

The Bulletin

Your Weekly News Update from The Suthers School



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In Brief:

- ◆ **Our Word of the Week** was 'resolution'.
- ◆ **Brilliant Book Award Launch** Suthers School students are once again taking part in the BBA and will be helping to choose this year's winner at the annual ELS event on 22 January. See all the books that have made the shortlist [here](#).
- ◆ **Meal Balance Alert** Please double check your child's meal balance on SIMSPay this week to avoid them falling into arrears. Aspens reserve the right to refuse service to a child whose account is in deficit.
- ◆ **NMT Music Try-Outs** It was great to see so many of our students getting the chance to try out learning how to play instruments this week as part of the free taster sessions from NMT.
- ◆ **Auditions for Oz begin.** 1st round of auditions for this year's show start next week.
- ◆ **Is your child eligible for Free School Meals?** You can find out and register with Notts County Council by clicking [here](#)

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DUKE OF EDINBURGH AWARD LAUNCHED

We are delighted to announce that with effect from 1 January 2020, The Suthers School has become a Directly Licensed Centre for the Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme. Our very first cohort of Year 9s will begin their Bronze Award this term. This not only represents another historic milestone in the development of our school but also another crucial component in our commitment to truly outstanding character education. The Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme is a nationally-recognised programme that helps young people develop essential work-ready skills as well as the strengths they'll need for lifelong health and well-being. The programme comprises elements such as community action, physical activity, planning, leadership and communication and offers our students an excellent opportunity to build on their success from Year 8 in our Leadership Academy—and because our enrichment programme is built upon six pillars of personal development (sport, performance, creativity, social action, intellectual challenge and life skills), we know that our Year 9s will be able to pick up credit for a lot of the activities they are already doing! We cannot wait to see our first group out on expedition! To find out more about the scheme, click [here](#).



ATTENBOROUGH APPEAL ALMOST THERE!

With three weeks to go before their 31 January deadline, it is great to see that the Notts Wildlife Trust have raised at least 95% of the Attenborough Lifeline Appeal £1 million target. As you will know, The Suthers School has already raised more than £200 for this appeal and many of our students are keen to do more. Students have also expressed a great deal of concern about the devastation caused by the bush fires in Australia and after studying the causes in their Geography lessons, several are now looking at how we can help as a school.



We need to raise **£1 million** to purchase Attenborough Nature Reserve

DEADLINE 31st JANUARY

