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School reopens for Year 7 students
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Inset Day
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Half Term

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ECHO SCHOOLS AWARDS WINNERS

ON TUESDAY 25TH JUNE, WE WERE LUCKY ENOUGH TO BE INVITED TO THE ECHO SCHOOL AWARDS AT JOHN MOORES UNIVERSITY.

We attended having been nominated in two categories this year: School Communication and Support staff of the Year for Mrs Connolly. This was building on our previous success in 2018 of being nominated for School in the Community.

Staff along with Ella and Elise (year 7) attended the event and were delighted to win the School Communication Award for Merseyside! The award was in recognition of our efforts to break down barriers and improve communication between school, parents and students. It also recognised our efforts to make the transition to secondary school as easy as possible for our new students and parents.

This award continues a successful year for South Wirral where one of our teaching assistants Ms Fidal was also nominated for the Teaching Assistant of the Year Award in the national Pearson Education awards. We are incredibly proud that the hard work all our staff put in is being recognised in regional and national awards!





SOUTH WIRRAL IS 'GOING GOOGLE'

Google for Education

SOUTH WIRRAL HIGH SCHOOL IS JOINING 80 MILLION STUDENTS AND TEACHERS AROUND THE WORLD AND 'GOING GOOGLE'.

For the last 10 years students and staff at South Wirral have benefitted from the use of Moodle, our school Virtual Learning Environment. Moodle has been used by teachers effectively to set e-learning projects and provide a platform for revision for a number of years. Our use of technology to support learning has always been a strength.

Recently we have adopted a new IT strategy to better reflect the changes in technology. This aim of "Anytime, Anywhere, Any Device" further underpins our belief that learning isn't confined to the walls of a classroom. Over the last academic year students have trialled the use of new technologies including Google Classroom and the Google for Education platform of online tools. These new platforms allow greater use of technology across any web enabled device and doesn't require students to have access to specific software or device. The Google Platform is provided free of charge to schools across the world, with over 80 million students and teachers taking advantage of these resources.

With this in mind and the confidence of knowing the Google platform meets the needs of students and staff we will be retiring our use of Moodle at the end of this academic year.

Students will now benefit from the continued use of Google Classroom for e-learning. Google Classroom provides a digital space for learning inside and outside of school. Students will benefit from automated reminders for deadlines via their school emails and a modern, easy to access method of home learning.

The adoption of Google Classroom as our e-learning platform also further compliments our Sixth Form offer, where sixth form students have access to 1:1 Chromebooks during their studies at our college. We feel this change in our e-learning tools will be greatly beneficial to our students and allows them 24/7 access to a suite of productivity tools and materials to help support learning.

News and event information that used to be posted onto the Moodle front page will be posted onto our website (www.southwirral.wirral.sch.uk) news section and our social media accounts on Facebook and Twitter. As always our half termly digest newsletter will be available on all of these platforms and via EduLink One.

"I like that I can download the app onto my phone and I don't have to log in everytime and I can ask everyone in the class and the teacher for help whenever I want."

- Student

"I find it really useful to be reminded of homework and revision that needs completing"

- Student

"The performances were simply remarkable and showcased the talents of so many of our students. The production approached professional standards, thanks to the direction of Mrs Gordon and all the Performing Arts staff"

- Mr Goodwin

THE ADDAMS FAMILY MUSICAL

DURING THE LAST FULL WEEK OF THE SUMMER TERM WE CELEBRATED THE SCHOOLS' FIRST LICENSED MUSICAL IN OVER 25 YEARS.

With the help of a dozen staff, over 50 students performed the West End version of The Addams Family on Monday 15th and Tuesday 16th July. A production that has been worked on since October 2018 was the highlight of the year!





Parents and staff looked on in amazement as students from years 7-9 took on the leading roles. Their level of professionalism throughout was simply stunning. All cast, tech team and stage crew had imperative parts to play and without them the show wouldn't have been as successful as it was.

