

Secondary School Weekly Update

Dear Parents,

This week has been another busy one within the secondary school. We've had KS4 students completing their final assessments, trips to the book fair for KS3 students, parents on site for the Literacy coffee morning and the primary transition open morning where we welcomed Y6 parents into our developing library space.

Next weeks and other upcoming key dates are below. We are entering the season for parents evenings so please can Y7 parents keep an eye out for the email to sign up for appointments which was shared early on Friday morning. Other year groups will follow over the coming weeks with Y8 & Y10 evenings taking place in January.

Please read on for updates from around the school, including some celebrations for individual performances at the recent athl etics meet.

I hope you enjoy a restful weekend and see you around the campus soon.

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Kind regards,

Jon Pennock

Upcoming key dates:

- Week 1 timetable
- Monday 13th November **Year 10** Geography fieldwork trip
- Tuesday 14th November- Year 11 GCSE Drama C1 performance mock exam
- Wednesday 15th November **Year 7** Parents Evening
- Thursday 16th November **Year 9** coffee morning for parents. Meet Mr. Wood and learn more about life in Y9 and an update on the options process.
- Tuesday 21st November Year 11&12 Parents Evening
- Thursday 23rd November Final GCSE Drama C1 performance exam
- Wednesday 29th November Year 9 Parents evening



Trips and ECAs Update - Dario

ECAs

Secondary ECAs are now underway for term 1 and can be viewed using this link. <u>SVS Secondary ECA 2023-24 Term 1.pdf</u>

ECA Enrolment Procedure

Enrolment will be direct with the teacher running the ECA. Students should enrol directly with the teacher for lunch time ECAs and should collect a permission slip for after-school ECAs.

Residentials

Year 7,8 and 9 residentials are now available for booking and will take place from 29th January to 1st February 2024.

For more information, please use the following links Year 7 & 8: <u>svs-year-7-8-outdoor-education-program.pdf</u> Year 9: <u>svs-year-9-outdoor-education-program.pdf</u>

Please contact <u>dario.sanguigni@southview.ae</u> if you have any questions regarding ECAs or trips.



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Dates - 27th to 30th December 2023 **Timings -** 8am to 4pm GST Location - Canadian University Dubai, City Walk, Dubai Age group - 13 to 17 years Cost - 5,000 AED

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English Update – Mr. Archibald

I am delighted to share some exciting news about our school's recent initiatives. Over the past few weeks, our Year 10 students have had the wonderful opportunity to engage with younger learners in Year 5 and 6, fostering a love for reading in our school community. The feedback we have received from both students and teachers has been overwhelmingly positive, highlighting the success of this program.

This initiative has proven to be highly effective, inspiring a passion for reading among our younger students and encouraging positive interactions between different age groups. Due to its success, we have decided to extend this model to other areas of the school. We believe that these interactions not only enhance academic growth but also promote a sense of camaraderie and mentorship among our students.

We are immensely proud of the enthusiasm and dedication demonstrated by our Year 10 students, and we are confident that these initiatives will continue to enrich the educational experience of all our students. Thank you for your ongoing support in fostering a nurturing and collaborative learning environment for our children.



Arabic Update Mr. Kerba

LET'S JUST BE KIND. Promotion of Ms. Fatima Banafea.

We are delighted to announce that Ms. Fatima Banafea has been promoted to the position of Arabic A-B coordinator. Ms. Banafea has been a dedicated and inspiring teacher in our school, and her new role will allow her to contribute even more to the academic growth and development of our students. Please join us in congratulating her on this well-deserved promotion.

Spelling Bee Competition: Next week, our spelling bee competition will kick off. This competition is designed to enhance and improve our students' linguistic skills, particularly in writing and spelling. We encourage your child to participate and make the most of this educational opportunity.

Reading Competition: We encourage you to motivate and support your child to participate actively in our reading competition. Reading is an essential skill, and this competition aims to foster a love for reading among our students. The winner of this competition will be honored during our end-of-term assembly, which is a wonderful opportunity to celebrate their achievements.

