



Southlands School

Newsletter

Week Commencing 7th September 2026

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Letter from SLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been another busy and productive week at school, with our timetables now in full swing and our newest students settling in beautifully and getting to know one another.

Celebrating Success

There is already so much to celebrate this term. This morning's **Celebration Assembly** was a testament to the hard work of our students. A special mention must go to **AG**, who was presented with the **Head of Education Award** (and 500 house tokens) for making an exceptional start to the academic year. His excellent attitude and superb engagement are well-deserved of this recognition. Well done, AG!

School Clubs & Activities

Please note that **After-School Clubs** are not yet running; we will be restarting these later in the term. However, we continue to offer a fantastic range of Friday afternoon activities, including **fishing sessions and afternoon clubs**, which all students have the opportunity to enjoy during the school day.

Letter from SLT

Upcoming Events & Notices

- **Christmas Pantomime:** In Monday's assembly, Claire Bartlett will be announcing this year's production. She will be inviting students to sign up for a variety of roles. There are plenty of opportunities to get involved, including many vital back-stage and supporting roles that do not involve acting on stage.
- **Parent Drop-In & Book Fair (14th October):** Our usual Parent Drop-In will begin at 3:15 pm. This term, we are inviting parents and carers to **arrive early at 2:00 pm** to browse our **Scholastic Book Fair**, enjoy a cream tea served by our **Year 10/11 ASDAN students**, and take part in our **Parent Council meeting**.

An official email invitation for the 14th October will be sent out shortly. If you have any points you wish to raise for the Parent Council but are unable to attend the meeting in person, please feel free to email them over to us.

Thank you for your continued partnership. Have a wonderful and relaxing weekend.

Fishing

This week Primary Phase Group were treated to fishing in our on-site pond area.



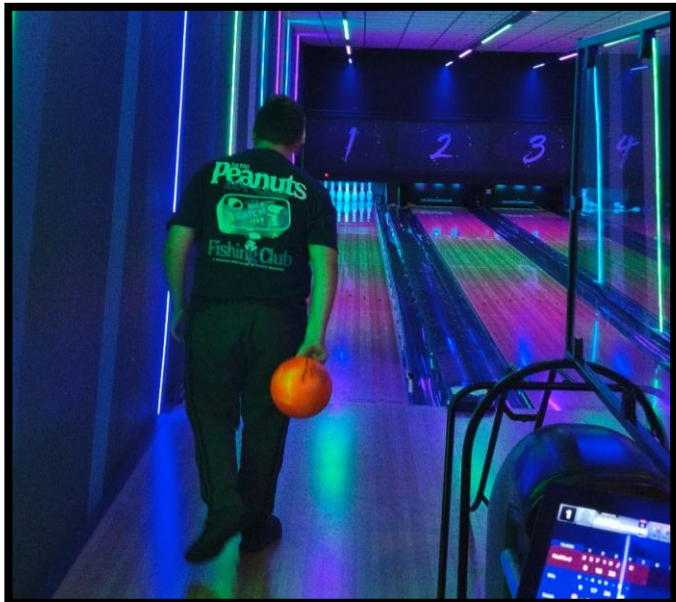
Science

It was a pleasure to join Year 7's Science lesson, with Mr Rogers, this week. The class were learning about forces and how to measure them. We discovered that forces are measured in Newtons and that we can illustrate force through using an arrow; the direction and length of the arrow are also important. Students then demonstrated how accurate they could measure liquids (vinegar) to create a chemical reaction with baking soda, the force of this blew the top of a canister across the room. Great fun and lots of laughter!



Coach House

This week AP and ChCh visited Beaulieu National Motor Museum and also went bowling as an exciting evening activity.



Primary 1

In Primary 1 this week, we began to read all about Flanimals. After researching some of these we created our own.



For Outdoor Learning we visited Beaulieu Motor Museum. We enjoyed going around the house and having our VERY own tour guide!



Breast Cancer Awareness Month

Dear Parents and Carers,

I hope this email finds you well.

Southlands School are going to be celebrating Breast Cancer Awareness Month by holding a special day on Tuesday 20th October.

The children are invited to wear pink that day for a suggested £1 donation.

We will also hold a bake sale to support and raise as much money as we can for the charity.

If anyone is able to contribute bakery items for us to sell that would be greatly appreciated.

Please send these in on Monday 19th or Tuesday 20th October in the morning.

Please email lauren.stubley@cambianguroup.com if you have any queries or to let her know of any contributions.



