

A Message from Mrs Roach

I have been delighted with how the pupils have returned to the academy following the summer break. They look smart and have embraced school life after what has been a difficult 12 months of bubbles and restrictions. Every day as the senior team walk around the school, we see pupils engaged with their learning and working hard.

It was a pleasure to run year group assemblies this month. It gave me an opportunity to get to know the pupils better and to discuss our Tudor values and how pupils can contribute to the life of the academy. Mrs Morton ran the leadership interviews and we were overwhelmed with applicants. Congratulations to those who received roles. For those who didn't this time around, don't give up as there will be further opportunities throughout the year. You can see our new leaders in the section below.

Year 11 have developed into wonderful role models for our younger pupils, and I was particularly impressed with those who supported our new Year 7s on their sports day. All of them showed leadership potential and were fair and kind with the younger pupils.

It is heartening to see pupils playing sports for the school again. Our netball and football teams are off competing against other schools and representing us well. There are a host of other period 6 opportunities available, and it is super to see so many pupils staying after school to attend. One of my favourites is the newly formed 'Rubix club' – some of our year 7 pupils are creating a craze to see who can solve the most difficult Rubix cube – with the help of Mr Morton we have now tried the following:



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In the first week of term, we finally celebrated Prom and it was a wonderful way to send our previous Year 11 cohort off in style. Thank you to Miss Tobolkiewicz for organising such a lovely evening.



We have introduced the 'Yellow Door' where pupils can go if they have any concerns or worries. It is open from 8.15 – 8.20am, 11 – 11.15am, 1.30 – 2.15pm and after school. A member of our mentors team will be there to help and support.

Thank you to all parents who have been so supportive of our change to the school day. The reading lessons have been a great success and we are well and truly on our way to becoming a reading school.

Finally, a reminder that as the days draw in and the temperature drops pupils needs to keep warm and we request that they start to wear their grey jumpers and a coat over their blazer. Jumpers are compulsory after half term. Please note that hoodies are not permitted. Thank you for your support with this.



Tudor Grange Samworth Academy: A Reading School

We are making incredible changes at TGSA to make sure our pupils are ready to face academic challenges but also the challenges of the real world. We know how important reading is and so we have introduced a reading lesson to start the day. This is absolutely vital to make sure that the pupils can improve their reading ability and overcome the barriers that may be holding them back within lessons.

After 8 months of intensive staff training on the science of reading, it has started this week and has been a great success. Every classroom in the morning is filled with pupils enjoying books and improving all of the time.

For more details on what we are doing, why we are doing it and how you can help your children to improve their reading, please visit: https://www.samworth.tgacademy.org.uk/about/a-reading-school/

With the introduction of the reading lesson and the refurbishment of the library, it is an exciting time to be a pupil at TGSA as we become a reading school.

Reading changes your grades. Reading changes your options. Reading changes your life.



Student Leadership Role Announcements

THE CABINET

Head Boy: Mohamed Abdullah Head Girl: Ameli Kulneva Deputy Head Girl: Naomi Ononaku Deputy Head Boy: Elijah Zesooli Chair: Amalia Stoican Deputy Chair: Jashan Singh After an incredibly thorough application and interview process for all student leadership applicants, I am thrilled to announce the following appointments have been made. We look forward to leadership meetings starting in earnest and the exciting ideas pupils have for the academy. A huge well done again to all those that showed a keen interest in the process.

- Mrs Morton

CAMBRIDGE FORM CAPTAINS

C7: Peter Summers

- C8: Surayya Akhtar
- C9: To be announced
- C10: Kylah Galloway

Deputy College Captain: Maka Mohamud College Captain: Eleanor Chambers

DURHAM FORM CAPTAINS

D7: Marcus Carter D8: Connor Leeke D9: Nenah Bangura D10: Tia Jackson Deputy College Captain: Sajjid Ahmed College Captain: Angel Strong

OXFORD FORM CAPTAINS

O7: Monet Daniels-Ming
O8: Farhaan Patel
O9: Shwan Niyigena
O10: Mandela Koueni-Kakmeni
Deputy College Captain: Kingston Kakmeni
College Captain: Nacimo Jama

TEACHING & LEARNING CHAMPIONS

Balamusa Sanyang Ahmed Said Charlotte Garratt Sanchezo Lukac Arjunpal Singh Ivana Golic Bhavanjot Kaur Channon Reaney Oana Lorena Thomas Key Kristians Svikis

WARWICK FORM CAPTAINS

W7: Peighton Cooke
W8: Ashley Pickering
W9: Anaxa Rajah
W10: To be announced
Deputy College Captain: Taquil Kawusu
College Captain: Cole Barratt

RICH READERS

Blessing Iyoha Seemab Bukhari Maryan Mohamud Chanel Horvathova Arshveer Rai Divine Mushinga Arkadiusz Marek Natalie Ben Messauod Mia-Valentine Timson

Adrian Bis Chloe Maloney Alexis Lunn Alfie Frisby Desiree Ben Sayful Amejee Sarah Naeem Dasiah Ben

Fresher's Fayre





On Thursday 9th September we launched our extra-curricular Fresher's Fayre – an exciting event where teachers across the academy advertised a brand new range of clubs and activities taking place across the week at lunch time and after-school. From the debate team to club España, pupils signed up in their hundreds this year to access all that TGSA has to offer as part of our extra-curricular programme.





Extra-curricular Clubs

| Lunchtime | |
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| Monday | Year 9/10 Dodgeball |
| | Year 9 Football |
| | Year 7/8 Dodgeball |
| | Year 7/8 Basketball |
| Wednesday | Art |
| Friday | PC Build |

After School

| Monday | Sociology |
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| | Year 7/8 Football |
| | KS3 Book Club |
| | Year 10/11 Fitness |
| Tuesday | Chess |
| | Table Tennis |
| | Newspaper Club |
| | Drama Club |
| Thursday | Debate |
| | Dance |
| | Geography in the News |
| | Year 9/10/11 Basketball |
| | Netball |
| | Health and Social |



Year 7 Netball

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Our year 7's had their first netball tournament this week and they were absolutely outstanding. Playing in torrential rain without complaining, they won 1 and lost 2 with Summer scoring 4 fantastic goals. However what I am most proud of is their hard work and commitment to the sport. Some of them had never picked up a netball until a few weeks ago and didn't know the first thing about the sport. With no substitutions, they had to play 3 games back to back with no break; this was nearly an hour. They showed confidence, determination and sportsmanship. All of the teachers commented on their behaviour and how their students had mentioned how polite the girls were.

- Miss Hancox

Year 7 Football



The Year 7 football team played in a tournament at New College this week. They played very well considering it was their first competitive game. They drew 2 games and lost 2. There were some excellent performances, with player of the tournament being awarded to Ibrahim Patel.

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- Mr Oldershaw

The Grand opening of the Early Years Garden

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New Reception children and their parents and carers joined us celebrating the new school year and the opening of the Early Years Garden.

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