Anti-Bullying Month: November is the month dedicated to raising awareness about anti-bullying. We believe in maintaining a safe and supportive learning environment for all our students. Please take the time to discuss the importance of kindness, empathy, and standing up against bullying with your child. Together, we can promote a culture of respect and inclusion in our school.

For parents of year 10 and year 11 . Please fill the form if your child is attending O-level or GCSE Course. Press Here to fill the form.

Thank you for being a part of our school community, and we look forward to a successful and educational month ahead.

Islamic Update Mr. Kerba

LET'S JUST BE KIND. STOP BULLYING Dear Parents,

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

We hope this message finds you well. We are pleased to provide you with an important update regarding Islamic Studies at our school, as well as exciting news about a teacher promotion and your child's progress.

. **Promotion of Mr. Hossam Bekhit:** We are thrilled to announce that Mr. Hossam Bekhit has been promoted to the position of Islamic A-B teacher for secondary students. Mr. Bekhit has been a dedicated member of our teaching staff, and this well-deserved promotion will allow him to have an even greater impact on our students' education in the field of Islamic studies. We are confident that his knowledge and teaching skills will enhance the learning experience of our secondary students.

. Student Progress: We would like to take this opportunity to highlight the remarkable progress that your children have made in their Islamic Studies classes. Our students have shown a strong commitment to learning and have demonstrated significant improvement in their understanding of Islamic principles, and values. We are proud of their achievements, and we believe that their dedication is a testament to their hard work and the guidance provided by our dedicated teachers j

At our school, we value the holistic development of our students, and Islamic Studies plays a crucial role in fostering their moral and ethical growth. We will continue to provide a supportive and nurturing environment for your child's education.

Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education. We look forward to a successful academic year with you and your children.

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The Arts Update - Mrs Rock

Collab Company proudly presents Mixtape Lactory The

in collaboration with South View School

The payment deadline is today (Friday 13th November) to participate in the school show.

If you have not paid, please do so by Monday at the latest!

Year 11 GCSE Drama C1 Performance Exams

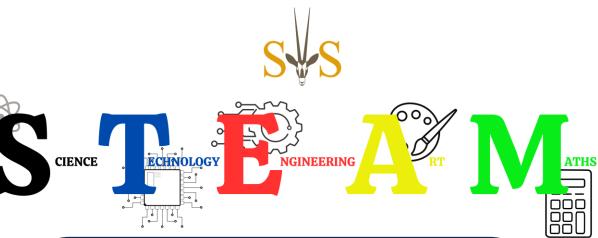
Best of luck to our very first cohort of GCSE Drama students who will perform their C1 devised pieces over the next two weeks to complete the first part of their exam!

