

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 12 January 2023

Dear Parents/Carers

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

MESSAGES		
School	Whole School	<p>Coffee with the Headteacher</p> <p>Our next coffee with Mr Humphreys will be on Monday 22 January from 0830-1000, please email school@skdrive.org if you'd like to join us. We will be staggering dates and times across the year for those that can't make it this time.</p>
Mr Harding Chair of the Governors	Whole school	<p>Parent/Carer Governor Vacancy</p> <p>The local governing body is seeking expressions of interest from the St Katherine's Parent/Carer community in taking on the vital role of Parent/Carer governor. Through your children, you have a first-hand experience of the delivery of the curriculum, and how the school is perceived from a 'consumers' point of view. This enables parent governors to bring a different perspective to the strategic management of the school. More information about the Parent/Carer Governor role can be found here. If you wish to put your name forward, please complete the Parent/Carer Governor application.</p>
School	Whole school	<p>Priory Community School Academy is inviting all the parents to attend a public meeting for the Consultation on an additional SEND resource base. This will take place on the 22 January at 6pm at Priory Community School Academy (BS22 6BP). All the details can be accessed here.</p>
Ms Maurier	Year 7-9	<p>Just a reminder that this is for next week and all recipes are on Classcharts as homework 7 days in advance of the lesson. The recipes are linked to this document and students will collect a paper copy of the recipes this week too.</p> <p>Year 7 Rock cakes n.5 - 7L: 15/01 and 7R: 16/01 Year 8 Cheese and onion pasties n.5 - 8L 19/01 and 8R : 16/01 Year 9 Macaroni cheese n.5 - 9L: 19/01 and 9R : 18/01</p> <p>The following week will be: Year 7 Bread rolls n.6 - 7L: 25/01 and 7R: 26/01 Year 8 Dutch apple cake n.6 - 8L 23/01 and 8R : 23/01 Year 9 Chicken fajitas n.6 - 9L: 25/01 and 9R : 26/01</p> <p>Students need to put their ingredients in the fridge before tutor time and bring a container and apron for each practical lesson. They need to collect their food at the end of the day unless they decide to eat it at break time. For some recipes, a small contribution is required for ingredients provided by the school.</p>
School	Whole school	<p>Free School Meals</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 here. If you have any queries or would like the school to support you with your application please contact reception.</p>

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School	Whole school	Homework club is on Mondays and Tuesdays in CR1 next to the library after school 3-4pm staffed by the inclusion team.
Ms Wyld	Whole school	Set your imagination free and take part in the Bristol Central Library art competition to create your own magical creature.
Ms Wild	Year 7	We're back in the swing of reading, logging and quizzing. Check with your child to make sure they are reading and logging every day, and when their next quiz will be. If you would like any support with your child's reading, please contact me on wildi@skdrive.org
Miss Adams	Year 7 trailblazers	Advance notice: all Y7 trailblazers students will be participating in trailblazers bandcamp day on Wednesday 21st February . This will involve spending the day at Trinity Academy in a series of workshops and rehearsals with an evening performance to families. Further details to follow in a letter but please make a note of the date in your diaries.
School	Year 8	<p>The Sirona Immunisation team will be holding the HPV vaccination clinic in school on the 30 January 2024 for all Year 8 students. This vaccine helps protect your child against the human papillomavirus (HPV). As of 1 September 2023, the HPV vaccine will be given as one injection in the upper arm, this is usually given in Year 8.</p> <p>It is important for you to discuss and complete the consent form with your child. Please do this even if you don't want your child to receive the vaccination. Please be aware that if we do not receive a consent informing us of your wishes, each young person may be assessed on an individual basis and invited to self consent for the vaccination providing they can demonstrate an understanding of the vaccination due. This is in line with the Gillick Competency Framework.</p> <p>Please complete the consent form by Thursday 25 January. If you have any questions, please contact the Immunisation Team at sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net or 0300 1245515</p>
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Ms Wild	Year 9	If your child is not sure what to read next from our Bucket List , ask them to have a look at the Bucket List Google classroom for reviews and

