

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 18 March 2022

Dear Parents/Carers

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

MESSAGES		
School	All years	<p>Masks</p> <p>Thank you to all families for continuing to be vigilant around symptoms. With cases remaining static since last week we will remain with masks until next week when we will review the number of cases in our community. We will update parents/carers and students regarding any changes.</p>
School	All years	<p>Since 21 February the government has removed its advice for staff and students in most schools to test twice a week. Therefore school will no longer provide LFT tests to students/staff, and testing is no longer a requirement unless symptoms develop.</p>
Mr Humphreys	All years	<p>Coffee Morning with the Headteacher</p> <p>Thank you to those of you that signed up for coffee with the Headteacher today, apologies it needed to be postponed until next Friday, 25 March.</p> <p>If you would like to join us from 9.30-11.00am, please contact Mrs Crompton via school@skdrive.org or reception on 01275 373737.</p> <p>Light refreshments will be provided, we look forward to seeing you.</p>
Mrs Weatherson	Year 12	<p>All 12 students have been invited to attend the UCAS/Apprenticeship Fair at Ashton Gate on Thursday 24th March. Please complete the online essential information form that has been emailed as this acts as a consent form also. Paper copies available on request.</p>
Mr Hake	Year 8	<p>The whole of Year 8 will have a Science test next Wednesday 23rd March this will include: B1a - Health, B1b - Disease, C1 - Periodic table, P1 - Electricity and magnetism. The test could also include some Year 7 topics.</p> <p>Please see google classrooms, classcharts and seneca for details.</p>
Miss Adams	All students who have instrumental lessons in school	<p>Instrumental lesson payments for term 5 and 6 are now due and are available to pay on parentpay. Emails have been sent home.</p> <p>Please could I ask that if your son/daughter no longer wants to continue with lessons for term 5 and 6 that you inform me via email: adamsa@skdrive.org</p>
Mrs Ivey	Year 11	<p>Revision afterschool continues next week as follows:</p> <p>Wednesday 23rd March chemistry revision with Mr Hodgson in Lab 4 this session is for all students.</p> <p>Thursday 24th March physics revision with Mr Arden in Lab 8 this session is only for students taking triple science.</p>
Miss Adams	Trailblazer students	<p>If your son/daughter is on our trailblazers scheme please remind them that they should be attending trailblazers orchestra every Wednesday morning at 8.30am in room 26. This group provides them with a valuable opportunity</p>

		to play alongside others and to consolidate their instrumental skills that they are learning with their specialist instrumental teacher.
Miss Adams	Choir	We are currently looking to recruit more singers (all years; boys and girls) into our school choir. We meet every Monday morning at 8.35am in room 26. We are just starting to prepare for the CST joint concert which will take place in Bristol Cathedral later in the year; this is an amazing opportunity to get involved in live music making (after such a long break due to COVID) and to perform in a prestigious venue. No need to sign up; just turn up on a Monday morning ready to join in! Any questions do please contact me on: adamsa@skdrive.org
Mrs Jenkins	Food and Nutrition students	Apologies for the disruption to practical lessons, hopefully they will go ahead as planned for next week. Practical lessons for next week: Monday 21st March - 7R Croque Monsieur Monday 21st March - 10C Salmon Tagine Tuesday 22nd March - 9L Cheesecake Tuesday 22nd March - 8L Macaroni cheese Wednesday 23rd March - 10C Chicken goujons Thursday 24th March - 8R Dutch apple cake Thursday 24th March - 10D Chicken goujons Friday 25th March - 7L Tomato ragu Friday 11th March - 9R Pizza Please ensure all students bring in an apron from home. All practicals have been set as homework on ClassCharts.
Mrs Slater	All years	NEW! Disability Living Allowance Training This is a one-day online Zoom course on how to apply for Disability Living Allowance. It is for parents who have young people and adults aged under 15 years of age Thursday 7 th April 2022 10am-2pm (break 12.30pm-1pm) Run by Andrew Powell from the Bristol Autism Team This is for parents of children with ASC both with and waiting for a diagnosis. Email Andrew.Powell@bristol.gov.uk to sign up
Mrs Ball	Year 7	Bikeabultry commences week beginning 28th March, the timings of the sessions are at the old SSO, Please remind your son/daughter to check the timings ahead of the course starting
Mr Hodgson	Year 9 and Year 10	St Katherine's School is exploring the opportunity to do an expedition to the Atlas Mountains in Morocco in Summer 2023. The aim would be to climb the tallest mountain in North Africa, Toubkal. We would be working with a specialist tour company that specialise in expeditions called True Adventure. We are interested in meeting those who may be interested in taking part, or want to find out more information, there will be an information evening at 19.00 on Thursday 24th March. This will be online - click on this link to sign up for the information evening and find out more.
Mrs Slater	All years	Two educational psychologists have written a blog article about how to talk with children & young people about the war in Ukraine, and some things that might help if needed. https://edpsy.org.uk/blog/2022/talking-to-children-and-young-people-about-war-in-ukraine/

		They are also fundraising for Unicef to support children and families in Ukraine.
School	All years	Parish picnic - Saturday 26 March, Victoria Park (The green, Pill) It would be great to see lots of families supporting the event and a special thank you to all the children who entered the bollard design competition and who've helped to plant up the planters. Please click here to view the poster and contact peigprecinct@gmail.com with any queries.
Mr Francis Black	Year 11	A complete calendar for year 11 showing all lessons, exams and revision sessions can be seen here . This is a live document and will be updated regularly as more revision sessions are scheduled.

LETTERS - click [here](#) to see all letters

UPCOMING EVENTS - click [here](#) to see all upcoming events

Mar 21	Y11 Mock exams
Mar 24	Y12 Careers Trip Ashton Gate
Mar 26	Adventure training club climbing/abseiling at Sandford