

# Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 13 June 2025

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

| MESSAGES                            |              |   |
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| CST                                 | Whole School | Parent/Carer Survey 2025 Please complete the link here for our Parent/Carer survey, the deadline for responses is Monday 30 June 2025, many thanks  |
| Mr Harding<br>Chair of<br>Governors | Whole School | Parent/carer Governor vacancy We invite parents/carers within our school community to apply to join our Local Governing Body. As a governor, you will play a key role in shaping the future of the school for our students, staff and community. By working together, we want your perspective to help support and challenge us as we implement strategies and provisions. Find out about what the role entails and how to apply  |
| School                              | Whole School | National Thank A Teacher Day is 18 June 2025 A special occasion to celebrate every member of the school community from teaching staff, LSA's to admin teams, site teams, and catering teams.  Whether it's a simple thank you note, a handmade card, or if you'd like to send an email to <a href="school@skdrive.org">school@skdrive.org</a> your gesture can brighten a teacher or member of staff's school day.  National Thank a Teacher Day  |
| School                              | Whole School | Online Safeguarding Concern  We have been made aware of a safeguarding concern where younger students are accessing explicit content online. Some of this involved live adults live streaming.  We understand that this was through a platform called OmeTV and another called Thundr. PLEASE DO NOT EXPLORE THESE PLATFORMS AND THEIR CONTENT as much of it contains sexually explicit content.  It is important that we as educators and you as parents and carers are continually vigilant so that we can help children keep themselves safe online. Part of this is our shared responsibility to continually keep refreshing our knowledge of Apps and their age rating.  The UKSIC contains good advice for parents and educators and you can find their website here.  We are always grateful when parents share concerns with us so that we are able to act to keep children safe and you can share concerns directly with the safeguarding team safeguarding@skdrive.org or complete the Tell Someone form on our school website.  Mrs Crocker Designated Safeguarding Lead |
| School                              | Whole School | Every year DofE publishes the social value of volunteering that is part of DofE. They have sent St Katherine's a certificate documenting the volunteering hours and 'money' that these hours are equivalent to.  This year our students contributed a phenomenal 2470 Hours and £15806!  This is an increase from last year's 1495 hours and £7982 and up from 220 hours and £960 when we received a certificate back in 2020.  |



Huge well done to the 103 Bronze, 33 Silver and 15 Gold students for their dedication and hard work and thanks to Mr Hodgson and all our staff who support St Katherine's School's participation in the DofE scheme.



Mr Sugden On behalf of Team Pride Whole School



As well as a tutor time education program about the importance of representation and online sensationalism, students and staff are looking forward to our annual **SK Pride Parade 2025** on Wednesday 18 June 2025.

Please find <u>attached</u> a letter inviting parents to our annual SK Pride Parade and Celebrations due to take place on 18 June 2025 at 14:00. If you would like to attend and march in our parade, please complete the link within the letter by 15:00 on 17 June 2025.

School Bus Whole School

If there are still any students who would like to sign up to travel on a school bus, please complete bookings using this <u>form</u>. Completion of this form does not guarantee you a place but we will do our best to find you a seat on a bus. Bus routes are likely to remain the same as this year and can be seen <u>here</u>. Spaces available on each route can be seen <u>here</u>. Please check that spaces are available on your desired route before booking.

Finance

Whole School

#### **Low Balance Alert**

This week we have had numerous students visiting the Finance Office as they do not have enough money on their lunch accounts. Please set an alert up on Parentpay so that you get a warning if your child's lunch account balance is low.

Go to Communication, Alert Settings, Balance Alerts, Threshold - input £5 and tick email box. Email notifications are free.

Mr Bradshaw

Whole School

#### **Uniform Donation Request**

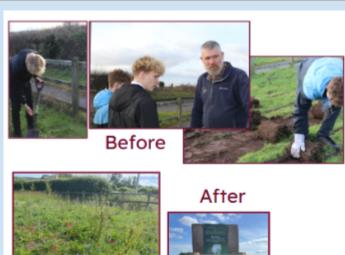
We kindly ask all parents and carers to consider donating any good-quality school uniform items your child may no longer need. All sizes and types are welcome—from blazers and shirts to trousers, skirts, and PE kits. These donations will go a long way in supporting other students in our school community. Please hand all uniform items in to Student Support. Thank you for your generosity.

