

The Principal's Weekly Newsletter

Mr Deryck M. Wilson



Friday 19th June 2020

Dear Children and Parents,

Nursery Dolphins 'Distant but United'

Dolphins one week to go! We may have been DISTANT for four months but you have really been UNITED! We would like to thank all the parents for their help and support throughout this period. Well done Dolphins for your patience and all the work you did online. A special thank you to Mrs Hough (Sara's mum), who put together this fantastic photo. We wish you all a great summer. STAY SAFE.

Mrs Shirley Mrs Tina.

Woodpecker's Creative Tasks

This week Mina in the Woodpecker class has particularly enjoyed her creative tasks. As part of the topic 'Where Are We on the Map?' we talked about everybody's favourite Italian food, which is pizza, of course! So Mina assembled a pizza by using her cutting and sticking skills. It does look good enough to eat!

In English, we've been taking a closer look at book illustrations and



Mina designed a new boat - a gondola - for characters in the story 'Go Fish!' and then added pictures in the style of the illustrator to complete the picture. Well done, Mina!

Mrs Mary Wilson



Congratulations Year 13 Students

Yesterday we had the socially distanced joy of inviting the year 13 students to pick up their leavers' certificates. It was heartwarming to see so many and have the chance to congratulate them personally.

This has been a hard time for everyone and has especially impacted these students, in what is in a normal year a stressful time, at the end of their Southlands journey, which made it all the sweeter to hear them excitedly describe their future plans which are now falling into place after what has been an uncertain few months with COVID-19 casting its shadow.

At this time, I think I need to identify the excellent work carried out by Mr Eley our university counsellor and Mr Johnson in his role as IB coordinator. The students would not be in such a well prepared position without all they have done.

We look forward to seeing all the class of 2020 in our online graduation ceremony on Monday for our final goodbye celebration of their time at Southlands. **Mrs Carly Barber, Head of Senior School**

On Thursday our Year 13 students returned to Southlands to collect leaving certificates in preparation for Monday's online Leaving Ceremony celebrations. It was a joy to hear that, with everything going on in the world, they had pushed ahead and had begun selecting accommodation and booking flights for international university choices.

They filled us in on how they have used lockdown as an opportunity to spend more time with family before they leave home for the first time and how online learning has continued, with many students electing to take additional courses in preparation for their studies in September.

As always a pleasure to see them again and chat with them all, even if 'socially distanced'!

We are exceptionally proud and wish them the very best.

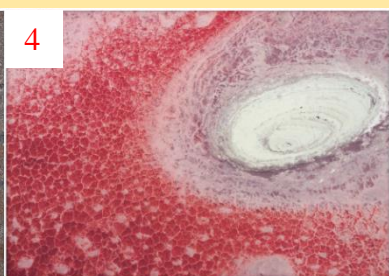
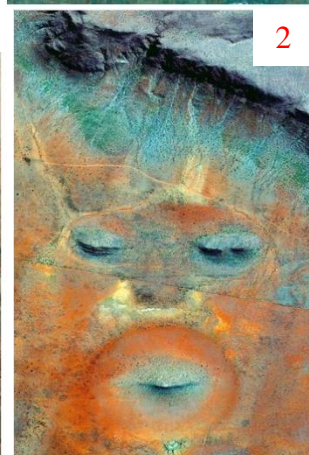
Mr Paul Johnson – Deputy Head of Senior School & IBDP Coordinator





Digital artists in Year 8

For our ongoing cultural project, students got inspiration from young Italian Digital Artist Max Serradifalco. He uses Google Maps and the satellite to select portions of the Earth that are worth contemplating as masterpieces. Some resemble human profiles (1-2), others recall famous paintings (3: Munch's 'The Scream', revisited by Serradifalco), others just become whatever your mind may imagine, but they are all wonderful, intense and already existing in nature!



