

Weekly Update

Extra-curricular activities during week commencing 27 April

*All after school activities finish at
4.30 pm unless otherwise noted.*

Monday:

3 – 4 pm: 6 Degrees of
Aspiration keynote speaker:
Helen Harrison, CRED
Team Trips
4 – 5 pm: Introduction to Latin

Tuesday:

Boys' cricket (Y7 & Y8)
Book Club (Y7, Y8 & Y9)
Girls' rounders (Y7 & Y8)
International Games Club
Makers Club
Orchestra
Textiles Club (Y8, Y9 & Y10)

Wednesday:

All Years Mixed Athletics
Composition workshop (Y10)
Dance Club (Y7 & Y8)
Film Club
Philosophy and Science Club
Science Club
Young Enterprise (Y10)

Thursday:

Art Club
Boys' cricket (Y9 & Y10)
Chess Club
Dance Club (Y9 & Y10)
Games Club
Gardening Club
Girls' rounders (Y9 & Y10)
International Film Club
Maths Club
Student Newspaper
Technology Open Workshops
(Y10)
Warhammer Club

Friday:

'Band Academy'

Study Club will run every day
except Friday.

Words from the Headteacher

On Wednesday 22 April the whole of Year 8 took part in 'Play Your Part Day'. This was coordinated by Mr Bishop and forms a significant and substantial part of Year 8's PSHE programme. A team of people from a range of professionals came to the School to deliver a series of workshops to the students. The range of the workshops was impressive and our students responded to them with maturity and enthusiasm. Each student attended 6 workshops all designed to help students play their part in creating a safer society and to ensure that individually they understood what it takes to be safe. The themes of the six workshops were: peer pressure, prison, stand against violence, knife crime, personal safety and Islamophobia. Many thanks to all of our workshop leaders, the Year 8 cohort and to Mr Bishop for putting the day together.

A reminder to parents and carers about aspiration week: Time is ticking and we are reaching the point in the year where we need to firm up with various companies and organisations the number of students who will be attending places such as Thorpe Park and Harry Potter World. In order to do this we will need voluntary contributions from students and parents. Without these we will not be able to offer the rich variety of activities fitting for such a week. Please make sure that if you are able to make a contribution you do so as soon as possible so we can provide the best experience for the students during aspiration week.

'Grease' is upon us! Today and Tuesday are two full days of rehearsals for the cast and crew with the run starting on Wednesday. Please secure your tickets while you can – 'Bugsy' was such a treat last year and 'Grease' promises to be equally as spectacular, showcasing the huge array of talented students at BFS. FoBFS will be supporting us as no other PTA can and Young Enterprise will be selling copies of Mamma's Secret Recipes every evening. Given that tickets for the show are free then any spare change you may have would be most appreciated by FoBFS and the Young Enterprise team.

Richard Clutterbuck



General Election – Hustings event

The pictures below show some of our students who attended an event for secondary schools where representatives of the Conservative, Labour, Liberal Democrat and Green parties engaged with students. There will be a fuller report in next week's newsletter.



Examination Invigilators

We are looking for enthusiastic and organised people to join our Examination Invigilators team. You will be employed on a casual basis to supervise students taking end-of-year, mock and actual GCSE exams, as necessary throughout the school year – hours are variable depending upon the exam timetable.

This summer we need invigilators who are available on the following dates:

Monday 8 – Wednesday 10 June and
Monday 22 – Friday 26 June.

No previous experience is necessary; however, you will need to have the following:

- Good organisational skills
- Reliability and punctuality
- Flexibility in working hours and ability to offer medium term commitment
- Willingness to work as part of a team
- Good interpersonal skills and ability to relate to students

The rate of pay is £7.87 per hour.

DBS (CRB) checks will be required. Full training will be provided.

For more information or an application form, please contact Helen Chim (Exams and Assessment Officer) at h.chim@bristolfreeschool.org.uk or 0117 9597215. The closing date for applications is Friday 1 May.

Young Enterprise

The Young Enterprise team launched their cookbook on Tuesday. The launch event was an enormous success but the team is still a long way off their sales target. So, if you are interested in buying a cookbook please buy it from the School's reception or at one of the 'Grease' performances.

Please purchase a book for £9.99 and get cooking!

Term 5 – Key Dates

Please see the calendar at www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk for other important dates.

April	
Wednesday 29	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Small group trip to IET Faraday Challenge at UWE • Y7 & Y9 girls' touch rugby tournament at St Mary's Old Boys' (away) • 'Grease' performance
Thursday 30	'Grease' performance
May	
Friday 1	'Grease' performance
Monday 4	Public holiday: school closed
Thursday 7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Day • Young Enterprise regional final (afternoon and evening)
Monday 11	6 Degrees of Aspiration keynote speaker: Fiona Lawrence, Head Veterinary Surgeon
Thursday 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • PGL trip to Beam House, information meeting, 6.30 pm • Y7, Y8, Y9, Y10 rounders vs St Bede's (away)
Monday 18	Trip to Battlefields, information meeting, 6.30 pm
Tuesday 19	Music Showcase Concert
Wednesday 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open Day • New Y7 parent information evening, 6.30 pm, by invitation only
Thursday 21	6 th form parental consultation evening, 6.30 pm
Friday 22	End of term 5