



Secondary School Weekly Update

Friday 5th Jan 2024

Dear Parents,

A very Happy New Year to you all and I trust you and your families enjoyed a restful Winter break. It's been great to have the students back in school and the term has started at great pace. We have lots of events on the horizon so please check out the upcoming dates below.

Next Friday (12th Jan) we are celebrating our international day in school. Secondary students are invited to come to school in the national dress of their home country or wearing clothes in the colours of their country's flag. Lessons will also start with an international theme before continuing with the main activities in preparation for upcoming assessments. This coming week we also have Y12 students sitting their first modular exams for their A Levels and from 17th Jan Y11 students will begin their mock exams.

Please can I draw to the attention of all families whose children walk to school that Gate 1 closes each morning at 7.55am. Students should be in form class by 7.50am but if for some reason they arrive later than 7.55am they will need to enter through Gate 3 and complete a late slip. Thanks for your support in this matter.

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

Jon Pennock

Upcoming key dates

- Tues 9th Jan – Y10 parents evening
- Tues 9th – Thu 11th Jan – Y12 exams for Maths and Physics
- Frid 12th Jan – International day
- Weds 17th Jan – Y8 parents evening
- Weds 17th Jan – Y11 Mock exams begin
- Fri 19th Jan – U15 BSME games
- Mon 22nd Jan – Assessment Week 2 begins
- Weds 24th Jan – U13 World school games begins



Trips and ECAs Update - Dario

A final reminder that the deadline to register for the Year 7, 8 and 9 residential is **today**, after which it will no longer be possible to enroll. Once again, we have a fantastic, bespoke experience to challenge and excite the students.

For more information on the residentials, please click on the link below.

[svs-year-7-8-outdoor-education-program.pdf](#)

[svs-year-9-outdoor-education-program.pdf](#)

To register and pay, please click on the link for the year group required.

Year 7 – <https://ecov.co/svs7-8>

Year 8 – <https://ecov.co/svs7-8>

Year 9 - <https://ecov.co/svs9>

Please use the link below to access the full list of amazing external ECAs available to secondary students.

[SVS Term 2 2024 After School and Extra Curricular Activities.pdf](#)

Arabic Update – Mr. Kerba

Arabic A,

Dear parents,

I would like to take the opportunity to welcome you back to Term 2, and I hope you had a wonderful winter break. I would like to highlight the upcoming Arabic assessments; Term 2 assessments are scheduled to commence on the 19th of this month. During the assessment week, where students will be evaluated in the four Arabic skills: reading, writing, listening, and speaking. The assessments for listening and speaking will take place during Arabic lessons after the assessment weeks are completed. Further details will be communicated directly with the students.

All information regarding assessments will be shared on Teams for each year group.

Thank you very much for your ongoing support.

Arabic B,

The focus of this week's learning centered around writing and listening skills. We encourage students to utilize the ISTART ARABIC Application for additional practice in the language.

Homework for students will be posted on Teams every Friday, and due dates will be determined by the teacher.

Term 2 assessments are scheduled to commence on the 19th of this month. During the assessment week, only reading and writing will be tested. Listening and Speaking assessments will take place after the assessment week during regular Arabic lessons.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Islamic Update – Mr. Kerba

السلام عليكم ورحمة الله وبركاته

Dear Parents,

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope this message finds you in good health and high spirits. We are excited to commence this term and continue the journey of learning and growth with your children.


We would like to draw your attention to an important update regarding Islamic studies and Quran learning. The Islamic Quran target has been assigned on Teams for your reference. We encourage you to review it with your child to ensure a collaborative effort in achieving these learning goals.

Furthermore, please be informed that the Islamic assessments are scheduled to begin on the week starting the 19th of this month. During this assessment week, various aspects of Islamic studies will be evaluated. It's important to note that the Quran assessment will take place in the week immediately following the assessment week.

Your support and involvement in your child's Islamic education are highly appreciated. Should you have any questions or need further clarification, please do not hesitate to reach out to the Islamic studies teacher or refer to the information available on Teams.

Thank you for your continued partnership in fostering a positive and enriching learning experience for our students.

Wishing you and your family a blessed and successful Term 2.

A top-down view of a kitchen counter with various ingredients and a central bowl of chicken in a tomato and olive sauce. The ingredients include fresh basil, cherry tomatoes, olives, and a wooden spoon. The background is dark, making the vibrant colors of the food stand out.

Humanities Update – Miss Coy & Mrs McCullough

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 elizabeth.mccullough@southview.ae.

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



The Arts Update – Mrs Rock

Mia Shatila in year 10 is entering into the Junk Kouture competition for 2024.

This involves designing a costume using recycled materials.

We are really excited to see what she creates and wish her the very best of luck!



ITEMS NEEDED – CAN YOU HELP?

If anyone would be willing to bring in any of the following items for us to use for the competition and for our school show, please let us know:

- A mannequin
- Large Kibsons boxes
- Old magazines and newspapers

Charlenerock@southview.ae



BAND PRACTICE CHANGE!

