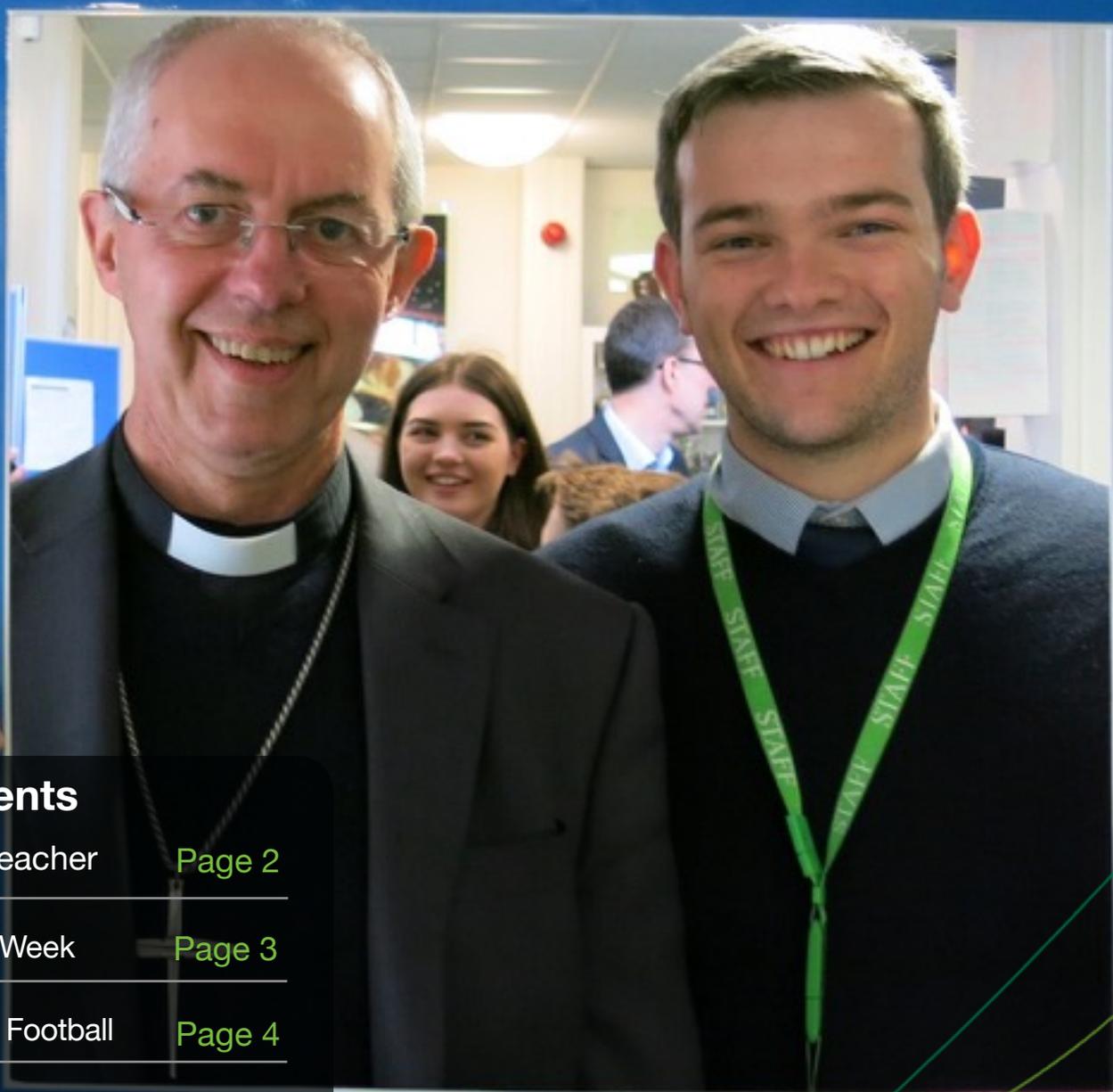


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Archbishop of Canterbury officially opens our new music hub

Incredibly successful Half Term!



Since the return from Easter there have been many positive events at Southam College.

