



Southlands School

Newsletter

Week Commencing 23rd June 2025

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Letter from SLT

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has been a busy and exciting week full of enrichment activities and trips. Our Year 11 students enjoyed visits to Longleat and Thorpe Park as part of their ASDAN project. Year 7s took part in a STEM event in Southampton, and Year 8s attended a history festival, which was reported to be both engaging and fun.

Thank you to all the parents who attended our recent Parents' Council meeting. Ross Halford delivered a presentation on the PSHE curriculum and outlined some upcoming changes for next year. The meeting also provided a valuable opportunity to share feedback from the parent survey, as well as discuss plans for activity and residential trips for 2025–26. We will be sending out more information about these plans in due course.

A special thank you to our Inclusion Team for organising such a successful Sports Day. It was wonderful to see the whole school community come together to celebrate sport, with students demonstrating fantastic sportsmanship throughout the event. Medals will be awarded during our Celebration Day on the 18th.

Looking ahead, our Year 5, 6, and 7 students will be moving into their new classrooms next week as part of our transition preparations for September.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Curriculum Taster Day

On Tuesday the majority of Year 10 visited Brockenhurst College for a Curriculum Taster Day. The students were given the chance to dip into a variety of subjects and ask questions of the experts. The students came away with very positive views of the college. There was also an opportunity to ask questions of current Brock students. CM asked some very thoughtful and insightful questions. Most notable

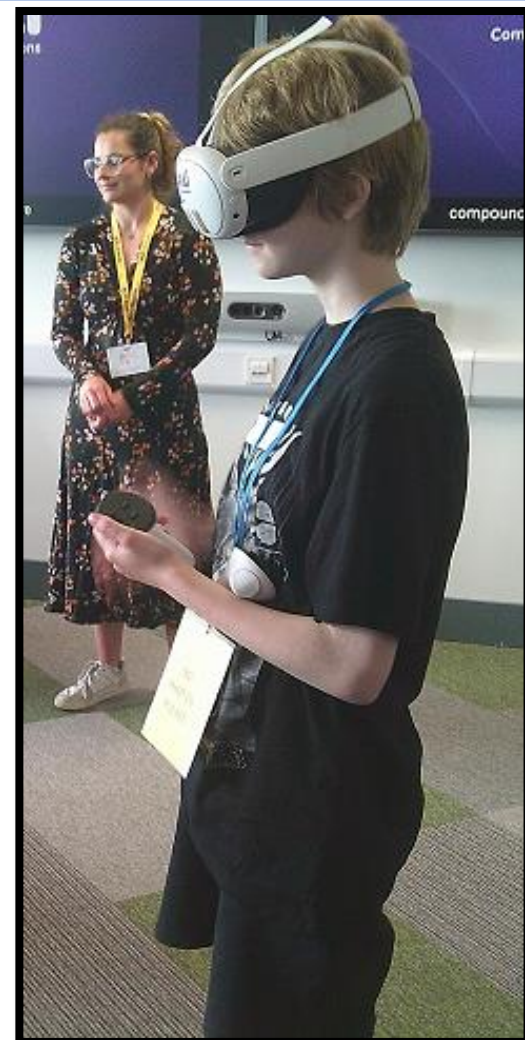
was the presentation of our students. It was noted that Southlands' students' behaviour and attitude were exemplary!



Oceanography Centre Trip

On Wednesday Year 7 and Lower Phase Group visited the Oceanography Centre in Southampton for a day of activities related to science, technology, engineering and mathematics. The students had the opportunity to take part in experiments, test out equipment used in the medical profession and experience state-of-the-art virtual reality headsets. Students were able to learn

about a variety of STEM careers and engage with industry professionals.



Sports Day

This year's Sports Day brought a great mix of fun, friendly competition, and creativity. The students participated in a variety of events, each offering its own challenge and entertainment.

The day began with an egg and spoon race—though in true school fashion, this was reimagined using tennis balls and rackets. Students took on the task with focus and balance, walking carefully with the little known “hands in pockets” method to keep things interesting.



The sack race was a definite crowd-pleaser, with plenty of energy on display. Some participants got so carried away that their sacks didn't make it to the finish line with them, adding to the laughter.



A classic 100-metre sprint brought out some serious speed, while the (plastic) javelin throw surprised us all with the impressive distances achieved.



Sports Day

The assault course proved a popular challenge, testing students' adaptability and determination across a range of obstacles. For something a bit more light-hearted, the boot throwing competition offered a chance to aim for distance and have a laugh in the process.



The day wrapped up with a series of tug of war challenges, pitting staff against students from various year groups. It was a fun end to a day full of effort, encouragement and enjoyment.



Cookery

Cooking and Healthier Alternatives

In cookery this week, we've been exploring healthier alternatives to some of our favourite dishes. We started the week with some students making cornflake-crusted fish goujons and homemade chips, focusing on reducing the use of flour and oils while enhancing the flavour with paprika and mixed herbs. We also made homemade lemonade using minimal sugar and sparkling water which was a huge success and a refreshing treat in the hot weather! Another highlight was baking apple and berry pies, with students making their own sweet pastry from scratch. Throughout the week, every student demonstrated incredible skill, patience, and focus. I was genuinely blown away by how much progress they've all made since January. I'm incredibly proud of each and every one of them!