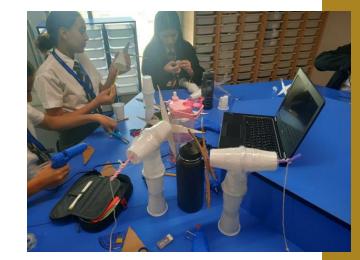
Mock performance- Tuesday 14th November

Final performance- Thursday 23rd November







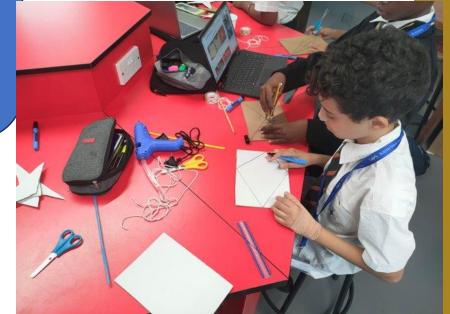


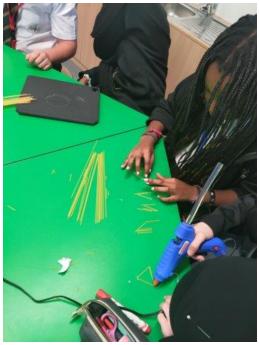


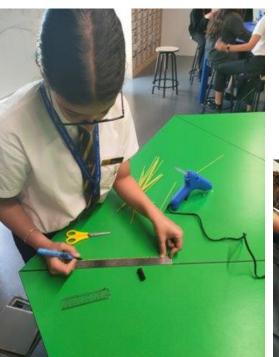
Year 7- update

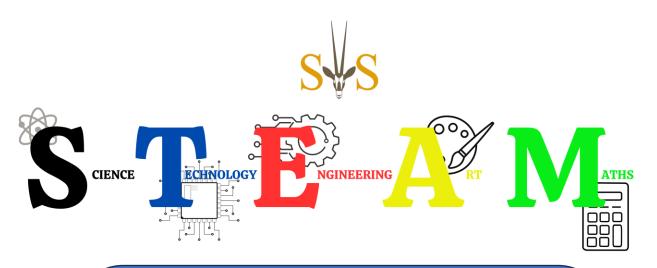
In the Year 7 STEAM class, groups of curious and environmentally-conscious students explores the world of renewable energy. Through guided practice they dive into the fascinating realm of wind turbines. Their investigation begins with the basics: understanding how wind turbines harness the power of the wind to generate electricity and the vital role they play into reducing carbon emissions.











<u>Year 8 – update</u>

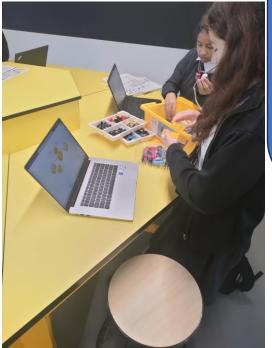
In the Year 8 STEAM class, a group of inquisitive students takes on an engaging and hands-on challenge: designing a model bridge out of spaghetti. Armed with a pile of pasta and a determination to discover the best shapes for structural integrity, they embark on a fascinating journey of experimentation.

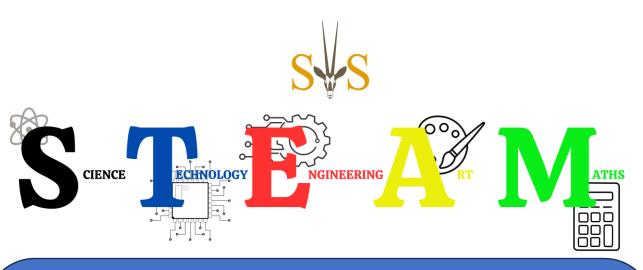
These young engineers explore the world of geometry and physics, focusing on the role of shapes in creating stable

structures.









<u>Year 9 – update</u>

In the Year 9 STEAM class, students dive into the exciting world of robotics, with LEGO bricks as their building blocks of innovation. These young engineers are exploring the limitless possibilities of LEGO robotics, using creativity and technical prowess to bring their ideas to life. They learn to construct intricate machines, equipped with motors and sensors, capable of a variety of tasks. As they assemble and program their robotic creations, these students develop problemsolving skills, logical thinking, and a deep appreciation for the intersection of technology and creativity.





Music

<u>Choir</u>

Choir will continue Tuesday lunchtime at 1:20pm to 1:40pm and Thursday Morning from 7:10am to 7:40am. Please try your best to be there and let Ms Noelle know if you cannot make practice.

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Band

Practice will continue in the Secondary Music Room on Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes at 1:20pm to 1:40pm Musical Mondays

If you would like to test out your Musical skills, the Music room will be open to all students every Monday from 1:20pm-1:40pm





PE Update - Mr. Bladen

Great results for our sports teams this week:

- U12 Girls Football 2-1 NAS
- U12 Boys Football 3-3 RGS
- U16 Girls Basketball 52-16 Dwight
- U14 Boys Football 4-3 JESS
- U16 Boys Basketball 18-20 Arcadia

Please see next week's fixtures below:

- Monday 13th November U16 Girls Football @ JESS
- Monday 13th November U16 Boys Football vs JESS
- Tuesday 14th November U12 Girls Football vs GWA
- Tuesday 14th November U12 Boys Football @ Kings Al Barsha
- Thursday 16th November DASSA Cross Country Relay
- Thursday 16th November U14 Boys Football @ Jebel Ali
- Friday 17th November Gymnastics @ Nord Anglia Schoo All details are available on our school SOCS website:

https://www.schoolssports.com/school/Default.asp?Id=29779





A huge well done to our Athletics team that took part in this year's Dubai School Games competition. Some notable performances were...

