

The Week @ South Dartmoor



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We are very nearly ready to rock!

Final preparations really are in full swing for this year's whole college production of 'We Will Rock You', daily rehearsals and weekends spent at college are paving the way for our opening night 'sing-a-long' on Wednesday 25th November, and for performance week.



Ahead of their FIVE performances between 25th and 28th November, the cast also have not one, but TWO Primary matinee performances to contend with. The Primary performances are always a real highlight for both cast and audience, they are the moments where inspiration is sparked and the Year 5 and 6 audience members fantasise about being part of next year's production; they are also an opportunity for the cast to 'test out' their performance on a live audience ahead of opening night.

On Wednesday 11th November staff, the cast and other SDCC students took part in a WWRY fundraising event,



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raising money for the charity linked to the show- The Mercury Phoenix Trust. The trust was set up by the remaining members of Queen and their manager Jim Beach, in

memory of the late Freddie Mercury. The trust raises money for the treatment of, and education about the terrible disease that took Freddie so prematurely- HIV/ AIDS.

The fundraiser included a 'sneak peak' of some of the songs from the show, moustache face painting, cake sales and competitions. See attached photos of the fun had by all. All monies raised will be added to the collections that will take place during each performance- we will let you know the final amount raised after show week is over.



Tickets have gone on sale, and are selling fast. Saturday night is already sold out! Tickets can be purchased through Karen Rowan-Smith and Anna White by emailing tickets@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk

Performance nights: Wednesday 25th November, Thursday 26th November, Friday 27th November, Saturday 28th November- matinee and evening performance.

Please keep checking the newsletter and the daily bulletin on the school website for updates about tickets and the show. We look forward to sharing this incredible show, and the amazing talent of our cast, with you all.

Ex-Student Success

It was good to see Ollie Watkins feature on TV last Sunday as BT Sport covered Exeter City's FA Cup First Round game at Didcot Town - Ollie came on as a substitute to help the team into the second round with a 3-0 win.

Colleague of the week

Each week we recognise staff members who have done something extra—often far beyond the call of duty or in recognition of consistently high performance. Last week, our winner was :- George Reed for her delivery on the staff training last week. George receives a small gift sponsored by the College Governors.

Year 8 Options Evening

We were thrilled this week with our Year 8 options evening which was extremely well attended and a successful event. The next opportunity to discuss any queries will be at the Year 8 Parents Evenings on Thursday 14th and 21st of January.

Golf Academy makes a successful matchplay debut

Results:

Archie Christopher: Won 5 + 4
Sean Clarke: 3 Down (4 to play)
Sam Knight: Won 4 + 3
Mason Turpin: 3 Up (3 to play)
Josh Snow: 2 Down (3 to play)
Alfie Tucker 3 Up (4 to play)



On Wednesday 11th November 6 players from the Golf Academy took on an Exeter University select team in our first

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ever Golf Academy competition. The students played Matchplay, which enabled each player to play singly against another player taking into account each player's handicap. As you can see by the results, the players all did remarkably well playing against talented opposition and were a credit to the College in both their application and overall understanding of the game



Academy Golf
Coach Mike

Cayless assisted and supported the players throughout the event and was very impressed with the improvement of all the students and in particular the way they handled match day pressures

The event proved to be very successful and further matches will be arranged in the coming weeks

South Devon Futsal Tournament – Under 14 Champions!

The U14 futsal side blasted their way through the South Devon round of Futsal with a dominant display. St Cuthbert Mayne were beaten 4-0, Teignmouth B 6-0 and Newton Abbot College 5-2, with the highlight of the group matches was the 6-0 demolition of Torquay Academy, pressing high to win the ball back and taking every opportunity to get a shot on goal, backed up by goalkeeper Harry Lock who made a number of good saves to stop anyone from scoring.

This left a fantastic record of 4 straight wins with 21 goals scored and only 2 goals conceded.

The Semi Final pitted us against the Group 1 Runners-Up, KEVICC'S, who had only lost 1 game during their group stage. Despite this, the boys beat KEVICC'S 4-1 in a one-sided game that they completely dominated.

