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Southlands School

Newsletter

Week Commencing 2nd June 2025

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Letter from SLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

We hope you had an enjoyable and restful half-term holiday.

Careers

This week at Southlands, we have placed a strong focus on *careers education*. On Thursday, our Year 8 and Year 9 pupils took part in an engaging 'speed-dating' style workshop, where they had the opportunity to meet a variety of local employers, ask questions, and learn more about different career paths. It was a valuable and inspiring experience that helped to broaden their understanding of the world of work.

Exams

In addition, some of our Year 10 students participated in a three-day work experience taster. Feedback from employers has been overwhelmingly positive, with many commenting on the maturity, enthusiasm, and resilience shown by our students. We are incredibly proud of how they represented themselves and the school. More work experience opportunities are planned later this term, and we look forward to seeing even more students benefit from these experiences.

ASDAN Projects

As we approach the final weeks of term, we are mindful that there is now only a short time remaining before exams conclude on **16th July**. Our Year 11 students are working hard to complete their ASDAN projects and are also in the process of organising their end-of-year activities—a well-deserved celebration of their efforts and achievements.

Letter from SLT Continued

Sports Day and Swimming Gala

We are also looking forward to some exciting events in the coming weeks. The **Swimming Gala** will take place on **19th July**, and we warmly invite parents and carers to join us for **Sports Day on 20th July**. These events are always highlights of the summer term and offer a wonderful opportunity for the school community to come together and celebrate our students' talents and teamwork.

Fish Pond Update:

We're pleased to share that *Fun2Fish* has now completed their work on our school fish pond. This week, several of our students assisted in assessing the current stock levels of fish—a great hands-on learning experience. We are now awaiting the arrival of new fishing equipment, which will enable us to make even greater use of this fantastic outdoor resource.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support.
We wish you a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Queen Spectacular

Last weekend DT had the pleasure of attending the dazzling *Queen Spectacular* at Somerley House. Set against the backdrop of the home's grand architecture, the day was filled with electrifying performances, iconic anthems, and a vibrant atmosphere that truly captured the spirit of Queen. From the powerful vocals to the unforgettable guitar solos, every moment resonated with energy and nostalgia.



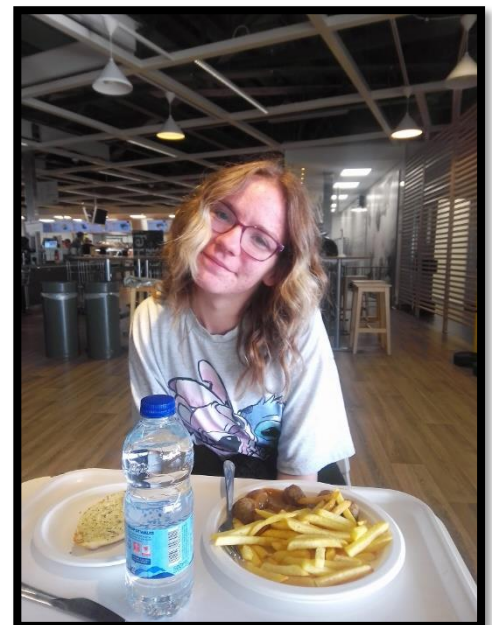
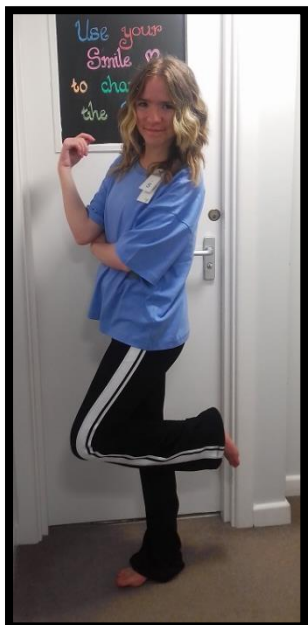
Upper Phase Group Scavenger Hunt

Three students from UPN took a trip to Wilverly enclosure on Monday as part of their ASDAN task. They completed a scavenger hunt and made an awesome den!