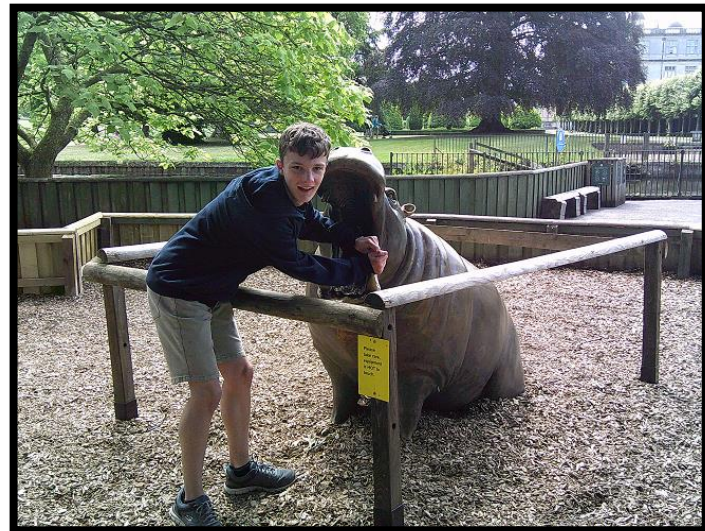
Year 11 Trips

Thorpe Park

On Monday, Year 11 and four staff went to Thorpe Park. They all went on some rides. We went on three rides which were Rush, Colossus and Tidal Wave. We all enjoyed all of them. Everyone agreed their favourite ride was Colossus because it was a fun and enjoyable ride and it had ten loops in it. Despite the long queue, it was still our favourite. When we went on the first ride we were waiting in the queue for 30 minutes. We got onto the ride got buckled up and the ride instructors double checked we were strapped in properly. Then they gave the thumbs up... we were flying up and down. The ride stopped we got off then we went to Colossus and waited for 50 minutes but it was worth it because it was very fun that is why it was our favourite ride. Then we got off and had lunch and discussed which ride to go on next. We finally decided to go on Tidal Wave. After that, we went to are last ride, which was Tidal Wave, we had to wait 45 minutes to get on. We got on and sat down and strapped in the worker double checked again - then we were off. We got to the top of the ride then we went down really fast and the there was a big splash and we all got a bit wet. After the ride was finished, we got off and collected our stuff and started to walk up the stairs. Then there was some very bad timing - we got splashed again and completely drenched by another boat. We were only walking past! We were going to go on one more ride as we had a bit more time but we couldn't decide so we went back to the bus and drove home.

Longleat trip

Upon arrival at Longleat we discussed which way we wanted to go. We decided to go through the Animal Kingdom first and saw lots of animals. We saw meerkats, porcupine, anteater, otters, red pandas and lots of other animals. We then went into the Secret Garden and saw all the beautiful flowers. During the Jungle Cruise; we saw monkeys on the land and we also saw sea lions which we were able to feed. After the Jungle Cruise we found a nice seating area to sit and have our lunch, following which we drove through the Safari. We saw lots of animals roaming around including giraffes, zebras, emus, flamingos, monkeys, antelope, elephant, rhinos, camels, tigers, lions, cheetahs, hyena and wolves. The monkeys climbed all over our bus, it was very funny! At the end of our visit an ice cream was enjoyed by all. We all agreed our favourite part of the day was the Safari but the boat ride was a very close second. The best animal we saw was Anne the elephant, however, the 'monkey madness' was the highlight of our day.



Year 8 – Chalke History Festival

On Wednesday Year 8 went to the Chalke History Festival in Salisbury. We enjoyed trying lots of different activities including making rope, watching a blacksmith making tools and a potter making old pots. We also tried morse code and surviving World War 1 in the trenches. All of the young people got stuck in and enjoyed looking back at how people used to live. We finished the day by watching a Falcon flying following commands from the trainer. It was a fantastic day and the year 8's were fantastic interacting with everyone there.