We have had a number of high profile visitors, for example the Archbishop of Canterbury and the Attorney General and local MP, Jeremy Wright. It was wonderful to see them engage in high level intellectual debate with students from our Key Stage 3 Debating Society and Sixth

Form students during their visit.

This last half term also saw our annual Charity Week. It was great to see the support given by students and staff to raise money for the 'Make a Wish' charity. I must make mention of the 24 hour football event which highlighted the fitness and resilience of our students and staff ; I participated for a short space of time and the bones still ache so I congratulate everyone who made this such a memorable experience. I am pleased to say that these types of events are not isolated beacons of success at Southam, but part of our everyday culture. In the coming term I know there are more events being planned which will allow students to

succeed academically and help them to develop their character as they transition from students to articulate and skilled adults.

The last term has also seen students in Key Stage 4 and 5 start their GCSE and 'A' level examinations. Whilst this can be an intense time, I have been really impressed with the mature attitude with which students have approached their examinations. I would also like to offer my heartfelt thanks to staff for all the extra revision sessions they have been running for students.

Have a lovely half term everyone.

Mr Samra, Headteacher

Charity Week 2018



Charity Week 2018 was another resounding success!

From Monday to Friday Southam College was bustling with students' enthusiastic participation in charity fundraising. On Monday we had student led sports events: raising money for Make A Wish through pay-and-play rugby conversions, obstacle courses and nerf gun shoot outs. On Tuesday and Thursday we had the classic bake sale with delicious baked goods produced by a range of students from

across all year groups. On Wednesday our school hall was alive with fete activities - 8GV4's highlight was when Mr Samra had a go at their yucky dip. On the evening before the last day, we had the Archbishop of Canterbury donating his spare change in our Head of House charity pots. Then, on the Friday we had the charitable act of Phillipe Etienne shaving his head for Make A Wish; he made over £100 through donations. Overall, the week was outstanding and the students out did themselves.



24 Hour Charity Football



WE DID IT !

From Friday 4th to Saturday 5th May 2018, 139 students and 20 staff members from Southam College, Byfield and Southam Primary School took part in a 24 hour football challenge. The event was an incredible success, from the primary schools kicking things off, right through to the Southam College students finishing it up.

A special mention goes out to the year 9, 10 and 11 boys for keeping the games flowing throughout the overnight period. The students fought sleep, fatigue and the temptation of playing Fortnite all for the good of the cause. Year 11 student Addison Smillie deserves a big shout out after playing from 12am-4am and dancing along with the teachers' questionable music choices throughout, a truly heroic feat. Another big up for the amazing year 7 and 8s who

turned up at 8am to rescue the overnight group and with their energy, re vitalised the event. Another absolutely outstanding effort, and without you this achievement would not have been accomplished! Special shout-outs must also go to Year 10 student Maisie Bowmaster who helped with the organisation of teams for 5 hours straight, and also Jordon Oliver, Dom Earle, Leyton Merrick and Brock Cooper for staying overnight and until the finish on Saturday!

The PE department would like to thank each and every student who took part in this massively successful charity event. Also, personally I would like to thank the staff team of Mr Phillips, Mr Lowdon, Mr Johnson, Mr Kelly, Mr Elkerton, Mr Samra and Mr MacGibbon who were absolutely phenomenal in the running of this event. We could not have done this without you!

Mr Ginger





New Sports Hall for Southam College

We are delighted to announce that Southam College has successfully secured funding to the value of £2.5million pounds for a new Sports Hall.

Although we have some obstacles to overcome in regard to appropriate planning permissions, the new Sports Hall will hugely enhance provision for students and staff. The local community will also have full access to this facility out of school hours.

Thanks to all staff who worked hard to put the bid together, and in particular to Sue Miller, Finance Director for Stowe Valley MAT, who was the driving force behind the project.

In total £3.8 million has been secured for primary and secondary schools in the Stowe Valley Multi Academy Trust from the Department of Education. This funding will be used to provide students with very best educational facilities so that they can all fulfil their amazing potential.

Eurovision Song Contest House Competition

A big congratulations and thank you to all those that entered the "Eurovision Song Contest" House competition.

We had a lots of lovely fact files and posters showing off all the wonderful Countries that enter the competition. All entrants have earned HAPS
The overall winner was James B for year 7 Shakespeare who entered a video of him singing the Irish national anthem.

