



# Secondary School Weekly Update

**Date: 29/11/24**

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we wrap up another busy and exciting week at South View School, I would like to take a moment to highlight some of the wonderful events and achievements that have taken place. Firstly, a huge thank you to all those who attended our Winter Fair last Friday. It was an incredible event. I must thank Mr Whites and Mrs Wilson for all their efforts in the run up to, and on the day, we hope you enjoyed the festivities as much as we did.

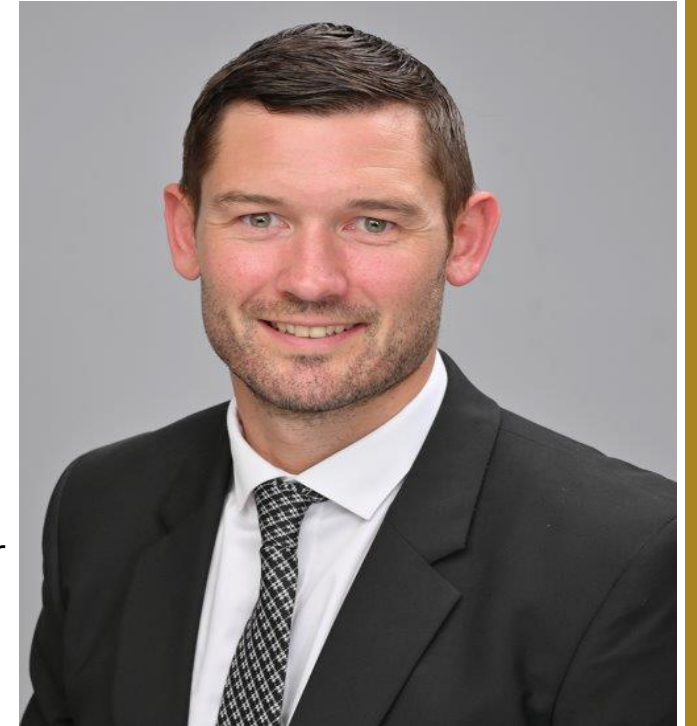
On Monday, we celebrated the return of our Under 14s football team from their fantastic 4-day trip to Egypt. They had an amazing time, showcasing their talents and representing South View with pride. An unforgettable experience for our young athletes under the guidance and tutelage of Mr Bladen and Mr Cook. Our Year 10 Geography students had an enriching field trip to Kite Beach, where they explored key geographical features and put their classroom learning into practice. Mr Altaf and Miss Scouller commented on how impressed they were seeing the students out in the field, making real-world connections to their studies.

Additionally, our Year 11 IGCSE Drama students excelled in their assessments this week. We are incredibly proud of their hard work and dedication; their performances were testament to the work they put in.

Finally, we celebrated a wonderful Eid Al Etihad day yesterday, where our whole school community came together to honour this important occasion. The students embraced the celebrations with joy and enthusiasm, and it was a beautiful reminder of the diverse and inclusive environment we are proud to foster here at South View.

Thank you for your continued support. Wishing you all a restful long Eid Al Etihad weekend.

Kind regards,  
Stuart Macpherson  
Acting Head of Secondary





## Upcoming key dates:

Eid Al Etihad Holiday 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> December.

Year 11 iGCSE Art C1 exam (Wednesday 4th and Thursday 5th December)

Year 8 Parents Evening – Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December 4pm-7pm.

Winter Break 13/12/24 – 06/01/25



## Year 11 Exam Information – Miss Coy

Dear Parents and Guardians,

Over the next few weeks, Accounts will be sending invoices for the IGCSE exams in May/June 2025. If you have any concerns, please do email me.

The Mock Exam Timetable and Overview will be shared with students before the Winter Break. Mocks will run from **20th January to 31st January 2025**. Please note that students with Access Arrangements may require up to 5 minutes beyond the end of the school day due to scheduled breaks. I will ensure all bus students finish in time for their transport. Thank you for your understanding.

Finally, we are looking for parents who are interested in invigilating during the IGCSE exams. Training will be provided, and you will have the opportunity to gain experience during the mock exams in January. The main commitment will be during the May/June exams period. If you are interested or have any questions, please email me at [stacey.coy@southview.ae](mailto:stacey.coy@southview.ae) to discuss further.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards,

**Stacey Coy**



## Literacy Update - Louise



There is a big book sale taking place locally in Studio City over the long weekend, until 9<sup>th</sup> December.

It offers a great opportunity for students to pick out some excellent books at a discounted price and hopefully to select a good read for over the winter break.