Primary 1 Reading

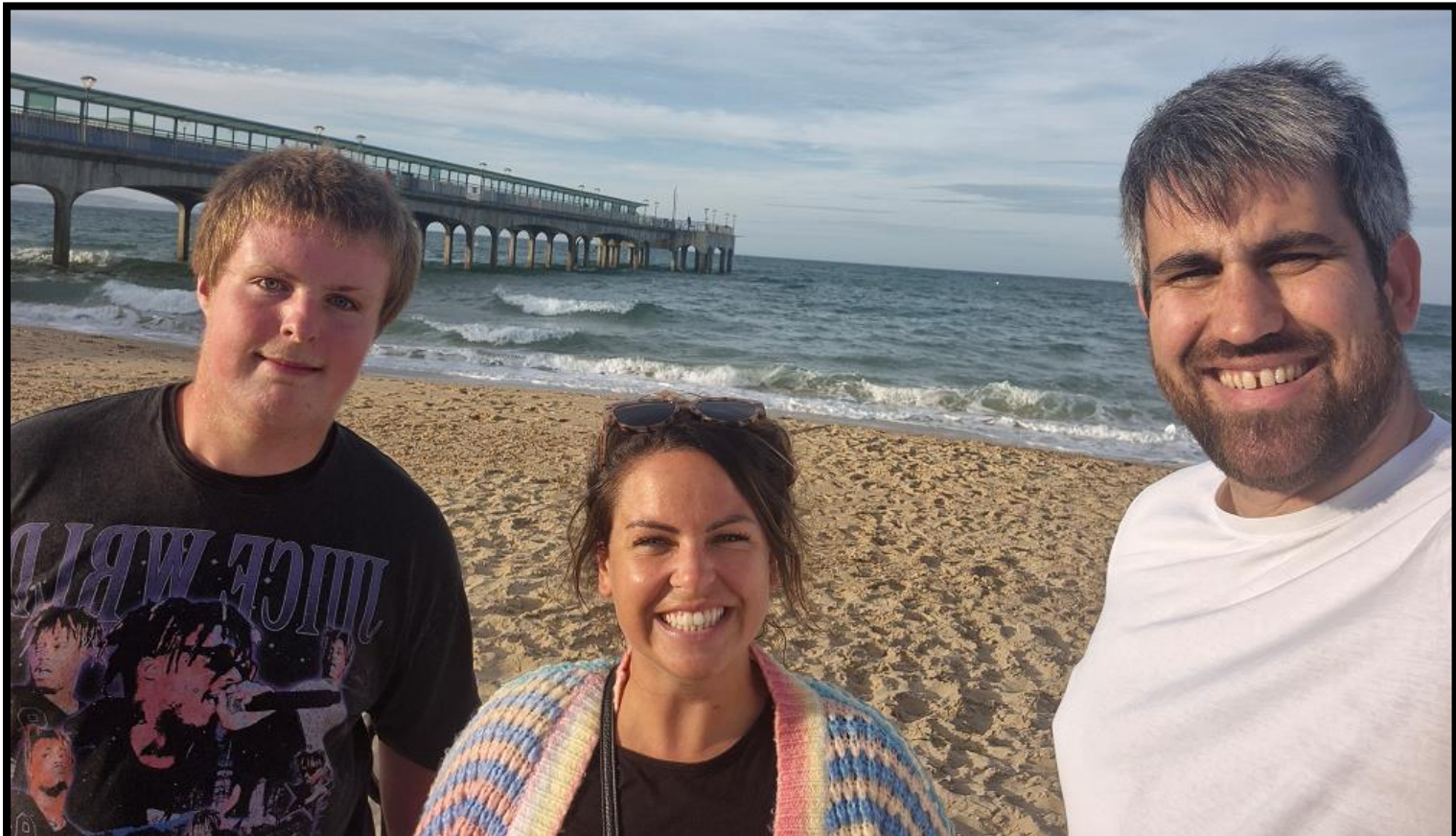
The Primary 1 students have enjoyed reading outside in the warm sunshine this week. Sitting on the grass with books in hand, they smiled and coloured as they explored fun stories.



The fresh air and bright day made reading even more exciting. It was a perfect way to learn and enjoy nature at the same time.

WS Beach Walk

This week WS had dinner and a beach walk, with metal detecting, as a reward trip with the Head and Deputy Head of Care. As you can see by their beaming faces they all had a great time!



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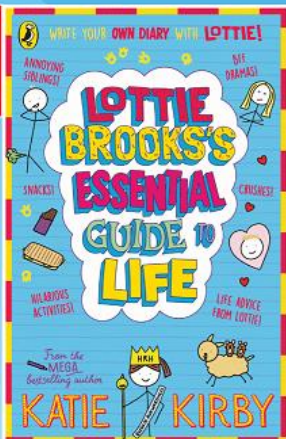


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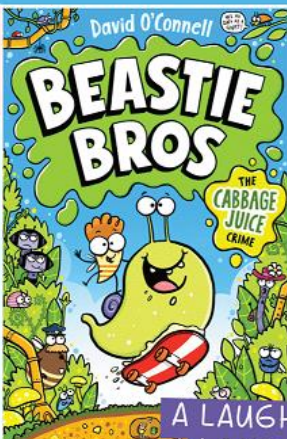
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SOUTHLANDS SCHOOL INVITE YOU TO OUR SCHOOL DISCO

Date: 3rd July 2025

Timings 18:00pm– 20:00pm

We will provide drinks and snacks

Please RSVP to let us know you will be joining us.

Your name _____

Please tick yes or no for your attendance Yes ☐ No ☐

Parental consent (Please print name and signature)

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

Southlands School Term Dates 25 - 26

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Term Dates 2025 - 2026



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Southlands Children's Home —Safeguarding Poster

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All safeguarding concerns to be reported within **1 hour**
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Principal/Regional Lead

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