

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 23 September 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	Pill Food Bank Donation Point We are very grateful for the ongoing support we receive from the Pill Food Bank who have donated generously to the school's hardship fund. In order to support their important work we are becoming a donation point for food donations. This will be in our main reception and students and their families are encouraged to donate food items if they can. The list of the items that they need can be seen here Foodbankdonationlistsept22. Students will take responsibility for taking items to the Food Bank on a regular basis. Thank you for your support.
School	Sustainable Uniform Shop	Do you have any unwanted items of uniform or PE kit at home that your child has grown out of or no longer needs? If so, please consider donating these to our sustainable uniform shop. Items in good condition can be taken to our main reception where they will be reused. Clothing waste is an important environmental issue and is also a way that we can support families facing hardship. Thank you for your support.
Mr Dawes	Year 7	Year 7 students who are interested in representing school sport teams this year should join SLACK. We use slack to communicate messages about teams. Students can sign up via this link https://stkathspe.slack.com/join/signup#/domain-signup for free via their school email address.
Mr Dawes	Year 7	Year 7 Boys rugby practice every Wednesday @ 15:00 - 16:45 after school. All students are welcome, just turn up! On week 2 Wednesday, students are encouraged to access the library on site from 14:00-15:00 to complete homework or daily reading time. Information on clubs and practices can be found on Twitter '@stkathspe'
Mr Dawes/Mr Cook	Year 8-11	A reminder that you need to be on SLACK to receive messages about sports teams, if you are not on SLACK from last year then you can join via this link https://stkathspe.slack.com/join/signup#/domain-signup
Mr Dawes	Year 7	Please remind students that they need to bring their studded boots to PE lessons.
Mrs Weatherson	WB Studios trip	On this occasion we have had to use a lottery system as the trip has been oversubscribed. In the instance that your child was not selected, a refund will have been made. Please be assured that we know what a fantastic opportunity this is and we will endeavour to annually offer this experience to students studying creative subjects.
Mrs Weatherson	Yr 10 GCSE photography	Students are set independent learning projects that compliment the topics that we are studying in school - an information pack about the projects will be arriving by post.
Mrs Slater	All Years	Parenting courses: Bristol LA is offering Non Violent Resistance courses Parenting courses currently running in Bristol



Miss Adams	All years	Choir on a Monday in room 26 8.30am-9am Trailblazers orchestra on a Wednesday in room 26 8.30am-9am (to start after October half term) Orchestra on a Thursday in room 26 8.30am-9am Choir are working towards a performance at the trust concert at Bristol Cathedral in March. Please encourage your child to come along and get involved.
Miss Adams	All years	Instrumental lessons are now up and running with the exception of singing lessons. These should start on Wednesday 28th September. I will confirm this via a message on the instrumental lessons google classroom and through tutors.
Miss Adams	Trailblazers	If your child has signed up for the trailblazers scheme information will be coming out about this very shortly. Apologies for the delay whilst we try to source the correct number of instruments required for the 38 students who have signed up to the scheme.
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.
Mrs Jenkins	Food and nutrition students	The practicals for this week are: Tuesday 27th September -9r - Jollof Rice Tuesday 27th September - 8L - Shortbread (moved from last Friday) Wednesday 28th September - 110A Pineapple upside down cakes Thursday 29th September - 8l Cheese scones Please ensure ingredients are weighed.
Mrs Groves	Year 10 history students	To support year 10 students working towards their GCSE History exams, the faculty is offering you the chance to purchase the recommended revisions guides to help with studying at home. We are able to offer all four for a discounted price of £12.40 Payment can be made either through ParentPay, or by filling in the letter handed out in class. This must be completed by Friday 7th October. We will be unable to process any orders after this date.
Ms Keir	Year 11	Please note that Year 11 personal guidance meetings will start Monday 26th of September. Click <u>here</u> to see the letter sent to year 11 parents
Ms Keir	All years	Here is the Careers Bulletin for the week commencing Monday 26th September
Mr Francis Black	All years	The range of clubs and activities available outside of the Monday enrichment period can be seen here . Please note that this is a live document that will be updated by staff as required. The PE faculty publish their activities outside of this document.
Mrs Shephard	All years	St Katherine's School Coffee Morning to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support on Wednesday 28th September. Students can buy a cake for 50p at breaktime. Please bring money in on the day to help support this fundraising event.



School	Y10	HPV vaccination catch-up clinics are available for Y10 students who didn't receive their vaccine at school. Please book an appointment at https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/hpv/2021/book . If you have any queries please contact the Immunisation Team 0300 124 5515 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net
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LETTERS - click <u>here</u> to see all letters

UPCOMING EVENTS - click <u>here</u> to see all upcoming events				
28 Sep	The Macmillan Big Coffee Morning			
29 Sep	Open evening, school closing early - buses at 1230			
30 Sep	INSET DAY			
4 Oct	Open morning			
5 Oct	Y7 Parent/Carer meet the tutor			
6 Oct	Open morning			
14 Oct	083:0-10:00 - Coffee with the Headteacher (note date change from 13)			
21 Oct	End of Term 1			