

September 30, 2022

Secondary update

Dear Parents,

We started the week celebrating the International Day of Languages, and a huge thanks to Ms. Pereira and her team for the activities on the day and I hope you have been able to enjoy many of our staff speaking in other languages on our social media feeds. We are constantly asked our students to be reflective learners and this week our staff have been reflecting on their practice and setting their own goals and targets for the year. As lifelong learners we endeavour to continue to always be improving our teaching and learning skills sharing this with the students to show we are all still growing and learning.



On Thursday morning, Mrs Gordon, Mrs Pearson and Mrs Di Meo-Smith welcomed parents onto site in the latest of our coffee morning series. The slides from the presentation can be accessed <u>here</u>. I would also like to take the opportunity to share our team bios for <u>English</u> and <u>Maths</u> so you can get to know a little bit more about our staff.

This coming week we will have our new Head of Science Mrs McCullough and our Head of PE Mrs Teodoro presenting and answering questions about their subject areas. If you wish to attend, then please complete the form through this link https://forms.office.com/r/Vh8hUAKV2n.

One quick update from Mr. Sanguigni is a reminder for students to sign up to their preferred ECAs directly with the teacher who is running the session, please can you reiterate this to your sons and daughters over the weekend. Here is the link to our offer in the secondary school SVS Secondary ECA 2022 Term 1.pdf.

I wish you all a restful weekend and I look forward to meeting many of you over the coming weeks. Please read on for the key updates from around the secondary school.

Kind regards

Jon Pennock



Message from IT Support

RFID Cards- It is mandatory for all students to carry their RFID cards to school every day and scan it while entering / leaving school at the gates or in buses. In case of lost /damaged cards, please complete a RFID replacement form available at reception.

Message from Mrs Gordon

This week students have been focusing on the learning skill 'resilience'. Thinking about what resilience means to them, how they could be more resilient and places or times when they need to practice their resilience. A very tricky skill to master and one we will be continuing to work on throughout the year. We hope to see our students displaying their resilience in lessons this term.

On the 5th October, from 5-6.30pm we will be holding a 'Study Skills Evening' for year 10 and 11 parents. The evening is designed to give you and your children information about how to study effectively, prepare for exams and what healthy revision looks like. We will also demonstrate some different revision techniques that can be used in different subjects. We look forward to seeing you there! Please complete this form if you would like to attend - <u>https://forms.office.com/r/sppQiU7Qsp</u>

This week with have a couple of assessments for our KS4 students. These are not assessments that contribute to a final grade, but are important signposts for tracking progress.

ICT: Year 10 & 11 assessment taking place Wednesday 5th October Chemistry: Year 11. Assessments will take place during Chemistry lesson next week



Message from Mrs Pearson and the English team

The competition is now open

Roses are red, violets are blue, it's soon National Poetry Day, and we need you!

To celebrate National Poetry Day on Thursday 6th October, we are giving your children the opportunity to have their poem recorded by the amazing Leona Lewis. All you have to do is write a poem based on the theme 'The Environment' and share it with us before the closing date. Here at 2Simple, we love poetry and the idea that National Poetry Day aims to encourage everyone to experience and share poetry with family and friends.

In order to celebrate National Poetry Day next Thursday 6th Oct 2022, the South View School English Department will be supporting students in the writing of poems based on the theme 'The Environment'. The poems will be recorded and shared in Form Time with the rest of the school. Any students who wish to, can enter their poem into the National Poetry Competition by 28th October. Fiona Pearson HoD English

Message from Mr Fenton – Secondary SENCO and Head of Inclusion

The Inclusion Department will be holding its first coffee morning on the topic of Dyslexia on October 10th at 8.15am in the conservatory. Please click on the link <u>here</u> to indicate if you will be able to attend so that we are aware of the expected numbers. We look forward to meeting you on the 10th.

Message from Mr Gavin – Head of Year 10

- The Right Choice Review 4-week window has now closed as of last Friday 23rd for a change of mind in students Option choices.

- Information has been shared to students on the Aspiring Medics Programme on Teams. Students are to contact Ms Scouller for more information.

Aspiring Medics Programme - Get into Medical School (educationprojects.co.uk)



Message from Ms. Coy and the Humanities team

Sustainability

With the success of our sustainability day a few weeks back. We are finally nearing the time when we can get started on our project proposals. Students and staff are very excited to get going. If you haven't had a chance to ask your child about their project please do and share any ideas you may have with them about how they can enhance their project.

We would love some help from you if you can. If you have any old pot plants, large water bottles, gardening tools, plants ,watering cans, watering hoses, furniture you are no longer using and would like to donate to the secondary school we would be very grateful and appreciative. In DT the students in year 7-9 are creating some shelves and furniture and we cant wait until they are completed and utilised in the garden. The garden is a fabulous area in the heart of the secondary school (current pic below) and we want to fill it with as much greenery as we can as the year progresses. We look forward to sharing our progress with you.

If you can donate anything please either drop it to reception or ask your child to bring it to me.

Thank you very much.





Model United Nations

We are very excited to be setting up Model United Nations within our secondary school. This is open to all year groups to join. Model UN is a popular activity for those interested in learning more about how the UN operates. Hundreds of thousands of students worldwide take part every year at all educational levels. Many of today's leaders in law, government, business and the arts – including at the UN itself – participated in Model UN as student. The United Nations Model UN Programme aims to build and maintain strong links between the UN and Model UN participants across the globe. It does that through guides and workshops, which teach students how to make their simulations more accurate; by visiting Model UN conferences and sharing first hand knowledge of what the actual UN is like; and through encouraging Model UN clubs to take real action to support UN values and the <u>Sustainable Development</u> <u>Goals</u> (SDGs). This is a very exciting opportunity for our students and we are looking for dedicated students to join. If your child is interested please tell them to come along to our first meeting on Monday 3rd October in the History classroom on the first floor.

Thank you very much.

As always I appreciate your support and if you want to get in touch please contact me at <u>Stacey.coy@southview.ae</u>.

Have a lovely weekend,

All the best,

Miss Coy and the Humanities Department.





Message from Mr Kerba – Head of Islamic Studies

Dear Parents.

Al Salam Alukom wa Rahmat Allah.

We hope you are doing well and great, to update you that our prophet Mohamed Birthday will be on Saturday October 8th, we are delighted to inform you that we will be running in class activities for our students during our Islamic lesson, however students can do home Presentation about prophet Mohammed Birthday and elephant Year, and Share it with his Islamic Teacher.

Quran Memorization Target 2

(Surat Al-Ikhlas, Surat Al-Masad, Surat Al-Nasr.)

Have great weekend.

Prayer room is now open please read the prayer room Protocol Here.