

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 21 January 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	<p>Thank you to all families for continuing to be vigilant around symptoms and disciplined with twice weekly testing. Please continue with this.</p> <p>Please ensure your child/ren come to school each day with at least two clean masks.</p> <p>With a spike in student cases this week, we will review the wearing of masks next week and update parents/carers and students regarding any changes. Thank you for your cooperation.</p> <p>Reminders Changes to the self-isolation period for those who test positive for COVID-19 From Monday 17 January, people who are self-isolating with COVID-19 will have the option to reduce their isolation period after 5 full days if they test negative with a lateral flow device (LFD) test on both day 5 and day 6 and they do not have a temperature. For example, if they test negative on the morning of day 5 and the morning of day 6, they can return to school immediately on day 6.</p> <p>The first test must be taken no earlier than day 5 of the self-isolation period, and the second must be taken the following day. All test results should be reported to NHS Test and Trace.</p> <p>If the result of either of their tests is positive, they should continue to self-isolate until they get negative results from two LFD tests on consecutive days or until they have completed 10 full days of self-isolation, whichever is earliest.</p> <p>Anyone who is unable to take LFD tests or anyone who continues to have a temperature will need to complete the full 10 day period of self-isolation.</p> <p>If you have any questions please contact reception for clarity.</p>
School	Years 7-11	<p>The School Age Immunisation Service (SAIS) has scheduled second dose vaccinations at St Katherine's for the 10 and 11 February. Students will only be vaccinated if consent has been obtained from parents/carers. Further details to follow.</p>
School	All years	<p>Parent/Carer Association Meeting - 24 January 18:30-19:30 - POSTPONED Apologies for postponing Monday's meeting. We were hoping to discuss our recent Ofsted visit with the report available. We look forward to rescheduling this later this term and will hopefully confirm next week.</p>
School	All years	<p>Coffee Morning with the Headteacher It's been a long time since some of us have had an opportunity to meet in person. Why not join us for a coffee/tea with the Headteacher on Tuesday 1 February, 9.30-11.00am in The Leaf. Please contact Miss Bonora if you would</p>

		like to come along - bonoraf@skdrive.org , as there will be light refreshments. We look forward to seeing you.
Mr Francis Black	Public Bus Users	<p>Services X3, X3a and X4: Bristol – Portishead Changes effective from 30th January - Timetable Here</p> <p>Following a review with North Somerset Council of services to Portishead, Services X3, X3a and X4 will be replaced with an amended version of Service X4 which will operate every 30 minutes during the main part of the day Monday – Saturday (with a reduced frequency on evenings, Sundays and Public Holidays).</p> <p>Service X4 will operate from Bristol via Hotwells, Abbots Leigh, Ham Green, Pill, Easton-in-Gordano, Sheepway, Sainsbury’s, Harbour Road, Portishead High Street, Combe Road, Avon Way, Weatherley Drive (Police HQ), Nore Road, West Hill, Avon Way then onward to Bristol as per the outbound journey.</p> <p>The new Service X4 will not operate via Portishead Marina. This follows continued issues with parked vehicles disrupting buses and delaying the service, over a number of years. Customers can use Portishead local bus services provided by another operator which will continue to run via the Marina, or the stops on Harbour Road and Quays Avenue for the new Service X4.</p>
SSO	Reception	<p>Lost Property</p> <p>Lost property will be on display in the main reception for the next two weeks. Please contact reception if something has been lost at school.</p>
Work Experience	Yr10	<p>Please can year 10 get their completed work experience forms in as soon as possible. Thank you to those that have handed them back already, but there are still many students who have not brought them back. If you need a new form please email gardiners@skdrive.org.</p>
H Weatherson		<p>A huge congratulations to Hector Mackenzie-Andrieux (year 10) he has won the local Rotary photography competition. This is excellent news and we look forward to hearing how he gets on at the next stage of the competition.</p>
A Robinson		<p>Fairtrade fortnight is taking place this year from February 21st - March 6th, 2022. This will involve opportunities to learn more about Fairtrade in school and raise money for the Fairtrade Foundation charity. Pill has been a Fairtrade village for over a decade and is running an event in the village precinct to promote the importance of choosing Fairtrade.</p> <p>If you are interested in going, please visit the Pill precinct between 11am-1pm on Saturday 5th March, where you can buy Fairtrade products, learn more about how supporting Fairtrade farmers helps and also see how St Katherine’s and other local schools are involved.</p> <p>There are also Fairtrade events running across Bristol throughout Fairtrade Fortnight which you can attend. If you are interested in finding out more, follow this link to see what is happening, where and when: https://www.bristolfairtrade.org.uk/fairtrade-events</p>
Mrs Jenkins	Food and Nutrition students	<p>Practical lessons for next week:</p> <p>Monday 24th January - 9L Pizza Monday 24th January - 7R Spicy bean burgers Tuesday 25th January - 8R Falafel Tuesday 25th January - 10D Victoria Sandwich Wednesday 26th January - 10C Victoria Sandwich Wednesday 26th January - 8L Falafel Thursday 27th January - 11C TRecipe trails</p>

		<p>Friday 28th January - 7L Spicy bean burgers Friday 28th January - 9R Pizza</p> <p>Please ensure all students bring in an apron from home. All practicals have been set as homework on ClassCharts.</p>
Attendance	All Years	<p>Please ensure that you advise school of any absence along with the reason for that absence. Absence should be advised on each day that the child does not attend to allow us to keep our registers accurate. This can be done via email: attendance@skdrive.org or via the attendance line: 01275 376882. Where possible children need to be in school, even if feeling a little under the weather; please call us for advice if you are unsure whether to send them in. Children with any symptoms of COVID-19 must remain at home and book a PCR test.</p>
Miss Bennetts	Orchestra Every Thursday Tutor Time 8:30	<p>Orchestra recruitment</p> <p>We are keen to recruit more members into Orchestra this term. We are open to any instruments but are particularly looking for students who play violin, cello, flute, clarinet, recorder, oboe, bassoon, saxophone, trumpet, horn, trombone and have been having lessons for 6 months or more. There will be a <i>separate</i> group activity for Trailblazers students. Students just need to bring their instrument and come straight to room 26 on a Thursday, where they will be registered.</p>

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

Year 9	Assessment arrangements for Year 9 Science
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UPCOMING EVENTS - click [here](#) to see all upcoming events

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Please refer to the 'Who to contact at St Katherine's' table below.

WHO TO CONTACT AT ST KATHERINE'S

Please avoid copying in multiple people to emails to reduce unnecessary emails - [Our communication guidelines](#)

For queries about:	Name	Contact:
Safeguarding	Mrs K Crocker	crockerk@skdrive.org
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Courses, assignments or resources		Subject Teachers
Access to online library resources	Ms Wyld	wyldl@skdrive.org
Technology related	Mr A Francis-Black	francisblacka@skdrive.org
SEND	Mrs F Slater	slaterf@skdrive.org / sendteam@skdrive.org for day to day issues
Curriculum	Miss K Richards	richardsk@skdrive.org
Literacy Development	Ms J Jefferson	jeffersonj@skdrive.org
Learning@Home resources	Miss K Richards	richardsk@skdrive.org
Personal well being		Tutor or Head of House
All general queries or feedback		school@skdrive.org
Free School Meals		kilgallond@skdrive.org
Reading logs	Immalee Wild	wildi@skdrive.org
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Anonymous way to report a concern about a student: Tell Someone Form		