



# Southend High School for Girls

AN ACADEMY GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Southchurch Boulevard, Southend-on-Sea, SS2 4UZ

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Thursday, 13<sup>th</sup> July 2023

Dear Parents, Carers and Students,

## END OF TERM ARRANGEMENTS AND EVENTS

In the lead up to the end of term, I thought it would be useful to have a round up of the upcoming events and to remind you of the end of term arrangements.

### **Planet Action**

On **Friday 14<sup>th</sup> July** students will bring one item (clothes / books / new toiletries etc – no larger than a cereal box) to support the Eco Bring and Buy on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July** (remember to bring cash to purchase items). In return for bringing this item, students will not need to donate money for the non-uniform day on **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**.

### **SHSG Awards Evening - Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

#### **Reminder for Parents/Carers of Students Receiving an Award**

Our annual Awards Evening is taking place at the Palace Theatre, Westcliff on Sea, on Monday 17th July. The event starts at 7.00pm. On the Monday evening the theatre doors will be open from 5.30pm onwards. All award winners must have registered and have taken their seats in the auditorium by 6.15pm at the latest in order for us to make the final preparations. Guests will be able to take their seats from 6.30pm. Refreshments will be available on the evening from the theatre bar. We are looking forward to celebrating with students on the night. Congratulations to all students who have been selected to receive an award.

### **Big Band and BBQ, Tuesday 18th July**

Tickets are on sale on ParentPay for our upcoming Big Band and BBQ event on Tuesday 18th July, starting at 5:30pm. The Big Band will perform an eclectic mix of Soul, Swing, Jazz-funk, and some iconic pop arrangements too - you can either book an individual or a family ticket, with or without food. Drinks and ice creams will be available to purchase. We look forward to seeing friends and families as we approach end of term celebrations. Thank you to our wonderful music students who are working hard in preparation for this event.

### **Culture Day - Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July**

Culture Day is on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July. The aim of the event is to celebrate and learn about the different cultures within school. Students can wear clothes representing their culture(s). A donation of £2 is requested for Culture Day. This is payable on Parent Pay and proceeds will go to UNICEF.

#### **Guidance for non-uniform on Culture Day:**

- Clothes to represent your child's culture and identity.
- This can also be colours that represent a country or its flag.
- Students can also wear clothes to represent their music/sporting culture.
- Students can also wear clothes representing the colour of their house.

#### **Items not permitted:**

- Any clothes with slogans/language that anyone may deem as inappropriate.

If students have a PE lesson, they will need to bring their PE kit to change into.



### **Sports Day week and events**

Track heats for all year groups are taking place on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July**. These will take place during the following lessons:

Period 1 – Year 9  
Period 2 – Year 12  
Period 3 – Year 8  
Lunchtime – Hurdles (Year 7 – 10)  
Period 4 – Year 10  
Period 5 – Year 7

Competitors from Years 7 -12 that are competing in the heats should come into school in their PE kit with the option of a t-shirt of their house colour. All non-competing students will attend school in normal uniform.

Students that are competing and are also attending Awards Evening will need to bring their full uniform into school if they are not going home prior to attending the Palace Theatre.

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> July** is Sports Day where the field events and track finals will take place. Year 7 will also participate in a mini games event run by the House Captains; this is for all Year 7 students that are not participating in a formal field event. **All students** should attend in their PE kit (sportswear for Year 12) and are permitted to wear a t-Shirt of their house colour. Students are also permitted to bring face paint and hair accessories into school to represent their house colours. Students will be able to apply face paint at the end of lunch in their form rooms under the supervision of their Form Tutor should they wish to.

The house colours for information are listed below:

APHRODITE	White
ARTEMIS	Red
ATHENE	Purple
AURORA	Orange
HERA	Yellow
HERMES	Blue

### **Arrangements for last day of term - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July 2023**

Students will be dismissed at 12.25pm on Friday, 21<sup>st</sup> July. Please note that food will be available to purchase at break, but the canteen will not be providing lunch on this day.

Rossi's ice-cream van will be on site situated by the sandwich hut during breaktimes on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> July, Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> July** and the last day of term, **Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July**. Students will be able to purchase ice-creams, they will need to bring cash into school to do this.

### **Free School Meals**

If your child is entitled to a free school meal and you would like the school to provide a packed lunch for them on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July, please indicate on the form below.

### **Bus arrangements**

Any students who are unable to go home until their bus arrives and are unable to arrange alternative travel arrangements must stay in the library until the bus arrives at 3.30pm on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July. (Only Stephenson's buses will be collecting at 3.30pm. Ami Coaches and Maymist will be collecting at 12.30pm.) Students staying in school will be supervised and will need to bring a packed lunch. Students remaining in school will be registered in the library at 12.30pm and will not be permitted to leave until the bus collection at 3.30pm.

Please complete the '[form here](#)' if your child will need to stay in school until their bus arrives on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> July and to give information regarding Free School Meals. The deadline to complete this form is **on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> July**.

Yours faithfully,



Jason Carey - Headteacher