Special Points of Interest:

- Sutherland House School receive a ‘Good’ by Ofsted
- Another Green from CQC for our Services

HEAD TEACHER - ANN STEWART

It has been a really positive term at school our main focus has been promoting Positive Behavior Support ethos. This has been the beginning of an interesting journey that we will continue through the next academic year.

It was sad to say goodbye to Adrian Sugden and we wish him well for the future.

I am pleased to announce that I am the new permanent Head Teacher for Sutherland House School. I am extremely excited to lead our wonderful school on its continuing development and progress.

Thank you for all your support I very much look forward to continuing working with you all.

Hope you all have a wonderful summer and we will see you in September!

Opening of our Science Laboratory - “Theory guides. Experiment decides.”

On 18th of July we had our official inauguration of Sutherland House School Laboratory.

The ribbon cutting ceremony was conducted by our marvellous student Adam Robinson.

The Lord Mayor, Councillor Liaqat Ali lit the Bunsen Burner flame! Adam demonstrated an experiment using Magnesium.

Guests attended included the Lord Mayor, Sheriff of Nottingham Catherine Arnold, members of the Rotary Club, the National Trust, our CEO, respected Governors, Parents and Staff of AEM, Kalpana illustrated experiments which students have been investigating.

These were displacement and measuring density of irregular objects; energy in food groups; rate of diffusion in different temperatures; measuring PH using universal indicator solution and litmus paper.

It was a lovely afternoon and everyone enjoyed it. The Science lab also received a beautiful plaque which is mounted on the wall with immense pride!

“Theory guides. Experiment decides.” I am confident that students will really benefit from their new lab and enjoy the adventures of Science.
On the 3rd-5th July four students and four staff members from Sutherland House School participated in a two night, three day Residential in the Peak District, Derbyshire. We stayed at a National Trust Bunkhouse in the village of Ilam. This is a popular area in the Peak District as it is close to Dovedale which gets visitors from all over the country. Around this area of Derbyshire are Thorpe Cloud, the village of Tissington, the High Peak Trail and the famous Stepping Stones. There are lots of footpaths, bridleways, woods, footbridges and open fields to navigate.

On Day 1 the students walked along the Tissington Trail. The majority of the trail the students walked independently meeting staff at a number of sections (in the shade!). The group had to work and communicate together to navigate themselves along the route. This was an amazing achievement and all the staff are very proud of the students.

At the end of the day the students cooked their own food on a portable stove. The first evening they cooked burgers and sausages. Later that evening they made their sandwiches and listened to the England game on the radio and we all celebrated when England won the penalty shootout!

On Day 2 the group were closely supervised by staff on a circular walk around Thorpe Cloud taking in the Stepping Stones. Day 2 was assessed by the DoE assessor Peter Gurney. Peter walked around Thorpe Cloud with the group, checking in with their map reading and navigation, and spent time over their dinner asking them questions and observing them complete their worksheets. When the students returned to the bunkhouse they used their stoves and demonstrated these skills to cook their pasta. Again, Peter observed the students cooking their food safely and independently. Peter was very impressed with how the D of E program at Sutherland House School has developed over the last three years. He was incredibly positive and encouraging of their efforts and had no hesitation in passing them all on their Silver award expedition section of their qualification!

On Day 3 the group revisited a different area of the Tissington Trail.

It has been fantastic to see all the students and staff spending time together in such a positive manner and we are all extremely proud of the group’s efforts. It was a real team effort and I would like to thank all the brilliant staff Involved who gave up their free time to make this year’s group so successful. They have now become the first group from Sutherland House School to get their Silver Duke of Edinburgh award.

Congratulations and a big thank you to everyone involved.

The aim for the residential and expedition is to “use technology to make a diary of their travels”. This aim was embedded into each walk with appropriate and relevant worksheets and photographic tick sheets. A Go Pro camera was attached and students took it turn to share this after each leg. The camera recorded their journey and what they were looking at. Another student had the sports camera and photos were taken of the countryside, signs and their friends. This diary will be shared with students, staff and parents as part of the students final criteria for their Silver award – the “presentation.”
Cycling Workshop

On Friday 6th July it was the 5th workshop in the large playground. A cycling proficiency organisation attached to Nottingham City Council called Cycle Wise has delivered 8 bikes for us to use over a six week period of cycling proficiency workshops. Greg and Flo led this workshop and these were supported by familiar school staff. All the groups had a safety talk from Greg before using the bikes and wear helmets. There are six students in each group and two groups participate in the workshops.

