



Southend High School for Girls

AN ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Friday 4th February 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Please find below information and updates from this week.

Extra Bank Holiday

There is an additional Bank holiday on Monday 6th June, which is an exam date for students. On this day, the following exams will be taking place:

Morning - GCSE German; Chinese

Afternoon - A Level: English Lang; Economics

Students who are affected will receive further information shortly.

Post 18 Pathways: Introduction to Law

We were joined this week by Jeremy, a practising barrister, who has kindly offered to take time out of his work schedule to support students in KS4 and KS5 to give an insight into careers in law, as well as offering some smaller group workshops to develop the skills necessary to make a successful application to study Law. The sessions were very informative and we are delighted to see the interest in pursuing this career from students in years 10-12. Further details will follow regarding the workshops to all those students who have indicated their interest. A huge thank you to Jeremy for his support with this new venture.

Thorpe Bay Rotary Club Young Writer Competition

Congratulations to Nathan P in Year 13 who has been awarded second place in the Local Rotary Young Writer Competition (Senior) with his entry '*Tree Metaphor*'. The judges praised the high standard of all the the entries and Nathan's entry will be forwarded to the Rotary District 1240 competition. We hope that students of SHSG continue to enter the youth competitions organised by Thorpe Bay Rotary Club.

Cursed Pen Competition

We are pleased to announce the winners of 'the Cursed Pen' Halloween Writing competition. Congratulations to the following students:

First place was awarded to Nathan P with '*Handmade Feathers*'.

Key Stage Four winner was Connie B with '*Walking Nightmare*' .

Key Stage Three winner was Mathi S-K with '*The Elemental Beast in the Woods*'.

The standard of entry was even higher than the previous competition, and all the students who entered can be proud of their work.

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Rose Coloured Glasses

On Wednesday 2nd February there were two performances of Rose Coloured Glasses in the Drama studio which was written and directed by Nyah W in Year 13. Nyah's play was runner up for the 2021 National Theatre New Views Student Playwriting competition. Congratulations to all students involved in this wonderful production.



Parent Questionnaire

Thank you to all parents that have completed the questionnaire that was sent out earlier this week; we really appreciate you taking the time to do this. For those parents that have not yet completed it, the link is [here](#).

Key Dates

The calendar on our website is regularly updated and contains key dates of activities and events that are taking place in school. A full list can be found [here](#). There is also the option to download/sync the calendar to your mobile phone from the website.

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours faithfully,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jason Carey".

Jason Carey
Headteacher