

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 13 May 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		
Mr Humphreys	Whole school	Well done to Zach Brennan and Christopher Rogers (9P1) who took part in the 2 day 35 mile Ten Tors Challenge as part of a team of 6 from Kilkenny Explorer Scouts. Zach & Christopher successfully finished the Challenge having walked 35km on day one and a further 27km on day two (actually a distance of 38.5 miles in total!)
Mrs Crompton	Whole school	Parents/Carers Association These will now form part of coffee/tea with the Headteacher and will be a great opportunity for you to meet with Mr Humphreys. The next one will be on 14 June (Term 6) at the new time of 1500-1600. More details to follow ..
Mr Francis Black	All Years	<p>We are now beginning the process of planning school transport for 2022/23. We continue to work closely with Turners who are facing increased costs and competition with wage and fuel cost inflation. We have worked hard together to minimise any increased costs and an additional £5 per month is necessary to keep the service running smoothly. The cost for the full year in 2022/23 will be £900 payable in ten monthly instalments of £90 from September to June. We are able to offer discounts for pupils in receipt of free school meals or pupil premium funding so please contact bonoraf@skdrive.org if you would like to discuss your personal circumstances.</p> <p>All current bus users should have received a personal email asking you to confirm your requirements for next year via an online form. Please complete this even if you do not require a place for next year.</p> <p>If you are on the waiting list for a bus place or would like to be added to the list for next year then please complete this form for new users. We will then include this in our planning in the hope of accommodating all who require transport.</p>
Mr Davies	Sixth Form	<p>Can all Year 13 parents/carers please ensure that you have read the letter sent home last week, which outlines plans for the upcoming weeks surrounding the summer exam series. I would also like to draw your attention to Exam Breakfasts and Booster Sessions, which are additional sessions being put on by the school ahead of exams. Please find the timetable for these, along with all exams, here.</p> <p>Students have this week been given a document outlining key information around exams, including procedures on the days of exams and incidents that may lead to disqualification. Find a link to this booklet here.</p> <p>I would just like to reiterate the school's zero tolerance policy on possession of vapes on school property. We treat vaping as equivalent to smoking, and if any student is found to be in possession of a vape on school property, the item will be confiscated and destroyed, and the student in question will be placed in internal exclusion.</p> <p>Finally, Year 13 final reports have been sent home today. Please ensure that these are passed on to you.</p>

Mr Maw	Whole school	Please support your child in being on time to school in the mornings. Tutor time begins at 8.35 and we expect children to be on site by 8.30. If your child gets the X4 bus from Bristol, please check the timetable with them to ensure that they are here on time.
Mrs Cameron	Year 11 Art students	FINAL DEADLINE is Monday 16th May. Students MUST hand in all their coursework (Natural forms and Building projects) by Monday. This makes up 100% of their final grade.
Mr Court	Year 11 exam season	As we enter the exam season all year 11 students have been issued with THIS booklet. It details all official requirements for attending and participating in this year's GCSE and BTEC assessments. We will be offering booster sessions before assessments and study breakfasts. All of this can be found on the timetable attached HERE .
Mr Court	Year 11 leavers	The deadline for ordering leavers' hoodies is Friday 20th May. The deadline for purchasing prom tickets is June 10th. If you have any questions or queries please contact me court@skdrive.org
Mrs Slater	All years	Here are some useful websites for parents and pupils who are suffering with anxiety which may be related to having a neurodevelopmental condition such as autism . There's the Gecko Community as well as this organisation Spectrum Gaming plus OTR - North Somerset for young people with anxiety.
Finance	Free School Meal Families	DWP Household Support Grant A one off voucher for £75 per free school meal child will be issued during the week 20th - 24th June 22 via the Wonde website. The £75 voucher covers the time period Apr to Sept 22 from the Household Support Grant and at this time there are no plans for further vouchers.
Mrs Jenkins	Food and Nutrition students	Practical lessons for next week: Monday 16th May - 7R Fruit Monday 16th May - 7L Fruit Tuesday 17th May - 9L Lentil Bolognese Tuesday 17th May - 8L Savoury rice Wednesday 18th May - 10C Lentil Bolognese Thursday 19th May - 8R Savoury rice Thursday 19th May - 10D Lentil Bolognese Friday 20th May - Lentil Bolognese Please ensure all students bring in an apron from home. All practicals have been set as homework on ClassCharts.
Mr Hodgson	Adventure Training Club Year 9-13	Two opportunities to get involved with the Adventure Training Club. We will be climbing on Saturday 11th June . Information and letters have been sent on ParentPay and on the classroom. We will be surfing on 25th June in Westward Ho! If you are in Year 9-13 and interested in getting involved in adventures, join the classroom with the code whwymkh and email Mr Hodgson hodgsont@skdrive.org
Miss Bonora	Year 9	Meningococcal ACWY vaccination and Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio vaccination The School Age Immunisation Service (SAIS) is coming into School on 16th June to carry out the above vaccinations for Year 9 students. Students will only be vaccinated if consent has been obtained from Parents/Carers. Further details can be found here . Please click on the link in the letter which will take

		you to a consent form. This needs to be completed by midnight on 13th June in order for your child to receive the vaccination at school.
Ms Wyld	Yr9 and over	Summer volunteering opportunity. Public Libraries in <u>North Somerset</u> are now recruiting student volunteers to help run the Summer Reading Scheme. Full training is given for this flexible role - as well as being great fun, this looks really good on a CV/college application! Click here for more details on what's involved and how to apply.
Miss Wilsher	Year 10 Health and Social Care	Year 10 HSC will be sitting their RO21 Unit exam on Thursday 16th June (pm) in order to support this I will be running a revision session in the half term break on Wednesday 1st June (timing to be confirmed). All students have a revision guide and should be using this to support revision ready for June.
Miss Ivey	Year 13 biology	Afterschool revision continues every Thursday afterschool, all students should attend.
Miss Ivey	Year 11	Science afterschool revision will take place next week as follows: Tuesday 17th May Chemistry Miss Richards lab 3 Wednesday 18th May Chemistry Mr Hake lab 3 Thursday 19th May Physics Miss Ardell lab 1

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

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

Term 5	BTEC GCSE AND A LEVEL EXAMS
Term 5	Primary Transition visits
25 May	Trust concert
26 May	Y7 Progress evening