



Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | 10 July 2020

Dear Parents/Carers

Here are the latest school messages and updates for your information plus details of any letters sent home during the last week.

HEADTEACHER'S UPDATE

Dear Parent/Carers,

As we end the penultimate week of term, we wish to express our thanks to our students and families for all their endeavours over the last sixteen weeks. Students and their families have found themselves in many different circumstances facing a range of unique pressures and challenges. A huge thank you to the staff at St Katherine's who have worked tirelessly throughout this period, focusing on all our students while juggling their own personal circumstances and challenges. As a community we should be proud of all we have achieved.

In focusing on our model for September we have prioritised safety alongside our ability to deliver our full curriculum, including access to specialist rooms where required. We will share full details of this early next week through some videos for parents and students to help you understand how school will operate next year. Our model will protect each year group in a bubble with each bubble assigned to one of our blocks in the school. We will be taking full advantage of our open spaces so students enjoy plenty of fresh air during break and lunchtime.

We mentioned last week how different the experience will be for our whole community next year. We will all need to show the highest levels of understanding and cooperation and it is important we all recognise our personal responsibility within the community. Personal hygiene and the regular washing of hands will become part of our daily routine and students will be required to have their own equipment and will be unable to share. Please discuss this with your child(ren) over the holiday period.

The first week in September will be as follows:

Tuesday 1 September	INSET DAY
Wednesday 2 September	INSET DAY
Thursday 3 September	Year 7 and Year 12
Friday 4 September	Year 7, Year 11, Year 12 and Year 13
Monday 7 September	All year groups

Full [Term dates](#) for next year are available on our website.

We recognise that you will have many questions and we are keen to ensure we give you the clarity and reassurance expected. We monitor our feedback form each week and please continue to share your feedback and any questions with us using this [form](#).

We will be saying farewell to Mr Colebourne and Mrs Maringo next week as they take up new posts at St Bede's and Clifton College respectively. We wish them well in their new schools. We look forward to welcoming a number of new and experienced colleagues to St Katherine's in September as we continue to invest in the quality and delivery of our curriculum. Said Benchama will be leading MFL having spent many years leading MFL at Bristol Metropolitan; Sarah



McInerney is relocating and joining our English team; Kate Richards is our second new Deputy Headteacher leading the curriculum and teaching and learning and is joining us from Orchard School; Jessica Huzzey will be leading Philosophy and Beliefs, along with our PSHE and citizenship provision and is joining us from Bristol Free School. We look forward to these new colleagues joining us in September.

Thank you for your continued support.

Kind regards

Justin Humphreys
Headteacher

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MESSAGES

Miss Gardiner	Year 10 Work Experience	Sadly we couldn't go ahead with work experience this year for our Year 10's but we didn't want you to miss out. Here are some slides for you to experience virtually what it would be like to go and work in different companies. I hope this gives you some insight into different types of employers and the day to day life of the workplace. Any questions regarding work experience please email Miss Gardiner - gardiners@skdrive.org
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Miss Pearce	KS3 science	For the final week of the year we have designed some fun and exciting learning@home science experiments for Year 7 and 8 students to do safely at home. Please see your child's science google classroom for details and the methods to follow. We would love to see photos of these experiments so add photos to the google doc on the classroom.
Mrs Shephard	KS4 Business - new year 10	For those Year 9 students who have chosen business as an option next year, I have invited them to join the new google classroom. There are a few short activities to help get students thinking about the subject, along with a brief course overview. This will help me to get to know the students a little bit better before we meet in September. The class code is: dssl2nw . If you have any questions please email me: shephardh@skdrive.org .

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