



Southlands School

Newsletter

Week Commencing 29th September 2025

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Letter from SLT

Dear Parents and Carers,

We have had a sad ending to the week with the news of the passing of a long-term member of our Southlands staff, Jacqui Chilcott. Jacqui will be remembered for her sense of pride and style, along with her care for staff and children. We will be providing opportunities for staff and children to celebrate her contribution to Southlands and them as individuals. We trust you will have received the email and Social Stories which have been shared today.

It has been particularly lovely to see our new children settling in so well and beginning to form relationships with their immediate tutor group and the wider school community.

On Thursday some of the children had careers interviews. Further Information about this will be shared on an individual basis.

Please note we have the Scholastic Book Fair next week further information is contained in the Newsletter.

Do have a safe weekend, especially during the storm which is due to be here overnight!

Best wishes from the Southlands Team

Theatre and Fishing

Primary 1 and 2 ventured to the Mayflower Theatre on Wednesday for the Welsh National Opera Orchestra. They gave us a delightful introduction into the world of opera and classical music themed on a range of different birds. All of the students thoroughly enjoyed themselves and sat attentively throughout. It was a great show and we look forward to experiencing more like this.



Fishing club has been something one member of Primary 1 has been completely obsessed with, learning this new skill. With the help of a Year 11 student. He has learnt how to set up his rod, attach the maggots and hold a fish he caught!

The year 9 boys enjoyed some time fishing at the onsite pond. They were very happy to catch 3 tench. They learned how to take the hook out and release the fish back into the pond.



Coach House

TRT can now enjoy 15y old rated films, so he went to Showcase Cinema to see his favourite manga characters on Demon Slayer.



Cookery

In cookery this week we have been looking at the items you would find in your fridge and was delicious meals we could make, this week was frittatas. It was a great way to reduce waste, get extra vegetables and protein into our diets and not costs a fortune to make. Sometimes we just need to feed ourselves with what we have to hand rather than going to the shops. Also, a great way to utilise the yellow tag items in the supermarket with the cost of living crisis.



It gave the students plenty of time to show off their knife skills and presentation to make the dish as visually appealing as possible. They all did an excellent job and I'm looking forward to work in on my budget friendly dishes with them as the year goes on.



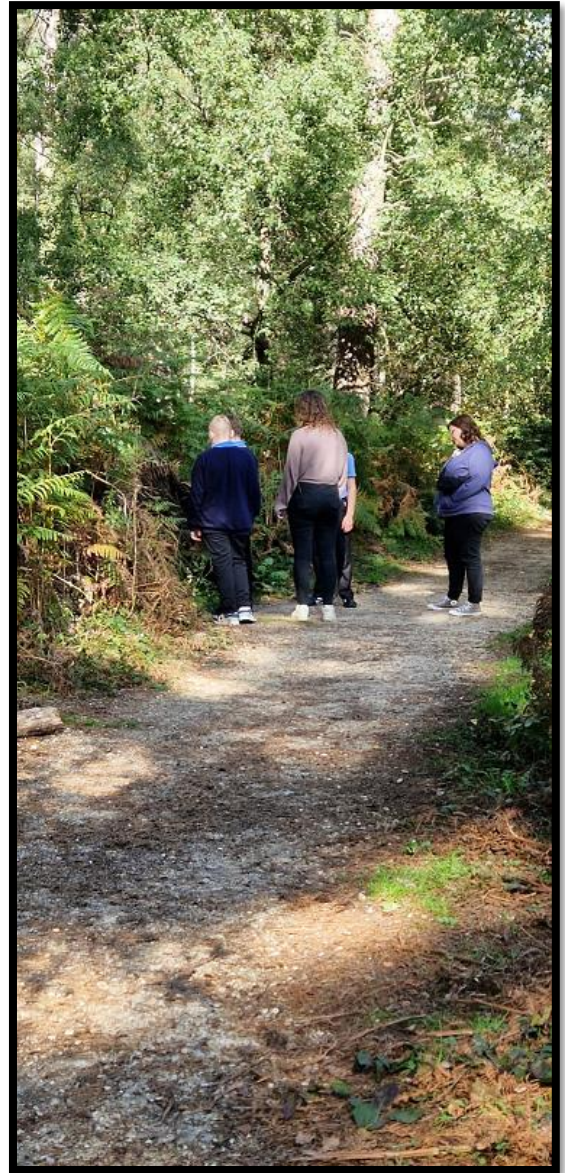
I'm most proud of the fact that it was a very heavy fruit and healthy choices week and not one of them grumbled or complained and all tried the end product and said they were surprised how good it was.

Excellent work everyone!

Outdoor Learning

We have had a busy and enjoyable week in outdoor learning. Most groups have now completed their time capsules, this has been such a fun activity and all young people participated well 😊 Some groups then took a trip to the local farm where we were able to handle the chicks, all young people did this with such care which was lovely to see.

After, we finished off with a walk around Norleywood, enjoying the lovely warm weather we have had this week.



Next week all groups will be participating in a forest litter pick so please can you ensure that all students bring in suitable attire for Outdoor learning!

Upper Phase Group

BB made a dessert for ASDAN. She chose a recipe, shopped at Tesco, and when she returned, made the sticky, but delicious, marshmallow-rice crispy treats, topped with white chocolate. Yum!



Setthorns



Setthorns young people have started on our Halloween decorations already. Everyone is very excited for Halloween and are eager to win best decorated house.

DT has been working on his script and is doing an amazing job. We are all very proud. Keep going DT. 😊

Book Fair

Book Fair

We will be hosting another Scholastic Book Fair from the 6th – 10th October this half term.

All students will have the opportunity to choose a book to keep in their tutor room at school.

Please see the attached Wishlist if you wish to purchase more books for your child – these will then be delivered to school the following week of the fair. Please ensure that Wishlists are returned to school so I know what has been ordered for your child.



Southlands School Term Dates 25 - 26

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Term Dates 2025 - 2026



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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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I can also report concerns to..



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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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