

## Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 7 March 2025

Here are the latest school messages and updates for your information.

MESSAGES		
School Office	Whole School	<p>Save the date: the CST concert is on <b>Tuesday 11 March 2025</b> at the <b>Bristol Beacon. Start time is 6.30pm.</b> Students involved will be those in choir and some students from orchestra. Further details and letter home have been sent via Parent Pay.</p> <p>If you would like to come and see this wonderful performance please see this <a href="#">flyer</a> and letter from The Trust that has been sent out via Parent Pay <a href="#">here</a>.</p>
School Office	Whole School	<p><b>9th Community Iftar Event: Ramadan Sharing Festival - 20 March</b> Please see letter <a href="#">here</a> that has also been shared on ParentPay today.</p>
Finance	Whole School	<p><b>Upgrade of Canteen Tills Software</b> Many thanks for your patience whilst our IT department has worked closely with Civica and Parentpay to try to resolve the issues. We were aware that a number of payments made on 15th/16th January were not showing on the tills.</p> <p>We had a list of those transactions and the accounts were corrected by the school on 30th Jan and Civica informed. Frustratingly, Civica has now made the original correction without informing us, so 77 accounts have more money in them than they should. Our IT Department has raised the issue with Civica.</p> <p>On Monday we had a separate issue where some food had been double charged but most accounts have now been corrected. Be assured that we have a list of the few remaining accounts that we believe have incorrect Parentpay balances and will ensure that the accounts are corrected as soon as possible.</p> <p>Free school meal families please be aware that since the tills upgrade you will only see the amount of canteen spend over and above the FSM allowance of £2.60 on your Parentpay account. Please be assured that your child is still receiving their allowance. We have complained to Civica as we find this confusing.</p>
School Office	Year 7	<p>Please see <a href="#">letter</a> in regard to <b>Bikeability</b>. If you would like your child to take part in this fantastic opportunity please complete the consent online by Tuesday 18th March.</p>
Ms Smith	Year 7	<p><b>Food preparation and nutrition</b> Here are the practical lessons taking place next week for the following classes. All ingredients are set on Classcharts. Any problems, please let Miss H Smith / Mr Brochot know.</p> <p>Year 7L - Pizza Toast (as per Class Chart) - Thursday 13th March P4b Year 7R - Pizza Toast (as per Class Chart) - Friday 14th March P2</p> <p>Please bring an apron and an airtight container to take your food with you.</p>
Miss Ball/ Mrs Price	Year 7	<p><b>Girls PE</b> A reminder that students in girls' PE should have football boots and shin pads for lessons this term.</p>

Ms Smith	Year 8	<p><b>Food preparation and nutrition</b></p> <p>Here are the practical lessons taking place next week for the following classes. All ingredients are set on Classcharts. Any problems, please let Miss H Smith / Mr Brochot know.</p> <p>Year 8L - No practical lessons (as per Class Chart) - Wednesday 12th March P1 Year 8R - Dutch apple cake (as per Class Chart) - Monday 10th March P5</p> <p>Please bring an apron and an airtight container to take your food with you.</p>
Ms Smith	Year 9	<p><b>Food preparation and nutrition</b></p> <p>Here are the practical lessons taking place next week for the following classes. All ingredients are set on Classcharts. Any problems, please let Miss H Smith / Mr Brochot know.</p> <p>Year 9L - Mac n cheese (as per Class Chart) - Monday 10th March P3 Year 9R - Mac n cheese (as per Class Chart) - Tuesday 11th March P1</p> <p>Please bring an apron and an airtight container to take your food with you.</p>
School	Year 9	<p>All Y9 children whose parents consented will be offered the Meningococcal ACWY vaccination and Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio vaccination in school on Thursday 8 May 2025. Please complete the consent <a href="#">form</a>.</p> <p>It is important that you complete the consent form even if you do not want your child to receive the vaccinations; you are able to consent for none, either or both vaccinations. If you can't access the internet, please call Sirona on 0300 1245515. If your child has received the Men ACWY vaccine as a travel vaccine since the age of 10 they do not need an additional booster at this time. Please indicate whether they have received MenACWY as a travel vaccine on the consent form and contact your GP surgery who will be able to confirm the date it was given.</p> <p>If you have any questions, please contact the Immunisation Team at <a href="mailto:sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net">sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net</a> or 0300 1245515.</p>
Ms Smith	Year 10	<p><b>GCSE Food preparation and nutrition</b></p> <p>No practical lessons on Week 2</p>
Mrs Ivey	Year 10	<p>We will be changing year 10 combined science classes around to mix students across the year group. If your child is moving class they will be spoken to.</p>
Mr Sugden	Year 11	<p><b>5 Teaching Weeks Left</b> before GCSE Examinations begin!</p> <p><b>And Mock Series 2 has begun!</b></p> <p>Please find attached the <a href="#">Year 11 Revision Calendar</a>. This document outlines when different faculties are offering revision and coursework sessions. Please encourage your child to attend as many revision sessions as possible.</p>

Please see below the summary timetable for Mock Series 2:

