



## Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 20 October 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

Here are the latest school messages and updates for your information, wishing you a restful half term.

MESSAGES		
School	Whole School	Please find <a href="#">letter</a> from Mr Humphreys with regards to SKYFund. Thank you to those who have made contributions, this is gratefully received. We have been able to set up this on ParentPay if you would like to also donate that way.
School	Whole School	One of Bristol Cathedral School's incredible young students in Y10 is a medal winning British para swimmer and he is really keen for more young prospective para athletes to give swimming a go. He's asked to share his <a href="#">flyer</a> in the hope that we get lots of new future stars to the pool for his trials.
School	Whole school	<b>Free bus pass for a month</b> If you live in the North Somerset or Bristol area, you can receive free bus travel with First Bus for the entire month of your birthday. To take up this offer, use this link to register: <a href="#">Register</a> - Birthday Bus. Parents/carers will need to add some details to access this offer for their children, but it is open to all residents.
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>From The Monkhouse Team</b> Our school uniform supplier, Monkhouse is offering a huge 20% off everything in store and online between 16th October 2023 - 22nd October 2023. If you need to top up on any uniform or P.E kit items or need a refresh on your everyday essentials and stationery, now's the time to shop. Use code DEAL20 at checkout or in store <a href="http://www.monkhouse.com">www.monkhouse.com</a>
School	Whole school	Please see the attached slides for this term's house competitions.  House competitions 23/24
School	Whole school	In addition to the Wednesday enrichment lessons all students have the opportunity to attend a range of clubs and activities at lunch and after school.  <a href="#">STUDENT ACTIVITIES 2023_24 BOOKLET .pdf</a> Co-curricular sports activities are communicated separately by the PE department.
School	Whole school	Please remind students that lost property is in reception and they are welcome to look in during breaktime and lunchtimes.
Miss Adams	Whole school	Two opportunities for musicians to take part in Sunday workshops through the West of England Music Alliance. <a href="#">Folk workshop</a>

		<a href="#">Vocal workshop</a>
School	Whole school	<p><b>Free School Meals</b></p> <p>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 <a href="#">here</a>. If you have any queries or would like the school to support you with your application please contact reception.</p>
School	Whole school	<p><b>Free School Meals</b></p> <p>If your child is entitled to a free school meal they can receive breakfast in the canteen before 8.30. They will be able to choose from the following;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 pieces of toast with jam</li> <li>• fresh fruit with a juice drink</li> <li>• porridge with honey/syrup with a juice drink</li> <li>• cereal with milk</li> <li>• 1 crumpet with jam.</li> </ul>
Miss Wilsher	Whole School	<p><b>Health and Social Care</b></p> <p>In order to develop the delivery of Health and Social Care, I am looking to develop links with parents who work in the health or care sectors. If you can help please drop me an email <a href="mailto:wilsherr@skdrive.org">wilsherr@skdrive.org</a></p>
Ms Maurier	Year 7-9	<p>Just a reminder that this is for next school week and all recipes are on Classcharts as homework 7 days in advance of the lesson.</p> <p>Year 7 Bread rolls - 7L: 02/11 and 7R: 03/11  Year 8 Dutch apple cake - 8L 31/10 and 8R : 31/10  Year 9 Pizza - 9L: 02/11 and 9R : 03/11</p> <p>The following week will be:  Year 7 Students' own bread - 7L: 06/11 and 7R: 07/11  Year 8 Cheese and onion pasties - 8L 10/11 and 8R : 07/11  Year 9 Thai green curry - 9L: 10/11 and 9R : 09/11</p>
Ms Wild	Years 7-9	<p>This week we're celebrating three different <a href="#">house reading competitions</a>.  Ask your child - have you quizzed yet? (Years 7-8)  Have you written a Bucket List Review yet? (Year 9+)  Have you completed your reading log? (Years 7-9)  Any questions, let me know: <a href="mailto:wildi@skdrive.org">wildi@skdrive.org</a></p>
Mr Hake	Years 7-9	<p>As a science faculty we have signed up to the <b>Salter's Institute online Chemistry club aimed at 11-14 year olds</b>. This includes lots of interactive activities and videos which are updated throughout the week on a different topic each week. It is a great opportunity for your child to learn more about Chemistry in real life examples and to learn more about the jobs that are available within Chemistry.  Your child should use the following link to register:  <a href="https://salterschemistryclub.co.uk/register">https://salterschemistryclub.co.uk/register</a></p> <p>Students will need to register with their <b>School email account</b> and make sure that they have selected St Katherine's School in the school selection.  Please let Mr Hake know if you have any questions - <a href="mailto:hakej@skdrive.org">hakej@skdrive.org</a></p>
School	Whole School	We are recruiting for exam invigilators, please click <a href="#">here</a> for further details.

