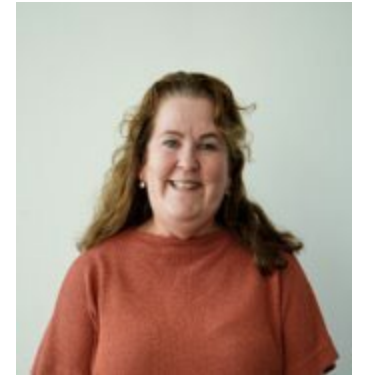
The teachers at South View School are highly motivated and put the students at the heart of every decision that is made, it really is a very rare to work with such a united group of professionals and I would like to acknowledge their incredible work ethic and commitment to excellence.

I am looking forward to what the next half term brings.

I am aware that you have been notified of Ramadan Timings, I have attached them in this newsletter for your reference.

Wishing you all a wonderful break, make sure you recharge your batteries.

Teresa Woulfe – Head of Secondary





Upcoming key dates

Friday 21st February – University Fair for Year 11 -13

February 21-23 – U11 BSME Games RGS

February 22-28 – International Trips

February 27th 2025 – Sports Award Term2



Ramadan Timings 2025

Secondary School

Monday – Thursday

Gates Open 07.50

Doors open 08.10

Registration 08.20

Pickup 13.20

Buses depart 13.20

Friday

Gates Open 07.50

Doors open 08.10

Secondary registration 08.20

Pickup 12.00

Buses depart 12.00



Good afternoon,

Academic Update - Ms Stevens

We have come to the end of another very busy week academically here at Southview School.

Assessment Week 2 continued this week and as I mentioned in last week's newsletter, these are being completed in-class and therefore the timetable is much more flexible than for our formal Assessment weeks. All teachers will be posting class assessment dates and information on their Teams, so please check with your son/daughter about their up-coming schedule. As always if you have any further questions contact the Head of Subject or Head of Year who are always happy to help.

Today also saw our Year 11 receive their Mock results in an official event held in the Secondary library and it was lovely to see so many smiles and give Year 11 the chance to celebrate together.

I want to finish off by wishing all of our South View community a restful mid-term break.

Ms Stevens





Congratulations Year 11!

Exams Update – Miss Coy

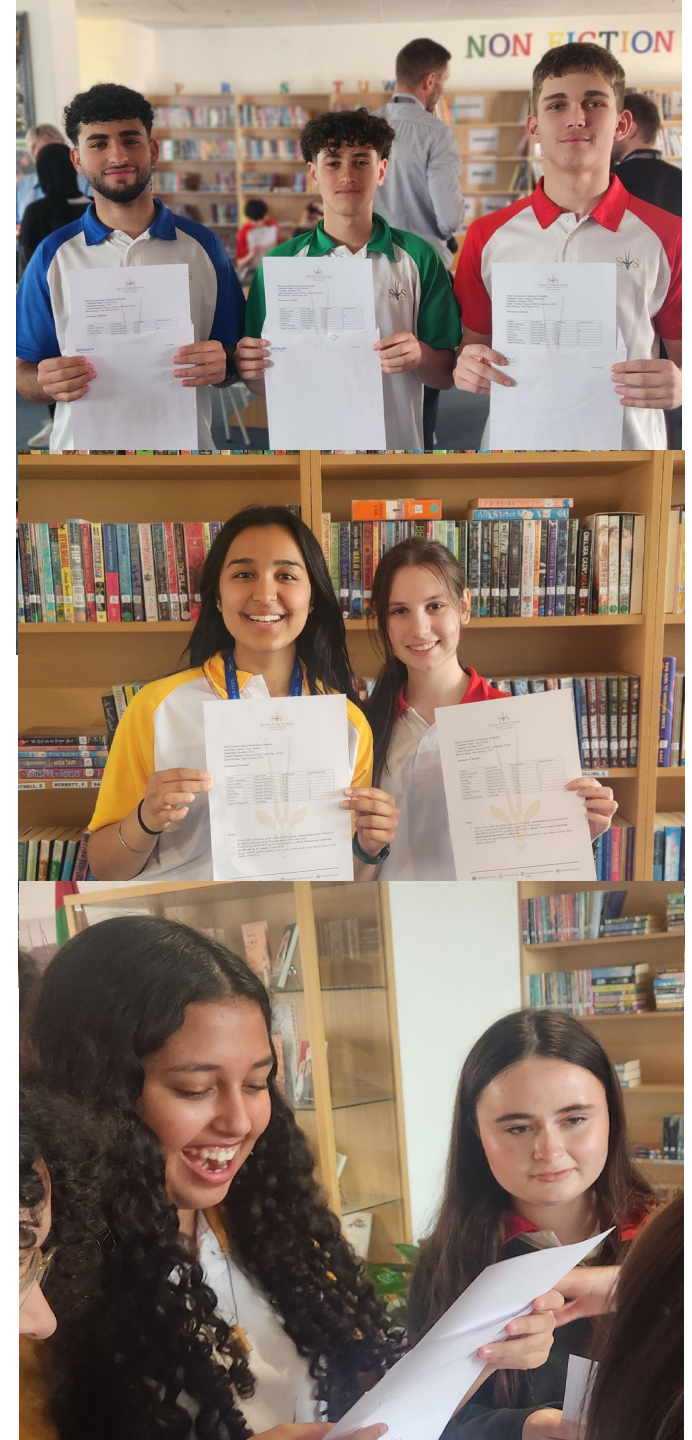
A huge well done to all of you on your amazing mock results! Your hard work and dedication have truly paid off, and you should be incredibly proud of yourselves.

