



SELWOOD ACADEMY

ANGLICAN/METHODIST FOUNDATION SCHOOL



N e w s l e t t e r



Welcome to the first newsletter of the school year. For those who are new to the school, these newsletters are produced fortnightly and aim to keep you up to date with important information, and celebrate the wonderful achievements of our school community. News and information can also be found on our website, as well as via Facebook and Twitter.

We have an exciting term ahead of us; we are looking forward to welcoming parents, prospective parents, volunteers, employees and the wider community to our Open Day on Tuesday 20 September. If you would like to book a school tour during the day please click this link <https://forms.gle/ST2sq5psaHx4gX7w5>. From 5 to 7pm the school will be a hive of activity! Each department will have a range of displays and activities, please do come along and see what we have on offer for your child.

"GOOD" report from Ofsted!

Selwood Academy has once again been judged good in all areas in their most recent inspection which took place in June this year, maintaining its position as the only middle school in Frome deemed good by OFSTED. This builds upon the "Excellent" judgement that the school received in their 2019 SIAMS inspection and the record breaking SATs results that the school achieved in the summer. Head Teacher Dan Jeffries was particularly proud of the achievement in the new more robust inspection framework. Mr Jeffries commented that "the inspectors recognised the strong academic progress that pupils made as well as the exemplary wider curriculum offer that we are so proud of. Pupils study a full curriculum including an extensive and enriching Arts and music programme, Mindfulness and Forest school whilst achieving well academically."

The new streamlined report from OFSTED highlights how welcoming, and warm the school is, with strong relationships between pupils and staff. Pupils understand the school expectation and enjoy learning a wide range of subjects, listening and responding well. Pupils conduct themselves well and feel safe. It also highlights. It also states "the schools personal development curriculum is well structured to provide a depth of experience. It equips pupils with knowledge to understand society. They

learn how to keep physically and mentally healthy. Pupils have many opportunities to learn about careers from a range of employers."

Mr Jeffries finished by highlighting "I am very happy that the inspectors recognised not only our academic strength but also that the education we provide for the whole child, nurturing their interests, talents and personal development whilst preparing them to make their mark on the wider world."



"Let your light shine before others" Matthew 5 v 19

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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility - Selwood Academy is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of our children and we expect all members of staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment.

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Matthew 5 v16



OPEN DAY & EVENING Selwood Academy

TUESDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2022

Open Evening: from 5.00pm - 7.00pm
Tours available throughout the day - and every day!

"Every Day is Open Day at Selwood"

We would like to invite prospective parents, employees, volunteers and community users to visit our wonderful school at a time that suits you between 09:00-17:00. See our pupils and staff at work, speak to staff and trustees, view our grounds and check out our resources and spaces available to hire. Join our remarkable, thriving school and let us show you why you should be part of a community dedicated to letting your light shine before others.



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Upcoming Events and Diary Dates

September

- 20 Open Day and Evening - See our website for more details
23 Year 5 Coffee Morning, 11.15am - see below
30 Macmillan Coffee Morning & Fundraiser - see page 5

October

- 04, 05, 06 Year 5 Mendip Trips, please look out for a letter early next week
12 Year 5 Welcome Service, more details to follow
14 Year 6 Coffee Morning
20 Year 6 Harvest Festival, more details to follow
21 End of Term 1, 3.10pm
31 Term 2 begins, 8.40am

Year 5 Coffee Morning

We would like to invite Year 5 Parents and Carers into school on Friday 23 September at 11.30am

This is an opportunity to see the school, talk to staff and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee!

In order to help with our planning it would be useful if you could complete the form below if you will be attending.

<https://forms.gle/nGrGwk9WAvm53Uus8>

We look forward to seeing you!



This newsletter and other letters from school are available to read on our website

<https://selwood.somerset.sch.uk/>



Welcome to new staff

We are delighted to welcome the following new members of staff to the Selwood team:

Emma Collins - Head of Faculty MFL

Stuart Hershbein - Head of Faculty PE

Estelle Jerome - Business Assistant (reception)

Aidan Winney - Behaviour and Inclusion Support Specialist (not pictured)



Selwood is Blooming!

Selwood Academy are once again celebrating after winning an award at Frome in Bloom in the schools category. Head teacher Dan Jeffries is pictured with Lydia M in Year 8 who was joint winner of the Young gardener award. Mr Jeffries commented "I was delighted to present the awards on the evening as part of our fantastic community. I am so proud of our environment, which is beautiful and welcoming and we are so lucky to experience."

Selwood received further good news this term as they have been recognised by the local authority and public health for their commitment and provision in promoting a whole setting approach to wellbeing for their pupils and staff. Dan Jeffries commitment "it is fantastic to be recognised for something that is at the forefront of our purpose as a school and has taken a great deal of effort from our staff and pupils."

Head pupils 2022/23

We are delighted to congratulate the pupils below who have been awarded pupil leadership roles following an interview with the Headteacher:

Head Boy - Harley B

Head Girl - Robyn J

Deputy Head Girl - Lydia M

Deputy Head Boy - Ethan K

Thank you to all the pupils who put themselves forward for these roles.



FINANCE INFO

If you are having problems setting up your child's ParentPay account or adding a secondary payer, please contact the Finance office.

Also, can we remind you to complete the finger print consent form on our website.

[Click here](#)

Cycle safety

Please can we remind parents and carers that if pupils are riding bikes please ensure their bike is roadworthy and they wear a helmet



English Classes

Please be aware that we have changed the coding on our English sets this year and the letters and numbers don't represent a 'set' that your child is in. As always all pupils will be encouraged to reach their full potential.

Online safety and safeguarding

TikTok is a popular social media app, particularly with younger people. The following article is a guide for parents, helping them to understand how the app works and some of the risks involved. Hopefully you will find this useful in keep our young people safe online.

<https://www.common sense media.org/articles/parents-ultimate-guide-to-tiktok>



MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT



**On Friday 30 September we will be
holding a cake sale and fundraiser
for Macmillan Cancer Support**

All pupils are invited to bring in cakes which will be sold at break time. Shop bought cakes must be in their original packaging and home made cakes should ideally be accompanied by a list of allergens.

Your child will need a maximum of £2 in order to buy cake and take part in the fundraising activities.

We look forward to an enjoyable day!



OPEN EVENING

Entry for September 2023

Save the date!

Thursday 29 September 2022

Principal's welcome 6pm, 6.45pm and 7.30pm
A chance to meet staff, students and tour
our beautiful campus
To arrange a tour please email:
fccopentours@fromecollege.org

Year 9
and Sixth
Form



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