# Admissions Day

07 December 2024  
15.00 - 18.00

[Register here](#)

[hw.ac.uk/dubai](http://hw.ac.uk/dubai) Careers Update – Ms. Scouller





# Mathematics Update – Ms Griffin

## DUBAI MATHS SUPER LEAGUE Y11

On Thursday Mr Breeze accompanied four of South View School's top Year 11 Maths students - Alula Marsh, Emma Zwart, Jihan Alinazar and Diya Mulani - to Dubai College in order to participate in the Dubai Maths Super League Competition.

There were 33 other high ranking Dubai schools in attendance, and every team completed four rounds with the aim of collecting as many points as possible.

*Round 1: Logic Puzzle*

*Round 2: Individual*

*Round 3: Team*

*Round 4: Relay*



# Mathematics Update – Ms Griffin

## Challenge ME Results for Week 5 – another excellent week!

Watch out for next week's newsletter for the final standings – or follow Challenge ME on social media to see the results for yourself over the weekend.

Follow this link to see top scorers for all schools for this week:

<https://challengeme.ae/celebrations/the-top-scorers-from-week-5-2/>

challenge ME  
presents....

# THE SCHOOL LEAGUES

## TOP SCORERS

### BAND 3

### WEEK 5

FEATURED TO THE RIGHT ARE  
THE STUDENTS WHOSE  
SCORES HAVE CONTRIBUTED  
TO THEIR SCHOOL'S TOTAL  
THIS WEEK. PLEASE NOTE:  
STUDENTS ARE LISTED IN NO  
PARTICULAR ORDER.

#### South View School

Ada Dragoni  
Aishah Zoberi  
Jagan Pillai  
Lana Marsh  
Layan Elawadi  
Layan Hassan  
Logan OBrien  
Mafalda Correia  
Malika Elemary  
Mariam Alkafoury  
Martin Al Ashkar  
Mennatallah Korim  
Mirza Zafeeruddin Haider  
Mohammed Ahmed Adnan  
Muhammad Taha Humayun  
Nikita Shibayev  
Pinelopi Petridi  
Roqia Shetiah  
Talya Gouda  
Yassin Fahmy  
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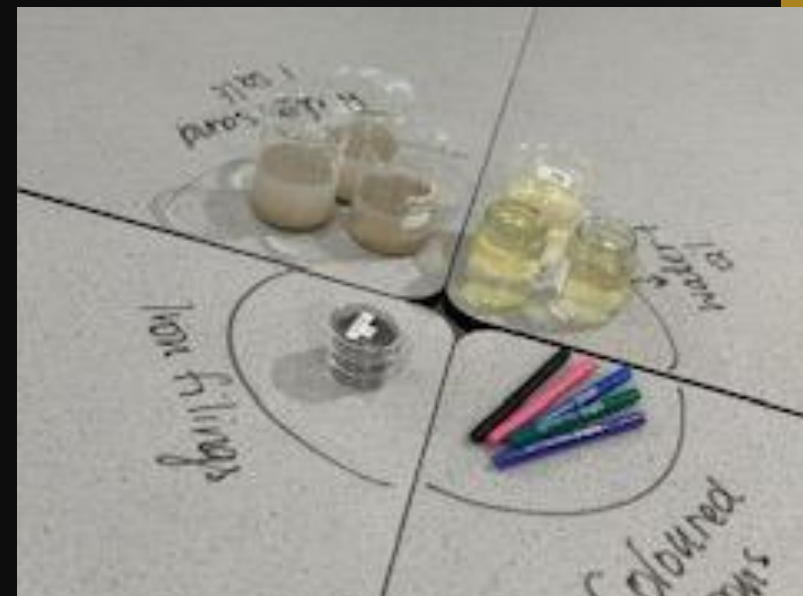