Mocks are a crucial step in your exam journey—they highlight your strengths and help you focus on areas for improvement. With just a few months to go, now is the time to stay focused, refine your revision strategies, attend masterclasses and push yourself to do your absolute best. It will all be worth it in August when you open your results, I promise!

Remember, your teachers, Miss Quick and myself are here to support you every step of the way. Keep up the fantastic work—you've got this!

Well done again, Have a great and well-deserved Mid Term break Year 11.

Miss Coy and Miss Quick





English Update – Mr. Archibald

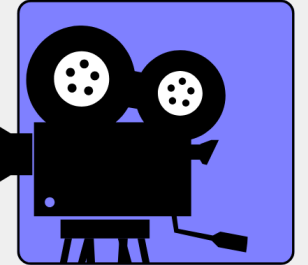
Over the past couple of weeks, Year 9 students have been creating their own documentaries as part of their Term 2 speaking assessment. This project follows their study of documentary film, where they have analysed genre, techniques, audience, and purpose.

On Friday, the 21st, there will be a special screening for Year 9 students to showcase their peers' work.

PRESENTED BY YEAR 9 ENGLISH STUDENTS

DOCUMENTARY SCREENING

**21 FEBRUARY
2025
09:10-10:00**



SECONDARY LIBRARY

Over the past few weeks, Year 9 students have been exploring documentary film, analysing audience, purpose, techniques, genre, and form. This learning has culminated in the creation of their own documentaries, some of which will be screened in the secondary library.



English Update - KS3 Wide Reading Awards

- The KS3 Wide Reading Programme was launched this year to promote a love of reading.
- The Bronze Award is presented to students you have selected four different text types and responded in a way that is meaningful to them.
 - Below are the most recent recipients of the bronze award.



