

March 24, 2023

Secondary update

Dear Parents,

Standing in yesterday's assembly to celebrate the end of term 2, it was an absolute privilege to listen to our pastoral team speak about SVS secondary students and what they have achieved this term. Students were praised for their outstanding behaviour, perfect attendance, for the many contributions to the wider community and sporting teams. Our merit award winners for each year group were announced as well as the overall classes with the most merits, which is always a hotly contested competition. Well done to all students who received an award or a special mention and I hope to see many different names up on screen at the end of term 3.



This past week we wore lots of socks, crowned Alula Marsh 9B as the winner of the SVS Bike competition and recognised the start of Ramadan. It's now an opportunity for the students and staff to rest and recuperate before term 3 which begins with the Week 2 timetable on Monday 10th April.

In this week's update there is a message for Year 9 parents from Mrs Gordon, Messages from a number of subject areas and the list of our top merit award winners. We will be having our next sustainability day on Friday, 14th of April. We are looking for your support to help donate any materials you may have to help build our bird houses and bird feeders. If you have any old recyclable materials or items that you would like to donate, we will be happy to accept. Thank you for your support.

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Kind regards,

Jon Pennock



Merit Award winners

Year 7 Gold – Layan Haddan (50 merits) Silver – Layla Loh (48 merits) Bronze – Al Muthana Shkhatreh (44 merits

Year 8 Gold – Saman Hasan (56 merits) Silver – Kai Abad (51 merits) Bronze – Wardd Ababneh (50 merits)

Year 9

Gold – Milena Berti (41 merits) Silver – Areej Alafifi (38 merits) Bronze – Alishba Adnan (35 merits)

Year 10

Gold – Rameem Badar (30 merits) Silver – Angelina Rayyan (26 merits) Bronze – Harvey Burke (22 merits)

Year 11

Gold – Sarah Humayun (55 merits) Silver – Lujain Alassi (49 merits) Bronze – Isil Gumus (45 merits)



Message from Mrs Gordon regarding Year 9 Option choices

We have extended the deadline until the first week back to allow time for those students who are still deciding. Please ignore this message if you have already completed the form.

Over the last couple of months, we have been through the process of asking for students IGCSE preferences, taking time to speak with them individually about their choices and forming the option blocks based around this. Our aim has always been to include the students in this process as much as possible, listen to their preferences and do our best to provide as many subjects as we can for them choose from.

While we have done our best to provide as many options as possible, please be aware that if a particular subject has a low uptake, it may not run.

The final option blocks are listed below. Please review these with your child and follow the link to complete the form for their final IGCSE subject options. Please complete this by **Wednesday** 12th April 2023.

https://forms.office.com/r/V1kzFKa5Gg

Please note 'Life Skills' is an invite only subject. We will contact you separately should we recommend that your child studies this option.

Block A	Block B	Block C	Block D
	BTEC Travel and		
BTEC Business	Tourism	ICT	Life Skills
Business	Business	Psychology	Spanish
History	Economics	Triple Science	French
Comp Science	Art	Drama	Psychology
Geography	Music	PE	Business
		History	Geography

Message from the Expressive Arts team

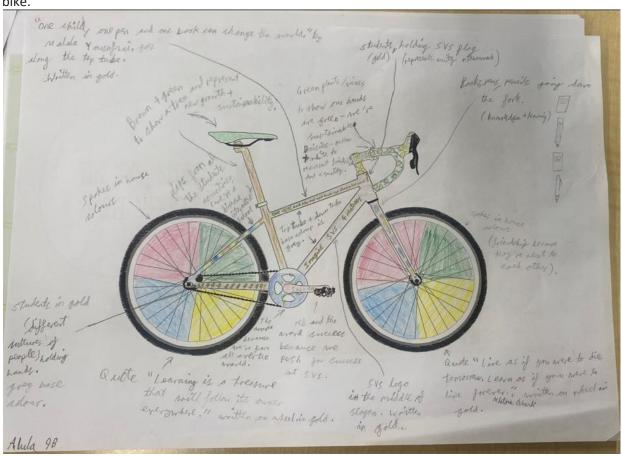


SVS Bike Competition

Our 5 finalists presented their designs to a small panel (Mr. Pennock, Mr. Jameson and Ms. Rock) on Tuesday. The standard of their designs and presentations were excellent. Well done to all of you! Zain Osman 7A
Sarah Bachnokova 7A
Maliha Farooq 7B
Hanin Taha 7B
Alula Marsh 9B

The winning design goes to...... ALULA MARSH 9B!