Work Experience Prep

On the first day back to school, CM went to West Quay and also had dinner in IKEA, then she went shopping to get outfits to wear for her work experience at Lymington Infant school.



Primary 2

This week in Primary 2, we began our Lego literacy topic on a volcano. We've also been able to connect this to the latest volcano in Italy. We were able to utilise a variety of adjectives to characterise our volcanoes.



We have been studying the time on an analogue clock in maths class. The world is digital, as we informed Mrs. Judd and Miss Holloway, but they said, "Big Ben isn't digital, YET!"

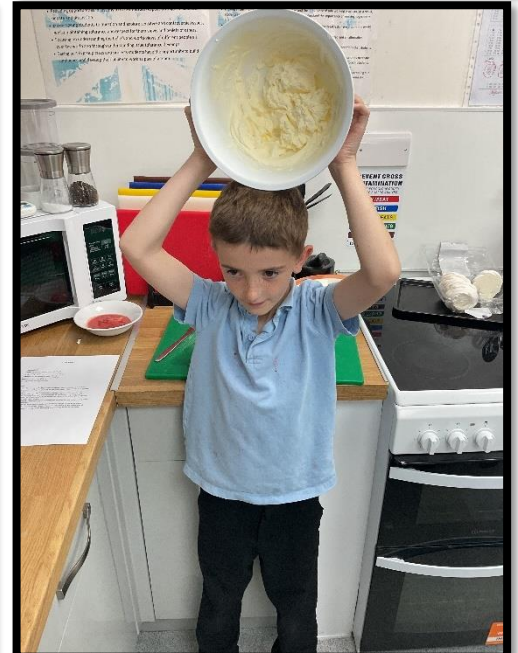
We started studying Alexander the Great in history, and we find it baffling that all of the Greeks returned to their city states after his death. What a waste of time!



Cookery

This last week in cookery has been full of creativity and fun.

Our upper-year students have been busy making homemade chocolate truffles, experimenting with a variety of flavours to suit their own tastes — from cherry and orange to, for the more adventurous, chilli. They demonstrated excellent preparation skills and clearly enjoyed the sensory experience.



Meanwhile, our primary classes prepared Eton mess using fresh, locally sourced strawberries. This activity helped them develop techniques such as whipping cream and exploring the use of natural sugars as a healthier alternative to processed ones. There was lots of laughter as they tested whether their cream was whipped just right — thankfully, no one ended up splattered!

Fantastic work from everyone this week — I'm really proud of them all!

Primary 1

Reading

The Primary 1 children have enjoyed getting comfy and cozy for our afternoon reading this week. So much so that some have asked for extra reading time!



Art

Our new art topic is on the seaside! This week we have been working on pictures of fish, trying to capture the details using pens and oil pastels.