Students accepted the challenge and are using Google Earth to virtually visit and to 'photograph' Italy. Beautiful Italy provides excellent material, in particular if you know where to look for. Zooming in and out over volcanoes, mountains, river mouths, lakes, coastal lines, islands... they are spotting evocative views from the satellite and making their own digital creations. They name them and give interesting interpretations in Italian. They also keep track of where the places are situated in Italy.

They are coming up with fantastic portraits (screenshots) of Italy that tease their imagination - and also help revise Italian geography, of course ;)

Please find some anticipations below.

To see the whole Southlands Digital Art collection [click here](#)

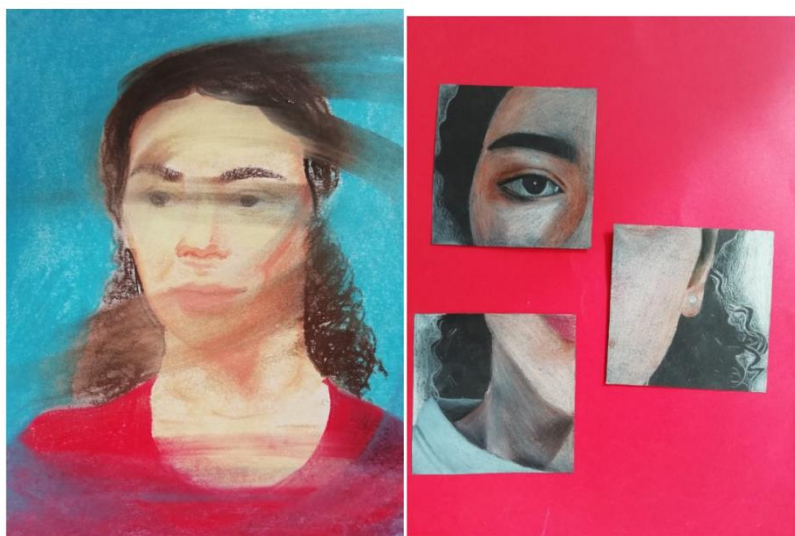
Mrs Lain



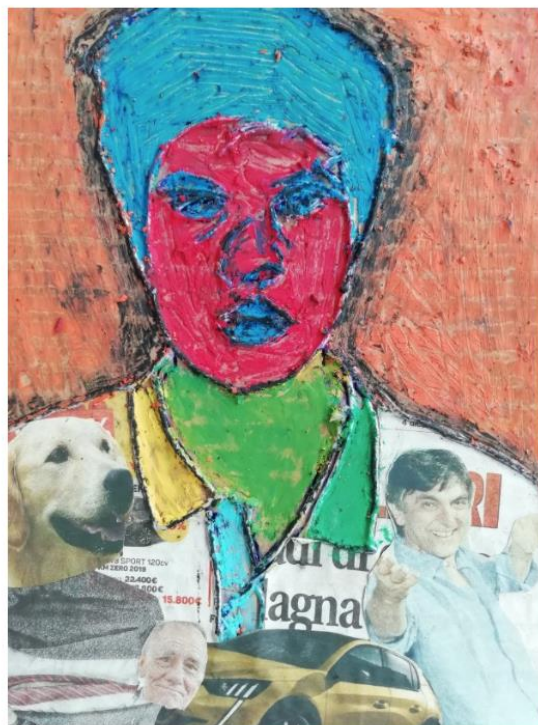
Cultural project for International Italian

Year 11 IGCSE Art Work

Year 11's artwork which I thought could be shared to honour their effort for the IGCSE course they could not finish but for which they worked very hard. **Ms Nanni**



