

STUDY LINKS NEWSLETTER

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NEWS

Hi everyone, it's nearly that time again – Easter holidays!
But before the excitement begins, see what's going on at Study Links...

Business Brain

You will all be delighted to know that after a vigorous application process, Ailie has been accepted (and already begun), the *Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses* program, in co-ordination with Leeds University Business School. The Goldman Sachs program is designed for leaders of high growth small and medium size enterprises. Ailie receives over 100 hours of further education aimed at propelling growth within the company. Ailie recommends the program to any budding business fanatics and says she is really pleased with how beneficial it is proving to be.

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Star of the Month

March has been one of those months where the standards of all our students have been fantastic and we have struggled to choose a star. However, with a solo violin piece at the Choral and Orchestral Concert at York Minister, talented Ivan Cheng, from St Peter's School in York is on track to be the next big thing in classical music. Ivan of, year 13, is Head of Orchestra and will have performed the Howard Goodhall Eternal Light Requiem on 27/3/2014. This is also Ivan's last year with Study Links – he has been with us for 7 years so this is an extra special commendation for us.

All Study Links Star Students receive a present and card to say well done for being so fantastic!



Please Welcome...

Sue Waters

Homestay & Transport Organiser



Sue has joined the team to be a homestay & transport organiser. She herself has been a Study Links' homestay for four years. She has three children and enjoys walking in the Yorkshire countryside. As a family they have always enjoyed hosting students and learning all about different cultures. Sue holds an in-depth knowledge of international students, which makes her a highly valued member of the team. You can contact Sue about issues relating to Homestay & Transport.

Catherine Willoughby

Student Mentor



Catherine is the newest member of the Student Services team. Graduating with a BSc (Hons) degree and completing a P.G.C.E, Catherine worked as a teacher in Higher Education and most recently as part of the pastoral care team at a boarding school. She keeps a range of exotic animal species and uses them to engage pupils in exploring the different countries which the animals' come from. You can contact Catherine about issues relating to academic and pastoral care.

Homestays We Need You!

In 2010, there were 23,307 non-British pupils with parents living overseas, studying in Britain's independent schools. By 2013, this number had grown by 11%, so we need to continually increase our number of great homestay providers.

If you would like to or know anyone who would like to be a homestay, and earn a little extra income - we would love to hear from you. Please contact info@studylinks.co.uk for more information!

Opportunities for Budding Performers

Study Links are working with Leeds Metropolitan University to offer film, music and performing arts summer workshops. These intensive courses taking place over the summer months cater to anyone with musical curiosity, wanting to explore performance techniques or develop their filming skills. The courses, carried out by some of the most respectable tutors in industry, are carried out in Leeds Met's state of the art recording studios and school of film, television and performance. The courses can be booked through Study Links. If you would like a brochure or more information on the courses, let us know so we can get back to you with the relevant information and prices.



And Congratulate...

Sophie Richardson
Head of Student Services



Sophie, who has been with Study Links for 3 years, has been promoted to our new Head of Student Services position.

Although Sophie will be busy leading the team, she will still be Student Mentor to her students, so you can contact her about anything related to personal or academic matters too. Sophie says "I am really excited and ready to get stuck in with everything". Well done Sophie – we are really proud and know that you will do a great job.