We were particularly impressed with the amount of thought that went into all areas of the bike's design with everything linked to what makes Southview School unique. Her presentation of her ideas was outstanding with a personal spin. The next step is for the team at Cycle World to make the bike from scratch, which will take around 4-6 weeks. We are extremely proud and cannot wait to see the real bike.





played: thank you!



Huge congratulations and thanks to the talented cast and crew of 'Annie Jr' who performed two evening shows as well as a matinee performance last week. Every single cast member, from the smallest part to our main part, did themselves, and us, extremely proud, making all of those rehearsals worth it! Our crew showed great dedication and focus to help deliver a smooth and professional performance. You were an incredible team. Thank you all so much!

I would like to give a special thanks to the following:

Tessa Wessel-Tolvig 9b, Alula Marsh 9b, Emma Zwart 9b and Caitlin Gherge 8d – for working so hard (every spare minute) to design and create the set for our show in between rehearsals, lessons and gardening. You did a fantastic job and really improved the quality of the show. Well done and thank you.

To our parent team: Rachael Royce, Marije Zwart and Louise Reynolds. This show would not have been the same without you leading on costumes, props, popcorn and everything else. We thank you and really appreciate all of your hard work to make our students really look and feel the part. There is a reason that we call it a 'whole school show'. It takes effort and dedication from the cast and crew, all teachers and support staff in school, and parents and carers at home. Whatever part you





Message from the Science team

Our Year 10 Chemistry students have been investigating acids and alkalis using various analytical techniques. They have discussed the advantages and disadvantages of each method and the importance of these techniques. They have also identified where acids and alkalis appear in daily life and how they can be used to combat specific medical conditions.





Some of our budding Year 8 Scientists have recently been looking at energy transfer as part of their Physics unit. We took the opportunity to learn about energy bills and how to calculate them using consumption and the different DEWA energy rates. Our students then discussed reasons behind consumption variations throughout the year as well as ways to keep energy costs down. Students then compared these bills to typical energy bills in the UK and discussed the differences between the two.







Some of our Year 7 Science students have started looking into the building blocks of life by using microscopes. They have learned how to use microscopes to focus on different specimens and soon will be able to differentiate between plant and animal cells depending on the organelles present. In the next few weeks, they will also be preparing their own slides to investigate different types of living organisms. Here is a sneak peak of what they have found so far...



Thank you to the parents who have already responded to our request in last week's newsletter. If any other parent wishes to work with the Science department creating opportunities for our students to learn and/or experience various Science based careers, please get in touch with our Head of Science (elizabeth.mccullough@southview.ae). Thank you and Ramadan Kareem.



Message from the Maths team - Puzzles of the week

Two different puzzles are shared each week by our Maths team. The first is aimed at Y7/8 students and the second is more for Y9-11 students. Students can earn merits by handing in submissions each Friday and the puzzles are below for parents to have a go at too!

Last week's merit winners were

Y7 and 8

1st place - Saman in 8A - 3 merits

2nd place - Michail in 7B - 2 merits

Y9, 10 and 11

1st place - Areej in 9A - 3 merits

2nd place - Marthinus in 10A - 2 merits

3rd place - Huda in 9B - 1 merit

WHY?

To complete fun maths puzzles and develop your <u>problem solving</u> skills! Earn merits and housepoints - 3 merits for the correct first answer in, 2 merits for the second, 1 merit for the next 5 correct entries. Every entry earns a housepoint.

HOW?

Write your answer (including working out) on paper with name, date and time handed in to your maths teacher.

Monday 20th March



In 1770, Joseph-Louis Lagrange proved that every positive integer can be written as the sum of four squares. For example, $13=0^2+0^2+2^2+3^2$. How many of the first 15 positive integers can be written as the sum of *three* squares?

B 12 C 13 D 14

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Y9, 10 and 11 Puzzle of the week

In the rectangle PQRS, the side PQ is of length 2 and the side QR is of length 4. Points T and U lie inside the rectangle so that PQT and RSU are equilateral triangles. What is the area of the quadrilateral QRUT?

$$\frac{6-\sqrt{3}}{2}$$
 B

C
$$4 - 2\sqrt{3}$$
 D $4 - \sqrt{3}$

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You must show full working out and explain how you got your answer along with the correct choice.

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Examinations summer timetable for Y11 (and Y10 English Language)

Please find the full examination schedule for the upcming IGCSE and GCSE examinations. The timetables are given weekly and please note there are no exams during Week 5 which is the UK half term.

