



Tudor Grange Samworth Academy

TUDOR TIMES



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A Message from Mrs Roach

As we come to the end of what has been one of the toughest school years to navigate, I would like to say a huge thank you to all the staff at TGSA for their resilience and determination to provide the best possible education for the children. They have had to learn to adapt to new ways of teaching during lockdown, teach hybrid lessons when some children have been isolating, set up testing stations, manage masks, one-way systems and endless break and lunch duties – and all with passion and commitment to the school.

I would also like to thank the pupils. They too have had to learn how to adapt to online lessons, hybrid lessons, one-way systems and masks.

And of course, you our parents and carers. Thank you for your home-schooling efforts, for making sure pupils logged on, for supporting us with home testing, getting your children back into school and ensuring our standards of uniform have remained high.

It has been a great team effort.

I would also like to thank you for your feedback on reading and lunchtime. We have taken on board all your comments and are pleased that the majority of replies supported us with starting the school day at 8.30am. We are very excited about our new reading lesson and about the impact this will have on our children's future.

The school day:

- 8.30am – TUTOR TIME
- 8.50am – Reading Lesson
- 9.15am – Period 1
- 10.15am – Period 2
- 11.15am – Break
- 11.30am – Period 3
- 12.30pm – Period 4
- 1.30pm – Lunch
- 2.15pm – Period 5
- 3.15pm – Period 6

When does my child start back to school?

Thursday 26th August 8.30am – Years 1–6, Year 7 & Year 11

Friday 27th August 8.30am – Years 1–6, Year 7 & Year 11

Tuesday 31st August 8.30am – Everybody is back in school

Teachers moving on

We wish you all the very best for the future.

- Ms Neri
- Ms Hornby
- Mrs Haynes
- Ms Betts-Bott
- Mrs Alli
- Mrs Rossiter
- Mr Clay

Finally, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a restful summer break.

Primary Sports Days



The reception sports day was a huge success. The students completed a carousel of activities including the sack race, egg and spoon race, the hurdles, the howler throw and many more. The rest of the primary sports days are running this week which is a great way to end the year.

For more photos visit our website:
<https://www.samworth.tgacademy.org.uk/>



Secondary Sports Days (Year 8)

Year 8 Results:

- 1st – Cambridge
- 2nd – Warwick
- 3rd – Durham
- 4th – Oxford

We have done a Y8 and Y9 sports day and they were both a huge success. The students competed in the 75 metre sprint, the 800 metres and a variety of relays. We then finished with the Tug of War which was great fun.

There were some great individual performances from many students. Special mention to Denny March (Cambridge) and Lovena Greenaway (Warwick) as they won the 75 metre sprint events. A huge congratulations for Gino Mazzei as he won the boys 800 metres in a time of 3.00 minutes.



Secondary Sports Days *Continued* (Year 9)

Year 9 Results:

- 1st – Warwick
- 2nd – Durham
- 3rd – Oxford
- 4th – Cambridge

The best Year 9 team performance goes to the Cambridge girls tug of war team as they won all of their matches and showed great team spirit. Well done to Honey Mazzei (Durham) and Riley Murphy (Durham) as they won the 75 metre sprint events. A special mention to Kian Kuryk (Oxford) and Maka Mohamud (Cambridge) as they won the 800 metres.

Well done to all the students as their behavior and effort were fantastic. We are all looking forward to the Year 7 sports day on Friday.

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Year 11 Leavers' Breakfast

GOOD LUCK!



We said a fond farewell to our year 11 leavers this month. We had some breakfast and some laughs, watching photos of the past, dancing videos from year 1 and finally a performance from the teachers! As the students watched the films of their time in school, the memories brought laughter and tears and joy to all of us.

We will miss you, see you at prom!



Year 6 Transition Day

On Tuesday 29th June, secondary welcomed current year 6 pupils in a pre-summer transition day designed to support pupils to get to know their teachers and surroundings for the next academic year. Pupils completed a range of activities including some baseline testing, hot seating in English introducing their brand new book, Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman, explosions in science and an exciting maths session. Pupils got the chance to have break with year 7 & 8 pupils, as well as navigating their way around the secondary building as independent and responsible year 7s to be! The day ended with a college leader wellbeing session, where we discussed good habits and routines to establish in order to prepare for the rigours of life as a secondary pupil. During this session we discussed mindfulness, healthy eating, exercise, revision calendars, reading and sleep routines. Pupils' were given a summer pack to take home which included core subject work, and a brand new book for them to keep – Noughts and Crosses by Malorie Blackman. Pupils' had a great day and commented on how excited they were to join secondary in the new academic year. We can't wait to welcome them!

Primary Transition Day



Here are some photos from our transition day where the children wrote letters to their future self and set themselves goals for year 2. We then placed these letters in a time capsule. They also followed a set of instructions to successfully make a volcano!



Whole School Assembly



It was lovely to gather together for our Summer Whole School Service on Monday with the positive theme of hope. Many thanks to Mr Parkinson who went above and beyond with the organisation, practice, and setting up of the Primary Hall for the occasion. He overcame all the usual Teams issues with a typical glitch from online teaching – where we had to restart, as of course, we were 'on mute'. Year 2 started us off with a well-articulated prayer, followed by Year 7 reading from The Gospel of Mark and Psalms. Years 5, 6 and 3 sang with confidence and gusto matching the volume of any Whole School Service involving the whole community in the past. Year 4's reflective prayer was thoughtful and appropriate to the times. We are grateful to our Vicar Chris Collins for his message of hope that we can all take into the summer break. Many thanks to Miss Robinson for filming live on Teams (a new skill in the digital age of teaching). We look forward to gathering together in person next year.



Year 6 Disco

To celebrate the fantastic achievements and efforts made by our Year 6 pupils, we held a disco after school. The pupils arrived dressed in their finest and enjoyed spending time relaxing and chatting together. We ordered pizzas and provided snacks for the children to enjoy. It was a lovely evening that the staff and children were all able to enjoy together.