- 1st - James B - 7SE1 - Sang the Irish national anthem**
- 2nd - Sophie S - 9WGA (shakespeare) - Fact file on every country**
- 3rd - Ruby J - 7GV2 - poster**
- 4th - Meggie M- 7GV2 - poster**

We also had a tutor sweepstake where each tutor predicted the winners of the competition. Here are the winners!

- 1st - 9WGA**
- 2nd - 7SE2**
- 3rd - 7SE1**
- 4th - 9SE5**

Thank you to all that entered.





Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Practice Expedition

In our first year of running the D of E Bronze Award, eighty four students from Y9 and Y10 took part in their two days and one night practice expedition in South Warwickshire. Each of the fourteen teams walked between fifteen and twenty miles over the two days with all of their kit including tents and cooking equipment. Well done to all of those who participated in this expedition, one of the toughest physical challenges students in this age group can take part in. Also thanks to Mrs Stevens, Mrs Del Torre and Jo Brough for volunteering their time to help out over the weekend.



In June the students will once again do an expedition: this time the qualifying expedition which will take place in the Peak District over the weekend of 23rd/24th June.

Good luck to all those involved!

Park Lane Visit Yamaha Headquarters



Park Lane were invited to spend the day at the Yamaha Headquarters in Milton Keynes where they were given a very professional experience of recording their own song, Jade and Gold.

They got to choose top of the range instruments from the Yamaha Showroom, had a recording session in Yamaha's Live Room, had a photo shoot and made a music video.

A massive thank you to Martin Gallagher and Yamaha Music for giving Park Lane such a brilliant day.



Buddhist Visit

On April 27th, in Philosophy and Ethics, Year 8 students had a visit from a local Buddhist monk. He spoke to students with regards to practising the Buddhist religion. Students experienced meditation first hand and also gained a real insight into how Buddhism is practiced. Students asked great questions on key philosophical topics and moreover learnt what it means to be a Buddhist in today's society.



Thank you to The Hermitage Centre for this memorable experience!

Mrs Thomas, Head of Philosophy and Ethics

Concert Orchestra entertain the residents of Galanos House



The **Concert Orchestra** entertained residents of **Galanos House**. The residents enjoyed the classics and singing along to some favourites. They were very impressed by our four soloists: Mia Whiteman, Finn Harris, Seb Correia and Nils Talue. This was a brilliant experience for our musicians who have seen first hand how music can bring people of all generations together.

Well done to all the musicians involved - you really made a difference.



