

## Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 8 September 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Here are the latest school messages and updates for your information.

MESSAGES		
SEND	Whole School	The LSA team are supporting the Year 7s with their transition to secondary this week. Thank you for your understanding.
Finance	School Bus	<b>School Bus Direct Debit</b> The first direct debit for this academic year will be taken either Tue 12th or Wed 13th September. The file to be sent to BACS is currently being checked thoroughly for all starters and leavers to ensure the information is accurate. Direct debits for October onwards will be on the 1st of the month.
School	School Bus	All bus users have now been issued with their credit card sized bus pass. This should be shown every day when boarding the bus. Should a student lose their bus pass then a new one can be ordered via main reception and a charge of £2 will be added to ParentPay. Students are reminded that they should remain seated and wear a seat belt at all times. In the event of service delay or disruption you can quickly gain the most up to date information by calling Turner directly on 0117 955 9086.
School	Whole school	All students are reminded that they should have a pair of headphones with them each day. Work on computers often requires the use of headphones and these are a personal item, best not shared.
Sirona	Whole school	This autumn all children from Y7 to Year 11 are being offered a flu vaccine as part of the School Vaccination Programme. The flu vaccine is administered using a nasal spray. <b>Sirona Immunisation team will be on site on the 5 December to administer this vaccine.</b> Please complete the <a href="#">consent form</a> , indicating whether you wish your child to have the vaccine, ensure you complete the consent form even if you do not want your child to receive the vaccination. If your child is not able to attend school on the day of the Immunisation session they can attend a catch-up clinic at a later date.
School	Whole school	<b>School uniform</b> At St Katherine's we expect all students to wear our uniform with pride. Please refer to our <a href="#">website</a> for the most up to date information. Thank you for your support with this.
School	Year 7	The Y7 Parent/Carer information evening presentation from Tuesday is <a href="#">here</a> for information.
School	Year 7	Please can all Y7 parents/carers update the google form <a href="#">here</a> with any medical information the school should be aware of that has not already been included during data collection by Friday 15 September.
Mr Francis Black	Year 7	Registration codes for both students and parents to join Class Charts have been issued via tutors. If you have not yet signed up and would like them resent please contact your child's tutor.

Ms Wild	Year 7	Please ensure that students have a reading book with them every day. The most important homework is their daily reading - at least twenty minutes every day. If you have any questions or would like any help with supporting your child to read, please email me: <a href="mailto:wildi@skdrive.org">wildi@skdrive.org</a>
Ms Wild	Year 8	In year 8 reading remains a priority for every student. Every student is expected to read for at least twenty minutes at home every day, log their reading and quiz their books as soon as they finish reading. If you have any questions or would like any help with supporting your child to read, please email me: <a href="mailto:wildi@skdrive.org">wildi@skdrive.org</a>
School	Year 9	In year 9 reading remains a priority for every student. Every student is expected to read for at least twenty minutes at home every day and record their reading on their reading log. We encourage all students to read from our <a href="#">Bucket List</a> of challenging books. If you have any questions or would like any help with supporting your child to read, please email me: <a href="mailto:wildi@skdrive.org">wildi@skdrive.org</a>
Sirona	Year 9-11	From 1 September 2023 HPV vaccine programme will change from two doses to one dose HPV vaccine. Therefore all the young people who have already received one dose of the vaccine will be considered fully vaccinated. If your child has still not received one dose of the HPV vaccine they will remain eligible to receive this in school, details will be shared in due course. If you have any questions, please contact the Immunisation Team at <a href="mailto:sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net">sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net</a> or 03301245515.
Mrs Weathers on	Year 10 GCSE photography	Welcome to GCSE photography - we do have an opportunity coming up for a trip to the Warner Brothers Studio. We aim to run this trip each year. There are only 45 places so priority always goes first to years 13 and 11 and we run a lottery system for year 10 if the trip is oversubscribed. Letters will be coming shortly via parentpay.
Ms Tallis	Year 10 Art students	Ms Tallis is running GCSE art club: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Every Monday late lunch. Rm 10. Bring lunch with you!</li> <li>• Every Thursday after school (3pm-4pm) Rm 10. For both yr 10/11's.</li> </ul>
Mrs Rosie Cameron	Year 11 Art students	Mrs Cameron is running GCSE art club: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Every Wednesday early lunchtime. Rm 12. Bring lunch with you!</li> <li>• Every Tuesday after school (3pm-4pm) Rm 12 for both yr 10/11's</li> </ul>
Mrs Weathers on	Year 11 GCSE photography	We do have another opportunity coming up for a trip to the Warner Brothers Studio. There are only 45 places so priority always goes first to years 13 and 11. Letters will be coming shortly via parentpay.
G Davies	Year 12	Sixth form virtual parent/carers information evening Tuesday, 12 September · 6:00 – 7:00pm Google Meet joining info: <a href="https://meet.google.com/zco-svep-iza">https://meet.google.com/zco-svep-iza</a>

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

**SPORT** - click [here](#) to see all updates via our Twitter page

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

12 Sep	1800-1900 Y12 and Y13 virtual parent/carer information evening
14 Sep	1900-2130 Sports awards evening, Canteen
26 Sep	MacMillan biggest coffee morning
28 Sep	1600-2000 Whole school open evening
4 Oct	1600-1900 Y7 Parent/Carer virtual meet the Tutor evening
5/6 Oct	Y7 Mendip Outdoor trip
5 Oct	0900-1100 Open Morning
6 Oct	0830-1000 Coffee with the Headteacher
10 Oct	0900-1100 Open Morning
10 Oct	Hello Yellow - World Mental Health Day
12 Oct	0900-1100 Open Morning
17 Oct	0900-1100 Open Morning
17 Oct	Y11 futures day
19 Oct	0900-1100 Open Morning
20 Oct	End of Term 1