School

Whole School

**St Katherine's Wildflower Reserve** is a beautiful haven for local biodiversity, thanks to the students who thoughtfully prepared this area for the School.









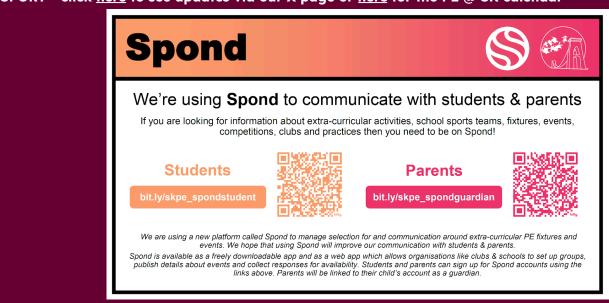
| Ms Slater                          | Year 7L | Food preparation and nutrition Rock Cakes Practical - Friday 20th June. Please see Classcharts for ingredients list. |   |   |
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| Ms Smith                           | Year 7R | Food preparatio<br>Rock Cakes Pro<br>ingredients list.   |   | e. Please see Classcharts for   |
|                                    |         |  |   |   |
| Ms Smith                           | Year 8L | Food preparatio<br>Dutch Apple Ca<br>for ingredients lis   | <b>ke</b> Practical - Monday 16th                               | June. Please see Classcharts  |
|                                    |         |  |   |   |
| Mr Sugden                          | Year 10 | Mock Exams   |   |   |
|                                    |         | Date   | АМ  | РМ  |
|                                    |         | Friday 20th June   | English Language  |   |
|                                    |         | Monday 23rd June   | Mathematics - Non Calculator                                    | Geography OR History  |
|                                    |         | Tuesday 24th June  | Biology   | Mathematics - Calculator  |
|                                    |         | Wednesday 25th June  | English Literature  | Business OR PB OR Music   |
|                                    |         | Thursday 26th June   | Chemistry   | French <i>OR</i> Spanish <i>OR</i> Food Prep  |
|                                    |         | Friday 27th June   | Physics   | Engineering OR Catch Up Session   |
| Mrs Alex Fey<br>WEX<br>Coordinator | Year 10 | child to make col  | ntact with their employer to c<br>r, what time to arrive, where | ching. Please encourage your<br>check details for their first day<br>to go and who to ask for. This<br>readiness for their placement. |

|                               |           | If your child is still looking for a work experience placement and needs support please let me know. Unfortunately places are limited at this stage but I would suggest popping into local shops and businesses to ask if they can host a placement 30th June - 4th July, or even asking relatives and family friends if they can offer to host.  I can be contacted on <a href="mailto:afey@skdrive.org">afey@skdrive.org</a> with any queries.  |
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| Mrs<br>Cameron/ Mr<br>Brochot | Year 10 A | Food preparation and nutrition GCSE Focaccia bread on Wednesday 18th June P1 R14, all the ingredients will be provided by the school, please bring £ 1.50. See Classchart   |
| Mrs Ivey                      | Year 10   | Year 10 mocks This week we have spoken to all year 10 science classes about their mock examinations taking place in term 6. We have discussed revision strategies and techniques with classes. You can find a copy of the presentation given to students <a href="https://example.com/here/">here</a> .   |
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| Mr Davies                     | Year 11   | A letter has been sent home to all Sixth Form applicants regarding our Step into Sixth Form Day on July 3rd. We strongly encourage all students who intend on coming to the Sixth Form, or or considering attending Sixth Form, to reserve their place for this event.  |
| Finance                       | Year 11   | Please can you ensure that all library books, borrowed revision guides and chromebooks are returned to the school on or before Leaver's Day. All amounts owed to the school have been added to Parentpay, so please check your child's account and make payment if necessary.  We will review dinner credits before the end of term 6 and transfer to siblings/refund. If you have set up an auto top-up on Parentpay please can you cancel this. |
| Mr Sugden                     | Year 11   | GCSE Written Exams have nearly finished - one week to go! and Only 13 Days until Leavers Day and Prom!  Please find attached the Year 11 Booster, Revision, and Exam Calendar.  Please keep an eye in your inbox Thursday 19 June for a letter with all the details about our Leavers Celebrations and Prom, as well as Summer Results Day (21 August 2025) arrangements.   |
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| Mr Davies                     | Year 12   | Year 12 progress checks have been sent home with students this week, including mock grades and predictions. Where there are concerns, please expect contact from either classroom teachers or the Sixth Form team. Please email <a href="mailto:garrettr@skdrive.org">garrettr@skdrive.org</a> if reports do not arrive home, and an electronic version will be shared.   |
| Mr Davies                     | Year 12   | We are very excited about the range of Work Experience our Year 12s are embarking on next week. In the rare instances where students are not able to attend their Work Experience placements, we ask that parents/carers and students inform both their placement, and the school.  |

