

December 14, 2022

### Secondary update

Dear Parents,

We have made it safely through to the end of the first term and we waved off smiling secondary students at the end of the day today. Our SVS students have conducted themselves superbly throughout the first term and we wish them all a restful holiday. As well as saying farewell to staff and students for the holiday we also said a permanent farewell to Mr Sean Fenton who is returning to the UK to continue his career supporting students at a school in the South-West of England. Mr Fenton leaves behind a thriving inclusion department and he will be sorely missed by all of us at SVS. I would also like to thank Mr Mulumba who has been with us for this term in the Science department and I wish him every success in his future.



Term 2 will begin on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> January with Week 1 lessons and we have parents evening for Year 10 and Year 8 in the second and third week's back. On Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January we have invited parents of Year 11 students into school to understand more about the Sixth Form at SVS which will be opening in September 2023. If younger year groups would like to know more information about our Sixth Form plans then please get in touch with me and I would be happy to speak with you.

We are very much looking forward to the residential trips that are taking place in the week beginning 30<sup>th</sup> January. We have had a really positive response from the students about attending but we are yet to have everyone sign up. Please can I ask for parents who are yet to sign their child up to use the following sign-up links to complete the formal process. The deadline for completing the sign up is the first week of January. If you have any questions, then please contact Mr. Sanguigni ([dario.sanguigni@southview.ae](mailto:dario.sanguigni@southview.ae)).

Year 7 - <https://ecov.co/svs7>

Year 8 - <https://ecov.co/svs8>

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

I hope you enjoy a restful break and see you all in the new year.

Kind regards

Jon Pennock



**Arts Faculty Messages for newsletter 9.12.22**

**DT**

**SVS Bike competition**

Half of key stage 3 students have already had a session with Jon from cycle world to inspire them to design an SVS bike. The other half of key stage 3 students will meet Jon in the first week of the new term. All students in secondary are eligible to enter the competition. Students should check their teams page for more information and we will be setting the deadline for entries in the new term.



**ICT**

The Sandoq Al Watan iOS Design Challenge has started, and a few students have volunteered to take on this challenge. The aim is to design an iOS app focused on promoting one of the key tolerances of the UAE: Resilience, Compassion, Teamwork, and Dialogue. Students are tasked with designing an app prototype and then presenting it to a board of judges where the top 200 applicants will win a full scholarship for the Swift coding Accelerator program. Students have received their workbooks and will be working on it during the winter break and term 2A.

Additionally, there has been a coding club running on Tuesdays in which we explored the basic concepts of python coding. Students have learned about variables, basic arithmetic, operators, conditionals, and basic loops. We will continue to explore these concepts and will start applying them to solve real life problems.





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MUSIC AND DRAMA

**Young Talent Music Competition**

The results of the Young Musician Talent competition will be sent through during the winter break. Wishing the best of luck to Maya 7D, Kai 8A, Liran 8B and Albert 9B to progress to the next round.



**The Winter Fayre**

We hope that you managed to catch some of the fantastic performances from the choir, band and dancers. We want to congratulate all of our performers on a job well done!

Secondary choir: Charlotte Elizabeth Heather, Liran Sukdeo, Tessa Wessel-Tolvig, Jana Ahmed, Maryam Belal, Keila Jordaan, Victoria Parau, Ayah Yabroudi, Evie Harrop-Peel, Raya Abdo, Karen Sasso and Saman Hasan .



Band: Alyaa Salem, Kenzy Abdelbaqi, Mohamed Ghallab, Sam Sarraf and Kai Abad.

Piano: Albert Carcu





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Dancers: Step Up Dance Academy, Liran Sukdeo, Amaya Haroon and Lola Kharboush.



Special thanks to our Drama organising and hosting team: Alula Marsh, Emma Zwart, Lola Pita Soto, Tessa Wessel-Tolvig, Yussuf Hassan and Maryam Belal.



Choir and Instrumental lessons will continue next term.

**Annie JR**

Rehearsals are in full swing for the show. With only 10 school weeks left of rehearsals until the opening show, we would like to ask all cast members to learn their lines over the winter break. Thanks to all cast and crew members who have been giving up their time every week to make this a fabulous show.

Rehearsals will continue the first week back in January.

We will be needing some help with props, set and costume from January, so if you are willing to lend us a hand, please contact Ms Rock ([charlene.rock@southview.ae](mailto:charlene.rock@southview.ae))

### Lion King trip

On Thursday the 1<sup>st</sup> of December, 30 students took the journey to The Etihad Arena in Abu Dhabi to see 'The Lion King'. The show was fantastic. Students sang, danced and clapped along to the songs and were in awe of the fabulous stage production. We hope they enjoyed themselves as much as Ms Rock, Ms McMahan and Ms Banafea did. We can't wait to see another show....

(please note that I have cropped the photos as 3 students are on the no media list! I can send the originals if Scott can do something with them? We have also asked students if they took any to post them on teams!)