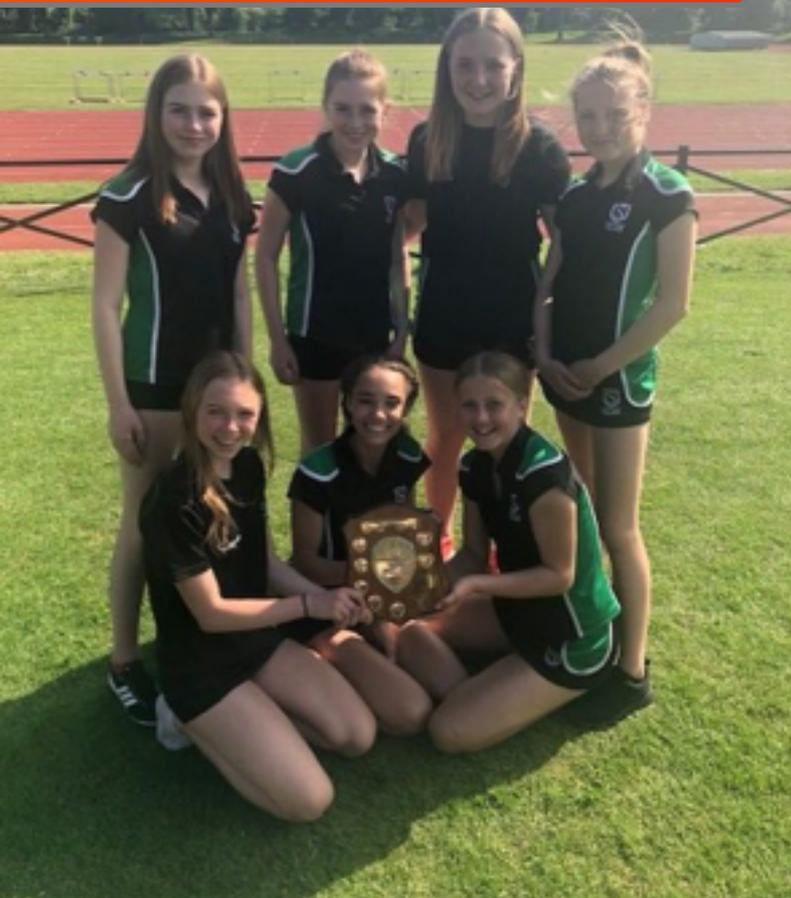
Sports News

TOWN CHAMPS 2018 (years 9 & 10)

15th May - teams from years 9 and 10 competed in the Central Warwickshire Athletics at Edmonscoote. Outstanding performances from Izzy Alexander who won her discus event, Rositsa Gugutkova won her 1500m race, Georgia Eversden won her 800m with a time of 2:34 and Sarah Costa came 2nd in both her long jump and javelin events. Owen De Souza came 2nd in his 800m race, Oscar Wall came 3rd in the 100m race and Mackenzie Spillman-Penn came 3rd in the shot put.

Overall a great day out with lots of success! The greatest achievement of them all was the year 9 girls team winning the whole competition for their year group! Well done to everyone who took part.

Miss MacLachlan, Mr MacGibbon, Mr Ginger and Miss Chadwick



Equestrian News

Well done to Leila Scott in year 10 who competed in her first dressage test of the year at Onley Grounds Equestrian Complex. Leila was the only junior in her group and was placed 6th.

Great achievement!



GCSE PE EXTERNAL MODERATION 2018

On behalf of the PE department I would like to say a massive thank you and well done for all the outstanding performances on moderation day.

The moderator said some of the activities were a fantastic standard and a pleasure to watch. There were some brilliant individual efforts (Max Crump, Carly Lucas, Tommy Driscoll, George Iacovides, Katie Cummings, Luke Padmore & Aoife Williams to name just a few) but I was really proud of everyone's hard work, team work and professionalism on the day. I said you were amazing and you were!

Well done everyone. Mrs Mellor



Athletics



9th May - students from years 7-10 represented Southam at round 1 of the Athletics Cup. The boys year 7/8 team had an amazing day, Rhys Bennett jumped 1.32m in the high jump event, Eric Stanley won his discus and Eden Wood and James Taylor came first and second in their shot put! Tom Parkin-Neal won his 100m and the relay team smashed their event!

The girls 7/8 team also had successes with Madeleine Jacks winning her 800m by 3 seconds with a time of 2.39.2! Tully Peacocke got a PB for her 200m, Ruby Irving jumped 1.39m in the high jump and Elspeth Unitt won her 1500m race comfortably with a time extremely close to 5 minutes. The relay team also won with Ruby Wood on the last leg overtaking 3 other students!

The year 9/10 girls team had a few less people but still managed to have success: Georgia Eversden won her 800m race pushing right to the end, the relay team came second, against extremely tough competition! The 100m and 200m runners worked hard to finish 2nd and 3rd and Ana Lovett finished top 4 in her 800m!

Overall, a fantastic day out, a lot of tough competition and a lot of success for Southam College! Athletics season has definitely arrived!

Miss MacLachlan, Mr Macgibbon, Miss Chadwick and Mrs Turton



Warwickshire Schools Combined Events Athletics Championships



3rd May - Congratulations to our Combined Events Athletes who competed in the Warwickshire Schools event.

Owen De Souza and Josh Farrell flew the Southam College flag in the Junior Boys category, both producing some solid performances, especially Owen in the Hurdles and 800m.

The Team of the Day were the Yr 7 Minor Boys, who were consistent across the 4 disciplines. Jake Haden finished in 36th, Max Shirley 14th, James Pelter 8th and Jonathan Ingram in 5th place overall. As a result we did very well as a team and ended up as the 3rd team, beating some schools with strong athletic traditions as a result!

Well done to you all and it's a promising start to a busy period of Athletics from the school teams!



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P.E. DEPARTMENT

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