



SOUTH VIEW SCHOOL

November 25, 2022

Secondary update

Dear Parents,

We had our first parents evening of the academic year for Year 7 this past week and thank you to those parents who were able to attend the meetings in person. If you have any follow up questions, then please do not hesitate to contact our team. This coming Tuesday it is the turn of Year 11 from 4-6pm.



This Thursday, Mrs Gordon presented at our coffee morning for how we share reports. If you were not able to attend the session and are interested to find out more, then please drop me an email and I will share the slides with you. The data reports for term 1 will be shared in the final week of term.

There has been a change of plan from my statement last week about this coming Tuesday. We will no longer be condensing the day for an early departure, and it will be a normal finish at 3.35pm. Our Winter Fayre begins at 4pm on the same day and please note the message from Mr. Flint below regarding parking for the event.

Next week is a Week 1 timetable and please watch out for confirmation of which days will be called as holiday around the National Day celebrations. In school, we will be celebrating National Day on Tuesday and students are invited to attend school wearing national dress or clothes with colours of the UAE flag. Please note that this is not a non-uniform day and if students do not wish to wear their own clothes must wear normal uniform. Any students who take advantage of the situation will be asked to go home and change.

We are very much looking forward to the residential trips that are taking place in the week beginning 30th 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. If you have any questions then please contact Mr. Sanguini (dario.sanguini@southview.ae) or myself (secondaryhead@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 weekend.

Kind regards

Jon Pennock

Message from the Principal

As previously notified, the SVS Winter Fair will take place between 4pm and 8pm on Tuesday 29 Nov 22. As this will be a large event with catering, stalls, and a wide variety of games for the community, the already strained traffic arrangements will face further strain. To accommodate the stall holders, caterers, activity providers, animal handlers and a red suited person with elves, parking in the area between gates 3 and 5 will be closed (please see below infographic). The inconvenience this causes is greatly regretted and visitors are asked to take advantage of the cooler weather and utilise parking spaces further away from the SVS site and to walk to us.

Thank you for your support and understanding and, wishing you an enjoyable day at our Winter Fair.



Winter Fayre is almost here



Uniform update

Please note that we now have PE trousers available from uniform supplier. Please see all available uniform through the following link <https://shopatsumeru.com/shop/products/34?show=all>

Message from the Humanities Team

Sustainability Action Fridays

Last Friday saw the second of our Sustainability Action Fridays in school. All students returned to their project groups where many made great headway. Fundraising events are now starting to be planned in conjunction with our advertising committee, plans for our bird houses are now complete and hopefully will begin construction after Winter Break. Our fabulous DT students have completed their plant pots for the Eco Garden. Using recycled materials we planted a wide range of vegetables and plants in the garden and it has been lovely to see them begin to bloom as the week has progressed.



Dubai Municipality 100 Days/100 Schools Invitation.

Our Year 7 and 8 students were invited by Dubai Municipality to attend a talk on Tuesday which called for all government and private schools in the Emirate of Dubai to cooperate with them in spreading environmental awareness about various environmental sectors such as nature reserves, air, groundwater, marine and soil. The aim was to promote positive environmental behaviours to protect the local environment. When speaking with the students they told me it was very enjoyable and informative. The students asked very insightful and engaging questions showing great awareness. Our guest speaker was very impressed with the quality of questions from our students We hope to be able to do our part in keeping our local community safe.



Year 10 and 11 Coastal Fieldwork Trip.

Our Year 10 and 11 Geographers embarked on their coastal environment fieldwork trip on Tuesday to Al Hamraiya Beach as part of their IGCSE qualification. Their goal was to investigate coastal processes and form through primary and secondary evidence. All students had to work in groups to show the cross sectional shape of a beach from the edge of the sea to the base of the beach. They collected a range of sediments from different sites along the beach and using callipers measured each sample. They examined the different types of sea defences and how this would effect the processes of longshore drift. Students will now in their lessons analyse



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their data and compare it with their classmates to see how accurate they were in the investigation.



Cambodia Pre Departure Meeting

For our ten young Humanitarians heading to Cambodia. Thursday was an exciting evening for them to get to speak with our expedition coordinator about what their *“ethical journey with impact”* with CAMPS International will entail. They learned that they will be spending time with the local community to improve their lives by getting stuck into vital project work. They will learn all about the Cambodian culture and help preserve an important wildlife reserve. They will visit the Cambodian Killing fields. To end what will be a hard week of work the students will excitingly finish their trip by visiting the fascinating UNESCO Heritage site of Ankor Wat.

As always if you have any questions or concerns please do not hesitate to get in contact with me.

Wishing you all a pleasant and safe weekend from the Humanities Department.

Miss Stacey Coy