

Dear Parents,

SHOW RESPECT

During our whole school assemblies we have been focusing on our half termly behaviour curriculum theme – **Show Respect.**

As part of this, each week, we will...

To support pupils in understanding the importance of showing respect, for example focusing on what it looks like and sounds like as well as respecting different opinions and how to manage conflict respectfully.



What it looks like

- Using kind words and actions
- Listening to others
- Being polite and helpful
- Including everyone



What it sounds like

- Kind and positive language
- Listening without interrupting
- Respectful conversations
- Apologising when needed



Respecting different opinions

- Being open-minded
- Valuing others' views
- It's OK to disagree – be kind
- Learning from different perspectives



Managing conflict respectfully

- Stay calm
- Listen to each other
- Find a solution
- Ask for help if needed



It has been encouraging to see children already making a conscious effort to show respect towards others, even if this is holding open a door for staff, parents, visitors and children.



Small actions make a big difference!



Congratulations to our new School Council team for 2026-2027!

We look forward to working with you!

Agnes
Bonnie
Asriel
Tommy
Abdul
Maahir



Anir
Maximo
Sydney
Elyssia
Zidane
Logan

SEN Support Plan Drop In Session



If your child has an SEN Support Plan, their plan for the Autumn Term 2026 will be sent home this week.

The plan contains your child's new targets for this term, which will be reviewed at the end of the term.



You will receive two copies:

- One copy to keep at home.
- One copy to sign and return to school.



If you have any questions about the plan or your child's targets, Dr O'Brien, our Inclusion Leader, will be available in school on:



Monday 28th September
9:00 – 10:00am

This will be a drop-in session,

so there is no need to make an appointment – simply come along if you have any questions.



Otherwise, please keep one copy for your records and sign and return the other copy to school.

Thank you for your continued support.

Southfields Academy

Open Events 2026



"Your school's performance places it among the very best nationally, and this is a significant achievement. The success reflects the dedication of your staff and the hard work of your pupils. It shows what can be achieved when ambition and commitment come together. Thank you for everything you do to give children the best possible opportunities to succeed."

The Rt. Hon. Bridget Phillipson MP, Secretary of State for Education
January 2026 in reference to our 2024/25 outcomes for disadvantaged students

Autumn Term 2026 Open Events

Thursday 1 st October	08:45-10:15
Tuesday 6 th October	08:45-10:15
Thursday 8th October	17:30-19:30
Tuesday 13 th October	08:45-10:15
Wednesday 14 th October	08:45-10:15
Thursday 15 th October	08:45-10:15
Tuesday 20 th October	08:45-10:15

At all other times, we welcome visits during the school day, please email: sean.french@southfieldsacademy.com or phone: 020 8875 2661

EY-Y6 OPEN CLASSROOM

Parents are welcome to visit their child's classroom for a book look. Come along and see the fantastic work the children have completed so far!

THURSDAY 1ST OCTOBER
3:20-3:40pm



EY + Y1 PHONICS SESSIONS PARENTS INVITED

Early Years and Year 1 parents are invited to join their child's phonics lesson on:

TUESDAY 6TH OCTOBER
(9:00-9:25AM)

This is a fantastic opportunity to see how we teach phonics and learn how you can support your child to recognise sounds and blend words.



HOME LEARNING



Bonnie (Year 2)

Early life: P1

Virginia Hall was born in Baltimore in 1906 to a wealthy family but she decided to spend her early years pursuing higher education and languages before a tragic hunting accident changed her life path. She grew up as an adventurous child with her love for being an athlete. Virginia rejected the traditional expectations placed on a woman at the time. The injury in 1933, while on a hunting trip in a remote area of Turkey, her gun discharged accidentally shot her left foot. She learnt

to walk with P2 a wooden leg and humorously nicknamed it 'Cuthbert'. According to the National Archives she attempted to advance her athletic career but she got rejected because she had an amputated limb which was not allowed by the department. This occurred at the start of WW2.

Photo/image:



SOE career: P3

Hall was the first female agent for Britain's Special Operations Executive (SOE) to live and work under cover in Vichy, France. She was an American spy who worked for British and American intelligence during WW2 earning the nickname 'Lioness'. Posing as a journalist, she established the Hecquet network in Lyon which organized safe houses, supplied money and weapons to the resistance. After France was fully occupied by Axis forces (Germany, Italy and Japan) in late 1942 she escaped prison and walked 50 miles on a snowy mountain

she got captured P4 by Spanish guards.

Impact:

Virginia's impact during the war. She organized a critical French resistance network, securing high stakes sabotage and providing vital intelligence that paved the way for the D-Day invasion. Established the Hecquet network in Lyon and pioneered underground communication methods, safe houses, and supply drops for resistance fighters. Posing as an elderly French civilian she trained in guerrilla bands (the Maquis) in 1944, mapped drop zones and destroyed German reinforcements by blowing up German

Post war: P5

She became one of the first female officers for the CIA in 1947. She also tracked Soviet activities and communist movements in Europe and Iron Curtain countries. Male leaders often kept her at desk jobs despite her massive field experience. After 1966 she retired but unfortunately she died 16 years after her retirement.