# SCIENCE UPDATES

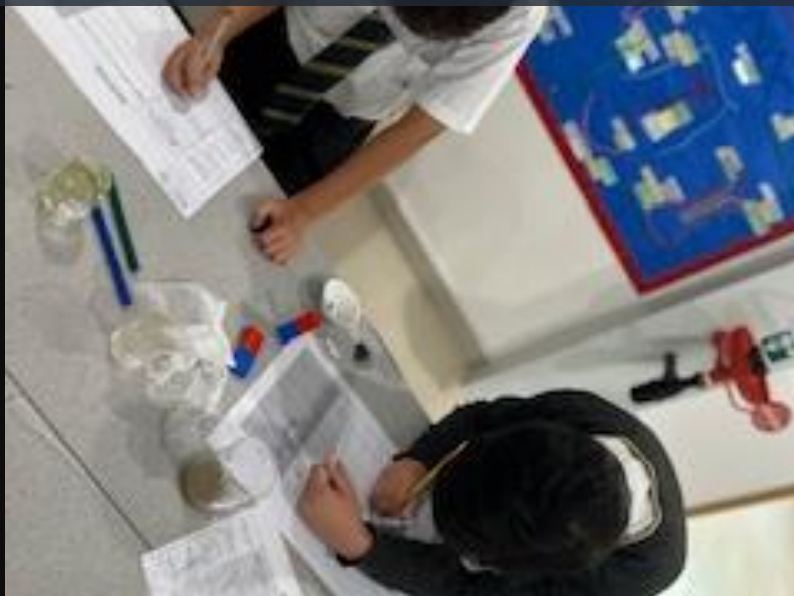
*Year 9 students are using Masterclass lessons to familiarise themselves with key components of the Science mark scheme, helping them understand how examiners award marks. This week, the focus is on mastering graph questions using the SLAP UK method.*







*Year 9 students got hands-on with separation techniques today! Given mixtures and equipment—but no instructions—they had to think on their feet, using what they've learned in lessons and real-life problem-solving. It was a great chance to show their creativity and teamwork while applying their Chemistry skills.*





# SCIENCE Coffee Morning



**WHERE:** Canteen

**WHEN:** Thursday 5th Dec

**WHAT:** How to support  
your child in Secondary

**Science**



## Arabic A Update – Mr. Kerba

الآباء الأعزاء،

نتمنى لكم جميعاً يوماً وطنياً سعيداً، وكل عام وأنتم بخير بمناسبة اليوم الوطني، نتمنى لكم ولعائلاتكم دوام الصحة والسعادة. فيما يخص التحديثات الدراسية، يسرنا أن نعلمكم أنه خلال الفترة المتبقية من الفصل الأول، سنركز على تطوير مهارات القراءة لدى الطلاب، وذلك بهدف تعزيز قدرتهم على الفهم والتعبير باللغة العربية.

كما نود تذكيركم بأهمية استخدام تطبيق "إقرأ العربية" بشكل دائم لتعزيز مهارات القراءة لدى أبنائكم. التطبيق يعد أداة فعالة تساعد في تنمية مهاراتهم اللغوية.

نحن أيضاً نشجعكم على تشجيع أبنائكم بزيارة مكتبة المدرسة واختيار الكتب العربية، حيث نوفر مجموعة واسعة من الكتب التي تناسب مع اهتماماتهم المختلفة وأعمارهم ومستوياتهم.

نعتقد أن القراءة المنتظمة هي مفتاح لتحسين مهارات اللغة العربية. شكراً لتعاونكم المستمر، ونتطلع إلى تحقيق المزيد من التقدم معاً.

مع أطيب التحيات،





## Arabic A Update – Mr. Kerba

**Dear Parents,**

We wish you all a happy National Day and may you and your families be blessed with good health and happiness.

Regarding academic updates, we are pleased to inform you that during the remainder of Term 1, we will focus on developing the students' reading skills, aiming to enhance their understanding and expression in Arabic.

We also remind you of the importance of regularly using the "I Start Arabic" app to strengthen your child's reading skills. The app is an effective tool that helps in developing their language abilities.

We also encourage you to motivate your children to visit the school library and select Arabic books. Our library offers a wide variety of books that cater to different interests, ages, and levels. We believe that regular reading is key to improving Arabic language skills.

Thank you for your continued support, and we look forward to achieving further progress together.

Best regards,



## Islamic Update – Mr. Kerba

**Dear Parents,**

Assalamu Alaikum,

We hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. We are pleased to inform you that your child has made excellent progress in their Islamic Studies this term. Their dedication and hard work have been commendable, and we are proud of their achievements thus far.

As we approach the remainder of Term 1, our focus will shift to enhancing their **Quranic recitation** and mastering the **rules of Tajweed**. We will be working on improving their pronunciation, fluency, and understanding of the Quran's sacred rules, ensuring they develop both a strong connection with the Quran and a deeper understanding of its beautiful recitation.

We encourage you to support your child's learning at home by listening to their recitations and reinforcing the importance of Tajweed.

Thank you for your continuous support and collaboration in your child's education.

