

### **Secondary School Weekly Update**

Dear Parents,

It's been a challenging week for the students with their focus on assessments and major sporting events. We have seen students really pleased with themselves after a particular assessment, showing that the hard work has paid off. We have also seen students incredibly proud of themselves with their individual and team performances on the sporting field as well.

This weekend we have U13 footballers at the World School Games and one of our Year 7 students competing in the final of the Young Talent Music competition. Good luck to all involved.

Thanks to all parents who attended the coffee morning/afternoon with Mr Macpherson. Our next session will take place in two weeks time when all staff and students return from our overseas and local trips. Safe travels to all of our intrepid explorers and we are all looking forward to hearing all about the trips.

I hope you enjoy a restful weekend and looking forward to seeing you around the campus soon.

Jon Pennock

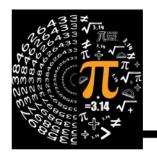
#### Upcoming key dates

- Nepal / Sri Lanka trips leave Saturday 27th Jan
- Y7/8 residential Monday 29th Jan Thursday 1st Feb
- Secondary Sports day Friday 9th Feb
- Secondary School show 'The Mixtape Factory' 21st and 22nd Feb

# English Update – Mr. Archibald

In last week's update, I highlighted the exciting venture of our Year 8 students embarking on the creation of their own podcasts. This week brought an extraordinary turn of events as one of our students, the fortunate Faris Ab-Nasser, secured an exclusive interview with none other than Joe Wicks — the renowned British fitness coach and presenter boasting a staggering 4.7 million followers on Instagram. Faris skillfully delved into various facets of Joe's life, exploring topics ranging from fitness insights to the challenges he has triumphed over. The interview also encapsulated invaluable advice from Joe for those grappling with their fitness journeys.





# Maths Puzzle Competition



#### **Y7 and 8 Winners**

Congratulations to Yizhen in 8A for winning the first KS3 maths puzzle of term 2!!

<u>Second</u> Hanin, 8B

<u>Third</u> Alma, 8A

Fourth Franco, 7B



#### PUZZLE 1:

What is the value of 123 - 456 + 789?

A 456

B 556

C 567

D 678

E 789

#### Y9, 10 and 11 Winners

Congratulations to Saman in 9B for winning the first KS4 maths puzzle of term 2!!



Second Rasim, 10A

<u>Third</u> Angelina, 11B

> Fourth Mia, Y10

#### PUZZLE 1:

What is the value of 2021 - 2223 + 2425?

A 2122



C 2324

D 2425

E 2526



## Arabic Update – Mr. Kerba



Dear Parents,

We are delighted to share that the recent tests were a success. We want to inform you that the listening and speaking exams in Arabic language classes will take place during the semester. The teacher will provide more details to the students at a later time. Our aim is to ensure that students feel well-prepared in both skills before the assessment.

We have wonderful news about the students' performance in the tests, showing positive progress since the beginning of the academic year. Moving forward, we will focus on nurturing the students' skills through active learning and enhancing communication and interaction, both inside and outside the classroom.

Excitingly, we will soon introduce a new initiative with interactive activities, including events like "Fluent Speaking." We eagerly anticipate your support and active participation in these constructive activities.

While next week is designated as "Focus Week," please note that Arabic language classes will continue as usual. The focus will be on explaining the curriculum and providing the necessary support for the academic development of our students.

A warm welcome to all parents to reach out through Teams or email for any inquiries or regular updates from the teacher. Your involvement is highly valued and appreciated. Thank you for your cooperation and support in ensuring the success of our students.



## Islamic Update – Mr. Kerba

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Dear Parents,

We hope this message finds you well and in good spirits. We would like to express our heartfelt gratitude for your continuous support in supporting the Islamic education of your children.

As we embark on the week of the KHDA inspection, we want to keep you informed that our team will be fully engaged in ensuring the quality of our educational standards. Your understanding and continued support during this period are highly valued.

In addition, we would like to remind you that Quran and Hadith targets have been assigned on teams, our online learning platform. We kindly request all our students to complete these assignments promptly. Your cooperation in this matter will contribute to the academic progress and spiritual growth of our students.

Once again, thank you for your unwavering support. We appreciate your partnership in providing a holistic educational experience for your children.

Jazak Allah Khair,

Learn more about sheikh Zayed mosque.

https://www.szgmc.gov.ae/en/



# Humanities and Science Update – Miss Coy and Mrs Mc Cullough

Dear parents and carers,

This term, we're thrilled about creating a South View School recipe book and would be delighted with your contributions.

Whether it's a beloved family classic or a traditional dish from your home country, please include the country of origin.

• Send your recipes to one of the following stacey.coy@southview.ae or elizab eth.mccullough@southview.ae.

We're looking forward to curating a diverse and delectable collection that showcases the wonderful culinary traditions within our school community.



truth behind this abandoned space... that it was once a vibrant cafe called *The Mixtape Factory* and it was home to an immense collection of every sort of recording and playback device known to us all today!

From the vintage video reel to the humble cassette tape, the classic vinyl LP to the futuristic CD, the retro VHS to the outdated DVD... yes, *The Mixtape Factory* stocked them all...

