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Dear Parent/Carer

Term 6 Update: Monday 6 June to Thursday 21 July

Note: INSET Day change from Friday 24 June to Friday 1 July

As we fast approach the half term break and Platinum Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend, I thought it would be useful to send you an update regarding school expectations and the events we have planned in Term 6.

The vast majority of our students wear their uniform very well, however, some are consistently below our expectations. For clarity, I would like to reiterate our expectations.

Uniform expectations

In Term 6, we allow students not to wear their blazers due to the warmer weather. We still expect school ties to be worn correctly.

Please see full school uniform information on our website <https://www.bristolreeschool.org.uk/uniform>

The list below is a reminder of uniform breaches that will be addressed through our behaviour system: -

- Coats are not to be worn in lessons
- Hoodies and hats may not be worn at any time in school
- School trousers must be charcoal grey, not black
- Trainers or non-compliant school shoes cannot be worn. In emergencies, a note from parent/carer is required
- Any facial piercing and long dangly earrings are not allowed
- Unnatural hair colour or extreme hair styles are not allowed
- Skirt length must be no shorter than 8cm above the knee
- No cross bags or handbags. Only school bags or rucksacks to carry essential equipment are allowed
- Mobile phones are not to be seen during the school day and we expect students to take responsibility through the acceptable use policy [Mobile Phone policy](#)

We will pick up uniform breaches in tutor time and contact home regarding next steps. In extreme circumstances, students will work in the Behaviour Support Room until the breach is corrected. Detentions will be issued for second time breaches; we will confiscate hoodies and mobile phones and in the case of multiple breaches, these will need to be collected by parents/carers.

We ask parents/carers to support us with this focus as we return to high standards, post pandemic.

Extreme Hot Weather

In the event that the weather gets extremely hot, we will make the decision to allow students to come to school in PE kit to keep cool. This will be communicated via ParentPay the day prior to the uniform change.

Second Hand Uniform Sale

As part of our commitment to supporting families with affordable uniform we will be holding a second-hand uniform sale in Term 6. We have a lot of second-hand stock in



school so if you need to source branded uniform, please email admin@bristolfreeschool.org.uk and we can help you with this.

If any families want to donate uniform, please wash the items and bring them into main reception. All contributions are gratefully received.

Year 7 and 9 End of Year Assessments.

During Term 6 end of year assessments will take place for Year 7 and 9 at the following times.

Year 7 start Monday 20 June until Thursday 30 June

Year 9 start Monday 27 June until Thursday 8 July

Most assessments take place during usual lessons, with Maths and English in the Sports Hall. A letter providing further detail about the assessments will be emailed home this week. Tutor group timetables can be accessed via class charts.

Summer Events in Term 6

Below are the dates and details of the events we have planned in Term 6. It is busier than usual due to the postponed whole school production and our 10th Anniversary celebration.

Date	Event	Who involved	Details/Cost
Thu 16 June	Year 10 Subject Evening – virtual event	Year 10	Letter sent about details
Tues 21 June	Year 12 Exams	Year 12	Individual timetable issued to students and parents/carers
Fri 17 June – Wed 22 June	I Can I Am Bus – Year 8	Year 8	No cost
Mon 20 June – Thurs 30 June	Year 7 End of Year Exams	Year 7	In lessons
Mon 27 June – Fri 1 July	Year 12 Work Experience optional	Year 12	Lessons still running
Mon 27 June – Fri 8 July	Year 9 End of Year Exams	Year 9	Timetable and letter will be issued
Tues 28 June	Sixth Form Transition Day	Year 11 students who plan to stay on to the Sixth Form.	Further details have been sent via letter. If you would like a copy of the letter, email sixthform@bristolfreeschool.org.uk
Fri 1 July	INSET Day School closed to all students	All students	Change from Friday 24 June
Tues 5 July	Year 13 Leavers assembly and Summer Ball	Year 13/staff Year 12 (Summer Ball only)	Further details available via Parent Pay
Wed 6 July	Year 11 Leavers assembly and Summer Ball	Year 11/staff	Letter and details via Mr Whitfield

Mon 11 July	Year 7 & 8 STEM Day – in school Year 9 & 10 Sports Day - Stoke Lodge Field	Normal school day timings Adjusted times for Sports Day	Letters and details to follow
Tues 12 July	Year 7 & 8 Sports Day – Stoke Lodge Field Year 9 - University visit Year 10 - Meet Employers day - in school	Adjusted times for Sports day Normal school day timings Normal school day timings	Letter and details to follow
Thurs 14 and Fri 15 July	School Production – Matilda –Redmaids Theatre	Evening performance	Purchase tickets
Mon 18 July	Annual Awards Evening – invitation event in school	Invited students and guest Year 7 – Year 13	6-8pm
Wed 20 July	10 th Anniversary celebration afternoon – in school	Year 7 – Year 10 and Year 12	Normal school timings
Thurs 21 July	Final assembly and winning House Cup winner revealed	Year 7 – Year 10 and Year 12	School closes from 12.30pm

I am sure you will agree that all year groups have a lot to enjoy in Term 6. As part of our commitment to offering students a range of opportunities, we are currently considering the residential trips that we would like to offer in the next academic year. A letter with all these trips will be sent in Term 6 so you can plan and budget accordingly.

Summer Holidays and start of Autumn Term

Summer holidays start from Friday 22 July. Most students return to school on Thursday 8 September.

Year 7 and Year 12 have an Induction Day on Wednesday 7 September. See school website for updates including letters sent.

Parent Forum and Surgery

We are very keen to invite parents/carers into school in Term 6 to discuss ways we can develop engagement with you all post pandemic. Feedback from the virtual subject and information evenings has been very favourable and having some virtual events is convenient for busy working families. However, we are keen to develop face to face opportunities where parents/carers do come to school, and we work in partnership. I will send out details of dates when parents/carers can talk to me and senior staff about events that school can organise that would support parents navigating the secondary school years.

Finally, I would like to wish you all a very happy Bank Holiday weekend. On behalf of the staff at BFS we look forward to another exciting and productive Term 6.

Yours sincerely



Mrs S King
Headteacher