Lana Marsh



Moustafa Hassan



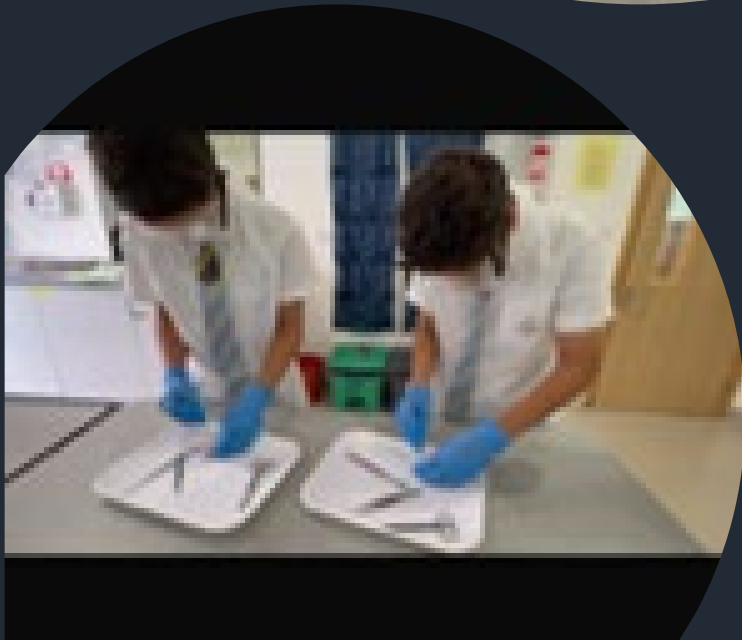
Layan Hassan



Science updates

It's been all about blood and gore in Science recently! Year 8 students have been getting hands-on with eyeball dissections, exploring the fascinating structure of the eye, while Year 7 have been dissecting hearts to see the inner workings of the circulatory system up close.

Meanwhile, Year 7 have also been busy investigating forces and friction, followed by experiments on how surface area affects speed—bringing Physics to life with exciting practicals. Science has been messy, engaging, and full of discovery!











Arabic A Update – Mr. Kerba

السادة أولياء الأمور الكرام، تحية طيبة وبعد

انطلاقاً من رؤيتنا الرامية إلى تنمية مهارات أبنائنا في اللغة العربية، تم التركيز على تطوير *مهارة التفكير الناقد، باعتبارها أداة أساسية لفهم النصوص وتحليلها بعمق، وتمكين الطلاب من ****إبداء وجهات نظرهم المستنيرة*** بطريقة منهجية، تعزز قدراتهم على المناقشة والاستدلال المنطقي. كما تم تدريبهم على ***كتابة الاستجابات الأدبية*** للنصوص القصصية، مما يفتح أمامهم آفاقاً أوسع للتعبير والإبداع، ويساعدهم في بناء رؤى تحليلية متميزة تجاه الأدب والمجتمع

وفي هذا السياق، نحث أبناءنا على الاستمرار في ***المسابقات الطلابية*** التي تثري مهاراتهم وتصلق مواهبهم، مثل مسابقة تحدي القراءة العربي التي تساهم في تعزيز الفكر النقدي وتوسيع المدارك اللغوية، و*مسابقة الشعر*، المقرر عقدها بتاريخ *24 فبراير 2025*، والتي تهدف إلى تنمية مهارة الإلقاء والتعبير، وربطهم بجماليات اللغة العربية وإيقاعها الساحر .

نأمل منكم تقديم كل أشكال الدعم والتشجيع لأبنائنا، وتحفيزهم على استثمار هذه الفرص الذهبية، فالعربية ليست مجرد لغة، بل هي ***نافذة على الإبداع، ومنصة للفكر، وجسر يصل حاضرتنا بماضيها المجيد***



Arabic Update – Mr. Kerba

Dear Parents,

I hope this message finds you well. We would like to share with you the highlights of this week's learning journey, as well as give you a glimpse of what's coming next.

This Week's Achievements:

This week, our students successfully completed the assigned unit. They explored new vocabulary, practiced various grammatical rules, and enhanced their reading and writing skills. It has been a productive week, filled with engaging class discussions and interactive activities.

What's Coming Next Week:

After the mid-term break, students will take a short quiz to assess their understanding of the material covered over the past five weeks. We kindly ask for your support in encouraging your children to review their notes and lessons to ensure they achieve their best results.

Poetry Competition.

We are excited to remind you that the Poetry Competition will take place on Monday after the mid-term break. We encourage all students to participate and showcase their creativity in Arabic. Please support your children in preparing for this event, as it is a great opportunity for them to express themselves and enhance their linguistic skills.

Thank you for your continued support. We look forward to another successful week with our students!



Islamic Update – Mr. Kerba

Reminder: South View School 6th Quran Competition – Hafez Al-Quran

Assalamu Alaikum Wa Rahmatullahi Wa Barakatuh,

This is a gentle reminder that registration for the **South View School 6th Quran Competition, Hafez Al-Quran** is now open! Don't miss this wonderful opportunity for your child to deepen their connection with the Holy Quran and showcase their memorization and recitation skills.

Competition Details:

- **First Round:** April 29, 2025
- **Second and Final Round:** April 30, 2025
- **Registration Deadline:** April 9, 2025 [Here to register](#)

The competition is designed with different levels to suit participants' abilities. Please select the appropriate level for your child when registering.