The live band was also a first for the school having students and staff play brass, woodwind, string and percussion instruments, accompanying the actors and dancers on stage. The show wouldn't have been possible without the dedication of the Performing Arts staff along with other subject teachers such as Art and DT who helped to make parts of the set and props on stage.

A special thank you to The Gladstone Theatre in Port Sunlight for the hire of the set and to our local businesses who have sponsored the show. Also, a massive thank you to all staff who volunteered to help on the nights, it's massively appreciated!

The Performing Arts team are excited and are looking forward to the next one but until then, it's time to for a short break!











GRAND TOTAL RAISED: £1,752.80

RACE FOR LIFE 2019

ON TUESDAY 16TH JULY, 240 STUDENTS ALONGSIDE MR GOODWIN AND MR CLOHERTY TOOK ON THE CANCER RESEARCH RACE FOR LIFE 5K CHALLENGE, CONSISTING OF A 12 LAP COURSE OF SOUTH WIRRAL SCHOOL FIELD.

Students took to their starting positions, deciding whether to Run, Jog or Walk the 5k course, with Mrs Barr and Mr Haslem taking on the role as the "Tail Walkers". In the hot weather conditions, they all managed the course with gusto, with Wilson House's Jack Strickley storming in to 1st place with an impressive 5k time of 15.25. As the pupils, Mr Goodwin, Mr Cloherty and Mrs Griffiths crossed the finish line and received their medals, we all reflected on the reason why we were doing this race and those who we may have been running in memory of. The final amount raised has been counted, and we can confirm that South Wirral High School pupils raised an impressive £1,752.80 in aid of Cancer Research. Well done to all those involved, and a special thank you to Mr Simms for helping to organise it alongside Mrs Barr, and to Mr Bell and Mr Neal and Stanley 6 Rego group who came out on the day to help with setting up the course.











RESULTS DAYS INFORMATION

On **Thursday 15th August** school will open at 9.00am for Year 13 students, and at 10.00am for Year 12 students, to collect their examination results. Once results are collected every student will receive a destinations interview.

On **Thursday 22nd August** school will open at 9.30am for Year 11 students to collect their examination results. Once results are collected every student will receive a destinations interview. In their interview we will ask students to either; confirm their place at SHWS Sixth Form, or share the details of their confirmed place at another college or apprenticeship. This is extremely important and students should ensure they do not leave site before this meeting has taken place.

Results can be collected on both days up to 12.00pm only. Students who are unable to attend either results day can;

* Send a close relative with a signed letter authorising them to collect their results (we cannot release results to students' friends)

* Submit a self-addressed and stamped envelope to office 9 before the end of June and results will then be put in the post.

* Leave an email address with support staff in Office 9 on which students can be contacted on results day.



LEADERSHIP THROUGH SPORT & BUSINESS

SIXTH FORM STUDENTS SUCCEEDING IN LEADERSHIP THROUGH SPORT & BUSINESS

Congratulations to Sixth Form students Jack Hamer and James Pimblett who have received glowing references from the team at Leadership Through Sport & Business.

The students are completing the Leadership Through Sport and Business course attached to DSG a Chartered Accountancy firm in Liverpoo, and have passed their AAT Level 3 exams - an Advanced Diploma in Accounting

"James and Jack have both settled in brilliantly to life at DSG and after their first reviews, their managers are extremely proud of the progress that they are making.

They have made a really good start and have also completed their first AAT Level 3 Exams successfully too."

Well done Jack and James!

Aspire to Higher
at South Wirral High School

During the final week of term, all students in year 7 had the opportunity to visit Chester University as part of our "Aspire to Higher programme", which gave students an insight into university life. All year 10 students have had the opportunity to talk to guests from industry about their career intentions. All our careers activities this year have been organised by Mrs Woolham.



CHESTER UNIVERSITY

CONTINUING OUR 'RAISING ASPIRATIONS THEME' ALL OF Y7 WERE TAKEN OUT TO CHESTER UNIVERSITY.