Miss Gardiner	Year 8	<b>Thursday 2nd Nov, Period 5 - BAE Systems, RAF &amp; Royal Navy Education Programme Roadshow 2023 in lecture theatre.</b> BAE and the RAF are coming in to run a roadshow careers event in the lecture theatre P5 for all year 8 students. All students will be off timetable for P5 to attend the hour long event. Any questions please email <a href="mailto:gardiners@skdrive.org">gardiners@skdrive.org</a>
School	Year 9	<b>Virtual Progress Evening – Wednesday 15 November 2023, 4-7pm -</b> letter has been sent via ParentPay, bookings open from 1800 on Wednesday 8 November.
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 Collins	Year 9	<b>GCSE Drama</b> Students who are <b>interested or want more information</b> with regards to taking GCSE drama next academic year are invited to come and speak to me on <b>Thursday 2nd November during am register in room 25.</b> Bring your questions and your curiosity! Thank you in advance Mrs Collins
Miss Venn	Year 10	Food preparation group will be preparing Cottage pie after half-term. The ingredients and the method are on Classcharts and Google Classroom. Wednesday 01/11. Please bring an ovenproof dish for your Cottage pie.
Ms Tallis	Year 10 GCSE art	An important email has gone out to parents/carers of all Y10 art GCSE students. Many thanks for your continued communication & support; it is making a huge difference to your childrens' achievement on the art GCSE course.
School	Year 10 Work Experience	WEX takes place on <b>1st - 5th July</b> and the deadline to find a placement is <b>19th February</b> . Many places, especially within popular areas such as sport, education and engineering, fill their allocation by December. For more information, please read through <a href="#">this letter</a> sent home a few weeks ago. Please note that we are now using a new platform called Unifrog to log Placements. For more information, please head to the <a href="#">school website</a> .  Please have a look at this week's <a href="#">WOW!</a> (WEX Opportunity of the Week).  If you have any questions regarding work experience, please contact me on <a href="mailto:skworkexperience@skdrive.org">skworkexperience@skdrive.org</a>
Mr Sugden	Year 11	The Faculty of Science are offering the following <b>after school revision</b> session next week (the week after half-term):  Next week's revision session:

		<input type="checkbox"/> GCSE Biology - 01/11/2023 (Wednesday) - Lab 1 - 3:10 pm - B3/4: Organ Systems.  Please encourage your child's attendance if possible. The session will cover content relevant for both combined and triple science.
Mrs Ivey	Year 11	Many students worry about revising the <b>required practicals for biology, chemistry and physics</b> . To help students we have given every student a booklet with key information for each required practical. We have discussed how to best use these booklets with students. You can see a copy of the slides that we used today <a href="#">here</a> .
Miss Adams	Year 11	<b>Due to unforeseen circumstances the date of the ensemble (group) performance exams has been changed from Friday 20th October to Friday 10th November.</b> Timetable to follow. A reminder that this exam is worth <b>15% of the final GCSE grade</b> . Any questions please contact me: <a href="mailto:adamsa@skdrive.org">adamsa@skdrive.org</a>
Miss Robinson	Year 11	If you were unable to attend the Year 11 information evening, please find attached the <a href="#">slides</a> used and the <a href="#">revision tips</a> shared.
School	Year 12 & 13	Sixth Form Open Evening will take place on <b>November 2nd</b> from 6pm-7.30pm. <b>Please note this change from the original date on November 1st</b> - this was due to circumstances beyond our control. We hope to welcome as many families as possible to the event, where we will outline what opportunities are available for post-16 education at St Katherine's. Please sign up via our website or via this <a href="#">link</a> .
Mr Sugden	Year 12 & 13	The Faculty of Science are offering the following after school revision session next week:  Next week's revision session: <input type="checkbox"/> A-Level Chemistry - 02/11/2023 (Thursday) - Lab 8 - 3:10 pm  Please encourage your child's attendance if possible. The session will cover content relevant for both combined and triple science.
School	Year 12 Work Experience	WEX for Yr 12 takes place on <b>17th - 21st June</b> and the deadline to find a placement is <b>19th February 2024</b> .  <b>Many places, especially within popular areas such as sport, education and engineering, fill their allocated slots by December/January.</b>  For more WEX information, please read through <a href="#">this letter</a> sent home a few weeks ago.  Please note that we are now using a new platform called Unifrog to log Placements. For more information, please head to the <a href="#">school website</a> .  Please have a look at this week's <a href="#">WOW!</a> (WEX Opportunity of the Week)  If you have any questions regarding work experience, please contact me on <a href="mailto:skworkexperience@skdrive.org">skworkexperience@skdrive.org</a> .

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

20 Oct	End of Term 1
30 Oct	Trust Inset Day
1 Nov	0845-1300 Sixth form trip to the Royal Mint, South Wales
2 Nov	1000-1100 Guest speaker - Kieran O'Donoghue - Bank of England, HAS teaching classroom
2 Nov	1400-1500 Y8 BAE Systems, RAF & Royal Navy Education Programme Roadshow 2023
2 Nov	1800-1930 Sixth form open evening
8 Nov	All day Y8 Future Brunels
8 Nov	1645-1745 Pill Rainbows
10 Nov	1120-1220 Remembrance day (11:11)
13 Nov	1600-1900 Careers Fair, Trinity Academy
15 Nov	1600-1900 Y9 progress evening
23 Nov	1500-1630 Coffee with the Headteacher
29 Nov	1600-1900 Virtual Y8 progress evening
30 Nov	0830-1500 GCSE and A level Art & Textiles trip, Bristol
1 Dec	Festive Market, further details to follow
5 Dec	All day Whole school flu vaccinations
6 Dec	1730-1830 Ski Trip - Talk to parents/carers, LT
7 Dec	0715-2200 Y12, Y13 London galleries (Tate Modern, National Gallery)
12 Dec	0900-2000 Y10, Y11, Y12, Y13 WB Studio Tour visit, London
15 Dec	END OF TERM at 1230