



Parent Communications

Date: 29 November 2019

Message from the Principal



A recent theme in our assemblies has been Aspire to Achieve. It's the school's motto, taken from a James Allen quote: "To desire is to obtain; to aspire is to achieve" and we spoke about how there is a difference between wanting something and achieving something. We looked at the Nobel Prize winners and reflected on the fact that many of the people who benefit the world the most are often not known to us. We also touched on celebrity and how some people aren't all that they "post" to be and I was really impressed with our students' awareness of mendacious propaganda on the internet in a way, that perhaps my own generation are not.

On another note I am so grateful to Academy Council member Trevor Crowter and local group Keep Lancing Lovely for all they do for the community. The A27 footbridge memorial garden - created in memory of those who died crossing the road there before the bridge was installed - to our great shame, had become completely overgrown and the volunteers have really brought it back to life. Last week we held a [moving rededication service](#) there as part of Road Safety Week. I hope this will become an annual event to remember those who lost their lives in such a tragic way.

Key Dates

Date and Time	Year group	Event	Notes
Friday 29 November 2019	Years 7-10 and Sixth Form	Inset Day	Year 11 in school for Aspire Day (see below)
Friday 29 November 2019 08:50-12:30	Year 11	Aspire Day	
Friday 20 December 2019 Dismissed at 12:45	All year groups	Last day of term	Students dismissed at 12:45

Trips and Events

Date and Time	Audience	Event	Location
Tuesday 3, Wednesday 4 and Thursday 5 December 19:00	Students/Parents/ Carers/Families/ Public	Christmas Production of <i>Great Expectations</i> (Tickets here)	SRWA Theatre
Friday 6 December	All year groups	SRWA Charity Bake Off (Students and Staff)	D109

Saturday 7 December 10:00-13:00	Students/Parents/ Carers/Families/ Public	SRWA Junior Band Christmas Concert and Craft Fair	SRWA
Monday 9-Thursday 12 December	All year groups	Book Fair	LRC
Thursday 12 December 15:00-16:30	Students/Parents/ Carers/Families	Book Fair	Reception
Friday 13 December	All year groups	Christmas Lunch and Wear it Festive Day	
Wednesday 18 December 19:00	Students/Parents/ Carers/Families/	Christmas Celebration	SRWA Sports Hall

Fixtures & Results

Fixtures

- 2 December - Year 7 Basketball at Littlehampton Academy, SRWA v Sion/TLA
- 3 December - Girls' U14 Football League, Angmering
- 3 December - Year 9 Basketball at St Andrews, SRWA v St Andrews/Worthing High
- 4 December - Year 9 Netball League, Steyning
- 4 December - Year 10 Basketball at St Andrews, SRWA v St Andrews/Worthing High
- 4 December - ABL Basketball Fixture, at home, SRWA v Northfleet Technology College
- 5 December - U16 Girls' Football League, Littlehampton Academy
- 5 December - Year 8 Basketball at Chatsmore, SRWA v Chatsmore
- 5 December - Year 11 Basketball at St Andrews, SRWA v St Andrews/Durrington
- 9 December - Year 7 Basketball at Angmering, SRWA v Angmering/Shoreham
- 10 December - Year 9 Basketball at Bohunt, SRWA v Bohunt/Durrington
- 10 December - U14 Girls' Football League, Angmering
- 11 December - Year 9 Netball League, Steyning
- 11 December - Year 10 Basketball at Chatsmore, SRWA v Chatsmore/Durrington
- 11 December - ABL Basketball Fixture at Maze Hill, London, SRWA v The John Roan School
- 12 December - Year 8 Basketball at home, SRWA v Steyning Rock
- 12 December - Year 11 Basketball at Bohunt, SRWA v Bohunt/Durrington
- 12 December - U16 Girls' Football League, Littlehampton Academy

Results

- The year 7 girls' basketball team fought a great battle against Worthing High. After leading 5-3 at half time, WHS came back strong in the 3rd quarter to lead 8-5 and managed to hold on to win the game 10-9 at the final whistle. Congratulations goes to SRWA's Heidi Freshwater who was selected player of the match by Worthing High.
- This week the year 8 girls' football team played their first friendly against Davison's winning 9-1. All girls battled hard but stand out performances from Honey, May, and Millie ensured we were always attacking and threatening to score. Well played team!