Virginia Hall WW2 spy

Quick facts:

Born: 6 April 1906, Baltimore, Maryland, USA.

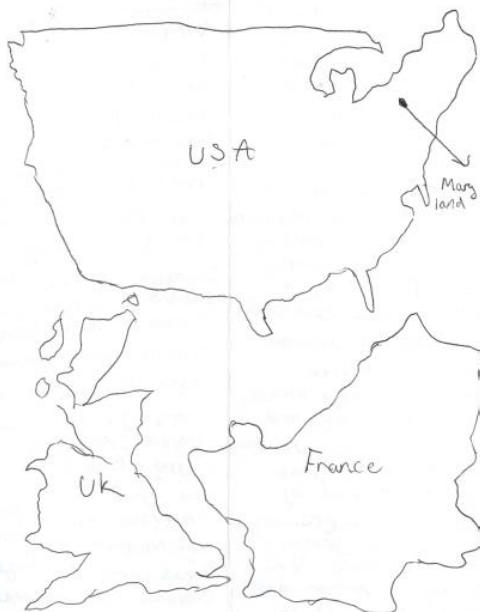
Died: 8th July 1982 (76 years old), Rockville, USA.

Education: Roland Park Country School (1924), American University, Barnard College, Radcliffe College.

Awards: Distinguished Service Cross, Croix de Guerre 1939-1945

by Zeeshan Xian-6

18/09/26



GOODBYES AND GOODNIGHTS – ONLINE PARENT GROUP

The SWLSTG Educational Wellbeing Service (EWS) has launched a new programme of online parent groups, which will be offered throughout the year on a rolling basis. Feedback from previous groups has highlighted that parents find not only the psychoeducation and practical strategies they learn in the group helpful, but also the opportunity to connect with other parents whose children may be experiencing similar difficulties.

This year, the SWLSTG Educational Wellbeing Service (EWS) will be offering two online group programmes for the schools we support:

- **Supporting Children with Sleep**
- **Goodbyes and Goodnights** (for parents of children who may find it difficult to settle at night or attend school in the morning due to worries or anxiety)

Parents can sign up directly using the link or QR code included on the flyer.

Please find below the flyer for our first group, **Goodbyes and Goodnights**, which will begin in October 2026. Additional groups will be offered throughout the year, and John Burns Primary School will send further flyers as recruitment opens for each programme. If you have any questions, please contact the SWLSTG Educational Wellbeing Service (EWS) team at ewsinfo@swlstg.nhs.uk.



South West London and St George's Mental Health NHS Trust

Education Wellbeing Service

Education Wellbeing Service Webinar

Through The School Gates: Overcoming daily challenges getting into school

There can be many challenges with supporting your child to get into school well and in as relaxed a way as possible.

This webinar aims to:

- Think about some of the different challenges that can be faced in the morning getting ready for school.
- Understand child anxieties using cognitive-behavioural approach
- Discuss ways to talk about worries
- Provide a step-by-step approach to building confidence with attending school should there be early school avoidance to prevent it becoming problematic.



DATE / TIME	LOCATION	DATE / TIME
Monday 5th October 7:30-8:30pm	Online - Hosted on Teams	Friday 9th October 1:00-2:00pm
 Scan the QR code or click here	Sign up to either event for free on Eventbrite by scanning the QR Code. You can also check out our other events by clicking here	 Scan the QR code or click here

wellbeinginschoolsevents@swlstg.nhs.uk



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Goodbyes and Goodnights Online Parent/Carer Group

Do you find it hard to get your child through the school/nursery gate?
Does your child struggle to separate from you?
Are you worried that your child might find it difficult to settle back into a routine after the school holidays?



Join our 4-session online group to connect with other parents/carers and learn new ways to support your child towards their independence.

Dates and Times:

Groups will be delivered online on the following Fridays - 2nd, 9th, 16th and 23rd October 2026 12:30pm-1:30pm. [Please click here to sign up.](#)

Further groups will be offered throughout the year.

If you are interested but cannot attend these dates/times please sign up and we will be in touch.



In many schools, we also provide free 1:1 early support for parents/carers of primary aged children to support their child's common worries and anxieties or support children's tricky or challenging behaviours. Please speak to your school to find out more.



Please scan the QR Code or [click here](#) to sign up.

