



FREE SCHOOL Weekly Update

Extra-curricular activities during week commencing 23 February

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

Monday: 4 – 5 pm: Introduction to Latin

Tuesday:

Football (Y7, Y8 & Y9 boys) Girls' football Makers Club Litsoc (Y10) Orchestra Textiles Club (Y8, Y9 & Y10)

Wednesday:

Parkour (Y9 & Y10) Trampolining (Y9 & Y10) Dance Club (Y7 & Y8) Film Club Composition workshop (Y10) Science Club Young Enterprise (Y10)

Thursday:

Art Club 'Grease' rehearsals (all cast) Dance Club (Y9 & Y10) Football Fan Forum International Film Club Mixed hockey Football (Y10 boys) Student Newspaper Warhammer Club Games Club Chess Club

Friday: 'Band Academy'

Study Club will run every day except Friday.

Words from the Headteacher

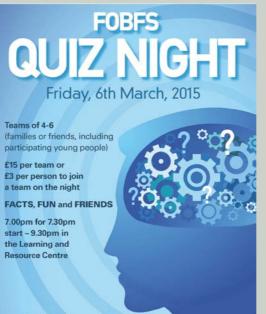
Thank you to all of the parents and students from Year 9 who attended last night's guided choices evening which was very busy; there were plenty of rich conversations had between students, parents and staff. It was heartening to see so much interest being taken in what are crucial decisions in our students' lives and I am sure that when the forms are handed in we'll have a cohort starting Year 10 safe in the knowledge that they have made wise choices.

Our next evening event for parents and students is the Year 7 subject evening. This takes place in the LRC on Thursday 26 February. Year 7 students are busy making appointments and will have further opportunities to book staff right up to the end of school on the day.

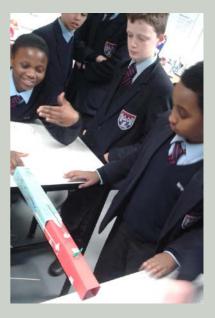
The following week is our Year 8 subject evening so Year 8 will start making appointments with staff when we return after the holiday. Please make sure that you have Thursday 5 March in your diary and remind your sons/daughters to book appointments. A word of warning to Year 8 parents, Thursday 5 March is World Book Day and if previous years are anything to go by, a significant number of staff may well be dressed a little differently during the subject evening.

Before I wish you all a restful half-term, FoBFS are hosting their annual quiz on Friday 6 March. With each year it has grown ever more competitive; please refer to the FoBFS's web page and newsletter items to find out how to book a place or teams at the quiz. There is much at stake and competition this year will be fierce.

Have a restful half-term, school starts at the usual time on Monday 23 February - BLUE WEEK!



TO BOOK TICKETS Please complete the booking form http://www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk/fobfs.php and return to the School Office, with £15 for a team booking and £3 for an individual booking. **Richard Clutterbuck**



Science Club - bridges

Young Enterprise

Bristol Free School's Young Enterprise team is making a BFS Cookbook. Our cookbook is going to be called "Momma's Secret Recipes." We aim to combine family recipes from all over the world and felt we should start from the heart of where we came from by asking parents, friends and students of Bristol Free School to donate recipes to be printed in the book along with a short note of where the recipe came from.

We'd love to showcase all of our mums in the book! – so please let us know your recipes to be in with a chance of winning a published hard back copy.

Please send us starters, mains, and desserts to <u>a.harkin@bristolfreeschool.org.uk</u> with the title "bfs book recipes".

Maddie Hobbs

Marketing Director of Young Enterprise BFS PS Those who send photos of their recipes (high quality ones) will get our undying love too!

Science Club

This week Science Club was inspired by Bristol icon Isambard Kingdom Brunel to engineer some amazing bridges. Each team had a strict budget, and were awarded points not only for the strength of the bridge, but also for how cost effective their designs were and for style. All teams worked very hard to ensure the budget was met, and our winners this week were Hippy Mexicans A-Team, with G-Force and Hippy Mexicans B-Team in joint second.

Netball Superleague Trip

A group of girls from all years who have represented the School in netball this year went to the University of Bath on Monday to watch the a netball 'Superleague' game between Team Bath and Surrey Storm. It was an enjoyable and exciting evening.

World Book Day 2015 is on its way! On 5 March BFS will once again celebrate World Book Day; a celebration of reading, imagination and all things 'booky'! This year, we aim to make the event even bigger and better! Fancy dress is a must, so get planning with your friends for your book related or character costume. There are prizes available for the best and most creatively dressed students. All staff are taking part too!

On the day there will be quizzes, themed food and a book and cake sale! If devoting a day to reading is not enough, we will also be raising money for Book Aid International; last year we managed to raise £172 which we were all really proud of. If you have any unwanted books looking for a new home please bring them in and give them to Mrs Kendall or Mrs McGrath.

Further details after the holiday!

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Ellie Haines Y9 - Bristol Ladies' U14 football tem

Ellie made a notable contribution to her team's progress to the Gloucestershire FA Cup final when they beat Gloucester City 8-2 with Ellie playing right back and setting up two of the goals, one with a great long pass on the counter attack and one with a deep throw-in. Well done Ellie!

Term 4 – Key Dates	
February	
Tuesday 24	 U14 girls' football vs St Bede's (away) Y7 & Y10 boys' football vs City Academy Bristol (away) Trip (avariant) to Tabages Footbarry to see (Demos and Wilet')
Thursday 26	 Trip (evening) to Tobacco Factory to see 'Romeo and Juliet' Y8 & Y9 boys' football vs City Academy Bristol (home)
	Y7 Subject Evening
March Tuesday 3	Y7 girls' hockey festival (7 a-side) at Fairfield School
Wednesday 4	Y8 & Y10 boys' football vs Fairfield School (away)
Thursday 5	 Y7 & Y9 boys' football vs Fairfield School (home at Coombe Dingle) Y8 Subject Evening World Book Day
Friday 6	 Y9 guided choices deadline FoBFS quiz evening
Monday 9	6 Degrees of Aspiration keynote speaker: Tristan Pate, actor/musician
Wednesday 11	 U14 girls' football vs Fairfield School (away) Y9 & Y10 boys' football vs Redland Green School (away)
Thursday 12	 Y10 Goucestershire Sevens rugby tournament Y7 & Y9 boys' football vs Redland Green School (home at Coombe Dingle) U14 girls' football tournament at Redland Green School
Friday 13	Non- uniform day in support of Comic Relief
Tuesday 17	Y7 & Y10 boys' football vs Clifton High School (home at Coombe Dingle)
Thursday 19	All years – girls' hockey vs Henbury School (away)
Friday 20	Routes into Languages competition at Royal High School, Bath
Monday 23	 6 Degrees of Aspiration keynote speaker: Petra Metzger, Fashion designer (Central St Martin's College of Art) Parent information evening for new Y7
Tuesday 24	Y7 girls' 5 a-side football vs Red Maids' School (home)
Wednesday 25	Inter tutor group sports competition
Thursday 26	Whole school STEM dayFull Governing Body meeting
Friday 27	End of term 4: school finishes at 3.00 pm
Please see the calendar at <u>www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk</u> for other important dates.	