



Southend High School for Girls

AN ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

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Friday 9th September 2022

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

Welcome back to the new academic year at SHSG. We have had a wonderful first week of the autumn term. A warm welcome to our new Year 7 and Year 12 students who are starting their journey with the SHSG family. We wish all students a successful year ahead. The senior team and I have been very proud this week of our Years 8-11 and Year 13. I have seen countless examples this week of students helping new Year 7s and Year 12s to find their way to rooms and to find their way around school. These acts of kindness are unprompted by staff and echo the family values of the school.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce and welcome new staff that have joined SHSG:

Senior staff:

Ms Boyson - Assistant Headteacher and teacher of Religious Studies and English

Miss Manning – Assistant Headteacher and teacher of French and Spanish

Teaching staff:

Miss Bond – Trainee Teacher of English

Mr Child – Teacher of Business Studies

Miss Cowper – Teacher of Music

Miss Durrant – Teacher of Geography

Mr Escott – Teacher of Media

Mrs Fellowes – Head of Psychology

Miss Graham – Teacher of Maths

Miss Harvey – Trainee Teacher of History

Mr Madigan – Second in charge of Chemistry

Mrs Miller – Teacher of Psychology

Mrs Page – Teacher of Drama

Miss Putt – Teacher of Physics

Mrs Rider – Teacher of Religious Studies

Miss Seco – Teacher of Maths

Support staff:

Mr Attack – Caretaker

Mrs Dexter – Student Counsellor

Mrs Ettridge – Exams Assistant (starting later in September)

Mrs McFee – Exams Officer

Miss Stiles – School Support Team Assistant

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Oxbridge preparation

Our new Assistant Headteacher, Ms. Boyson is leading the school's Oxbridge programme. Ms. Boyson is a graduate of Emmanuel College, Cambridge and has put together a comprehensive schedule to inspire and support students from Year 7 to Year 13. Currently, Ms. Boyson is working with Year 13, supporting them with early entry applications. Year 12s will be targeted next to engage in a range of activities from essay writing competitions, interview support and general enrichment for those students wishing to apply for Oxford and Cambridge. We will be encouraging as many students as possible to be part of this exciting new programme.

In addition, we would welcome any involvement from parents who are Oxbridge alumni if they would like to contribute to our Oxbridge programme.

School Photos on Monday 12th September

Carmel Jane Photography will be visiting our school on Monday to take the Individual Photos for students in year **7, 10 and 12**. Parents are requested to pre-register before the photography date above to enable access to your child's photographs. Registration only takes a minute - please visit www.carmeljane.com and enter this code:

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You will then be asked to pre-register with your child's full school register name. Once registered, as soon as the photos are available you will receive an automatic email notification to inform you that your child's photos are now ready to be viewed and can be purchased.

Careers events this September with YPUK

For students considering a career in Business, Accounting, Finance, Engineering or Technology, we have something we think you might be interested in!

As always at the start of a new academic year, we like to make a big splash in the student space by offering a variety of different multi-employer careers-focused events.

One thing we do know is that all of you will be continuously looking for ways to enhance your CV / Personal Statement through attending Insight Events and online webinars as well as perhaps gaining some possible work experience.

We have three huge events coming up this September where we will be joined by some of the world's biggest employers from some of the most exciting sectors.

Some of the employers include - PwC, Goldman Sachs, KPMG, British Airways, BT, Mazars, Grant Thornton, Siemens and Mott MacDonald to name a few. Upon completion of each event you choose to sign up for, you will be awarded a certificate which you can add to your CV. Prizes will be awarded across the evenings.

Event Details:

[Technology Event](#) 19th September 5:00pm–7:00pm

[Business, Accounting & Finance Event](#) 20th September 5:00pm–7:00pm

[Engineering Event](#) 21st September 5:00pm–7:00pm

Please visit the [YPUK](#) website here for more information.

Year 7 Colour Run

This exciting event is taking place on Tuesday 20th September. Year 7 parents have been sent a separate email from Mrs Symes about this, please follow the instructions in that email and complete the online form to give permission for your daughter to take part no later than **Tuesday 13th September**.

Calling all budding cake designers

Would you like to be part of designing the SHSG birthday cake this year? If you would like to be part of the planning, please put your design ideas on paper and hand in to the pink box or to Mrs Francis or Mrs Roe in food tech room. Your designs need to represent SHSG and be fairly uncomplicated as it will be made by Year 11 food captains. The deadline is 19th September.

U16 All England Ski Champion

Anna S in Year 11 spent the summer holidays ski training in Peer, Belgium and on dry ski slopes in the UK. She raced in the All-England Dry Slope Ski Championships in Chatham at the end of August, and after putting in some competitive fast runs won the championships! Anna is now the *U16 All England Champion* and was placed 2nd overall All England fastest female! Congratulations to Anna on this fantastic achievement!

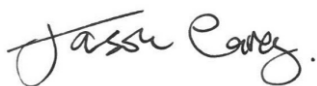


Key Dates

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](#).

Have a lovely weekend.

Yours sincerely,



Jason Carey
Headteacher