Band practice will now be on
Mondays and Thursday
lunchtimes from 1:20-1:40pm
in the Secondary Music room

Musical Wednesdays

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 1:20pm-1:40pm



YOUNG TALENT MUSIC COMPETITION 2023 (5th Edition)

Best of luck to Omphile,
who will be competing in
the Semi-finals of the
Young Talented Musician
competitions Sunday
January 14th



Meeting for old and
new member Tuesday
January 9th in the
Secondary Music room
at 1:05pm

JOIN OUR NEW CHOIR

The secondary choir is looking for new members to join, it is open to all. Practice will be on Tuesday lunchtimes from 1:20pm-1:40pm and Wednesday Mornings from 7:10am-7:40am. Signup sheet is outside the Music room, please only sing up if you can commit. For any questions, please ask Ms. Noelle



Collab Company proudly presents
The Mixtape Factory
in collaboration with South View School

We are now only 6 and a half weeks away from show time!

The production will be on Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd of February, 2024 – tickets will be available to purchase soon!

All those involved in the show should be learning their lines and lyrics, practicing their dances and attending all rehearsals in the build up.

Rehearsals are Mondays and Thursdays after school and some lunchtimes. Students involved should check their Teams pages regularly for updates.

This is going to be a fantastic show!

PE Update | Mr. Bladen

Welcome back to an action-packed Term 2.

Please see next week's fixtures:

08.01.24 - U16 Girls Netball vs Deira International School

09.01.24 - U12 Girls Netball @ NLCS

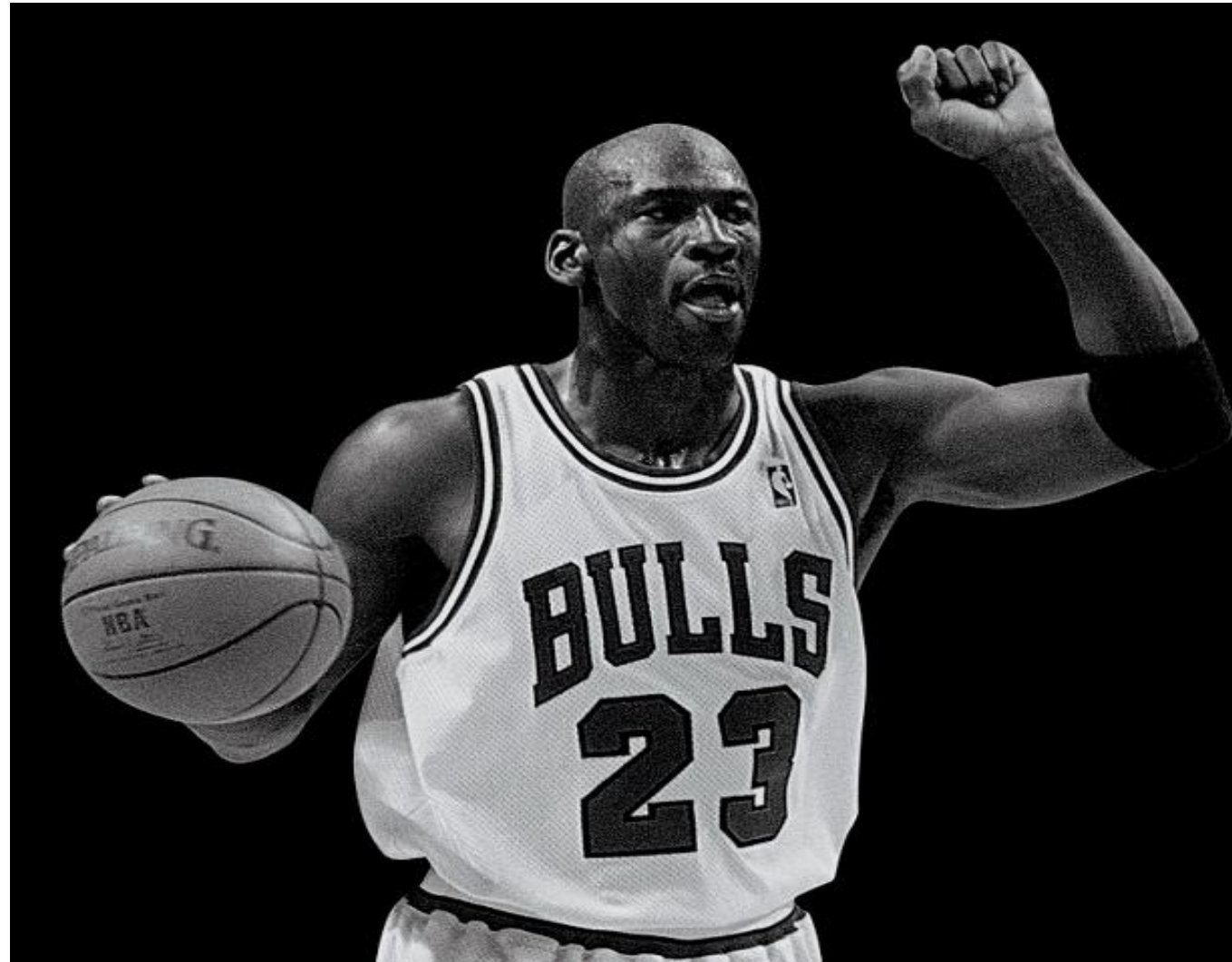
11.01.24 - U13 Girls Netball vs Greenfield

11.01.24 - U14 Girls Netball vs Deira International School

All details are available on our school SOCS website:

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





NEVER SAY NEVER
BECAUSE
LIMITS, LIKE FEARS,
ARE OFTEN JUST
ILLUSIONS.

- MICHAEL **JORDAN**

|| 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.