- Lydia 1st High Jump
- Lydia 3rd 300m
- Kyle 2nd Shot Put
- Leonardo 2nd High Jump
- Charlotte 2nd High Jump
- Emma 3rd Shot Put





Dubai Fitness Challenge sparks an exciting month-long celebration of fitness and wellness. It challenges you to complete 30 minutes of exercise each day for 30 days (30X30).

A Royal Vision: An initiative of His Highness Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai and Chairman of the Executive Council of Dubai – the challenge aims to inspire everyone to create a fitness-focused mindset and seek healthy, active lifestyles.

Mark Your Calendar: Dubai Fitness Challenge will take place at various locations across the city from 28 October to 26 November 2023. Don't miss the flagship events: Dubai Ride, Dubai's biggest cycling event on 12 November, and Dubai Run, the world's largest fun run on 26 November.

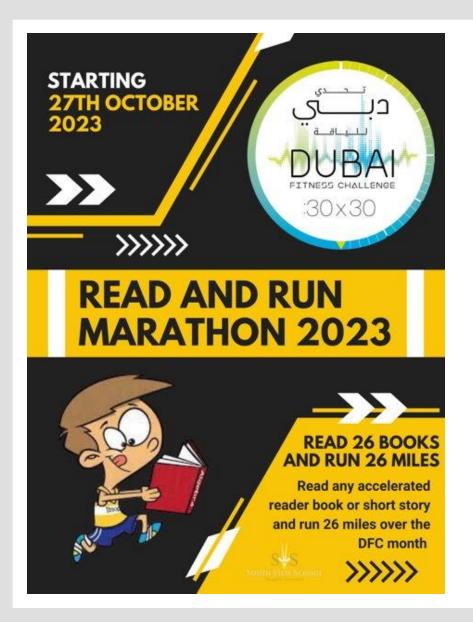
From Monday 30th onwards, there will be a physical activity taking place during lunchtime in the SMPH for both staff and students over the 30 days. Please see the schedule and feel free to join in during any session.



Join us every lunchtime in the SMPH for your 30 minutes of physical activity during this years Dubai Fitness challenge.



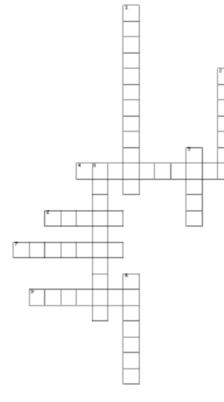
28th October - 26th November 2023



We have partnered with the English department, where we will be running a 'Read and Run Marathon' where our students are challenged to run 26 miles over the 30 days and read 26 short stories (accelerated reader books).

If you are interested, please collect a booklet from the PE department to document your miles and books over the DFC 30 days.

Jolly Geography - Due 17 November - 3 merits



ACROSS

- 4. Layers of earth that are formed, usually in rivers.
- 6. A sudden and great rise in the level of the sea.
- 7. A large flat area of land, high above sea level.
- 9. The lines on a map which show how hilly the area is.

DOWN

- 1. The process of sending people to live in and control another country.
- 2. Earth being slowly damaged and removed by the waves, rain or wind.
- 3. The climate, plants and animals that live in a particular region.
- 5. The process of leaving one country to live in enother.
- 8. A low well built out into the sea to protect the send from being washed away.

Use the clues to fill in the words above.

Words can go across or down. Letters are shared when the words intersect. English as an Additional Language (EAL Dept)

• <u>What can I do to</u> <u>improve my English ?</u>

• Useful Websites:

- British Council
- Learn English with Music
 - Write and Improve
- Flash cards for vocabulary

