

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 17 January 2020


Dear Parents/Carers

Here are the latest school messages and updates for your information plus details of any letters sent home during the last week.

MESSAGES		
School	All years	Thank you for your cooperation in collecting your children at the end of the school day from the overflow carpark. From Monday 20 January we ask all parents/carers who drive their children to school to use the full length of the bus lane to drop their children off, rather than dropping them at the entrance to the school on the double yellow lines. Thank you for supporting the safety of all our children.
School	All years	Parent Association Meeting - Monday 27 January 2020 Open to all parents and carers where we discuss parent/carer topics. Please see agenda for this meeting. Previous meeting agenda and notes are on our website . We look forward to seeing you on 27 January.
School	All years	As we begin Term 3 our commitment to improving St Katherine's School continues. An important part of our improvement journey is to listen to our stakeholders and we would be grateful if you could spend five minutes of your time completing a short 12 question survey. The survey results will help support and shape our work in 2020 and beyond and will be combined with other stakeholder feedback. Parent/Carer Survey
Mrs Collins	All years	Reminder for students who are coming to watch <u>Matilda in London.</u> Date: 26 February 2020. It will be non-uniform. Student should bring money/packed lunch. Students will need to come to room 25 to be registered and organised to get the coach in the morning. Any question please see letter that was sent home in Term 2 or email Mrs Collins at school. Thank you.
Mrs Ivey	Year 11 Science	We will be offering science revision after school on Tuesday and Wednesday from now until the GCSE examinations. All students should aim to attend one session a week. Many students have asked for practice examination papers. These can be found here and here .
Miss Adams	Year 11 GCSE music students	Year 11 music students need to sign up for one to one composition support using the link below. This has been emailed to them. The deadline for BOTH compositions is Friday 3 April. Students can sign up for as many sessions as they like but all should sign up for at least two. https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/18Nr9stRPU_9Hq5dDSUcwesvoyiQ8Fcl3Ha2JpGP6oVE/edit#gid=0



Business Studies	Year 11	<p>Coursework Catch up</p> <p>All students who have not completed their coursework module will have to have it done by the end of this term. There are catch up sessions running at the following times every week throughout Term 3:</p> <p>Mrs Shephard:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday lunchtime in room 61 ● Tuesday and Wednesday after school in room 61 <p>Mr Bates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday lunchtime in room CR4 ● Tuesday and Thursday after school in room CR4
Ms Tallis	Year 11 art students	<p>Year 11 GCSE art students have now started their exam project. It will be taught in lessons and will culminate with a 10 hour exam in May over two days. Students must now fully focus on working on the exam project in and out of lessons; they should spend at least one hour a week on homework on their art exam preparation. This project forms 40% of students' art GCSE grade. As well as working sessions every lunchtime in the Art Department, we are now offering after-school sessions on a Monday and Tuesday.</p>
Ms Tallis	GCSE and A Level art students	<p>The life drawing class will now take place on Wednesday 22 January rather than 15 January. All other details, as outlined in the letter that students brought home, remain the same.</p>
Mrs Ivey	GCSE and A-level science students	<p>The University of Bristol are offering some fantastic STEM opportunities for students, see below for details and links for applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -year 12 summer schools in biomedical sciences, engineering, medicine and physics -year 12 life science taster days -year 12 STEM taster days -year 12 engineering taster days -year 12 medicine taster days -year 11 and 12 medicine, veterinary and dentistry taster days -year 10,11,12 summer engineering for girls -year 12 biological science work experience -year 10 biochemistry work experience -year 10 and 11 engineering work experience
Mr Cook	Year 10 BTEC Sport	<p>All Year 10 sport students will be sitting their Fitness for Sport and Exercise online examination during normal school hours on Tuesday 11 February 2020. I have emailed all parents and students a copy of a letter that includes details of revision opportunities that are available to students in order to help them prepare for the examination.</p>
Mrs Weatherson	GCSE photography	<p>We are delighted to announce that William Parsons has won the local Rotary photography Club competition. Congratulations Will!</p>

<p>Miss Sutton</p>	<p>Food Technology</p>	<p>Students who are currently doing food technology need to remember to bring the following ingredients: Monday 20th January - 7r Ragu Tuesday 21st January - 8r Bolognese sauce - 8l Bolognese sauce Wednesday 22nd January - 7r Rock Cakes Thursday 23rd January - 7l Ragu Friday 24th January - 10c Risotto</p> <p>All ingredients have been set on Class Charts. If you have any issues with providing these ingredients, please contact me on: suttone@skdrive.org with at least 48 hours notice.</p>
<p>Ms Wyld</p>	<p>Author event for all Year7 students</p>	<p>We are really excited to be able to offer the opportunity for all our Year 7 students to attend an event with well-known author Tom Palmer. This will take place on Wednesday 5 February in the lecture theatre, and promises to be a lively, and interactive session! We will be giving students the opportunity to buy some of the books Tom will be talking about ahead of the event, so look out for the letter next week - details will be going on ParentPay very soon. Books will be available for students to collect after the talk, when Tom will be signing them!</p>
<p>Mr Hodgson</p>	<p>Adventure Training Club (Year 9 -13)</p>	<p>Nine members of the adventure training club braved the wind and rain of Wales to go Mountain Biking (11 January). Setting off from just outside Coleford, and riding up steep fire roads through the forest. The group then found muddy tracks and trails to ride down, building confidence and learning some new skills. The conditions were sloppy on the trails, which made some of the downhill perilous. Despite high winds and miserable weather, the group kept up the speed going over jumps and round steep burns. Thanks to Mr Bates for driving in the minibus.</p> <div data-bbox="496 1290 1481 1630" data-label="Image">  </div> <p>Interested in getting involved? Adventure Training Club is open to anyone in Year 9 -13, you don't need experience, just enthusiasm! So far we've climbed mountains, surfed waves and explored caves, with more trips planned this year. Ask Mr Hodgson for more information and to join the google classroom (hodgsont@skdrive.org).</p>



LETTERS THIS WEEK- click [here](#) to see all letters from this academic year

Year 7 Year 7 Progress Evening

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

11 January	08:00-14:00 Years 9-13 Mountain Biking trip to the Forest of Dean
13 January	09:00-15:00 Year 9 Future Quest Bristol Old Vic Workshop
16 January	16:00-19:00 Year 11 Progress Evening
22 January	14:30-23:00 PE trip to Birmingham Arena to watch international netball
27 January	18:30-19:30 Parent/Carer Association Meeting
28 January	08:30-15:30 Year 8 STEM trip to Ashton Gate Stadium
29 January	09:00-15:20 Hospitality trip to Berwick Lodge, Penny Brohn and McDonalds
30 January	HPV Vaccinations - Second Dose for Year 9 girls
	16:00-19:00 Year 7 Progress Evening