Chester university had kindly paid for the coach travel so the trip was free for all students. The day included a short introduction to university life and student finance, whilst sat in one of their lecture rooms at the Queen's Park campus, followed by a series of workshop activities such as 'dream university', 'careers detective' and 'myth busting', led by Chester university staff. Later in the afternoon there was a tour of the Parkgate campus, including the library, sports facilities, student union and Halls of residence before returning back to school.





CAREERS CAROUSEL

YEAR 10 STUDENTS MET WITH 10 LOCAL BUSINESSES / HIGHER EDUCTAION ESTABLISHMENTS TO TALK TO THE EMPLOYERS ABOUT POTENTIAL AND FUTURE CAREER OPTIONS.

Representatives from Wirral Chamber of Commerce, Tranmere Rovers FC, The Hive, Royal Navy, the Liverpool Region Apprenticeship hub, Wirral Council, Liverpool John Moores Univeristy and Wirral Met College took part in this 'speed dating style' event and it was an enormous success. All students were engaging in some fantastic conversations with the employers, picking up leaflets to look over and left them considering their future options.





RAISING ASPIRATIONS AT LIVERPOOL JMU

As part of our Careers and Guidance Program this term, we will be attending Liverpool John Moores University for a 'raising aspirations day'. The day included a series of workshop activities such as 'design a student', 'identifying galaxies', led by a member of the National Schools Observatory team as well as a tour of the campus and Halls of residence.





YEAR 7 STUDENT TEGAN GAVE US HER ACCOUNT OF THE DAY:

Today in LJMU we had a lot of fun. First, we had a lovely welcome by the staff and walked to the lecture theatre. There, the staff and students introduced themselves and talked to us about galaxies and space.

Next, we were put in 2 groups (Wilson & Stanley, Laird & Mayer) and each group was given a different activity. My group's first activity was about the university, we were all put into groups of 4/5 and had to draw the 'perfect student' - we had to use our imagination. My group drew a sportsman who was 19 years old and a footballer. Because the activity was a competition, we had to work as a team. My group won (winning some LJMU stress balls!) - and we packed away and moved onto the next activity. The second activity was about space. In pairs, we got given sheets of paper with a code of different galaxies and it's name. This was very challenging, but we correctly identified lots of the galaxies.

Then we had lunch, getting to listen to music which was fun.

Our last activity was getting a chance to visit the houses of some of the students. We all wlked into a comfy hall of residents where both groups explored the rooms. We thanked the staff for a great trip and headed back to the train station.

I had a lot of fun and I hope to do it again some day

"My favourite part of the day was going to the halls of residence and asking the lady who worked there all about the university. I can't wait to go to university and make new friends."

- Evie, Year 7

"The trip was really cool - the galaxies were so pretty and jawdropping."

- Evelyn, Year 7



SPACE WEEK

IN CONJUNCTION WITH HI-IMPACT CONSULTANCY, THE SCHOOL PROVIDED A WEEK OF EXCITING SPACE-THEMED ACTIVITIES CULMINATING IN THE LAUNCH OF A BALLOON - WITH PAYLOAD - INTO NEAR SPACE

MONDAY & TUESDAY

Students from South Wirral & local primaries took part in a carousel of activities provided by a combination of South Wirral and hi-impact staff including:

Prediction & Google Earth Simulation

Students used Google Earth and an online flight predictor to look at the implications of weather conditions and the choice of launch site on the flight path of the balloon.

They looked at the altitude of the launch site, possible height the balloon would burst at, its descent rate and how this, and the weather conditions, could affect the path of the balloon, its launch and eventual landing site.

They used this information from the predictor website to Google Earth and use it to visualise in 3d, the balloon flight. This was compared with the data we received from the GPS trackers on the actual flight as a 3d visualisation.

Mission Patch Activity

Students learnt what a mission patch is and how NASA teams design a patch for each mission. They then designed their own mission patch for the Balloon launch using 'pen' and paper.