The final was against Torquay Academy, who had won their Semi-final against Group 1 winners Paignton with a comprehensive 3-0 win. This was a totally different game compared to the group fixture, with Torquay Academy starting strong, with lots of possession, rewarded with the first goal in the 4th minute—the first time we had gone behind in a game. Harry Ford, Mani Chaplin and Kai Hughes all went close, but found Torquay Academy's goalkeeper making save after save.

However, after 8 minutes a cross from Mani Chaplin was

bundled into his own net by the Torquay defender, levelling the game and leading to a further spell of pressure from SDCC during which we hit the winning goal to become champions and book our place in the County Finals which will take place in February. Throughout the day, all but two players managed to get onto the score sheet but Harry Ford ran away with the Golden Boot after scoring 14 goals in 6 games.

SQUAD: Harry Lock, Jake Davey, Mani Chaplin, Harry Ford, Kai Hughes, Toby Hooper, Marcus Hilditch, James Horrell.

Minibus Driver Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for a reliable, committed, flexible and caring minibus driver to transport our school children. We require the driver for morning and after school transportation, Monday – Friday, school term time only, for approximately 15 hours per week.

The successful applicant must have a current, clean driving licence with a D1 category. A pre-employment health assessment check will be mandatory, as will an enhanced DBS check. The post attracts a salary of £15,207 (pro rata) and will be subject to a satisfactory probationary period.

For an application form and further information please email Nicola Clayden, Personnel Officer:

nclayden@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk.

U15 Rugby—South Devon Semi Final

South Dartmoor 50-0 Coombeshead College.

Well done to the South Dartmoor team, who produced an amazing display to beat Coombeshead. It was a great performance where everything 'came off', and the team's reward is a place in the South Devon Finals Night at Paignton RFC on Monday 16th.

SQUAD: Jamie Horn, George Brinkley, Roo Daley, Tom Russell-Garner, Jack Legge, Connor Crouchen, Sam Taylor, George Barnes, Sean Richards, Martin Powell, Joe Marsh, Jake Davey, Harry Baker, Jack Churchill, Tyenon Julyan-Webb, Charlie Nichols and Toby Collis

Player of Match - Roo Daley

Year 10 Footballers make Representative Squad

Well done to Lewis Slade and Charlie Nichols, who have been selected to represent the Torbay Schools U15 side against Plymouth Argyle. We wish them well.

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Six Academy Players shine at Chelsea Japanese Visit Trial

Six of our Chelsea Dartmoor Academy players have made it through to the final 22 to represent a Chelsea select U17 XI to face Japanese side Yokohama FC u17 in March next year, to be played at Cobham Training Ground.

Cianan Breen, Adam Seedhouse-Evans, Orrin Durrant-Yaniv, Tom Hooper, Tom Kempson and Kofi Shaw will all return to the Chelsea Training Ground in February Half Term for a competitive training game to gain a place in the final 16 man squad.



A great achievement both individually for the players but also for the College, as the team that has the most called up players from any Chelsea Development programme across the country.



Retail Apprenticeship Opportunity

An opportunity exists to join a well respected and growing retail business in Ashburton. The business provides over the counter services and sells retail merchandise. The hours of work would be 37.5 per week—1 day a week is dedicated to attending college and studying for a nationally recognised qualification. Full nationally recognised industry training would be provided. There is a requirement to have a minimum of GCSE English and Maths grade C or above, and a uniform will be provided. The business is committed to increasing the remuneration, in addition to the nationally recognised apprenticeship salary, if the successful candidate achieves set objectives.

For further information, or if you know someone who would like to apply, please contact Chris Daniel at the College.

Do you have any news you would like to share with us?

Do you know a student who is doing something out of college for which they deserve recognition?

Have you a story to share about a former student?

Please get in touch with Chris Daniel (cdaniel@southdartmoor.devon.sch.uk) at the College to help us share our successes and champion our local community.