

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 14 October 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>Don't forget that the clocks go back by an hour on Sunday 31 October This means it'll be getting darker much earlier. Please remind your children to be aware of their safety on their journey home from school particularly when crossing or walking near roads when they may be less easily seen by vehicles. Everyone should be aware of their surroundings including taking their earphones out and not being distracted by using their phone in dark areas. Children who cycle to and from school should make sure they have working lights and wear reflective clothing</p>
School	All years	<p>Let's Go Zero - after half term all children are required to bring a reusable water bottle to school each day. We will no longer be selling drinks cartons. Locations of water fountains have been shared with all students.</p>
School	All years	<p>Our Term 2 inset days are 31 Oct and 1 Nov.</p>
Mrs Jenkins	Food and nutrition students	<p>The practicals for this week are: Monday 17th October - 8r Tunnock teacake challenge Monday 17th October - 7r Rock cakes Monday 17th October - 8l Tunnock tea cake challenge Tuesday 18th October - 7l Apple crumble Thursday 20th October - 10A Dish that uses fruit - assessed Friday 21st October - 9l Pizza Friday 21st October - 9r Pizza Please ensure ingredients are weighed.</p>
Miss Adams	Y11 GCSE Music students	<p>GCSE Music - Solo performances take place on Wednesday 19th October (worth 15% of final GCSE grade). Timetable here. You can support by ensuring students are regularly practising and asking them to perform to you!</p>
Mr Davies	Year 11	<p>Huge apologies, due to unavoidable scheduling difficulties, the date of Sixth Form Open Evening has been moved to November 16th, one week earlier than in last week's announcements. This will run from 6-7.30pm. A letter will be sent to parents, including a link to register your attendance, later this week.</p>
Miss Adams	Trailblazers students	<p>Y7 trailblazers - This week you will have received an insurance form for your child's trailblazer instrument. This needs to be completed before students can take their instrument home.</p>
Miss Adams	Trailblazers plus	<p>Trailblazers plus - As part of the trailblazers plus scheme students need to source their own instruments as the existing instruments are now being distributed to the new Y7 trailblazers. Full details can be found in the letter about the scheme here. This is also being emailed home this week.</p>
Miss Adams	Singing lessons	<p>Apologies for the delay in the start of singing lessons. The teacher is still awaiting clearance from the HR department at North Somerset Music</p>

		Service. As soon as I have a confirmed start date I will let students/parents know. Refunds will be issued for lessons not delivered.																																																
Mr Bates	Computer Science	GCSE Computer Science - I will be running sessions after school on Fridays for Year 11 Computer Science students to come in and work on their coding or any other area of their learning that they need support with.																																																
Miss Gardiner	Y10 Work Experience (WEX)	Work experience (WEX) has been launched with YR 10. Please see the letter attached in how you can support your child in securing a meaningful work experience placement. Any questions please email gardiners@skdrive.org																																																
Miss Gardiner	Y11	Yr 11 Futures Day - Tuesday 18th Oct , All year 11 will be off timetable to complete a carousel of events and mock interviews. The day will involve guest speakers from local companies to talk about career pathways and share inspiring stories. Each student will complete a one 2 one mock interview with an employer.																																																
Miss Cave	Whole School	Free School Meals - if you think you are entitled to claim a free school meal benefit because of your income or circumstances it's essential you apply. For each eligible child, the school receives funding for the next six years, even if their parents go back to full-time paid work. You can apply to North Somerset here . If you have any queries or would like the school to support you with your application please contact reception.																																																
Ms Jefferson	All years	Sign up for the Black History Month Celebration at Trinity Academy. 6:30pm-8:00pm next Monday. Sign up on the Google form linked in the letter sent home last week. Email jeffersonj@skdrive.org with any queries.																																																
Mrs Crocker	All years	Thank you to everyone who supported Hello Yellow. We raised £150 for Young Minds and raised awareness and showed support for childrens' mental health and wellbeing.																																																
Ms Jefferson	All years	Remember to bring in any unwanted pre-loved books to donate to our Christmas Book Bonanza - a whole school free book exchange that should ensure that all students have access to books over the festive period. We are also accepting donations for younger children and adults.																																																
Mr Francis Black	Year 11	<p>Year 11 mock exams will take place from 14 November to 25 November. The draft timetable is as follows</p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th></th> <th>Date</th> <th>Period 1 & 2</th> <th>Period 3</th> <th>Period 4&5 (& 6 on Mon)</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td rowspan="4">Week 1</td> <td>Mon 14th Nov</td> <td>English Lit 1</td> <td></td> <td>Music Computing PE</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tues 15th Nov</td> <td>History 1</td> <td></td> <td>Maths 1</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Weds 16th Nov</td> <td>Biology</td> <td>Maths 2</td> <td></td> </tr> <tr> <td>Thurs 17th Nov</td> <td>Chemistry</td> <td></td> <td>French - Listening Spanish - Listening</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="4">Week 2</td> <td>Fri 18th Nov</td> <td>Food Prep Further Maths 1</td> <td></td> <td>P&B 1 Psychology</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Mon 21st Nov</td> <td>Geography</td> <td></td> <td>English Lit 2</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Tues 22nd Nov</td> <td>History 2</td> <td></td> <td>French - Reading Spanish - Reading</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Weds 23rd Nov</td> <td>Maths 3</td> <td></td> <td>Business</td> </tr> <tr> <td rowspan="2">Week 1</td> <td>Thurs 24th Nov</td> <td>Further Maths 2 P&B 2</td> <td></td> <td>French - Writing Spanish - Writing</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Fri 25th Nov</td> <td>Physics</td> <td></td> <td>Engineering</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Students will be issued with personalised timetables, including seating information by Monday 31 October.</p>		Date	Period 1 & 2	Period 3	Period 4&5 (& 6 on Mon)	Week 1	Mon 14th Nov	English Lit 1		Music Computing PE	Tues 15th Nov	History 1		Maths 1	Weds 16th Nov	Biology	Maths 2		Thurs 17th Nov	Chemistry		French - Listening Spanish - Listening	Week 2	Fri 18th Nov	Food Prep Further Maths 1		P&B 1 Psychology	Mon 21st Nov	Geography		English Lit 2	Tues 22nd Nov	History 2		French - Reading Spanish - Reading	Weds 23rd Nov	Maths 3		Business	Week 1	Thurs 24th Nov	Further Maths 2 P&B 2		French - Writing Spanish - Writing	Fri 25th Nov	Physics		Engineering
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Mrs Shephard	All years	  <p>Thank You</p> <p>We raised £778</p> <p>WORLD'S BIGGEST COFFEE MORNING MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT RIGHT THERE WITH YOU</p>
School	All years	<p>Classcharts app - If your child gets on the school bus, please make sure you have signed up for ClassCharts and you have the app downloaded on your phone, all the school bus' communication regarding delay/route changes will be now shared with parents using this channel.</p>
Mr Hodgson	<p>Year 9 and 10</p> <p>Bronze and Silver DofE</p>	<p>The Duke of Edinburgh sign up is underway! Start your life-changing adventure now!</p> <p>The Bronze DofE meeting (5/10) recording can be found on the google classroom. The enrolment form for Bronze can be found here. Please complete this by 1 November.</p> <p>The Silver DofE meeting (11/10) recording is also on the google classroom. The enrolment form for Silver can be found here. Please complete this by 1 November.</p> <p>Any questions or for more information, please email hodgsont@skdrive.org</p>

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

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

18 Oct	Open morning
20 Oct	Open morning
21 Oct	End of Term 1
31 Oct	Inset day
1 Nov	Inset day