Important Notes:

- Assessments will be conducted in the presence of the principal and an external assessor from the Islamic Affairs Department.
- **Certificates and Prizes:** All participants will receive a certificate of participation, and winners will be awarded valuable prizes from SVS.
- **Memorization Practice:** Students should memorize their assigned Surahs and verses at home. Recitations can be submitted to Islamic teachers through Teams for feedback.

We are excited to welcome students from other schools as well, fostering a sense of community and a shared love for the Quran.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to any member of the Islamic Department.

Jazakum Allah Khairan,

SS Geography Update – Miss Coy

Year 8 geographers explored Remraam to evaluate the impact of human activity on environmental quality. Through this investigation, they honed their enquiry skills, including data collection, numerical analysis and critical observation. Well done, Year 8!





The Arts Update - Mrs Rock

Wow! What a half term!

Our Secondary Band continues to go from strength to strength. Our Arts department is buzzing at lunchtimes and our Drama students have been working hard on their assessment performances as well as the Secondary School Play. We are very impressed with how hard all of our students are working.

The Demon Headmaster- Thank you!

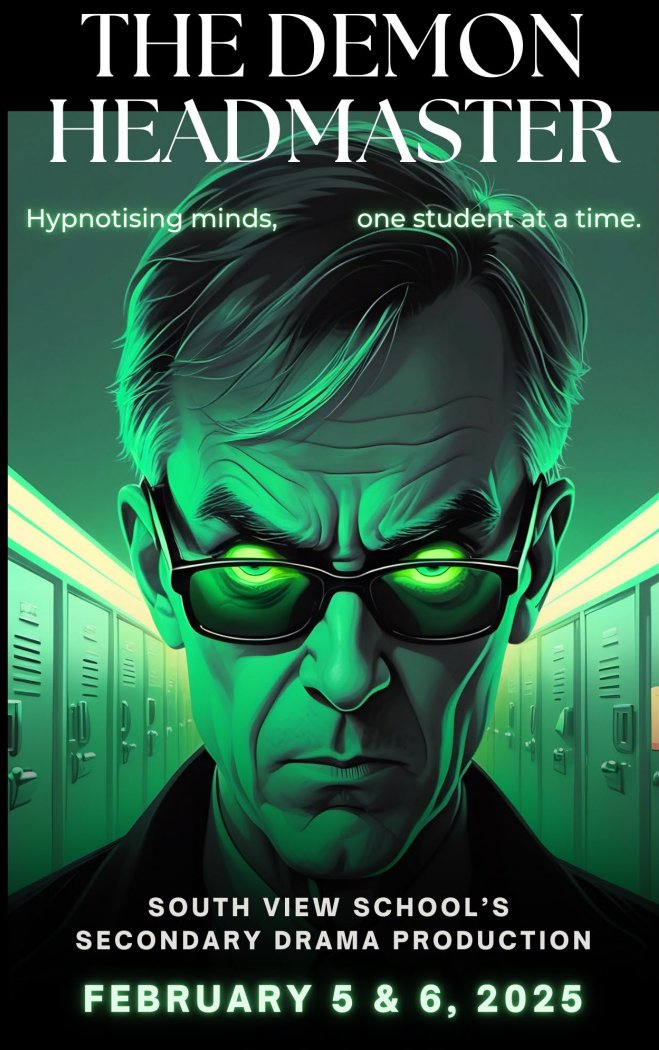
While I would like to thank our superb cast and production team for all their hard work on a successful show, there are also many others without whom, our show would not have been possible.

Firstly, to Stacey Coy and Nicole Sweeney. Their undying support even when they have their own departments to run is really appreciated.

Our school premises and IT support team – we could not do anything without you. Thanks for delivering all our last-minute requests.

To our parent support system – Marije, Rachael and Louise. Thanks for the wonderful refreshments and support and dedication in helping us to source costumes and props- you are one in a million!

Finally- thanks to everyone who came to support our wonderful students.



Well done and Congratulations to the Cast and Production team on a wonderful show.



SOUTH VIEW SCHOOL'S
SECONDARY DRAMA PRODUCTION
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Thank you to Aamnah Hassan in 8A and Kinda Asar in 8B for putting these highlight videos together.



Tunes 4 Tuesday

Well done to the following students who have represented Secondary at Tunes 4 Tuesday this half term:

Aishah Zoberi (7a) Monica Le Roux (8b) Tia Yammine (8d) Cleagh Burns (8d)

Tunes 4 Tuesday will return after the Spring break so get practicing Secondary!





