

Weekly Communication to Parents/Carers | Friday 12 July 2024

Dear Parents/Carers

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

MESSAGES				
School	Whole School	Term 6 finishes at 12:30 on Friday 19 July.		
School	Whole School	<u>CST parent/carer newsletter - July 2024</u>		
School	Whole School	Moments and memories We are looking to share moments and memories of school life at St Katherine's via our social media platforms. In light of this, we are seeking permission to include occasional pictures. Please complete the google form <u>here</u> for us.		
School	Whole School	Thank you messages If you and/or your child(ren) would like to thank a member of the school staff as we reach the end of the academic year, you can email us on <u>school@skdrive.org</u> with a short message by Wednesday 17 July. We will make sure staff receive their messages by the last day of term.		
School	Whole School	Locker Keys Please can all Locker Keys be returned to main reception by today .		
School	Whole School	 Reminder Paracetamol is only given at break and lunch times, with consent. Please ensure students with hayfever, take medicines before attending school. Blazers are not required but shirts must be tucked in. All students need to come to school with a water bottle. 		
School	Whole School	Free School Meals If you think you are entitled to claim a free school meal benefit because of your income or circumstances it's essential you apply through North Somerset <u>here</u> . If you have any queries or would like the school to support you with your application please contact reception.		
School	Whole School	 Free School Meals If your child is entitled to a free school meal they can receive breakfast in the canteen before 8.30. They will be able to choose from the following; 2 pieces of toast with jam fresh fruit with a juice drink porridge with honey/syrup with a juice drink cereal with milk 1 crumpet with jam. 		
Mrs Crocker	Whole School	Parenting Support We have had an increasing number of parents accessing parenting support and their feedback has been universally positive. Everyone who has been involved has found it to be helpful, supportive and affirming. The long summer holidays can create additional pressures for families and Bristol City Council have shared this resource for families that may		



	not be looking forward to the break from school. It is particularly focussed on parents who are separated and those who are finding parenting pressures are leading to conflict. Please reach out if you feel it may be helpful for you. <u>Summer Stress Relief for Parents</u> and <u>Support for Inter-Parental</u> <u>Communication</u>
Whole School	CAREERS BULLETIN2 Please see this week's bulletin for more new opportunities including new apprenticeships and work experience.
Whole School	Plastic containers for Food Technology We have a large collection of unclaimed plastic containers that have been left behind in Room 14 (Food Preparation Room) over the course of this year and we would like to reunite them with their owners. Please ask Mr Brochot in DAT within the last week before they are disposed of.
Years 7-9	Thank you for all your support with reading this year. We are really proud of the positive culture of reading that we continue to build at St Katherine's, and are already looking ahead to next year, where reading remains a priority for the whole school. To support your child's learning going into next year, we urge you to make good use of the public libraries, and their excellent <u>summer</u> <u>reading challenge</u> . Please also look at the free audiobooks available through the <u>Borrowbox app</u> Any questions, please let me know: wildi@skdrive.org
Whole school	As we work on moving the Library to our new space it is not possible to offer students a service at the moment. Any books for return can be left with main reception.
Year 7	Trailblazers: please complete the google form linked in the letter by Friday 12 July if you have not already done so.
Year 7	Trailblazers: please ensure your son/daughter returns their instrument to the music department if they have not already done so and certainly by Tuesday 16th July.
Year 8	HPV vaccination catch-up clinics are available for Year 8 students who have not received their vaccinations previously at school, clinics are running through-out the summer. Please contact the Immunisation Team directly on 0300 124 5515 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net to book an appointment or to check your child's records if you are unsure whether they have received these.
Year 9	Here are the practical lessons taking place next week. The ingredients list is set as homework on Class Charts for your child(ren). Any problems, please let Mrs Jenkins know as soon as possible. Tuesday 16th July - 9R Street food
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Mrs Lewis	Year 9	We will be taking tutor groups 9T, 9P2 and 9Y2 on their Biology field trip on Monday 15th July. Please ensure your child has a packed lunch, water bottle, sun cream and suitable clothing/footwear.
Mrs Ivey	Year 9	Year 9 will be set some science summer work on educake to revisit the key GCSE concepts that they have learnt in biology, chemistry and physics this year. Students will be bringing home their biology, chemistry and physics exercise books at the end of term, these need to be stored safely as students will need to use these for GCSE revision in year 10 and 11.
Immunis ations	Year 9	HPV, Meningococcal ACWY and Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio vaccination catch-up clinics are available for Year 9 students who have not received their vaccinations previously at school (during Year 8 or 9), clinics are running through-out the summer. Please contact the Immunisation Team directly on 0300 124 5515 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net to book an appointment or to check your child's records if you are unsure whether they have received these.
Mrs Jenkins	Year 10	The Food Preparation and Nutrition mock practical exam is taking place on Monday 15th July. The class has been split in 2. Half sitting the exam 8-30-11.30 and the other half sitting the exam 12-3pm. If you have any questions about ingredients or timings please let me know.
Mrs Ivey	Year 10	Year 10 will be set some science summer work on educake to revisit the key GCSE concepts that they have learnt in biology, chemistry and physics this year. Students will be bringing home their biology, chemistry and physics exercise books at the end of term, these need to be stored safely as students will need to bring these book back into school in September and use these for GCSE revision in year 11.
Ms Tallis	Year 10	All Y10 art GCSE students should aim to spend a minimum of 4-6 hours on their coursework in the summer break. I will lend students all the media that they need and they all will have personal target lists to work through on the inside of their paper folders. The focus will be to complete any outstanding artist research and to work on planning for their second final piece which they will start in Oct. Please support your child to complete this important contribution to their art GCSE.
Mrs Weathers on	Year 10 GCSE photo	I am delighted to announce that Kiyona Francis, Luchia Williams and Maxine Nash were successful with their entries to the local rotary photography competition with Kiyona taking first place. We welcomed visitors from the club on Wednesday to present the girls with certificates and prizes.
Mrs Weathers on	Year 10 GCSE photo	Please note that the GCSE mock for photography is Monday 15th for both classes - students have been notified in class and via classcharts of the timings.

LETTERS - click <u>here</u> 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

15 Jul	Y9 Folly Farm visit, 9T, 9Y2, 9P2	
15 Jul	Emiline Pankhurst's Birthday - 15th July 1858	
19 Jul	End of Term 6, school closes at 1230	

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