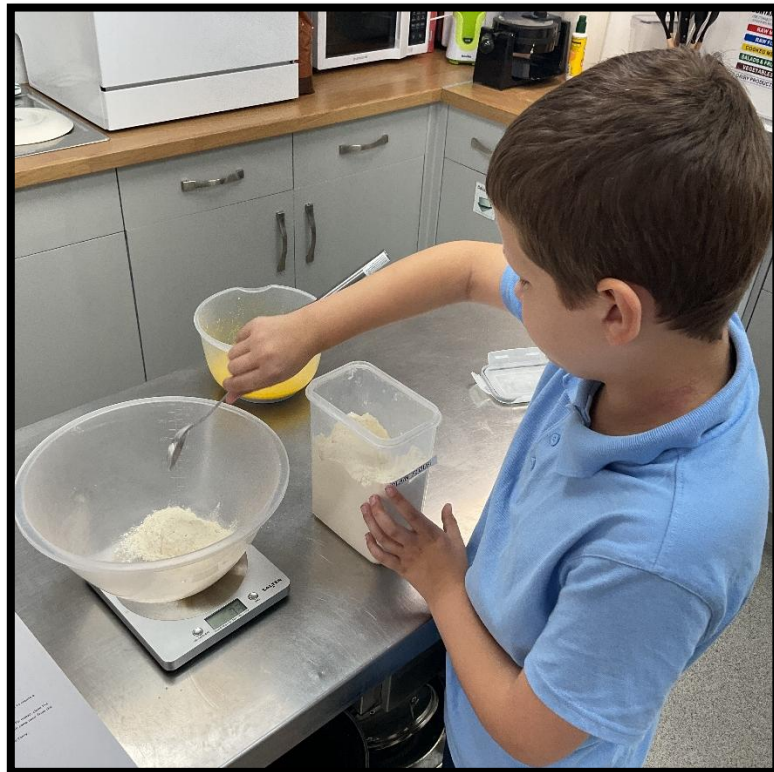
Setthorns

This week Setthorns got out our table tennis and had several very challenging games against each other!



Cookery

Our young chefs have been busy making delicious waffles and developing lots of important cookery skills along the way! They have been practising weighing and measuring ingredients, mixing, following instructions and using new kitchen equipment safely and independently. The students also had the opportunity to get creative by adding food colouring to their waffles, giving them a chance to add their own flair and personality to their creations! We have also been exploring different fruits to serve alongside our waffles. It has been fantastic to see some students being brave and trying fruits they had never tried before, with some discovering that they really enjoyed them. It has been a lovely opportunity to combine practical cookery skills, independence, creativity and trying new foods with the added bonus of getting to enjoy our tasty creations at the end!



BACK TO SCHOOL

Online Safety Tips for Children

Wow, it's September already! The month when autumn officially starts and ... oh yeah, the beginning of a new school year. Every cloud has a silver lining though! Another term means new friends to make, different stuff to learn, fresh online trends to jump on and exciting new games to play on your phone, computer or console. We've compiled a list of our top tips to ensure that - whether you're going online to chat, research things or just have fun - you can do it safely.

Be cautious with your profile

Be careful not to give out too much info on your social media or gaming profiles. Details like your full name, address or school's name could all help strangers to actually find you offline. A trusted adult can help you make your profiles private - so only your family and actual friends can contact you.

Lock your devices

Taking your phone or tablet to school? Turn password protection on. It keeps your private info safe and stops anyone accessing your device without permission. Passwords should be memorable to you - but difficult for anyone else to guess. Get a trusted adult to write it down in case you forget it!

Be smart with screen time

Too much screen time, especially just before bed, can affect your quality of sleep. Losing sleep, or not sleeping well enough, messes with your concentration and energy levels. Try muting notifications so you don't get pinged late at night: you'll feel fresher and more focused the next day.

Know how to deal with bullies

Sadly there are people online who enjoy picking on other users. If you ever feel like you're being bullied online - by anyone, not just someone from school - talk to a trusted adult about it. Together, you can discuss possible steps, such as blocking or reporting the person who's targeting you.

Manage online relationships wisely

Most people in a relationship chat to their partner online. Just be mindful that once you send a pic or message (even if it's private), you no longer control who else might see it. Messaging someone you've never actually met - and who might not be who they say - is definitely best avoided.

React well to inappropriate content

When you're researching something online, there's always a chance of finding content that makes you feel uncomfortable or upset. If this happens, you can report it as inappropriate and (hopefully) get it taken down. Tell a trusted adult what happened: they'll help you decide what to do next.

Report offensive in-game chat

If you game online with your mates, you'll know things can get competitive and heated on the in-game chat. Playing against people you don't know (especially if they're older) raises the risk of offensive comments and even threats. Our advice? Find out how to block or mute those bad losers.

Learn to spot fake news

If you're looking into a topic for homework or a project, be careful not to get taken in by fake news: content that's deliberately created to mislead people. Check the story with credible sources, like the BBC or Sky News. Trust your instincts, too - if it seems too unbelievable to be true, it's probably fake.

Keep it 'real' with online friends

Everyone enjoys adding friends and followers on social media. It's important, though, that the people you interact with online really are your friends. If they're just random people you've connected with to increase your contacts, you don't know if they could be trolls or bullies (or worse).



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Term Dates 2026 - 2027



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	School Holidays
	Public Holidays
	Inset Days

#	38 Week Residential Evening Return
*	38 Week Residential Leave

Southlands Children's Home —Safeguarding Poster

Who can I report a concern to?



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Southlands School - (Education) Safeguarding Poster

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All safeguarding concerns to be reported to D/DSL's within **1 hour**
Staff concerns ONLY to be reported to DSL/Principal/Regional Lead