Secondary Band

Another great performance from our Secondary band, who provided some live music for the Colour Run event last Friday. Well done!



Junk Kouture World Finals 2024



Less than 3 weeks to go until Mia, Sofia and Ms Sweeney head off to Dublin to participate in the world finals. This is an outstanding achievement and we wish you all the best of luck.

Stay tuned for live streaming details.....

PE Update | Mr. Bladen

Sports Day 2025 – A Day to Remember! 🎉 🏆

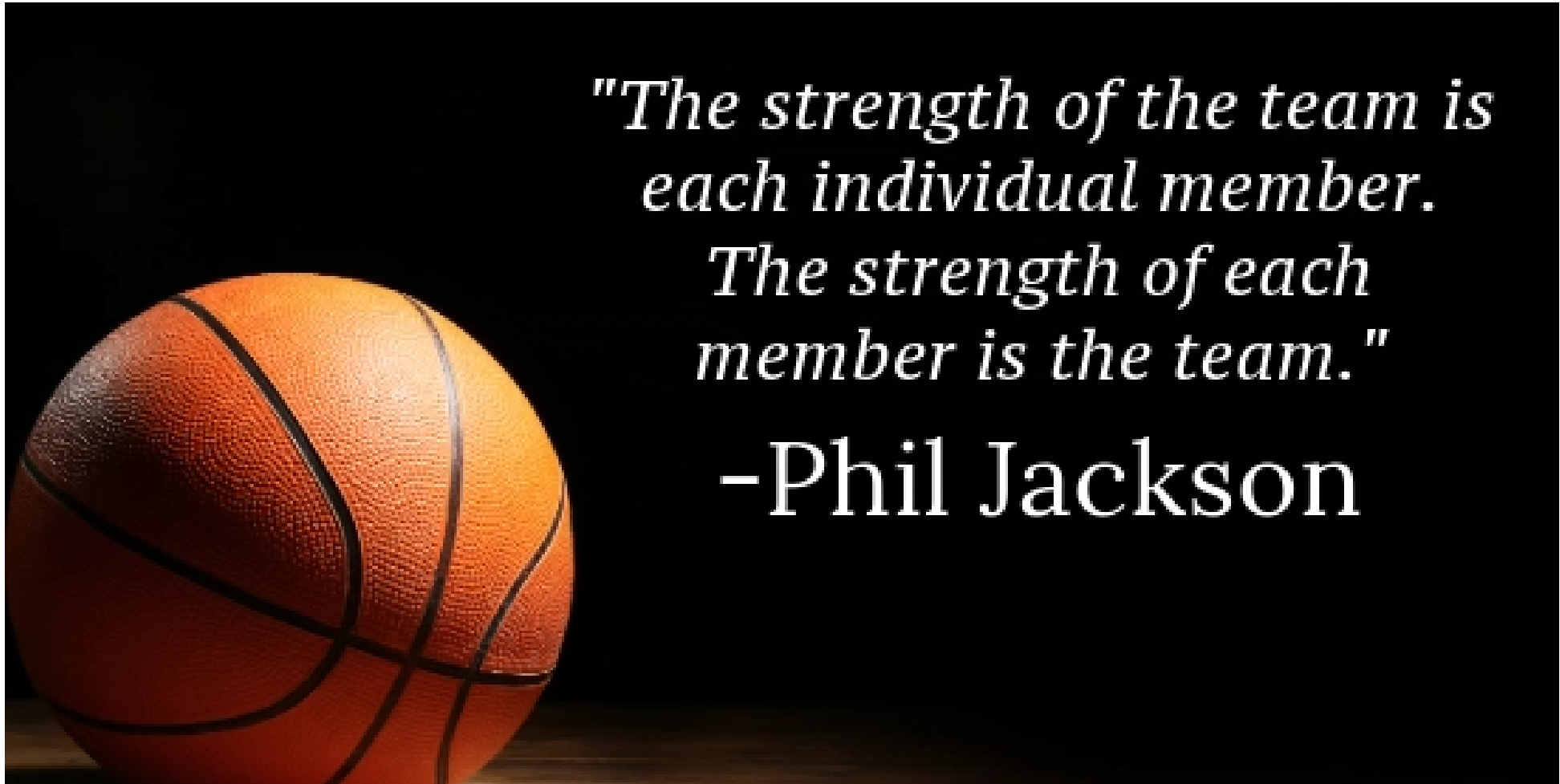
This year's **Sports Day** was a huge success, with students showcasing their athleticism, teamwork, and house spirit throughout the event. The atmosphere was electric as everyone participated in a variety of exciting activities, making it a truly memorable day.