Well done to following Times Table Rock Stars champions:

		Regular Rock Stars!
	Top of the Year 6 Leader Board	Logan
	Top of the Year 5 Leader Board	Ahad
	Top of the Year 4 Leader Board	Kye'lah
	Top of the Year 3 Leader Board	Asriel
	Top of the Year 2 Leader Board	-
	Top of the Year 1 Leader Board	-

Greatest TT Rockstars presence over the past week... **Year 3**

ATTENDANCE THIS WEEK

100%	Purple	Perfection!
97% - 99%	Blue	Excellent Attendance
95% - 96%	Green	Good – but room for improvement
91% - 94%	Amber	Cause for Concern
90% and below	Red	Persistent Absence

Reception	96%
Year 1	94%
Year 2	98%
Year 3	93%
Year 4	95%
Year 5	96%
Year 6	96%

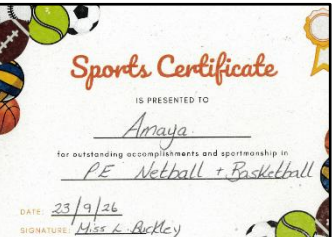
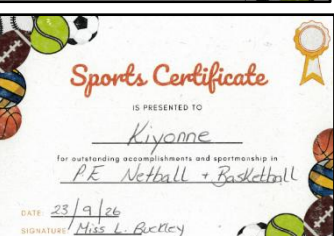
The classes with the highest attendance this week is Year 2 with **98%**

GOLDEN AWARD WINNERS

Every Friday at John Burns is Golden Award Assembly. The 14 golden winners for this week are:

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| ★ Makai Moxam | ★ Ga'Ziah Brown |
| ★ Malaya Allen | ★ Maria O'Mahony |
| ★ Bonnie Winter | ★ Maximo Garcia-Peterfi |
| ★ Jaxon Connor | ★ Asriel Williams-Agyemang |
| ★ Momin Hussain | ★ Athena Plummer |
| ★ Afaf Altayeb | ★ Kaysia Brissett |
| ★ Isabella Cortes | ★ Nooh El-Awad |

STAR MUSICIANS, SUPER LINGUISTS AND SPORTS STARS

 Star Musician THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Amos - Nguyen</u> for excellent work in music lessons! DATE: <u>21/09/26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Barry</u>	 Star Musician THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Nash</u> for excellent work in music lessons! DATE: <u>21/09/26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Barry</u>	 Star Musician THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Ka'lah</u> for excellent work in music lessons! DATE: <u>21/09/26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Barry</u>	 Star Musician THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Ariel</u> for excellent work in music lessons! DATE: <u>21/09/26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Barry</u>
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 Star Musician THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Alex</u> for excellent work in music lessons! DATE: <u>21/09/26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Barry</u>	 Super Linguist THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Mohammed Liban</u> for excellent work in Spanish lessons! DATE: <u>25.09.26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Ms. Garcia</u>	 Super Linguist THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Tommy Bick</u> for excellent work in Spanish lessons! DATE: <u>25.09.26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Ms. Garcia</u>	 Super Linguist THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Anir Madani</u> for excellent work in Spanish lessons! DATE: <u>25.09.26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Ms. Garcia</u>
 Super Linguist THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Isabella Cortes</u> for excellent work in Spanish lessons! DATE: <u>25.09.26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Ms. Garcia</u>	 Super Linguist THIS CERTIFICATE IS PRESENTED TO <u>Imogen Ryan</u> for excellent work in Spanish lessons! DATE: <u>25.09.26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Ms. Garcia</u>	 Sports Certificate IS PRESENTED TO <u>Amaya</u> for outstanding accomplishments and sportmanship in <u>P.E Netball + Basketball</u> DATE: <u>23/9/26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Miss L. Buckley</u>	 Sports Certificate IS PRESENTED TO <u>Keab</u> for outstanding accomplishments and sportmanship in <u>P.E Basketball</u> DATE: <u>23/9/26</u> SIGNATURE: <u>Miss L. Buckley</u>
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Have a lovely weekend!

Mr Grogan
Headteacher

DATES & EVENTS

Events may be subject to change and alteration

Autumn 1 Week 5	
Wednesday 30/09/26	Year 6 Swimming Session 4
Thursday 01/10/26	National Poetry Day 2026
Thursday 01/10/26	EY Wimbledon Tennis Session 3 (9:00-9:50am)
Thursday 01/10/26	Year 1 Wimbledon Tennis Session 3 (10:00-10:50am)
Thursday 01/10/26	EYFS to Year 6 Open Door Classroom visit for parents (3:20-3:40pm)
Autumn 1 Week 6	
Tuesday 06/10/26	EY + Year 1 Parents' Invited Phonics Session (9:00-9:25am)
Wednesday 07/10/26	Year 6 Swimming Session 5
Thursday 08/10/26	EY Wimbledon Tennis Session 4 (9:00-9:50am)
Thursday 08/10/26	Year 1 Wimbledon Tennis Session 4 (10:00-10:50am)
Friday 09/10/26	Year 1 – Year 6 Science Investigation Morning (9:00-10:00am)
Friday 09/10/26	Year 3/Year 4 Girls' Football Tournament (9:30am-2:00pm)
Friday 09/10/26	Year 6 Primary Ambitions 1:00pm – 3:15pm