## Tudor Grange Academy Solihull

## Newsletter

## **Upcoming Events**

April 2023

#### **Summer Term Starts**

April 17

#### **Condover Netball Information Evening**

April 18

### **Year 13 Intervention Evening**

April 20

### **DofE Bronze Training Trip**

April 21

#### Year 9 HPV 2nd Dose

April 24 – April 25

## Introduction to UCAS Evening Year 12 parents

April 25

## May Day Bank Holidays

May 1 and May 8

#### Half Term

May 29 – 2 June







## West Midlands Cup Finalists!

1-1 at FT, which resulted in penalties. M.Harris with the winning pen to take the girls through! Also high praise to our GK who is only in year 7!



Friday night, the perfect time to reflect on a week of sporting fixtures! Firstly year 8 rugby who played a friendly match with Arden, a really close and gritty game.
Well done boys!

## Wider Curricular Clubs

Clubs commence the second full week back after the break.

To join, simply arrive at the club you wish to join.

Please check out our website to access the most up-to-date timetable.

Clubs include Dance, Geography, Rugby, Chess, Cooking, History, Choir and many more.

Clubs may be subject to change, staff will alert students to any changes.



Follow us on Twitter @TGAS\_PE



Our cross country squad who had some excellent results this week. Particular shout out to the Wort brothers who won both their races



To end a great week, we have the U13 boys who came runners up in the Birmingham Cup. This is a huge achievement!
Well done to you and also to a very proud Miss Allen

# MACBETH at the RSC, Stratford-Upon Avon

Current Year 10 and Year 9 classes - different dates for each year group.

The English Department are running a Theatre Trip in the new academic year to see Macbeth. The trip is open to all students currently in Year 9 and Year 10.

Tickets are limited and go on sale this week. **Check out Parent Pay for details.** 

Mrs Harley

## Of Mice and Men Theatre Trip at the REP

Date: Friday 24th March 2023

**60** Year 9 students and **6** staff braved Friday night traffic and headed to Birmingham to watch Of Mice and Men.

## 'Of Mice and Men' Play Review

On Friday 24th March, we arrived at the Birmingham Rep theatre where we viewed 'Of Mice and Men'. It followed the same plot as in the book, in which we saw two immigrants (George and Lennie) face the struggles of living in the Great Depression in America. Lennie has a learning disorder, which complicated their relationship and their lives. They manage to acquire a job at a ranch and meet all sorts of different people, each with their own struggles and stories. It was written to criticise the treatment of people of a certain race, sex or disability during this time, making it quite a serious play with an unexpected theme of tragedy. Overall, the book as a whole is very important and meaningful.

I was truly amazed and astonished by the Birmingham Rep's play, and impressed by how they presented the story. The acting was amazing; you could instantly tell who was who. Some of the characters are difficult to play, so it really is quite surprising to see them act so flawlessly. The costumes matched the time period, characters and setting very well. The set was well made and could transform very quickly in time for the next scene. It was quite interesting to witness. My only criticisms of this play would be that it was very slow paced, and they missed out a few scenes. However, I still think highly of the play.

I would recommend it to anyone.

Review: By R. Price BO4





## RSHE lessons for absent students

Please use the links below to access these lessons.

Your child will need to log in using their school email address and password.

#### **RSHE Lessons w/c 21/03/2023**

Year 7: Year 7 body image

Year 8: Teams assembly with MakeUK

Year 9: Sex Ed – condom relay or Accessing Further Advice Or Young Peoples Thoughts and Feelings

Year 10: Cults

Year 11: Upskirting 2021

#### **RSHE Lessons w/c 28/03/2023**

Year 7: The Importance of Sleep
Year 9: Goals and Assirations 2

Year 8: Goals and Aspirations 2

Year 9: Maturity (CATCH UP LESSON)

**Year 10:** <u>Preventing Extremism</u>

**Year 11:** Downblousing



Quality used TG-branded uniforms in various sizes available from PTA.
Request items by emailing
pta@solihull.tgacademy.org.uk.

Once availability is confirmed, a PTA member will contact you to arrange pickup. Payment via cash or card.

Donations of clean and good quality TG-branded uniforms are welcome, except for trousers.

## **ParentPay**

Please make sure to keep your child's ParentPay account in credit.

You can check your balance at any time by logging into your ParentPay account.

There is also an **Auto top-up** feature which can be set up for school meals.

Essential Information for Parents and Carers Regarding WhatsApp. Access NOS Recommendations Here.



Would you like to be a teacher in 1 year with Tudor Grange?

Primary and secondary routes offering QTS with PGCE available now!

## Parents' Network Newsletter

For information on what's happening in and around the borough for families this April 2023, please <u>click here</u> to view this month's events guide via our website.

## HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES AND FOOD PROGRAMME (HAF)

If you are eligible for a benefits-related free school meal you can access a free holiday scheme place under the Holiday Activities and Food Programme (HAF) – you should have received an email with a code that you can use to book your place. Please note your child must be in Reception up to year 11 only to access these sessions and there is a maximum of 4 sessions that can be booked per child at Easter.

To view and book the activities online please visit <a href="https://www.solihull.gov.uk/children-and-family-support/haf/haf-activities">https://www.solihull.gov.uk/children-and-family-support/haf/haf-activities</a>

#### **OFSTED REGISTERED CHILDCARE**

If you are looking for Ofsted registered childcare during the school holidays please visit our directory <a href="https://eservices.solihull.gov.uk/Synergy/Live/SynergyWeb/Solihull\_Childcare/Childcare.aspx">https://eservices.solihull.gov.uk/Synergy/Live/SynergyWeb/Solihull\_Childcare/Childcare.aspx</a> where you can search for holiday schemes, day nurseries and childminders who are offering care during the holidays.

#### ADDITIONAL SUPPORT

Our <u>Here2Help</u> webpages provide details of additional food provision and essential utilities to support families with children, other vulnerable households and individuals.

## **Solihull Family Information Service**

Call: 0800 389 8667

**Visit:** www.solihull.gov.uk/familyinfo **Email:** familyinfo@solihull.gov.uk

## ALERT: WhatsApp account takeover scam

Criminals are targeting WhatsApp users by posing as a friend and asking for a security code. Action Fraud has received over 60 reports relating to this scam.

The scam begins when a criminal gets access to another WhatsApp account which has you listed as a contact.

The criminal, posing as your friend or someone that's a member of a WhatsApp group you're in, will then send you seemingly normal messages to try and start a conversation with you. However, around the same time you will receive a text message from WhatsApp with a six-digit code. This is because the criminal has been trying to login to WhatsApp using your mobile number. The criminal will claim that they sent you their code by accident and ask you to help them by sending it to them. Once the criminal has this code, they can login to your WhatsApp account and lock you out.

The criminal will then use the same tactic with your WhatsApp contacts in an effort to steal more accounts and use them to perpetrate fraud.

#### What you need to do:

- Set up two-step verification to give an extra layer of protection to your account: Tap Settings > Account >Two-step verification > Enable.
- · THINK. CALL. If a family member or friend makes an unusual request on WhatsApp, always call the person to confirm their identity.
- Never share your account's activation code (that's the 6 digit code you receive via SMS)
- · You can report spam messages or block a sender within WhatsApp. Press and hold on the message bubble, select 'Report' and then follow the instructions.

If you have been a victim of fraud or cyber crime, report it to Action Fraud or 0300 123 2040.