A **huge congratulations to Ignis** for being crowned this year's champions!

A special **thank you to all staff, parents, and students** for your enthusiasm, support, and effort in making the day such an amazing experience.

🏆 Well done to all participants! 🏆





*"The strength of the team is
each individual member.
The strength of each
member is the team."*

-Phil Jackson

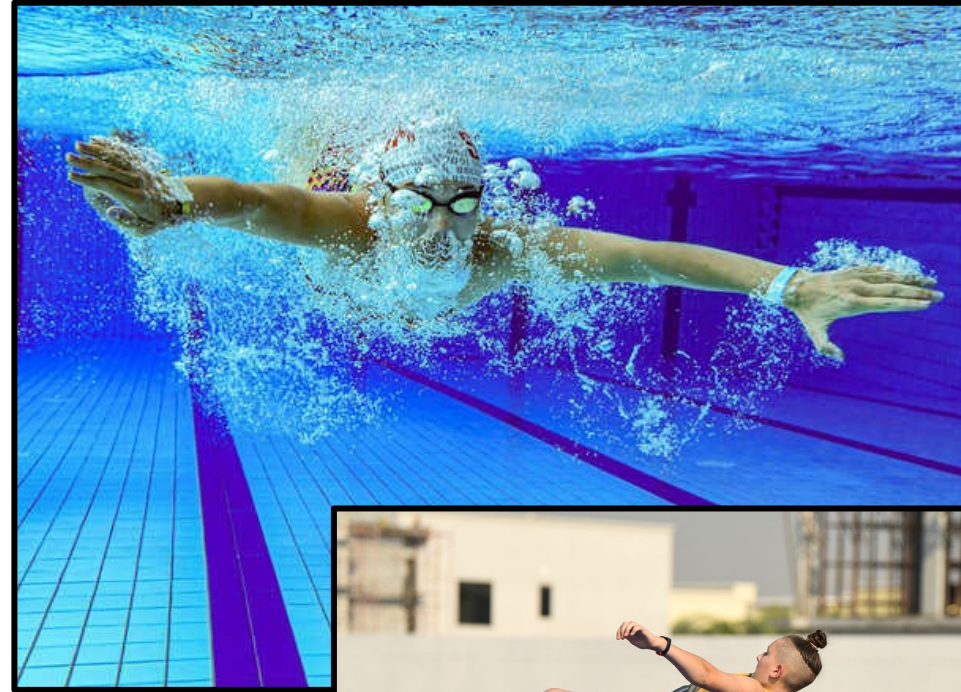
TERM 2A

REMINDER that we are still taking part in Athletics and Swimming, in our PE lessons this term.

Boys will Swim on a Week 2 and the Girls on Week 1 (We start back on Week 2).

For swimming lessons, students will need Goggles, Swim Cap, Sliders/Flips Flops, Towel Appropriate Swimwear and their school uniform.

For Athletics, students will need their usual PE kit and uniform to get changed into after the lesson.





SKIING CHAMPIONSHIP

We are excited to announce the launch of the **Midea Dubai Schools Games Skiing Championship**. The championship will be held **on Saturday 22nd February 2025 at Ski Dubai - Mall of the Emirates**.

If your child wishes to participate in the event, you are required to enter directly from the online Parent Portal. Kindly note that the event is **Free-Of-Charge**.

Please note, that the Midea DSG Skiing Championship registrations close on **Wednesday 12th February 2025**.

If you have any further queries reach out to us at info@dubaischoolsgames.ae on 050-475-7037.



EVENT INFO

- 📅 22 February 2025
- 🕒 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM
- 📍 Ski Dubai
- 🏂 Giant Slalom
- 👥 U8, U10, U12, U14, U16 - Girls & Boys

REGISTRATION

- 👤 Parents can register via parent portal on the DSG website
- 📅 Registrations close on 12 February 2025

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