



Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 22 March 2019

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 Southon	All Year groups	It has been brought to my attention that a number of pupils are playing a violent online game called Apex Legends. This game has an online rating of 16+. Please read this article for more details. <u>Apex Legends</u>		
School	All	A reminder, for safeguarding purposes, all visitors to school should report to the visitor reception and <u>not</u> to the student support office. If you are collecting or dropping off your child or have any enquiry, please go to the visitor reception in the first instance.		
School	All	New telephone system. We have upgraded our telephone system and wanted to remind you of the options available when you phone in. Option 1: Student Absence/Attendance Enquiries Option 2: Admission or Free School Meals Option 3: Finance Option 4: Student Support Office Option 5: Switchboard/Reception Please note that calls may be recorded for training and quality purposes.		
Mr Southon	All	W/c 25 March is Pride week, there will be lots of activities raising money for the Albert Kennedy Trust, they provide help for LGBTQ+ young people experiencing homelessness or hostile environments. Pride ribbon will be available all week as well as: Monday - cake sale, Wednesday - Guest speaker at lunchtime, Friday - Krispy Kreme donuts and 'Wear any shoes day'. St Katherine's pupils can support Team Pride by participating in the 'Wear Any Shoes Day' on Friday 29 March. Students are able to wear any sensible shoes with their school uniform to show that St Katherine's stands with the LGBT+ community.		
Mr Francis-Black & Mrs Williams	Years 7, 8 & 9	A reminder that Activities Week booklets have gone home this week and choices are due back by the end of term.		
Mr Fey & Mr Simmons	Year 11 Design and Technology	Lunchtime (13.25-14:00) and after-school sessions (15:30-17:00) continue to run Monday to Thursday for all Design and Technology students. There are only <u>2 weeks</u> remaining to complete practical projects!		
Mrs Butler	Years 7 & 8	Week commencing 25 March we are making; 7R- Cheesecake 7L - Mince 8A -Scones 8B - Cornish pasty		





		If there are any concerns regarding ingredients, please let me know. The ingredients list is on Classcharts and your child should have brought home a paper copy
Mrs Aubret	Year 11 French	Lunchtime and after school sessions continue to run on Thursdays . We are preparing for the GCSE Speaking exam taking place on the 25 and 26 of April.
Mrs Gardener	11D Business	Selected students have been invited to attend after school coursework catch-up sessions 3.20 - 4.30pm next week for improving Unit 1 work. Students will be invited in advance.
Mrs Shephard	11B	Business studies Unit 1 coursework after school catch up - every Tuesday in room 61 3.20 - 4.30pm.
Mrs Ivey	Year 7	Students enjoyed making crystals with Mr Hodgson in science club this week. There will be no science club next week (28 March) due to parents' evening.
Mrs Ivey	Year 11	Science revision for Year 11 continues after school next week, with physics revision with Mr Arden on Wednesday in lab 4 and chemistry revision with Mr Hodgson in lab 1 on Thursday. There will also be biology revision Monday lunchtime with Mrs Andrews in lab 8 and chemistry revision Thursday lunchtime with Mr Hodgson in lab 1.
Mrs Collins	Year 11 Drama	Monday 1 April Exam - Reminder for pupils to arrange rehearsals using spreadsheet prior to final practical exam. Lunch / after school slots available. Sunday 31 March 10:00am - 12:00pm rehearsal times available, pupils to speak to me personally to arrange time slot.
Mrs Collins	Year 9 Dance	Tuesday 26 March - North Somerset dance festival at Weston Playhouse tickets available online. Pupils need to bring food and money. We are leaving school at 11:00am. Pupils to wear comfortable dance wear.
Ms Jefferson	Year 10 Summer Exams	Pupils can get a head start on their revision by using Google Classroom to revise lesson content! They will complete a Language Paper 2 and a literature paper (Pride and Prejudice, An Inspector Calls, EDUQAS Poetry Anthology).
Ms Jefferson	Year 11 English	Pupils should use resources on Google Classroom to help plan their essays. Write extra essays for their teacher to mark! We will be sharing Language past papers this week: remember, practice makes perfect!
Mrs Weatherson	Film & Media	Don't forget to access the support site: <u>hwmedia.wixsite.com/stkatherinesmedia</u> for coursework and exam support.
Ms Tallis & Ms Cameron	Year 11 Art students	Year 11 support sessions for the art GCSE exam project continue to run every lunchtime and after school on a Tuesday and Thursday. In the past, those students who attended one session a week improved their final GCSE grade against their prediction. Remember - only three and a half school weeks until the exam on 2 and 3 May!
Mr Hodgson	Year 12	On Wednesday 27 March, all of Year 12 will be heading to Cardiff University's open day. The trip will leave at the start (0900) and return by the end of school (1500). Please ensure you have paid on ParentPay.





		Don't forget to also pay for the UCAS HE and Apprenticeship Fair last Monday.
Mrs Lomax	Year 9	All Year 9 students will take part in a day-long workshop designed to raise awareness of social issues, and to learn how to write persuasively about them, with experts from Bristol university.
		The sessions are taught by researchers from the university's Department of English with the support of current undergraduate students from the School of Humanities. Engagement with the Writing Wrongs team offers pupils an insight into studying a Humanities related degree at a Russell Group university.
		Students will be equipped with the skills to produce a high quality piece of work that meets the requirements of the <u>Orwell Youth Prize (junior prize category)</u> . The theme for 2019 is 'A Fair Society?' Entries to the competition can be written in any form (journalism, essays, short stories, blog posts, poems and even plays); for the purpose of this in-school workshop, we will focus on two forms: articles and short essays.

LETTERS THIS WEEK- click <u>here</u> to see all letters from this academic year					
All	Pride Week				
UPCOMING EVENTS - click <u>here</u> to see all upcoming events					
w/c 25 March 28 March 5 April 23 April 6 May	Pride Week 16:00-19:00 Year 8 Parent/Carer Evening End of Term 4 Start of Term 5 19:00-20:00 Parent/Carer Association Meeting May Bank Holiday				
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