

Weekly Update

**Extra-curricular activities
during week commencing
19 October**

*All after school activities finish
at 4.30 pm*

Tuesday:

Latin (Y10)
Makers Club
Maths and code-breaking Club
Boys' rugby (Y10 & Y11)
Girls' netball (Y9, Y10 & Y11)
Boys' basketball (Y7, Y8 & Y9)
Musical Theatre Club/School Show

Wednesday:

Orchestra
Latin (Y11)
Craft Club
Science Club
Young Enterprise (Y10)
Boys' rugby (Y7, Y8 & Y9)
Girls' netball (Y7 & Y8)
Boys' basketball (Y10 & Y11)
Jazz and Commercial dance
Jazz band

Thursday:

Art Club
Community Problem Solving Club
Cross-country
Girls' basketball
Warhammer and Sci-fi/Fantasy
Board Gaming
Chess Club
Hip-hop/Street dance
Public Speaking Club (Y10 & Y11)

Study Club will run every day except Friday.

Words from the Headteacher

All students are completing their term 1 assessments at the moment. For Year 7 the assessments are our first summative opportunity to gauge progress and attainment since Year 6 SATs; for our founding students in Year 11 the assessments are a step away from the November GCSE mocks in term 2.

For all students the assessments are an opportunity to show how much progress they have made through the term and to identify areas in which they need to refine their knowledge and understanding. The students across the School have approached the assessments with maturity and I am confident they will be able to demonstrate their true abilities.

Next week Year 7 students embark on their residential trip to Barton Camp. The year group is heading off in two halves across the week. The School will feel somewhat quieter and less busy than normal but I am hoping to see how our newest year group is faring when I pop in for an evening meal at Barton Camp at some point next week.

The Iceland trip departs at the end of next week. I spoke to Mr Williams today about the itinerary and I am still extremely jealous of all those who are going. Mr Williams believes there will be a couple of opportunities to view the Northern Lights if conditions allow. He is going to make sure that regular tweets are sent from Iceland so we can see what a fantastic time the students are having.

Next week is a four day week for most students as Friday is a staff training day and the School is closed to students, unless you have had a letter specially inviting your child to come in. Please remind your sons and daughters about the shortened week as we do not want any students having to journey in to school only to have to turn on their heels and head home again!

Finally, I hope you received a copy of the maths support booklet we sent out last week. If you didn't please contact the School and we will make sure that you receive a copy.



Richard Clutterbuck

Year 11 netball

Sports journalist Corinne Thompson (Y10) reports on two recent games:
vs St Bede's - we started swiftly and although St Bede's managed to grab a goal in the first minute, we did not lose confidence. After some fierce interceptions and good centre passes we managed to get into the swing of things and finally shot a couple of goals ourselves. At half time, we made a few adjustments and although St. Bede's were scoring high, we were determined to come back. Using the rules to our advantage, we kept going even though it was a very fast-paced game. The refereeing was tight and there was no room for error. The final score was 21-14 (to St Bede's) however, in the last half we managed to shoot more goals and attack more. The player of the match went to Portia Neville for good interceptions and good use of space.

vs Orchard - Having not played that school before, we were unsure of what to expect. The match started swiftly and soon, within a minute or too, we managed to score. We used space well and quick passes ensured that we were without defence. Having advantages on height meant that we were able to get the rebounds. At half time we decided to slow everything down as although being quick was effective, we were losing possession easily. We continued to increase the score and although their shooter was very accurate we used good tactics to then attack. In the end with a couple of last minute goals from Corinne we managed a win of 27-7 and the player of the match went to Anusha White (Y10).

Young Enterprise Cake Fundraiser

The Young Enterprise team is having a cake sale at break and lunch time on Wednesday 21 October to raise money for our registration fee to enter the Young Enterprise competition. We would appreciate any cake/bun donations to help us out. Please hand in donations to the School's reception that morning before break time. Students, please bring money in to purchase some AMAZING cakes!! Thank you. Ellie Cleary – Administration Director Ollie Pope – Marketing Director

FoBFS

You will find the recent FoBFS newsletter as a separate attachment with this mailing, just in case you did not receive it earlier this week.



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Wessex Watermark award

This week we were presented with a Wessex Watermark award plus a grant of £250 from Wessex Water and the Conservation Foundation to go towards the BFS Conservation Pond. FoBFS awarded £500 to start the project while staff and students put a lot of hard work into developing the pond during Aspiration Week. We are now in a position to embellish the area, further enhancing the beautiful trees and shrubs supplied by Henleaze Garden Shop.



Insanity

Insanity live fitness class runs on Mondays at 6.30 pm in the Drama Hall. This is a high intensity class which can be modified to suit all abilities. A great start to the week!! £5 per person with no booking necessary. Any questions please contact Diane Long on 07758075354 or email diane.long@gmail.com

Term 1 – Key Dates

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

October	
Monday 19	Y7 Barton Camp (part year)
Tuesday 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 Barton Camp (part year) Cross country at Oasis Brislington, 1.30 – 4.00
Wednesday 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 Barton Camp (part year) FoBFS AGM, 8.00 pm, LRC (school)
Thursday 22	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 Barton Camp (part year) Y11 rugby vs St Bede's (away)
Friday 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 Barton Camp (part year) Y11 trip to Iceland departs INSET day: school closed to students, unless specially invited



Terms and Conditions apply - see tickets <http://www.fireworksfiesta.co.uk>

Bristol Round Table & The Rotary Club of Clifton present...

Canford Park *Charity* **fireworks fiesta**

Saturday 7th November 2015

Gates Open: 6.00pm
 Display Begins Promptly: 7.00pm

Entrance on Canford Lane, Westbury-on-Trym BS9.
 (Active entry to guarantee a good spot)

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TICKETS
£5 (under 3's free)
 Available in advance from selective St Peter's Hospice shops and local schools. See website for details. www.fireworksfiesta.co.uk

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