Elena Malafronte, self-portrait inspired by Francis Bacon



Leonardo Ramponi, self-portrait inspired by Andy Warhol



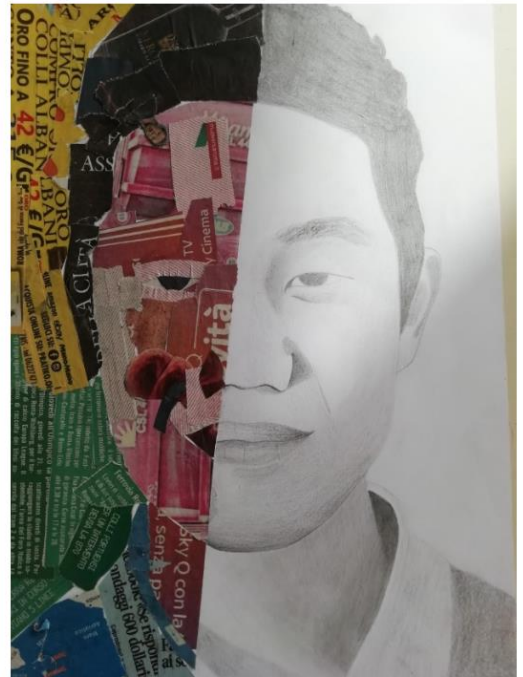
Oscar Lin, self-portrait inspired by Banksy



Francesco Saladino, self-portrait inspired by Pablo Picasso



Aleks Barsayan, self-portrait inspired
by Johannes Vermeer



Stefano Cheng, self-portrait inspired by Pop Art

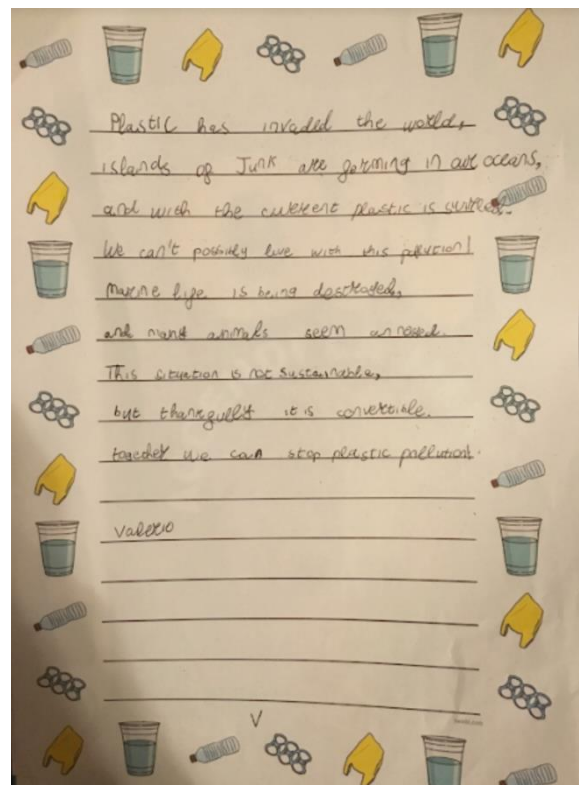
4A Explore The Environment!

Over the last few weeks, 4A has been studying 'the Environment' in both their Science and Topic work. In Science, we have turned our focus to 'Variation and Classification'. The students have been learning how to correctly identify living things based on their features and characteristics. We have learnt how to identify mammals, fish, birds, amphibians and insects. We have also learnt two new terms: vertebrate and invertebrate. The students then took to the great outdoors last week (hurray!) to see if they could spot some invertebrates in their local environment! They successfully managed to identify and draw some of the invertebrates and reported it back to us. See some of the students out exploring in the photos (and video!) below!

In Topic, we have also been studying 'The Environment' through climate change. We have been learning about global warming, greenhouse gases and plastic pollution and how these things are detrimental to the living things we have been learning about in Science. The children have written some wonderful poems highlighting the danger of climate change and plastic pollution - check them out below!

I couldn't be more proud of the students of 4A - they are working so hard, right up until the end of term! It's been a challenge, but they have overcome every obstacle with a smile on their face. Well done everyone!

Miss Armitage



Plastic pollution
is a bad selection
the world is endangered
we adventured
but we adventured too far
even more far than a bar
so we must stop plastic
because it's not fantastic
we must ban it for ever
and then we happily (together)
Live happily ever after.