Successes and Congratulations

Excellence Awards (Awarded w/c 18 November)

- Hettie Hamilton** - outstanding achievement in Geography - amazing project homework
- Owen Whitehouse, Madison Collimore, Eric Nepal and Matilda Hancock** -for being part of SRWA's Debating Team at our Lady of Sion School and for being the youngest team in the competition
- Fionn Caulfield** - for helping out at ACE group

William Black - commended for asking for a job in his lunchtime and picking up litter
R-Jay Angell - commended for asking for a job in his lunchtime and picking up litter
Olivia Mercik - outstanding achievement in English, for winning the spelling competition
Emily Topliff - for being the best buddy to a new student
Keira Sheppard - for outstanding achievement in biology, an amazingly detailed biology book

Excellence Awards (Awarded w/c 25 November)

Rosanna Griffiths, George Brigden and Harry Southam - for winning the debating competition
Alisha Yates - excellence in mathematics and works very hard from start to end of lesson
Poppy Gleave - outstanding student in the first year 7 drama assessment of the year
Ryan Craft - attitude to learning and taking responsibility for GCSE mock catch-up
Danny Kimmins - attitude to learning and taking responsibility for GCSE mock catch-up
Beth Humphrey - for compiling a poem for the Footbridge Memorial Service
Casey Walker-Cross - for compiling a poem for the Footbridge Memorial Service
Kai Hunter-Faherty -for superb scores on spelling tests
Quinn Hannon - for excellent work in chemistry, excellent contribution in class, good test results
Millie Wild - for amazing attitude in RE, revised loads, most improved student for sure
Anh Nguyen - for taking responsibility

Student Librarians

Our wonderful Academy student librarians have worked very hard this term helping peers, tidying and shelving mountains of books and generally being brilliant!

Well done and thank you to: Nicholas Mann, Daisy Phillips, Angel Rossetti, William Black, R-Jay Angell, Jessica Hillman, Liam Hannigan, Oliver Measor, Leo Baker, Soraya Mesquitta, Jasmin Harvey, Casey Back, Phoebe Hopgood, Meilia Hoare, Imogen Huntley and Meghann Brattle.

Updated Clubs list

Click here for the latest updated [extra curricular clubs](#) information.

Reminder - Arbor

All parents! Please download the Arbor app.

All communications from the Academy are now digital. Arbor works best on the app or desktop compared to a mobile browser. You can quickly and easily access information about attendance, behaviour and sign trip consents while on the go. Full Arbor info on our website [here](#).

Downloads: iOS App link [here](#). Android app link [here](#).

Reminder for Year 11 Families: Apply to W6

We are now open for applications to our sixth form, W6. Interviews start now. [Apply here](#). Students who have already applied will shortly be invited to interview.

Chelsea FC Partnerships News



We are delighted to announce that we have teamed up with Chelsea FC Foundation to develop a [football academy](#) based here at SRWA for sixth formers. This makes us the only sixth form in the area to offer academy level coaching in two sports; basketball, with the Sussex Bears, and now football. Interested year 11 students will get the opportunity to try out for a place on the Chelsea programme, which will enable them to study professional football qualifications alongside their academic courses at W6.

Details of trials will be announced in due course. In the meantime, interested students should [apply to W6 online](#) and select Chelsea Football Academy as an option in the subject selection section. If you have any questions about the football academy, please contact enzo.benn@chelseafc.com, Chelsea FC Foundation Sussex Schools Officer, now based at SRWA.

Spotlight on...Sixth Form

We are excited to announce the appointment this week of two Head Students for sixth form. Congratulations to Grace Kirpal and Archie Fletcher, who were voted in by their peers following a hustings event at which they had to present their vision for the sixth form and the wider school. They were subsequently put through an interview process with Mr Scanlon to talk through their ideas. They have got off to a great start with introducing a new system for student feedback. We look forward to their contribution to the wider school and wish them luck in their new roles.

Reminder

Please [follow us on Twitter](#) and [like our Facebook page](#) to stay up to date with all school news.

Careers

Year 11 Careers Interviews

At this time of year, all year 11 students are entitled to have a one-to-one careers meeting with Ms Morley to discuss their future plans for year 12. If students have any questions about how to make their appointment please contact Ms Morley on amorley@srwa.co.uk to discuss.

Year 13 Apprenticeship Opportunities

Apprenticeships at Google. Application deadline January to start work October 2020.
[Software development apprenticeship](#) - [Digital marketing apprenticeship](#) - [Infrastructure technician apprenticeship](#)

Safeguarding

For Road Safety Week there were a number of events, lessons and assemblies around the importance of taking care on the roads. Year 11 students had a performance of "The Passenger" from the Box Clever Company highlighting the importance of taking care when in friend's cars. KS3 students also had assemblies on the importance of taking care on the roads, both as cyclists and pedestrians. We would urge all parents to discuss the journey that their children make to and from school and reinforce the messages around taking sensible precautions when using the roads, especially those that travel by bike.

SEND

Events for Parent/Carers of Children with SEND

[Boost the bond - The best relationship with your child](#)
[Barnardos's Dice teen safety programme](#)