

Dear All,

As we are drawing toward the end of this academic year I am able to reflect on how much has happened at SSPS over the past year. It has been positive in many aspects; I am particularly proud of the 'Good' OFSTED rating awarded to us in May 2018. The exams season has gone extremely well and we are looking forward to sharing results day with our students on **23rd August**. We also held an end of Year 11 celebration for the second time in a row which, once again this was a success, thanks goes to the Monks Yard for hosting this.

Looking forward to next year there are to be some changes with the use of some our buildings. In addition to this we are pleased to announce there will be a Pastoral Leader in each centre.

The location of the students will be as follows:

Site	Students	Pastoral Leader
<u>Dampier Street</u> Upper	Pupils with Medical and Mental Health needs in Years 7-11 Virtual Learning	Helen Service
Lower	Pupils in Year 11 who have been, or who are at risk of Permanent Exclusion.	Deanne Mahoney
SLT Member with responsibility for the Dampier Street: Richard Lucas		
<u>Wyndham View</u>	MY PRU (Middle Years) Pupils in Years 4-8 who have been, or are at risk of permanent exclusion. Head teacher School Business Manager 'Project Fusion'	Zoe Catterall
<u>Chard Site:</u>	Dedicated reengagement work with pupils in Years 9 and 10 who have been, or are at risk of, Permanent Exclusion	TBA
SLT Member with responsibility for Wyndham View and Chard: Rebecca Bennett		

The hospital classroom remains the same.

Head Teacher: Jo Simons

Designated Safeguarding Lead: Rebecca Bennett



We are also changing the start and end times of our school day.

From September, the times of our school day will be

9.45am-3.15pm

9.45-10.00	Arrival and Breakfast
10.00-10.45	Period 1
10.45-11.30	Period 2
11.30-11.45	Break
11.45-12.30	Period 3
12.30-1.00	Lunch
1.00-1.45	Period 4
1.45-2.30	Period 5
2.30-3.15	Period 6

School Transport have been informed and any students who receive transport to school will have their pick-up times adjusted accordingly.

Looking at Expectations:

Pupils have been working hard with senior staff to tell us what rules and expectations they think we should have in school, how we should reward them when they do well, and what sanctions would be appropriate if they struggle to meet basic expectations.

Pupils have been polite and well engaged in the conversations, and this has allowed us to redesign our rewards and sanctions for the new academic year.

We will implement a system of 'Non-Negotiables' for every pupil, with a clear set of rewards. Most importantly, we will tell you- their parents and carers, about all the good things pupils do, so that you can reinforce positive messages from school.

Parent and Carer Feedback:

You should have received a postcard which provides an online link to a parent and carer survey.

Your views and opinions are important to us. If you have not yet received the postcard, the link can be found at <https://gdpservices.co.uk/OnlineQuestionnaire.aspx?code=18576-23495-20238650> and we would be grateful for your comments.

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Uniform - Please remember it is a requirement for all students to wear an SSPS polo shirt and school jumper each time they are in centre. If you have any questions in regards to uniform please speak to your child's Pastoral Leader.

Smoking – All pupils are searched for smoking materials on arrival at school. Any smoking equipment found on students will be confiscated and held for collection by a parent/carer. This is to ensure the safety of all users of our sites.

Mobile Phones – Mobile phones must be handed in at the start of the day. Pupils can have them returned at break and lunch times as long as they then hand them back in when they go back to classes.

Fizzy Drinks – Fizzy Drinks and Energy Drinks of any kind are not permitted in school. Non-carbonated alternatives are always available in school.

SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY:

Our school recognises that the safety and welfare of children and young people is paramount and that we all have a responsibility to protect them from harm. We take all reasonable steps to ensure that all children and young people are protected from harm.

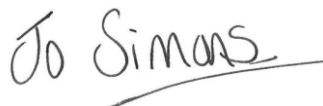
The New School Year:

Monday 3 rd Sept	Staff INSET training
Tuesday 4 th Sept	
Wednesday 5 th Sept	
Thursday 6 th Sept	Tutor meetings
Friday 7 th Sept	First full day for pupils

Your child's tutor will call you at the very start of September to introduce themselves and make an appointment for 6th September. Please note that pupils will not be able to start in September until this meeting has taken place. Parents and Carers are asked to ensure they are able to attend on this day and discuss a convenient time when your child's tutor telephones in September.

All that is left is for me to wish you all a happy and healthy break, I wish those of you leaving us success in your new destinations and look forward to welcoming returning students on 6th September.

Warm Regards



Headteacher, South Somerset Partnership School

Dates for 2018/19:

Inset Days

2018

3rd, 4th, 5th September
2018
21st December
2018.

2019

15th February 2019
22nd and 23rd July 2019

Autumn Term

6th September 2018 to
20th December 2018
(Half Term 29th October
2018 – 2nd November
2018)

INSET Dates 3rd, 4th, 5th
September

Spring Term

7th January 2019 to 5th
April 2019 (Half Term
18th February 2019 to
22nd February 2019)
INSET DATE 15th
February

Summer Term

April 23rd 2019– July
19th 2019 (Half Term
27th May 2019 – 31st
May 2019)

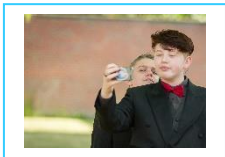
INSET DATES 22nd
and 23rd July 2019



SSPS SCRAPBOOK, SUMMER 2018



SSPS YEAR 11 2018 LEAVERS CELEBRATION



SSPS enjoyed a tremendously diverse Careers' Day this year. Our Year 7 – 10 students relished a continental breakfast accompanied by a fruit smoothie of choice from the breakfast bar menu. This was managed by Year 9 student, who followed specific recipes and delivered to time with real flair. "Who am I?" placemats kicked off the breakfast quiz identifying a range of career possibilities including discussion around working for oneself or being employed.

An interactive workshop led by *Careers South West* advisor, Jackie Martin, examined subject choices that can be made in Year 8 and 9 that might influence ultimate career options. Personalities were assessed and matched to interests using a fun online careers tool.

Kindly hosted by Northover Manor Hotel in Ilminster, a fabulous rotating speed interview task took place in which students had three minutes to ask as many questions as they could to five different members of the hotel team. This session gave our learners a really interesting insight into real jobs where they asked questions they wanted to know the answers to.

Finally, we set off to Sherborne Fire Station a fire fighter, James, gave us an inspiring and informative afternoon telling us what it is like to be a firefighter.

We hope that the day has broadened our students' perspectives and that they are further motivated to start thinking about their futures and to pursue productive careers.

Jason Roberts, Leader of Learning, Lower School



Staff at SSPS raised a whopping £1530.17 for cancer Research in June! Well Done to all who took part and Thank You you all who sponsored SSPS!



The summer term has seen the Key Stage 2 nurture group children become established gardeners. They have gone from sowing seeds, to germination, to potting on then planting out, watering, weeding, cultivating and eating their produce! They have made their own compost and used it to grow: beans, peas, potatoes, tomatoes, sweetcorn, beetroot, onions and pumpkin.

Jac McCarthy, SEMH Advisory Teacher