As days turn to weeks the strangers begin to discover more about the old warehouse - and each other - with a string of clues that start to emerge over time. Perhaps together they can discover the answer to one burning question: who in their right mind would abandon such a priceless collection of pop culture history?





21 AND 22 FEBRUARY 2024 AT 7PM PRIMARY SCHOOL SPORTS HALL 30DHS (FROM SVS FINANCE OFFICE)

## The Arts Update - Mrs Rock

Tickets are on sale now from the finance office next to Reception.

Refreshments will be available before the show and during the interval – CASH PAYMENTS ONLY.
NO CREDIT CARDS ACCEPTED!

CHECK OUT THIS COOL VIDEO FROM THE ORIGINAL CAST OF THE PLAY...

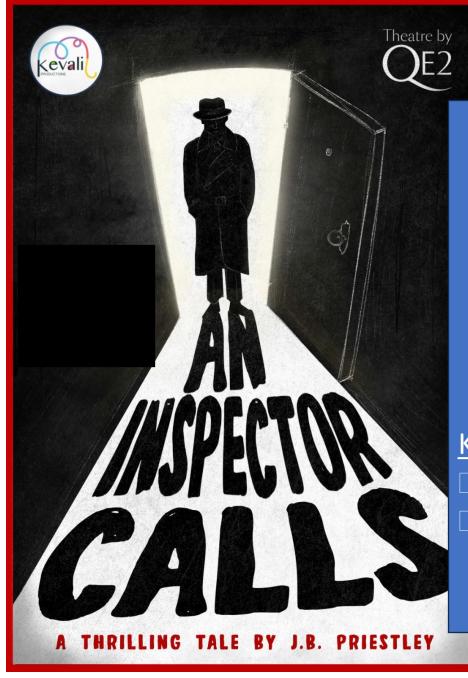
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FINAL CALL... All Year 10 students and Year 11 GCSE Drama students... a fantastic opportunity to see your exam text live!

You can still attend this trip. Please bring in your letter and money to the finance office by **Friday 2nd of February, 2024.** 

Key information about the excursion:

- ☐ Date Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2024
- ☐ Cost 140AED

See Ms. Rock or your English teacher for a letter!



Best of luck to Omphile, who will represent South View in the Young Talented Musician final this weekend







## **Musical Mondays**

Musical Mondays is now Musical Wednesdays. If you would like to test out your Musical skills, the Music room will be open to all students every Wednesday from 1:05pm-1:20pm

Choir Practice will be every Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtime at 1:20pm-1:40pm in the Music room

Band Practice will be every Monday and Thursday lunchtime at 1:20pm-1:40pm in the Music room



# PE Update | Mr. Bladen

Another action -packed week ahead of fixtures: Please see next week's fixtures:

29.01.24 - U13 DASSA Individual Championship @ Repton Nad Al Sheba

30.01.24 - U16 Boys Football @ Jebel Ali School

30.01.24 - U13 and U15 Tennis v GEMS International School

31.01.24 - U15 DASSA Individual Championship @ Repton Nad Al Sheba

31.01.24 - U14 Girls Volleyball v Collegiate International School

01.02.24 - U16 Boys Volleyball v Raffles International School

01.02.24 - U16 Girls Volleyball @ GEMS Winchester School

01.02.24 - U19 DASSA Individual Championship @ Repton Nad Al Sheba

#### This week's results:

U16 Girls Netball 23-19 EIS Jumeirah

U13 Tennis 0-5 GEMS Metropole

U12 Girls Netball 24-1 Raffles World Academy

U15 Tennis 2-3 GEMS Metropole

U14 Boys Volleyball 2-1 SAFA Community School

U14 Girls Volleyball 0-2 GEMS Wellington Silicon Oasis

U13 Girls Netball 19-1 GEMS Al Barsha National School

U16 Girls Volleyball 0-2 GEMS Wellington Silicon Oasis

U12 Boys Football 2-3 DIA Al Barsha

All details are available on our school SOCS

website: <a href="https://www.schoolssports.com/school/Default.asp?Id=29779">https://www.schoolssports.com/school/Default.asp?Id=29779</a>



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# DEAR ADVERSITY, THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY!

- DAK PRESCOTT





Jack (Year 7), is currently competing in this year's 60cc X30 Mini series championship, where he is currently placed **5th** out of 27 drivers.

The championship races are held at the most popular kart racing circuits in the UAE, over 7 rounds. The top 2 finishers in his class win entry to represent the country at the IAME World Finals 2024.

Jack has performed exceptionally well this season and with three races remining, he is in a great position to finish on the podium.

We wish him all the best for the races ahead. Well done Jack, we are all very proud of you!







Our U15 athletes competed last weekend in this year's BSME games, that were held at Cranleigh School, Abu Dhabi.

Despite facing fierce competition, our athletes showcased resilience, determination, and sportsmanship throughout the event.

Their performance was marked by not only skillful execution but also a commendable display of teamwork and camaraderie. The challenging competition provided our U15 athletes with an opportunity to test their abilities against the top British schools in the Middle East. Well done everyone!



# Swimming

Just a brief reminder that in Term 2, our KS3 students will be Swimming in PE (Boys, Week 1 – Girls, Week 2).

Please ensure that you have appropriate swimwear, sliders, towel, cap and goggles for these lessons.