One design from each class can was selected to go through to the 'finals' and a team of teachers then select the final patches which were laminated and taken to the launch to attach to the balloon

Sensing Space

The students were introduced to the Raspberry Pi which we used to record data from the space mission. They learned how to code the Sense Hat Pi to record temperature, humidity and air pressure with the Sense Hat emulator using the Python programming language.

Students used the emulator to test their code and ensure as they change the different variables such as temperature, process and humidity, as it is recorded by the Sense hat. Additionally, on the launch day, the sensor sent to space recorded altitude and record images form a Pi camera.

All the data will be recorded on the Pi , downloaded as a spreadsheet

Ping Pong Science

Students worked in groups to think of a simple experiment to send up to near space that can be contained in a ping pong ball. They had to decide what 'object' they can realistically send up by the launch day and say what they thought would happen to the object as it travels through a thinning atmosphere

Payload Design

Students were asked to think about the possible ways to return the equipment for earth to retrieve data and experiments. They designed a range of structures to ensure the payload will land safely , then designed a structure using everyday materials to safely return a simulated payload to the Earth.

ADDITIONAL ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

Man on the Moon

The Physics of Balloon launch

Astronaut Fitness

'7 Minutes of Terror'

'Lost in Space'

'Big Numbers in Space'

Students also had the opportunity to hold a 40 minute Skype call with Dr Croft, Professor of Astrophysics UC Berkeley.

Dr Croft discussed the physics of launching and operating craft and robots in space and how the payload and balloon will behave as it rises into the atmosphere and into near space. Dr Croft has launched a number of successful balloon launches with students in the USA. He is involved with the Breakthrough Listen initiative, the world's largest SETI program based at the University. Students were invited to ask questions to Dr Croft in the Q and A session as well as respond to questions and ideas he posed through the session.

WEDNESDAY

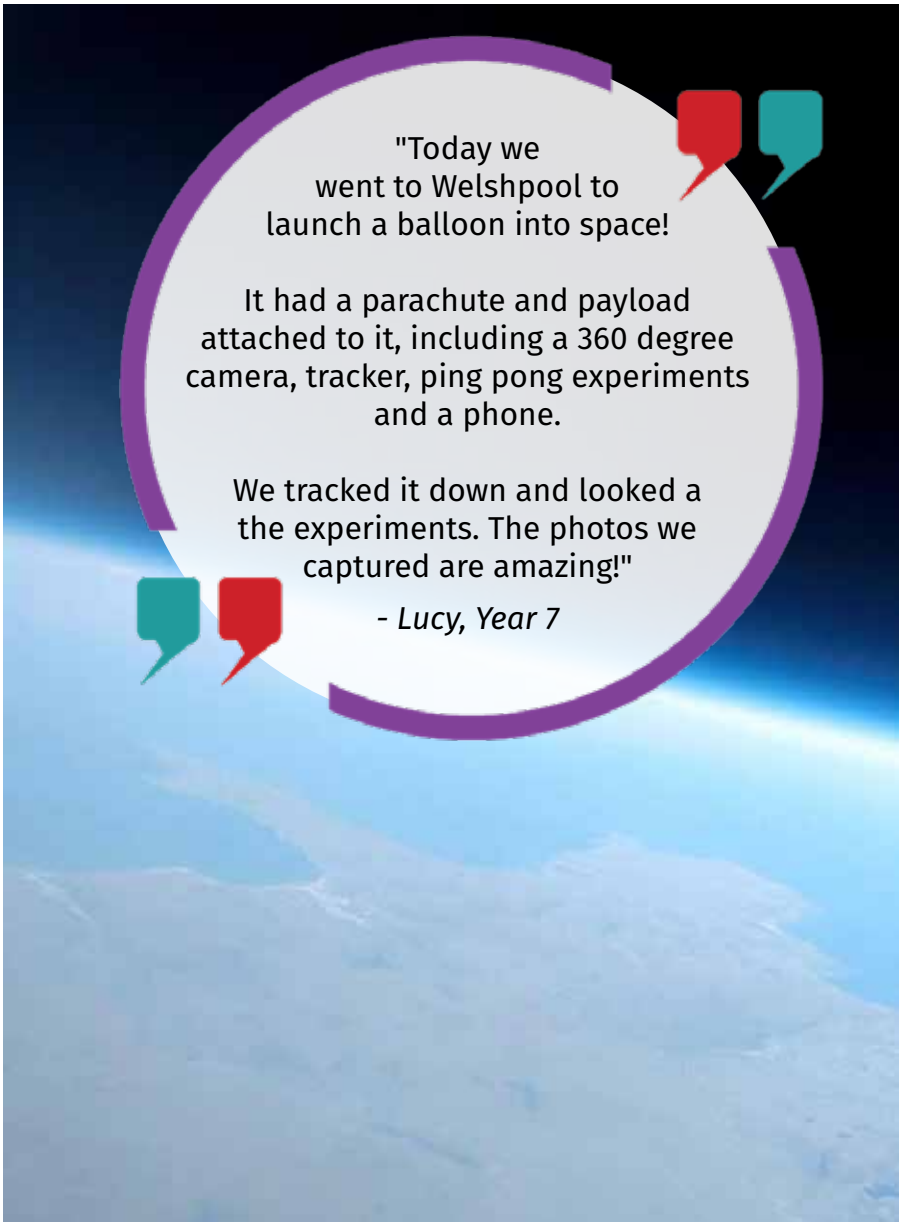
Wednesday saw the 'tethered launch' of the balloon on the school field. Groups of students were able to experience the balloon close up and one of the hi-impact flight crews spoke about the inflection and flight of the balloon, making links to the work activities they have been involved with over the last few days.