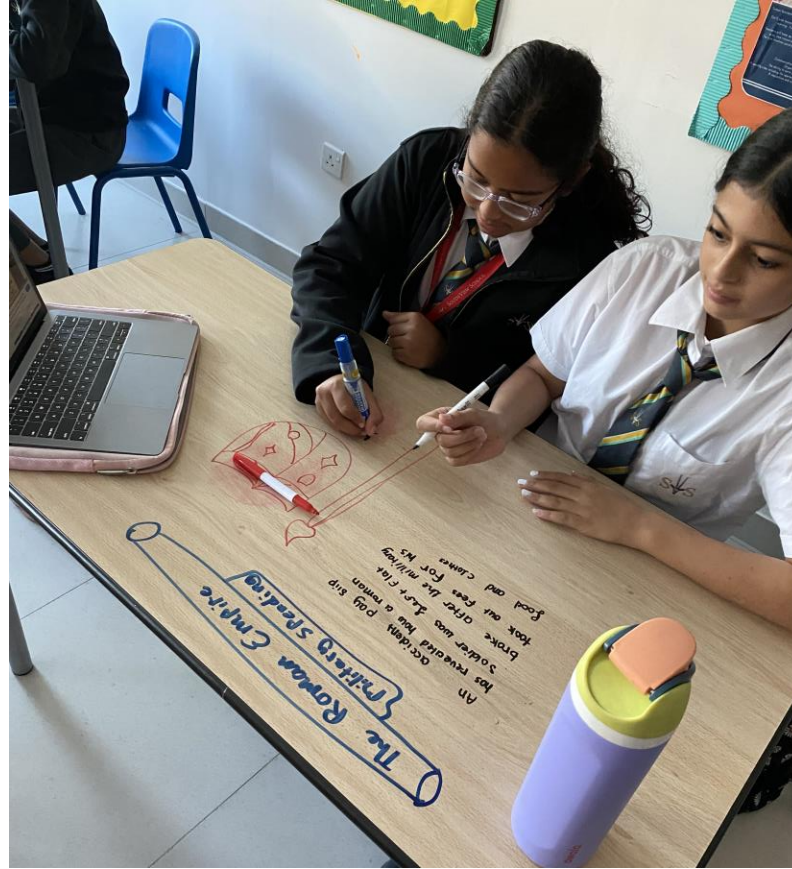
Kind regards,



## Geography Update – Miss Coy

Year 10 geography students excelled in analysing the impact of coastal processes on erosion rates and sediment movement at Kite Beach. They evaluated the effectiveness of coastal management strategies using a variety of data collection methods, demonstrating strong analytical skills and thorough understanding.





## MSC Update

Year 7 MSC students recently explored the various causes behind the fall of the Roman Empire. Each student chose a specific factor that they found most intriguing—be it political corruption, economic instability, military decline, or barbarian invasions—and conducted research. To share their findings, they presented their work through a gallery walk, where classmates had the opportunity to explore other causes and gain a broader understanding of the empire's collapse.





## MFL Update – Ms. O'Sullivan



Some of our linguists have been reflecting on the importance of learning and language and have created this extensive list of reasons for why we challenge ourselves to learn new words and about new cultures in MFL.