| Mr Davies | Year 13 | With the end of exams in sight, we are looking forward to our Leavers' Day / Party celebrations. On Leavers' Day (June 26th), students should arrive at school for an 11am start. For our Leavers' Party (27th June), students should aim to arrive at the Lost and Found on Clifton Triangle from 7.00pm. We can't wait!   |
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### LETTERS - click here to see all letters

## SPORT - click <u>here</u> to see updates via our X page or <u>here</u> for the PE @ SK calendar



| UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 6 |  |  |
|--------------------------|--|--|
| 12 -15 Jun               | Silver DofE (assessed - Thu-Sun)                       |  |
| 16 Jun                   | Y6 1530-1630 Enhanced Transition                       |  |
| 16 Jun                   | 1600-1700 Online Parent/Carer forum - Progress reports |  |
| 17 Jun                   | Y6 1530-1630 Enhanced Transition                       |  |
| 18 Jun                   | Y6 1530-1630 Enhanced Transition                       |  |
| 18 Jun                   | SK Pride Parade 2025                                   |  |
| 19 Jun                   | 1500-1630 Coffee with the Headteacher                  |  |



|              | St. Katherine's School                                      |
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| 20-21 Jun    | Bronze 1 DofE (assessed - Fri/Sat)                          |
| 22-23 Jun    | Bronze 2 DofE (assessed - Sun/Mon)                          |
| 23 Jun       | 0835-1505 Y9 Future Brunel, WECA activity day               |
| 23 Jun       | Alan Turing Birthday (23 Jun 1912)                          |
| 24 Jun       | 0830-1445 Y6 induction day                                  |
| 24 Jun       | 1800-1930 Y6 induction evening and BBQ                      |
| 25 Jun       | 0830-1400 Y6 induction day                                  |
| 26 Jun       | 0835-1220 Y11 Leavers day and Prom                          |
| 26 Jun       | 1100-1345 Y13 Leavers day                                   |
| 27 Jun       | Y13 Leavers evening, The Lost and Found on Clifton Triangle |
| 29-30 Jun    | Bronze 3 DofE (assessed - Sun/Mon)                          |
| 30 Jun-4 Jun | Y8 Paris Trip departs                                       |
| 30 Jun       | INSET DAY   |
| 3 Jul        | Step into Sixth Form  |
| 7 Jul-11 Jul | Sports week   |
| 4-7 Jul      | Gold / Expedition DofE (Fri/Mon)                            |
| 7 Jul        | 0835-1505 Y7 Future Brunel, WECA activity day               |
| 7 Jul        | 1800-1930 House Celebration Evenings - Yousafzai            |
| 8 Jul        | 1800-1930 House Celebration Evenings - Turing               |
| 9 Jul        | 1800-1930 House Celebration Evenings - Pankhurst            |
| 10 Jul       | 0930-1200 Y9 HPV (catch up clinic)                          |
| 10 Jul       | 1800-1930 House Celebration Evenings - Stephenson           |
| 12 Jul       | Malala Yousafzai Birthday (12/07/1997)                      |
| 12 Jul       | Nepal trip departs (16 days)                                |
| 13 Jul       | Morocco trip departs (14 days)                              |
| 15 Jul       | Emmeline Pankhurst Birthday 15/07/1858                      |
| 18 Jul       | END OF TERM at 1230   |