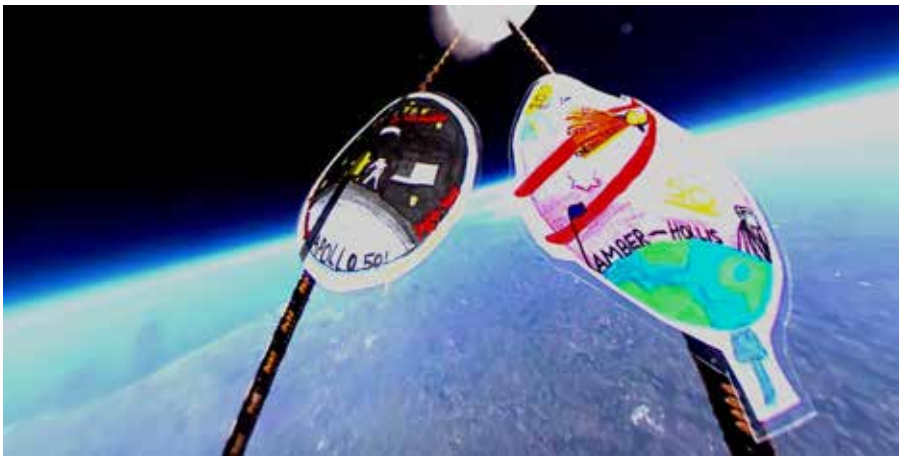
Final predictions were made, with Ping Pong Science winners revealed and the plan for Thursday finalised.

THURSDAY

On the final day, a small group of students travelled to Welshpool to launch the balloon and payload, with the remaining students staying back at 'Mission Control' to monitor the journey.

The launch was a huge success, with the balloon reaching a phenomenal height of 27,261 meters!





2019 IS NOT JUST THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE APOLLO 11 MISSION, BUT IT IS ALSO THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF EDUCATION ON THE SCHOOL SITE. DO YOU HAVE ANY MEMORIES OF THE SCHOOL (OR EASTHAM SECONDARY SCHOOL) THAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO SHARE WITH US? TO CONTRIBUTE, AND FOR MORE INFORMATION, VISIT OUR WEBSITE OR TAKE A LOOK AT THE MAY EDITION OF THE SOUTH WIRRAL DIGEST.