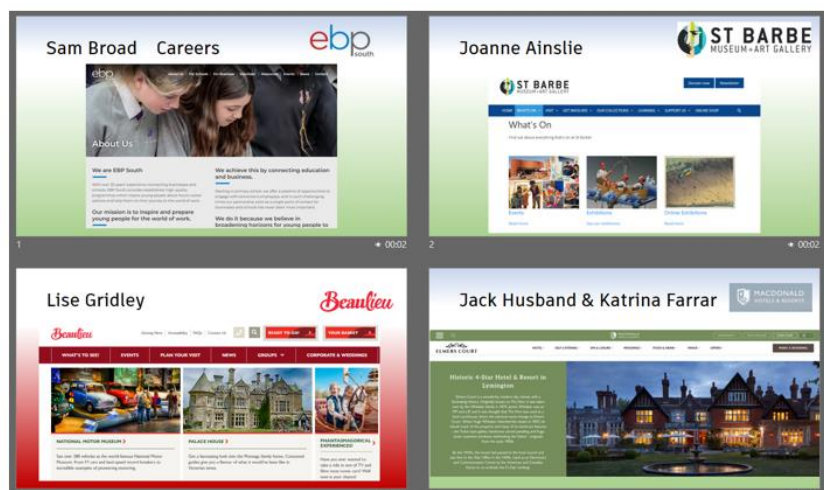
Upcoming Exams Timetable

June

9 th	AM	Triple Biology Paper 2 Combined Science – Paper 2F – Biology
11 th	AM	GCSE Maths Paper 3 – Calculator
11 th	PM	CONTINGENCY DAY
12 th	AM	Geography Paper 3 – Geographical Applications
13 th	AM	Triple Chemistry Paper 2 Combined Science – Paper 2F – Chemistry
16 th	AM	Triple Physics Paper 2 Combined Science – Paper 2F - Physics
25 th	All Day	CONTINGENCY DAY

Business Speed Meeting Y8 & Y9

Our career speed networking event involved a range of volunteers from St Barbe Museum, Beaulieu & Elmers Court Hotel coming together to chat about their jobs to our group of Year 8 & 9 students. The aim is to introduce young people to a wide range of jobs that are available to them, broadening their horizons and encouraging them to think about work experience & careers.



SLS College Campus Visit



An ideal opportunity for you to visit Brockenhurst College and with your tutor group.

You will be able to talk to teachers, tour the facilities, explore the campus and ask any questions you might have about college life.



Brock College Taster Day



An ideal opportunity for you to find out more about Brockenhurst College and what they have to offer.

Discover their approach to learning and find the courses that interest you.

- 10.00 – Principals welcome
- 10.30-12.00 – Subject activities (campus wide)
- 12.00 - 12.40 – Group 1 – lunch, group 2 – student panel and choosing your subjects (main hall)
- 12.45 – 1.30 – Group 2 – lunch, group 1 – student panel and choosing your subjects (main hall)



Cookery – World Record Attempt



Jamie's GUINNESS WORLD RECORDS™ attempt

Be a record maker and join The Jamie Oliver Cookery School's online class! It's going to be fun, it's going to be tasty, it's going to be pasta-tively amazing!

WHEN: 11am, 1 July 2025.

Dear Parents,

I am thrilled to announce that I have signed Southlands School up to join Jamie Oliver in his attempt to break the world record for the largest pasta cooking session ever! We'll be participating alongside other venues across the country, all from the comfort of our own school on Tuesday 1st of July 2025.

The record attempt will be an amazing opportunity for students to learn more about cooking, teamwork, and the fun of food.

More details about how the school will be participating and consent forms will follow soon.

Thank you for your continued support as we work together to inspire our students in the kitchen and beyond by engaging in these exciting activities.

Sarah

Cookery teacher

Upcoming Events



Inspiring STEM Y8 & Y7 The National Oceanography Centre



This timetabled event will see students take part in eight 25 minute activities, including one activity with the National Oceanography Centre team and an activity in a lab. The aim is that students will learn about a variety of STEM careers and through engaging with industry professionals be inspired about careers in STEM.



It will be a fun day which we hope will enthuse the young people by showing them the breadth of opportunities available working in STEM industries.



Brock College Taster Day

An ideal opportunity for you to find out more about Brockenhurst College and what they have to offer. Discover their approach to learning and find the courses that interest you.

You will be able to talk to teachers, tour our facilities, meet current students, explore the campus and ask any questions you might have about college life.



Brock College Open Event

- 3 July 2025
- 5:00 pm *until* 8:00 pm



Brockenhurst College, Lyndhurst Road,
Brockenhurst, UK



Dates for your Diary

26th June 25 – Parent council Meeting



Southlands School Term Dates 24 - 25

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Term Dates 2024 - 2025



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School Holidays

Public Holidays

Inset Days



38 Week Residential Evening Return

38 Week Residential Leave

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Term Dates 2025 - 2026



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Southlands Children's Home —Safeguarding Poster

Who can I report a concern to?



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I can also report concerns to..



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Alison Priddle
Principal & Responsible Individual
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All safeguarding concerns to be reported within **1 hour**
Staff concerns ONLY to be reported to Registered Manager/Head of Care/
Principal/Regional Lead

Southlands School - (Education) Safeguarding Poster

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