

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 1 April 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>Masks</p> <p>We have taken the decision to make masks optional moving forward. Please see guidance below around days at home for students which are now three and five respectively.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • children who are unwell and have a high temperature should stay at home and avoid contact with other people. They can go back to school when they no longer have a high temperature, and they are well enough to attend • children with a positive COVID-19 test result should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for 3 days.
Ms Jefferson	All years	<p>Please save the date for the evening of Thursday 28th April for our CST Community Iftar event (7pm - 9.30pm) - the first that we'll be able to run in person since 2019! Students of all faiths and none, and their immediate families, are invited to join us to learn more about Ramadan - our theme for this year is Charity. The event will take place in the Cresswell Theatre and Café at Bristol Cathedral Choir School, and food will be provided. Families from Trinity Academy will also be joining us live via video link from their school. More details and a sign-up form will be shared next week!</p>
School	Year 8 & Year 11	<p>Young Writer competition National Finals</p> <p>Many congratulations to Grace Jenkins on getting through to the National Finals and coming first place in the intermediate category. And to Jonasz Malcolm for coming second place in the senior category. We wish both these students the very best of luck for the next stage.</p>
School	All years	<p>Time Capsule Winners</p> <p>Well done to the six students below who were our time capsule winners and had the opportunity to go to the Etex factory in Bristol this week to bury their capsules.</p> <p>Joshua Healy-Hart, Isobel Healy-Hart, Shay Melias, Cerys Voisey, Maxine Nash Maisie Hasell</p>
Mrs Ivey	Year 13 biology	<p>After school revision continues next week for biology Thursday afterschool in lab 6</p>
Mrs Ivey	Year 11 science	<p>There are now 6 weeks until the first science exams. All students should be doing around 40-60 minutes of science revision everyday. Students have been given the advance information student friendly guides (with revision links) on their google classrooms for science. These guides can also be found here. The science faculty continues to offer revision afterschool which all students should attend. Next week revision will run as follows:</p> <p>Physics will Miss Ardell Wednesday in lab 1 Physics will Mr Arden Thursday in lab 8</p>
School	Year 8 and Year 10	<p>HPV vaccination catch-up clinics are available for Y8 and Y10 students who didn't receive their vaccination at school. Please book an appointment at https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/hpv/2021/book. If you have any queries</p>

		<p>please contact the Immunisation Team directly on 01275373104 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net</p>
Mrs Slater	All years	<p>Does your child need support with their mental health? NEW! Off the Record are doing a Resilience Lab in Portishead at 4 - 5.15pm on Tuesdays from 26th April . Click on this link to sign up.</p>
Mrs Slater	All years	<p>Bristol Autism Team: Autism Family Courses 2022</p> <p>Teenage Life: Are you a parent or carer of a child with autism living within the Bristol City Council area? Do you want to learn ways to support your child, meet other parents and find out what services and benefits you can access?</p> <p><i>To book on one or more of the courses below please email teenagelife@bristol.gov.uk. Many of these courses are online but some courses will be face to face.</i></p> <p>Teenage Life six session programme This is the six session online Teenage Life course for parents of 9-18 year olds. It covers what is autism, self-esteem, behaviour, education, local services and benefits, relationships, puberty and sexuality.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesdays 27th April and 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th May and 8th June 2022 (10am – 1pm) • Mondays 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th June and 4th and 11th July 2022 (6.15-8.30pm) • Thursdays 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th June and 7th, 14th July 2022 (10am – 1pm) • Wednesday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th November and 7th December 2022 (10am – 1pm) • Monday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th November and 5th, 12th December 2022 <p>Preparing for adulthood This is a four session online Zoom course looking at things you need to know to prepare for adult life. It will equip you with knowledge on The Equality Act 2010, education – college and university, employment, housing, getting social support, leisure and social activities available in Bristol, benefits – PIP and Universal Credit, and financial planning - wills and trusts. It is for parents who have young people and adults aged between 16 and 25 years.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursday 28th April and 5th, 12th and 19th May 2022 (10am-1pm) <p>Personal Independence Payment This is a one-day face to face course on how to apply for Personal Independence Payment. It is for parents who have young people and adults <u>aged between 15 years and older</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wednesday 7th September 2022 Venue TBC, 10am-2pm (break 12.30pm-1pm) <p>Managing anger This is a four session online Zoom course that discusses ways to help your child (aged 8-18 years) if they are argumentative, confrontational and on a short fuse. It discusses the autism Low Arousal approach as well as elements from autism adapted techniques from The Explosive Child and Non Violent Resistance.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Thursdays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th November 2022 Venue TBC (10am – 1pm each day)
Mr Hake	Year 9 Science	<p>Folly farm trip Please complete the essential information form and hand this into reception or complete the online form:</p>

		<p>https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf4EKhZ2jCCL0ZbQ-2yj_qlqfZy8CJ9M4OSS7KjP3PxrsQwhw/viewform?usp=sf_link</p> <p>Payment is on parent pay or directly to the finance office.</p>
Mrs Jenkins	Food and Nutrition students	<p>Practical lessons for next week: Monday 4th April 7R- Savoury crumble Tuesday 5th April 9L - Chow mein Tuesday 5th April 8L - Flapjacks Wednesday 6th April 10C - Beef burger assessed practical Thursday 7th April 8R - Macaroni cheese Thursday 7th April 10D - Beef burger assessed practical Friday 8th April 7L - Savoury crumble Friday 8th April 9R - Chow mein</p> <p>Please ensure all students bring in an apron from home. All practicals have been set as homework on ClassCharts.</p>
Mrs Collins	Year 11 Performing Arts	<p>Students have completed their final BTEC performing arts examination. This means they have gained 5 hours a fortnight during the school day for extra revision in the lead up to their GCSEs.</p> <p>Students are expected to bring revision work or coursework in with them for their performing arts lesson as of the week commencing 4th April.</p> <p>Well done year 11! You have worked really hard throughout this course. You should be very proud.</p>
Finance	All Years	<p>Lunch accounts Recently a number of lunch accounts have gone overdrawn. To avoid this, Parentpay allows you to set a reminder to top up when the balance falls below a certain amount.</p> <p>To set an alert go to 'Communication', 'Alert Settings', 'Balance Alerts'. Set a threshold amount (say £5) and tick the email box. You will then be emailed a low balance alert when your child's lunch account falls below £5. You can also set alerts for new items added to the child's ParentPay account.</p>

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Apr 4	Y13 mocks
Apr 8	End of term