Year 11 Mock Series 2 - Student Summary			
Year 11 Mock Series 2-week beginning: 24/02/2025			
Day	Date	Time	Component Title
Thursday	27/02/25	09:00	English Lit Paper 1
Year 11 Mock Series 2-week beginning: 03/03/2025			
Day	Date	Time	Component Title
Monday	03/03/25	09:00	Geography Paper 1
	03/03/25	13:00	Food Prep
	03/03/25	13:00	Further Maths Paper 1
	03/03/25	13:00	PE
Tuesday	04/03/25	09:00	History Paper 1 Migrants
	04/03/25	13:00	French/Spanish Reading + Writing
Wednesday	05/03/25	09:00	Maths Paper 1
	05/03/25	13:00	Business
Thursday	06/03/25	09:00	History Paper 3 The USA
	06/03/25	09:00	Further Maths Paper 2
Friday	07/03/25	09:00	Physics Paper 2
	07/03/25	13:00	French/Spanish Listening
Year 11 Mock Series 2-week beginning: 10/03/2025			
Day	Date	Time	Component Title
Monday	10/03/25	09:00	English Language Paper 1
	10/03/25	13:00	Computer Science Paper 1
	10/03/25	13:00	Health and Social Care
Tuesday	11/03/25	09:00	Maths Paper 2
	11/03/25	13:00	Geography Paper 2
Wednesday	12/03/25	09:00	Chemistry Paper 2
	12/03/25	13:00	Maths Paper 3
Thursday	13/03/25	09:00	English Literature Paper 2
	13/03/25	13:00	Biology Paper 2
Friday	14/03/25	09:00	English Language Paper 1
	14/03/25	13:00	Psychology
Year 11 Mock Series 2-week beginning: 17/03/2025			
Day	Date	Time	Component Title
Monday	17/03/24	09:00	Mocks Map Up
	17/03/25	13:00	Mocks Map Up
Thursday	20/03/25	09:00	English Language Paper 2

During Mock Series 2, revision is vital, but so is maintaining the wellbeing of the young people. If you would like to discuss your child's wellbeing, please get in touch with their tutor and Mr Sugden. Here are some [resources](#) about supporting young people through examinations.

Please ensure your child has joined our central Google Classroom: **Let's Get It Done, Together!** This hub will have revision resources, help, prom fundraising opportunities and examination information. If they failed to sign up in Tutor Time, please support them joining the classroom using the code: '53zgt3'. On this hub, there is a Google Form named 'Revision Excellence Tracker'. Year 11s are being asked to complete this form weekly to track how much revision they are completing each week. Each week, the tutor group that completes the most independent revision will win a tasty prize!

Finally, if you or your child feel as though they would benefit from a Year 11 Support Meeting, please get in touch with Mr Sugden (Outcomes, Futures and Wellbeing) [sugdena@skdrive.org](mailto:sugdena@skdrive.org), or Mr Dawes (Attendance, Punctuality and Behaviour) [dawest@skdrive.org](mailto:dawest@skdrive.org).

Ms Smith	Year 11	<p><b>GCSE Food preparation and nutrition</b></p> <p>Here are the practical lessons taking place next week for the following classes. All ingredients are set on Classcharts. Any problems, please let Miss H Smith / Mr Brochot know.</p> <p>Year 11B - Recipe trail and Coursework on going (as per Class Chart) - Tuesday 11th March P3</p> <p>Please bring an apron and an airtight container to take your food with you.</p>
Ms Tallis	Year 11 Art GCSE	<p>Students are now half way through their <b>final exam project</b> for art GCSE. The deadline for the current stage - artist research - is next <b>Fri 14 March</b>.</p>



		<p>Students must spend a <b>minimum of two hours</b> on artist research sheets <b>every week</b>. Please support your child to complete this essential work.</p> <p>Students are welcome to work on their art exam project Mon-Thurs at lunchtimes or Tues/Thurs after school in the Art Dept.</p>
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Mr Davies	Year 12&13	All Year 12 and Year 13 students were given their most recent Progress Checks on Wednesday (5th March). All students have been instructed to pass these on to Parents/Carers. If you have not received a copy of this Progress Check, please email <a href="mailto:garretr@skdrive.org">garretr@skdrive.org</a> for an electronic copy.
Mr Davies	Year 12&13	Our virtual Parents'/Carers' Evening takes place on Wednesday, 12th March. A letter was sent home via ParentPay on February 25th with information on how to join and a link to the booking system.

**LETTERS - click [here](#) to see all letters**

**SPORT - click [here](#) to see updates via our X page or [here](#) for the PE @ SK calendar**

# Spond





We're using **Spond** to communicate with students & parents

If you are looking for information about extra-curricular activities, school sports teams, fixtures, events, competitions, clubs and practices then you need to be on Spond!


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Parents

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*We are using a new platform called Spond to manage selection for and communication around extra-curricular PE fixtures and events. We hope that using Spond will improve our communication with students & parents. Spond is available as a freely downloadable app and as a web app which allows organisations like clubs & schools to set up groups, publish details about events and collect responses for availability. Students and parents can sign up for Spond accounts using the links above. Parents will be linked to their child's account as a guardian.*

**UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 4**

11 Mar	0845-1500 Trust wide music concert, Bristol Beacon - Rehearsals
11 Mar	1830-2030 Trust wide music concert, Bristol Beacon - Performance
12 Mar	0830-1730 Y13 Studland Bay trip, Dorset

12 Mar	1600-1900 Y12 and Y13 Progress Evening
13 Mar	1800-1900 Meet the Leader evening (Morocco), Canteen
14 Mar	0900-1220 Y12 University and apprenticeship search trip
14 Mar	0835-1505 Y8 Caving, Burrington Combe
14 Mar	Morocco training weekend (F, Sat, Sun)
18 Mar	1030-1510 Y8 students Airbus trip, Filton Road
20 Mar	1315-1800 Y11 Romeo and Juliet, Bristol Old Vic
20 Mar	1600-1900 9th Community Iftar Event: 'Ramadan Sharing Festival', Cresswell Theatre, Bristol Cathedral Choir School
22 Mar	Portishead Swimathon
22 Mar	DofE Silver Practice Walk
26 Mar	0900-1505 Y12 UCAS Higher Education and Apprenticeship Convention
27 Mar	0835-1505 Y8 Future Brunel, WECA activity day
4 Apr	Football trip, Madrid