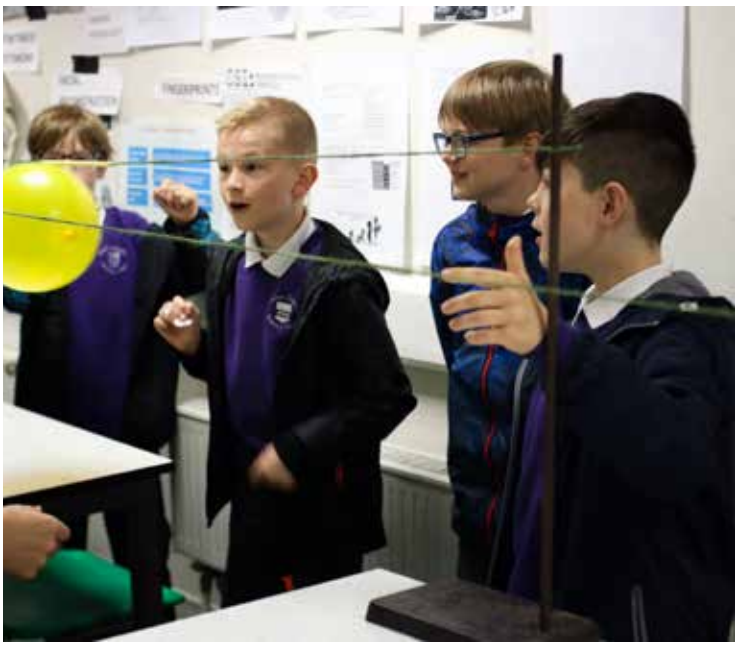
















BIKE SAFETY

MR GOODWIN RECENTLY SHARED AN UPDATE ON BIKE SAFETY AROUND THE SCHOOL WITH PARENTS AND STUDENTS

"I have recently become concerned for the safety of students who ride bikes to school.

There have been a number of near-misses with cars and also some incidents where students have fallen off their bikes and were hurt. The volume of traffic outside school has risen in recent years and more students are using bikes than in the past. However, very few students wear bike helmets. This is a concern.

Firstly, please can I ask that parents insist that their sons and daughters wear cycle helmets. If children are unwilling to do so then they should not come to school on a bike.

Secondly, from September the school bike sheds will only be opened from 3.15pm, once buses and heavy traffic have left the area. This will enable students to travel home more safely.

The school runs cycling proficiency training courses every year and we will continue to offer this. If you would like to request this for your son or daughter please contact Mr. Chitty.

Thank you for your support with this matter."

- Mr Goodwin



LORIC ACTIVITIES

This half term, We have held several activity days in school under the LORIC theme (Leadership, Organisation, Resilience, Initiative, Character) organised by Mr Chitty.

Each Faculty organised practical activities to develop these character traits. One of the activities centred on recycling. This comes after our students, led by the Debating Society, have inspired us to try to eradicate our use of single-use plastic in school.





DEBATING SOCIETY TRIP TO WEATHERHEAD SCHOOL

"THIS HOUSE AGREES THAT BREXIT SHOULD BE CANCELLED"

On Tuesday, 2nd July, pupils of the South Wirral High School Debating Society took a trip out to Weatherhead School in Wallasey to take part in a series of activities and discussions surrounding different topics of Debate. After the activities, 4 pupils took to the stage to hold a live debate with 4 Weatherhead pupils, arguing the motion that "Brexit should be cancelled".

Nerys Galvin opened the event with a powerful speech focusing on why it should be cancelled, and with support from Mason Bennett, Dylan Roberts and Abbie Wilkinson who argued their points well, batted back points of relevance and questions, South Wirral were crowned victorious with a total of 18 points to Weatherhead's 15. Thank you to all involved, and to a special thanks to Mr Bell who drove the bus to the venue!