-viola Ariel sessa



Cayetana



Cayetana

Invertebrate Hunt

When you find an invertebrate, use the Invertebrate Classification Key to find out what it is. Tick it off and draw a quick sketch of it in the box below.

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caterpillar <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	spider <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	harvestman <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	slug <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	snail <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
worm <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	larvae <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	woodlouse <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	bee <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	bug <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Plastic Computer
Plastic is everywhere
Like there is plastic in the
And it was even in beach
Saturday I went at the
Today it is too cold
I will stay and I will use a
Computer that I want to
Know why it is made
of plastic!!!

by Lara Tanzini Y4A

Poem
PLASTIC Help the environment

We need to stop using plastic
otherwise the world will be drastic.
We need to stop now
otherwise we will drown.
Now I am not being sarcastic
I am saying to reduce plastic
to people that throw things into the sea
are so rude and mean
but they should just clean.

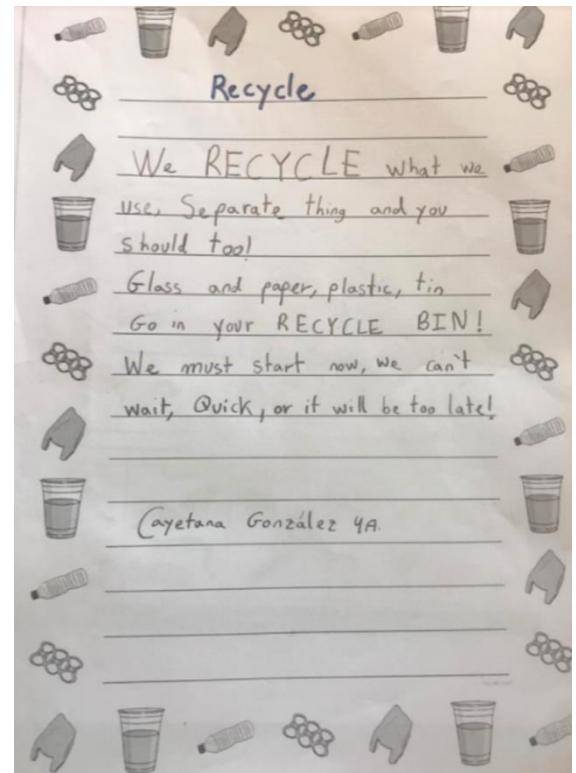
Help the environment

Miriam

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[To view 4A's invertebrate hunt video, please click here...](#)

P.E. Dance

I would like to share these final pieces of work from Gian Paolo and this beautiful photo from Daniele. We will be continuing our studies on "The Early Pioneers" in September. **Mrs. Thorp**

Gian Paolo Traina - Isadora Duncan 'The Pioneer of Modern Dance'

Isadora Duncan

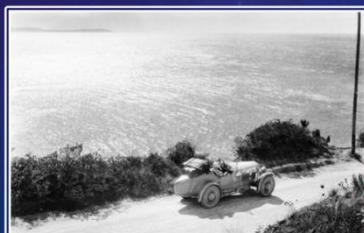


Isadora Duncan (1877-1927) was an American pioneer of dance and is an important figure in both the arts and history. Known as the "Mother of Modern Dance," Isadora Duncan was a self-styled revolutionary whose influence spread from American to Europe and Russia, creating a sensation everywhere she performed.

Dancer, adventurer, and ardent defender of the free spirit, Isadora Duncan is one of the most enduring influences on contemporary culture and can be credited with inventing what came to be known as Modern Dance.

The kind of dancing Isadora wanted to do was new and different from other dances at the time. She thought dancing should be an art, not just entertainment.

On September 14, 1927, dancer Isadora Duncan is strangled in Nice, when the enormous silk scarf she is wearing gets tangled in the rear hubcaps of her open car.



By the age of 6 Isadora was teaching neighborhood children to wave their arms, and by 10 she had developed a new "system" of dance with her sister Elizabeth, based on improvisation and interpretation.



