

Weekly Update

Extra-curricular activities
during week commencing
16 May

Monday:

Latin Improvers (Y8 & Y9)

Tuesday:

Latin (Y10)
Makers Club
Maths & code-breaking Club
Girls' rounders (Y7 & Y8)
Boys' cricket (Y7 & Y8)
Beatles Band
Textiles Club (Y9)

Wednesday:

Orchestra
Latin (Y11)
Science Club
Young Enterprise (Y10)
Athletics
Jazz & Commercial dance
NewPals for Nepal
Gardening Club
Drama performance
rehearsals: Macbeth

Thursday:

Art Club
Hip-hop/Street dance
Fencing
Community Problem Solving
Club
Warhammer & Sci-fi/Fantasy
Board Gaming
Chess Club
Boys' cricket (Y9, Y10 & Y11)
Girls' rounders (Y9, Y10 &
Y11)
Model United Nations
Jazz Band

Friday:

Band Academy

Study Club will run every day
except Friday.

Words from the Headteacher

There is a subtle change of words at the top of this week's newsletter which gives away a more significant change. This week I was honoured to be appointed as the new permanent Headteacher of Bristol Free School after a rigorous and challenging selection process. I'm very excited to be able to carry on working with the brilliant staff and students of Bristol Free School and Russell Education Trust. I look forward to being able to ensure that we are able to do everything we can to help the young people at this school achieve fulfilment and personal happiness and will aspire, at all times, to be the representation of these ideals.

National Finals!

Both Joe and Hannah Warren (Year 7 and Year 9 respectively) are appearing in national finals over the coming weeks. This weekend Joe travels to Nottingham with his team Clifton Robinsons to the IN2hockey U12 national finals competing with the top twelve in the country. Next month Hannah will go to the National Badminton Centre in Milton Keynes to take part in the National Junior Badminton League U14 club finals with her club, St Ursula's, against the top 17 clubs nationally. Both teams have done amazingly well to win through their regional sections and we wish them the best of luck in the National Finals.

Ten Tors

Last weekend several young people from BFS completed the arduous 35 mile Ten Tors challenge on Dartmoor. Their heroic efforts were lauded by Colonel Toby Bridge as they were awarded their medals.

It is a fantastic feat of hard work and endeavour; students have shown a tremendous amount of commitment over several months to get to this point. I am in awe of their enthusiasm and courage; well done all! Those involved included Elliot Smith, Oliver Amor, George Mitchell, Tom Smith, David Warner and Ben Cross.

Paul Jones



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If anyone can help with printing of posters and tickets for the Summer BBQ, please email fobfs@bristolfreeschool.org.uk or tel: 07414887923, many thanks.



Maths assessments

All year groups will be completing their end of year maths assessments over the coming weeks. It is essential that students bring their own maths equipment in on the days of the assessments including a calculator.

In terms of the calculator we recommend the Casio FX-83GTPLUS scientific calculator.

Other maths equipment can be bought in most large supermarkets and stationery shops but can also be bought at school through the student group "Pens for Poverty" where all proceeds go to charity.

Charity film show

Next Friday NewPals for Nepal will be holding a charity film event straight after school. The genre of the film is 'horror' and we will be watching Contagion (12A). Admission is free, but we are suggesting a voluntary admission fee of £1.

Refreshments will be available to purchase. We expect the film show to be over by 5.00 pm.

All profits will go to Singdi School in Nepal. We are raising money for a new teacher, and need just £600 per year for the next 5 years. Additional donations will be accepted.

Duke of Edinburgh's Award expedition

Last weekend was the first of four weekends this summer when students from Years 9 and 10 will be undertaking the expedition section of the Duke of Edinburgh's bronze award.

A group of 45 students from Year 9 set off from Yatton to hike to a campsite near Wrington for the night and then continued on Sunday to Chew Valley Lake. The students walked over 20 km on the hottest weekend of the year so far, carrying all their food and equipment with them. They faced a multitude of obstacles including thunderstorms, extreme heat, fields of cows, exhaustion, locked gates, worn out shoes, not to mention porridge for breakfast! These challenges were met with enthusiasm, gusto and a determination to succeed, auguring well for the assessed expedition in July.

Well done everyone!

Dr Cooper



Match Results		
Fixture	Score	Player of the match
Y9 & Y10 boys' cricket vs City Academy Bristol	BFS won by 9 wickets	Hachim Muhumed (players' player) Dan Whetton (coach's player)

Key dates for the next week	
Please see the calendar at www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk for other important dates.	
May	
Saturday 14	Jazz Band performing at The Old Duke, 4.00 – 5.30
Monday 16	Y9 & Y10 boys' cricket vs Henbury (home at Coombe Dingle)
Tuesday 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 'Your Green Future' STEM event for small group at UWE Water Sports for small group of Y8, 12.30 – 4.00 Y7 & Y9 girls' rounders vs Oasis Brightstowe (away)
Wednesday 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Involvement Project at Westbury Fields care home, 2.20 – 4.00 Y8 & Y10 girls' rounders vs Oasis Brightstowe, home Parent/carer information meeting about Beam House trip, 6.30
Friday 20	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Food Revolution visit to Jamie's Italian, 9.15 – 1.00 Charity film show after school