NEW STAFF CHANGES

We are delighted to be welcoming a number of new members of staff to the school in September. These include staff in the MFL department (Mr Hughes & Mr Ramsbottom), Mathematics (Mr Zaremba, Mr Russell, Miss Rooney & Mrs Littler), Food Technology (Miss Czalgoszewski) and Science (Mrs Latham) Mrs Latham will also be an Assistant Headteacher.

There are also a number of support staff joining us for the new school year.





LITERACY TRANSFORMATION AT SOUTH WIRRAL HIGH SCHOOL

LITERACY HAS ALWAYS BEEN AT THE HEART OF EVERYTHING WE DO AT SOUTH WIRRAL HIGH SCHOOL.

When we talk about literacy, what we are actually talking about is: reading, writing and oracy; skills we use in everything we do at school. Over the past few years we have gone through an exciting transformation as a school and literacy has patiently waited on the side-line for its turn; and what a transformation it has had!

In September when our students come back to school they will see the usual 'Staff Literacy Pledges', the literacy marking in books and displays of recommended reading that they are use to, however, there is more. KS3 have had a change to their morning routines, once a week they will have a Drop Everything and Read (DEAR) session during form time, 20 minutes to read what they wish. This may look different in different forms, some form tutors and students may choose to have 20 minutes of quiet reading, others may opt for a whole form read; the important points to note are that EVERYONE will read, even the staff, also we will expect every Year 7 and Year 8 student to carry a book to read in their bags, at all times. The library is waiting for an influx of students in September.

Year 7 will have a added advantage, throughout the summer term staff have been selecting challenging reading material that links in with the Year 7 curriculum. Each subject was tasked with choosing just one example of the challenging texts students will read, to go into a Year 7 Challenging Text Anthology - it was nothing short of a herculean task to make these decisions, but it was done. Year 7 will be given this anthology to keep in their bags and if they choose to, they can use this as their DEAR book in the first term, getting a head start on the year ahead.

Mr Harrison our literacy coordinator has added a little something to the KS3/4 and 5 planners. We will have a 'root word' of the week, each week we will look at a word and understand the origins of that word and how it affects the spellings and meanings of the words connected to it; what students will do at some point in the week is write their own definition for that word as well as write that word in a sentence - building up their use of vocabulary. In a similar way there will also be a grammar/ punctuation rule of the week too.



Mr Murray will be supporting the literacy team with lots of writing competitions and challenges throughout the year, he will be using entries and other pieces of excellent work to build his literacy newsletter which we will send out each term.

So.... we have reading (DEAR and the anthology) and writing (word and grammar/punctuation rule of the week), what about oracy? Staff will have training through out the year on how to promote and build outstanding oracy opportunities in lesson, students will need to be prepared to talk more!

This is just the very beginning of an exciting year of literacy transformation at South Wirral High School.





ECO GARDEN UPDATE

WORK HAS CONTINUED THIS TERM ON THE DEVELOPMENT OF OUR ECO-GARDEN.

Earlier in the year, thanks to the support of our community, we were awarded a grant from Tesco Bags for Life scheme of £1,000. Staff have been busy converting an area of land into a safe eco-garden for students and staff to enjoy.

As part of the project, a number of local residents have donated soil, flagstones, plants and materials to build cold frames to help develop our garden. We are hoping to integrate the garden into our curriculum for students in photography, food technology and science next year.

We are now approaching completion ready just in time for our summer school students to enjoy some outdoor projects next week. The garden is also going to be a source of food for our summer school providing potatoes, salad, beans, peas and radishes.

Next term the eco-garden will also be used as a site to bury a time capsule marking 50 years of education on this site. The time capsule will contain items selected by students to show what school is like in 2019.





FOOD TECHNOLOGY AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL NEWS

IT'S BEEN A BUSY HALF TERM FOR THE FOOD TECHNOLOGY AND HEALTH AND SOCIAL DEPARTMENT.

Our year 8 students spent a day at the Cheshire show in June. Although the heavy down pours of rain had made it very muddy under foot it didn't dampen the spirits of our students. During the day they saw many aspects of farming life from live stock best in show, to how our food gets from farm to plate.