# PE Update | Mr. Bladen

## U13 BSME Football Competition

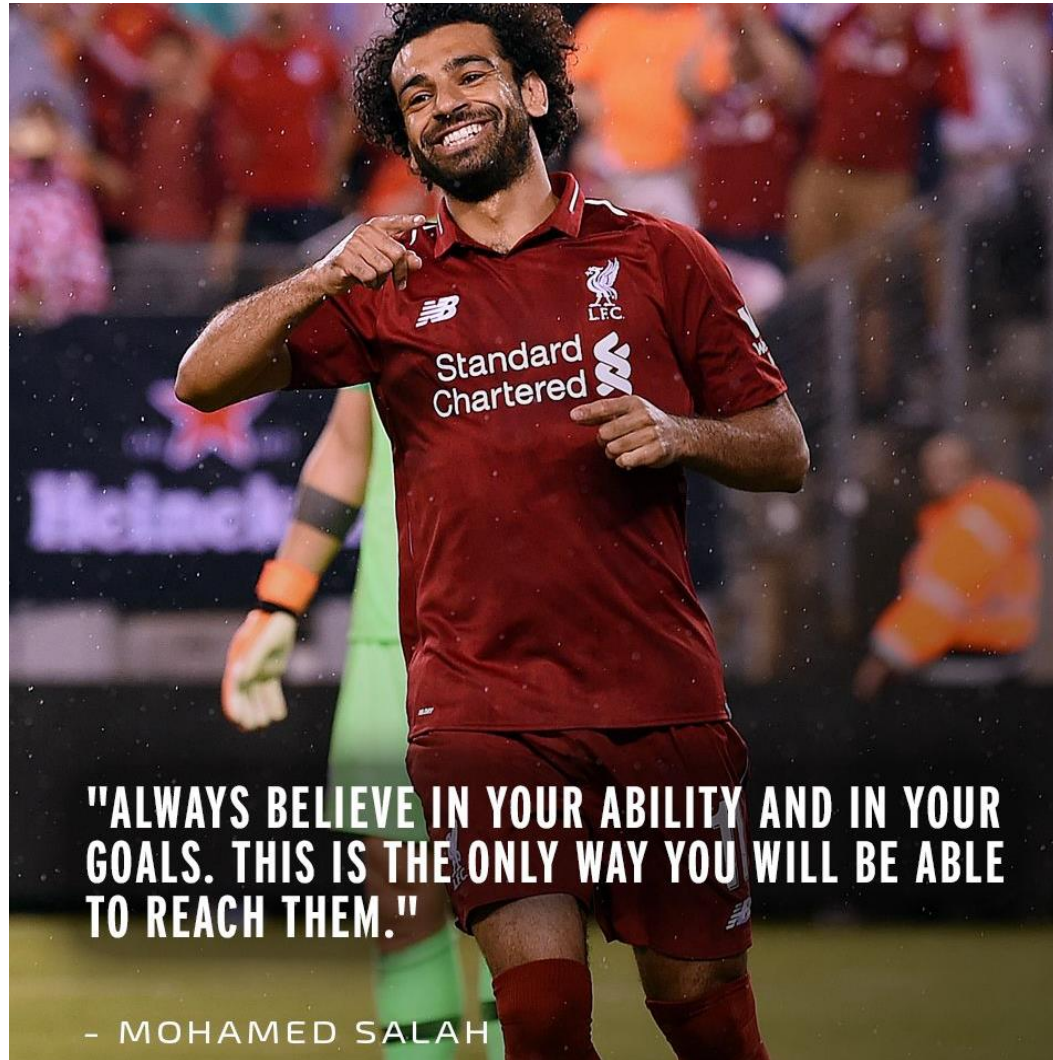
Our **U13 Boys Football Team** recently competed in this year's **BSME Games** held in **Cairo**, finishing an impressive **6th overall!**

The boys played with great skill and determination throughout the tournament, facing tough competition and representing SVS fantastically well.

This was a brilliant experience for the team, providing them with the opportunity to compete on an international stage and develop their teamwork and resilience. Congratulations to all the players for their hard work and dedication!







**"ALWAYS BELIEVE IN YOUR ABILITY AND IN YOUR GOALS. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY YOU WILL BE ABLE TO REACH THEM."**

**- MOHAMED SALAH**



## Sports Update – Mrs Teodoro

### THIS WEEK RESULTS

25.11 - U16 boys football vs GIS @ SVS - 0-1

25.11 - U16 girls football vs Dwight – 4-1

26.11 - U12 boys football vs GEMS WA @ SVS – 6-0

28.11 - U14 boys football vs GEMS Metropole @ SVS – 4-3

### UPCOMING EVENTS

04.12 - U14 Boys football Plate match vs Next Generation School @SVS 4pm

04.12 - U16 Girls Basketball @ Nibras

9.12 - U13 BSME Netball friendly @ JAS

10.12 - U16 Boys Football vs Kings @ SVS

11.12 - U16 Girls Basketball @ Greenfield

12.12 - U12 Boys football vs DBS JP @ SVS 4pm



🎉 **Congratulations to Moustafa in Year 8!** 🎉

We are thrilled to announce that Moustafa has won the **gold medal** at the **DASSA Gymnastics Competition!** 🏆 His exceptional skill, dedication, and passion for gymnastics have truly shone through.

Moustafa, your **positive attitude** and unwavering **enthusiasm** were an inspiration to everyone, and we couldn't be prouder of your outstanding achievement. Keep up the amazing work!

👏 Well done, Moustafa!



## Term 2 External ECAs – Mr. Whaites

Our Term 2 External ECAs will commence from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January.

### Sign Up Days

**Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December - 7:15 - 8:00**

**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December - 7:15 - 8:00**

A wide range of activities will again be available to our students, provided by our fantastic partners below:

ISM

DuGym gymnastics

APEX swimming

Hoops Dreams basketball

Inspire music

(ISM will also continue to work with several other providers to maximise the fantastic opportunities on offer for our students).