Student Daniele Iannazzi - Isadora Duncan 'The Pioneer of Modern Dance'

- Isadora Duncan was born on May 26, 1877 in San Francisco
- She was a European classic dancer who really revolutionized dancing!
- Her parents divorced when she was an infant and she was left alone with her mother Dora, a piano teacher.
- At the age of 6, she started teaching dance to little children and by the age of 10, her classes had become quite large.
- She faced terrible tragedies in her life, for example when her children and her nanny drowned in a car accident when their car fell into the Seine River.
- Duncan married poet Sergey Aleksandrovich Yesenin in 1922.
- Unfortunately, the engagement didn't last because her husband suffered from severe mental issues and in 1920 he killed himself.
- During the later years, Isadora Duncan struggled emotionally and she died on September 14th, 1927, when her scarf got caught in the back wheels of an automobile in which she was riding.



Key Stage 4 WWF conference

There was a WWF conference on June 17 at which year 11 and 12 students studying economics attended. Many Globeducate schools had some students attending too. Year 12 have are making a video to share what they learnt for assembly this week.



We hope to share the video with you next week...

Mrs Susan Connolly

Talent Show...one week away!

Thank you to everyone who has sent in their work for this year's Talent Show; it has been so great to see how much each participant has undoubtedly done to make this event so special and enjoyable for everyone watching!

Today, I would like to share with you some information regarding how the show will be viewed and a running order so that you know, in advance, when your child's work will be seen, I hope this helps :)

Thursday 25th June @ 5pm - the show will go LIVE

(a link will be sent on Thursday afternoon so that you can view)

Order of participants:



Participant	Class
Lavinia	5T
Giulia & Zoe	5T
Emma	6C
Daniele	8B
Maria Vittoria (feat. Mattia)	5TC
Martina B	6C
Giorgio & Gianmarco	3W
Nina (fet. Nonno)	1W
Paola	2P
Viola	4A
Sabil (feat. Mr Gray)	6C
Tancredi	3W
Simone	3W

Chiara	7S
Margherita	5TC
Flavia	1W
Jose	4B
Carlo	3S
Angelika	3W
Emma	5T
Giacomo, Xu Ye & Thomas	6H
Abby	4B
Alice	6H

Remember, you can send comments and words of encouragement throughout the evening for each participant to view and I am sure that they will appreciate that as much as we do too.

Richard Hough

Summer Programme



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Parents will receive the Summer Programme brochure at the beginning of next week.

Message from the School Librarian & IT Manager
Bring Back Your Books and iPads!
Senior School Dates

22nd June 09.30- 13.00

Year 11 book and iPad return.

22nd and 23rd June 09.30-13.00

For any students who are leaving before the end of the academic year.

24th June 09.30-13.00

Year 9 book return (including IGCSE French and Italian books).

25th June - 11.00-13.00

Year 10 & Year 12 iPad return (students will keep their books for the following academic year).

30th June - 3rd July 09.30-13.00

Year 7 & Year 8 book return (excluding Y8 IGCSE French and Italian textbooks)

If Year 10/12 students can use their own device to access lessons until the end of term and as such wish to hand in their iPads before 25th June, they can drop the iPad off on one of the above days during the times stated.

Primary School Dates

30th June - 3rd July 09.30-13.00

Back to School FAQs video

Mr Wilson and Mr Beretta have prepared a video for you in the form of a “question and answer” session.

If you would like to view the video

[click here](#)

School Calendar 2020-21

To view the 2020-21 school calendar

[click here](#)

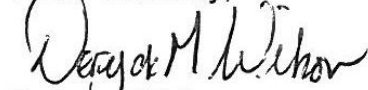
Dates for your diary:

Year 13 Virtual Leaving Ceremony
End of School Year

Monday 22nd June
Thursday 25th June

Every good wish

Yours sincerely,



Deryck M Wilson
Principal