Greg asked the second group to demonstrate all the skills they have learnt to complete their Level 1 Cycle Proficiency; for instance, indicating left/right, changing direction, looking over left/right shoulder, cycling slowly, braking quickly and weaving on the inside/ outside of cones.

The following students have successfully completed their Level 1 Cycling Proficiency so congratulations on your hard work and excellent cycling skills to:

Thomas Curry, Thomas Nadin, Liam Doherty, Christopher Mottram, Gabe Devenport, Corey Quigley.

Fun Run

On 11th July at Harvey Haddon Sports Centre and Cycle Track four students from Sutherland House School participated in a Fun Run around a 1km cycle track.

After each lap the students were given a wristband to the amount of laps they had achieved. Thus 3 laps equates to Gold and therefore 3km!

All four students successfully achieved this target so a massive congratulations to: Liam Doherty, Gabe Devenport, Stefan Ciechanowicz, Raushan Burgess.

The event was attended by a number of schools across Nottingham with over 100 students participating.

We are all very proud of the efforts displayed by the students today, especially considering the extremely hot weather.

This was the final sports event of this academic year. Over the course of this academic year Sutherland House School have represented at 12 different external sporting events, including sports such as: Dodgeball, Football, Athletics, Cross Country, Kurling, Boccia, Handball and Hockey.

These have been across Nottingham and against different schools.

Over 19 students have represented Sutherland House School across these events. Each event the students have demonstrated: effort, skill and resilience and we are all very proud of their efforts.
Exercise in the community

We walked to Trent Bridge and we saw Notts County (Ryan’s favourite ground), Nottingham Forest (Richard’s favourite ground) and Trent Bridge (Dan’s favourite cricket ground).

We saw some geese and Reegan told me about the time he was bitten by a goose!

We also read the names on the memorial on the bridge of the people who had died in World War One.

Group 9 have had an exciting week with The Summer Fair last week raising £56, doubling last years class total. This week a trip to the beach at The Old Market Square, Ice creams, paddling and sand pit were all part of our end of term activities.

Group 10 will be sad to say goodbye to our friends Jed, Rohun and Bethany. We wish them all good luck for the future and we’ll miss them loads. We’ll always remember the good fun we all had together in class.

We hope everyone has a great Summer and we look forward to hearing all about it when we come back in September.
End of term trips - Matlock Bath

Group three had a lovely end of term trip to Matlock Bath and had a wonderful time. Look like they had a delicious lunch too!
We are very sad to be saying goodbye bye to Lewis and Fergus and wish them lots of luck for the future.

White Post Farm

Group four had a visit to the White Post Farm.

Logan had a varied day looking at the chicks and a spot of go carting.

It seems Mackenzie has won the stubborn old goat around with a handful of food.

Raushan seems very happy handling the chick!
We will be welcoming Kari Anson to be Deputy Head, Emma Bacon as Senior Administrator and Emma Day as our Primary Lead who will be joining us in September.

Huge Congratulations go to Emma Foulkes on the birth of her beautiful baby girl!

We will be saying goodbye to teaching assistants Steff Testa, Lauren Frost, Amy Freckleton, Eleni Panopoulou, Tracey Lukacs, Kiran Landa and our longstanding administrator Zoe Revill we wish them all lots of luck in their future jobs.

And a temporary goodbye to India Golder-Wood who is starting her maternity leave. Wishing you lots of Luck.

And we will also be saying goodbye to some of our wonderful students Bethany Smith, Christopher Mottram, Fergus Hay, Hugo Barton, Isaac Buick, Lewis Rust, Luke Eccleston, Ruhun Doy and Tamara Mugumbate, all absolutely marvellous in their own right, they will all be greatly missed and we hope they have a fulfilling and successful future!