		<p>recommendations from their peers and teachers. Contact me with any questions - wildi@skdrive.org</p>
Mr Hodgson	Year 9	<p>St Katherine's School is exploring the opportunity to do an expedition to the Atlas Mountains in Morocco in Summer 2025.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>We would like to meet those who may be interested in taking part, or want to find out more information. There will be an information evening at 18.00 on Tuesday 16th January. This will be online - click on this link to sign up for the information evening and to find out more.</p> <p>The meeting will be recorded if you are not able to make it.</p>
Mr Fey & Mr Simmons	Year 10	<p>Lunchtime catch up sessions for Engineering students will run on the following days:</p> <p>Week 1 Mon - Mr Simmons' room Thurs - Mr Fey's room</p> <p>Week 2 Mon - Mr Simmons' room Fri - Mr Fey's room</p>
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School	Year 11	<p>Year 11 Virtual Progress Evening – Wednesday 24 January 2024, 4.00-7.00pm - please see letter here for details and booking.</p>
Mrs R Cameron	Year 11 Art GCSE students	<p>ALL students have now started their exam project. This makes us 40% of their final grade. Everything they do in class and at home counts! Please check in and ensure they are completing Art homework that is being set weekly. Please email me if you have any questions about the exam project and how to support. cameronr@skdrive.org</p>
Mrs Weatherson	Year 11 Photo GCSE	<p>ALL students have now started their exam project (ESA.) This makes us 40% of their final grade. Please check in and ensure they are completing</p>

		<p>homework and email me if you have any questions about the exam project and how to support. weathersonh@skdrive.org</p> <p>EXTRA support sessions this term Thursdays 3pm-4pm.</p>
Mr Simmons	Year 11 Food preparation & nutrition.	<p>Year 11 Food preparation and nutrition students will be cooking once a week for the rest of the term. They will need to bring in the appropriate ingredients and a container to take them home in.</p> <p>On each of the following dates they will cook one of their recipes they have chosen and students have access to these recipes in their NEA2 coursework folder.</p> <p>Monday 15th Jan Wednesday 24th Jan Monday 29th Jan Wednesday 7th Feb</p> <p>Any problems please let us know at least 2 working days in advance so that we may help out.</p>
Mr Sugden	Year 11	<p>Next week the science faculty will offer Biology (B10) revision for year 11. The revision session will take place in Lab 2 from 3:10-4:10pm with Mr Sugden on Wednesday 17th January 2024. As many students as possible are encouraged to attend; notably, this topic will be on their Paper 2 Mock.</p>
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Miss Adams	Year 11 GCSE music	<p>During terms 3 and 4 I am running additional composition support sessions after school on selected Tuesdays and Wednesdays from 3pm-4.30pm. The sign up sheet has been shared with students on their google classroom. Please ensure your child has signed up to attend at least 2 sessions. A reminder that composition coursework forms 30% of the final GCSE grade.</p>
Miss Adams	Year 11 GCSE music	<p>On Tuesday 30th January Y11 music students are attending a concert by the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra at Trinity Academy. The performance will include some of the set works that students study as part of the course so is an excellent opportunity to help consolidate this knowledge as well as watching professional musicians in action. Letter is being sent via parentpay and hard copies will be available for students from next week. Please complete the permission slip and payment as per the letter. Thank you.</p>
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Mrs Weatherson	Year 12 & 13	<p>Elevate Education delivers high-impact workshops to our students that help to develop their study skills, motivation, and exam preparation. Over the next term, you're invited to join their parent webinar series, where you can help support your child at home by reinforcing the skills they're learning at school. How to Help Your Child Improve Their Note Taking 23rd January 6:00pm To register: https://go.elevateeducation.com/ukschoolwebinar</p>
Mrs Ivey	Year 12 & 13	<p>Particle physics masterclass</p> <p>Bristol university is hosting a particle physics masterclass for 6th form students on 27th March. You can find out more and sign up here.</p>
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SPORT - click [here](#) to see all updates via our X (formally Twitter) page

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

15 Jan	0835-0900 Y11, talk from Boomsatsuma, LT
16 Jan	1800-1900 Online parents/carers evening for Morocco
17 Jan	0835-0900 Y12, Weston University talk, 6th form study area
17 Jan	1400-1500 Michelmores Law firm - Equality, Fairness and Justice, English block

17 Jan	1500-1630 Y11, Y12, Y13 Life drawing workshop for A level/GCSE art students , Art Dept, room 13
22 Jan	0830-1000 Coffee with the Headteacher
24 Jan	1600-1900 Y11 progress evening
30 Jan	1220-1320 Y10 AA Speaker for Society and Culture 1220-1320, LT
30 Jan	All day Y8 HPV vaccinations
30 Jan	1100-1445 Y11 Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra Concert, St Michael's centre
2 Feb	Y9 T G Gray - Aircraft Challenge STEM Day, LT
5-8 Feb	Residential Y12 trip to Slapton Ley, Devon
7 Feb	0900-1000 10B Y10 business students - UWE Economics workshop, room 61 1120-1220 10A
7 Feb	1700-1900 Y9 Options Evening
9 Feb	End of term
9-17 Feb	Y7-10 Ski trip Folgaria, Italy (over 1/2 term)