Our Health and Social year 10 students hosted St Mary's Church CAMEO group. It was an afternoon full of entertainment. Our students served refreshments and chatted to the group about the history of Eastham and their memories of Plymyard Avenue and South Wirral High School or Eastham Secondary School as some of us oldies will remember it as! We were then all entertained by our brilliant Addams Family cast which ended the afternoon off perfectly.

We also had our annual visit from the Chernobyl Children. A group of children from Belarus come to the Wirral every year and are hosted by a group of local families. Although the Chernobyl disaster happened in 1986 people that live there are still affected by the radiation in the area. The children stay for a month and and go on days out such as Blackpool and the Cheshire Ice Cream Farm. They also receive dental treatment and eye tests which they don't always get at home because alot of the children come from very poor backgrounds. The children visited us for a morning and our Year 10 students were again excellent hosts. The children had a food technology lesson making delicious brownies and a PE lesson playing football and rounders with the year 10's and some of our year 7's. We finished the morning off by presenting them with some gift bags which the students had put together. We look forward to seeing the children again next year.



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THE START OF THE NEW ACADEMIC YEAR

OUR NEW YEAR 7 STUDENTS WILL START ON TUESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER. STUDENTS SHOULD MEET IN THE MAIN HALL FOR AN ASSEMBLY AT 8.40AM.

Years 8, 9, 10 & 11 will return to school on Wednesday 4th September at 8.40am. They should go to:

Year 7: Their tutor room

Year 8: Drama Studio

Year 9 & 10: Sports Hall 1

Year 11: Main Hall

Our new Year 12 students return to school on Wednesday 4th September at 9.15am. They must go to the Drama Studiofor induction.

Year 13 return to school on Thursday 5th September and should go to the Common Room, at the time agreed on results day, for enrolment. Enrolment on this day runs between 9.30am and 12.00pm. It is important students attend at the correct time.

UNIFORM, APPEARANCE & EQUIPMENT

As families prepare for the new school year I would like to take this opportunity to remind everyone of our student dress code, appearance rules and required equipment.



UNIFORM

All students in Years 7 to 11 must wear:

- Black blazer with SWHS badge
- Long or short sleeve white shirt, must be tucked in and done up to the collar
- School tie with House colours – available from Student Services
- Black school trousers, black skirt or black pinafore dress.
- Skirts must be knee length

Plain black belt with plain, non-branded buckle

- Plain black, grey or white socks or tights
- Polishable black school shoes; either flat or with a heel not exceeding 5cm
- Sports trainers may only be worn for PE lessons or for games activities at lunchtime only
- Other footwear, including walking boots and plimsolls, are not allowed to be worn.

APPEARANCE

- Jewellery should not be worn in school. An inexpensive watch and one small stud in each ear are acceptable
- Earrings, nose rings/studs, tongue studs, eye-brow studs or any visible body piercings are unacceptable
- Clear nail varnish only is acceptable
- False / acrylic / gel nails are not permitted
- No false eyelashes of any description are permitted
- Students in Years 7, 8 and 9 may not wear make-up. Make-up worn by students in Years 10 and 11 must be discreet and business like.

HAIRSTYLES

- Haircuts and styles must be smart and business like, and not covering the face or eyes
- Hair accessories should be in the school colours of black, red or white
- No shaving all or part of the head
- No lurid, unnatural or extreme colouring
- No tramlines

EQUIPMENT

The following items are essential and should be brought on a daily basis:

- School planner
- Pen, pencil, ruler and eraser
- Calculator
- A protractor, a pair of compasses
- A strong bag to carry homework, equipment and P.E. Kit.

We are committed to ensuring every student has the correct uniform and equipment to ensure they can make the very best progress, every single day. Students and their families who would like to discuss financial support available should contact their child's House Progress Leader.

May we take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support this academic year and to wish you and your family a pleasant summer break.

- Mr Goodwin

SIXTH FORM PROM GALLERY
























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