Date	Time	Week 1 - May 1 - 5, 2023
01-May	Afternoon 12:00 PM	
02-May	Afternoon 12:00 PM	Examination code: 0653/32 or 0653/42 Subject: Combined Science - Paper 3 Theory 1 hour 15 min
03-May		Examination code: 3180/01 Subject: Arabic A Cambridge O Level Title: Paper 1 hour 30
04-May	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: Subject: Art
05-May	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: Subject: Art



Date	Time	Week 2 - May 8 - 12, 2023
08-May	Afternoon 12:00 PM	
09-May	Afternoon 12:00 PM	Examination code: 0653/62 Subject: Combined Science - Paper 6 Alternative to Practical 1 hour
10-May	Afternoon 12:00 PM	Examination code: 3180/01 Subject: Arabic A Cambridge O Level Title: Paper 1 hour 30
11-May	Morning 9:00 AM	Art Exam
12-May	Morning 9:00 AM	Art Exam



Date	Time	Week 3 - May 15-19, 2023
15-May	Afternoon 12:00 PM	Examination code: 4ES1 01 Subject: English as a Second Language 2 hours Examination code: 4IT1 01 Subject: Information and Communication Technology (ICT) 1 hour 30
16-May	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4SD0 1B Subject: Science (Double Award) Biology Title: Paper: 1B 2 hours
17-May	Afternoon 4.30PM	Subject: PE Title: Component 1: Fitness and Body Systems 1 hour 30
	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4HI1 01 Subject: History Title: Paper 1 1 hour 30
		Examination code: 4BS1 01 Subject: Business 1 hour 30
18-May	Afternoon 12:00 PM	Examination code: 4AA1 01 Subject: Arabic B (Edexcel) Title: Paper 1 Listening 35 minutes (F), 45 minutes (H) Paper 3 Reading 50 minutes (F), 1 hr 5 mintes (H)
		Examination code: 3180/02 Subject: Arabic A Cambridge O Level Title: Paper 1 hour 30
19-May	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4MA1 1FR Subject: Mathematics A 2 hours Examination code: 4MA1 1HR Subject: Mathematics A 2 hours



Date	Time	Week 4 - May 22 - 26, 2023		
	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4FR1 01 Subject: French listening35 mins		
		Examination code: 4FR1 02		
22-May		Subject: French Reading and Writing 1 hour 45		
	Afternoon 12:00 PM	Subject: Geography		
		Title: Paper 1 Physical Geography 1 hour 10		
	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4SD0 1C		
23-May		Subject: Science (Double Award) Chemistry Title: Paper 1C		
		2 hours		
	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4/T1 02		
24-May		Subject: ICT		
,		Title: Practical paper 2 3 hours		
		Examination code: 4SD0 1P		
	Morning 9:00 AM	Subject: Science (Double Award) Physics		
25-May		Title: Paper 1P 2 hours		
26-May				
26-May				

Date	Time	Week 5 - May 30 - June 02, 2023 - No exams
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Date	Time	Week 6 - June 05 - June 09, 2023
05-Jun	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4EA1 01 Subject: English Language A Title: Paper 1 2 hour 15
	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4MA1 2F Subject: Mathematics A 2 hours Examination code: 4MA1 2H Subject: Mathematics A 2 hours
06-Jun	Afternoon 12PM	Examination code: 4AA1 Subject: Arabic B Title: Paper 4 Writing 1 hour 20 (F), 1 hour 25 (H)
	Afternoon 12PM	Examination code: 0653/01 or 0653/02 Subject: Combined Science - Paper 1 Multiple choice 45 min
07-Jun	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4SP1 01 Subject: Spanish Listening 35 min Examination code: 4SP1 02 Subject: Spanish Reading and Writing 1 hour 45
	Afternoon 12:00 PM	Examination code: 4HI1 02 Subject: History Title: Paper 2 1 hour 30
08-Jun	Afternoon 12PM	Examination code: 1PE0 02 Subject: Physical Education Title: Component 2: Health and Performance 1 hour 15
09-Jun	Morning 9:00 AM	Examination code: 4GE1 02 Subject: Geography Title: Paper 2 Human Geography 1 hour 45



Date	Time	Week - 7 June 12 - June 16, 2023
12-Jun		Examination code: 4BS1 02 Subject: Business Title: Paper 2 1 hour 30
13-Jun	Afternoon 12:00 PM	
14-Jun		Examination code: 4ES1 02 Subject: English as a Second Language Title: Paper 2 Listening 1 hour 30
15-Jun		
16-Jun		