

Weekly Update

Words from the Headteacher

The FOBFS end of Year BBQ was a great success. The School hosted over 300 people, engaging them in a range of sports, serving hot food and drink and ending the evening with some very nice raffle prizes. Thank you to everyone who attended to support the School and to the FoBFS who made this the best end of year BBQ so far; bring on next year...

Next Monday sees the start of Aspiration Week; students have been briefed by their tutors about the activities they have been allocated across the week. Next week, at the end of each day, every student will be briefed about the details of the following day and timetables will be on display in the Sports Hall's windows. It promises to be an exciting week with plenty of challenge to engage our students and staff.

Tuesday 22 July is our Sports Day. It will take place on the Greenway Centre field and parents are welcome to attend and watch the proceedings. The sports day will start at approximately 11.00 am and close at 3.00 pm. More details will be shared with students and parents next week.

We will be carrying out some internal building work over the summer and in order to do this the lockers will be moved from their current location. We will start moving them next week so any student who has a locker will need to empty it during Aspiration Week. Students will be notified about when they need to empty their locker and how we will return their deposit for the padlock and key. As this year, lockers will be allocated in September, with priority given to the new Year 7 students followed by students in Years 8, 9 and 10.

On Tuesday and Wednesday we welcomed the new Year 7 cohort on their Induction Days to Bristol Free School. It was an honour to be able to greet them at the start of their first day at BFS. I am looking forward to seeing them all on Wednesday 3 September wearing the BFS uniform.

Richard Clutterbuck



Book Club – next week

Book Club will be taking place on **Tuesday 15 July** between 3.00 pm and 5.00 pm in Room C0.26

On Monday this week Bristol Free School held its annual summer soirée. Over one hundred people turned up. Some of the main acts were the Red Cross dancers, Dynamics choir and the orchestra. Other acts were Angus, Tom and Shaye who performed "chasing the sun" by The Wanted and Celeste Silcox who sang "Breath in, Breath out" by Tick. Everyone who came said they enjoyed the range of talent that they had seen and were impressed how far the School had come since 2011. There are some photos on the front page but for more photos and some recordings see the twitter account @BFS_Music.



Report by Bethany Doel Y9

Year 8: Science

As part of the 'Light' topic, Year 8 students have been learning how light affects and aids our sight. To put this in to context, last week two classes performed eye dissections! After a few squeamish moments, everyone got stuck in and did a great job of removing the lens and then investigating how the cornea, retina and optic nerve work.



Volunteering at Bristol Free School

We welcome parent volunteers to support the work of the School and students in a variety of ways. We are holding an open morning next Friday at 9.30 am for people interested in volunteering. Please come along if you would like to find out about the possible ways you might be able to help support young people in school. We look forward to seeing you there.

Term 6 –Key Dates	
July	
Saturday 12	Bristol Shakespeare Festival – "Macbeth" at Brandon Hill, Y9
Sunday 13	Paris trip departure
Monday 14	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start of Aspiration Week 6 degrees of aspiration keynote speaker: Beth Nicholas – Artist
Wednesday 16	Paris trip return
Thursday 17	Y7 subject evening
Friday 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> PGL activity weekend departs Parent volunteers meeting, 9.30 am
Sunday 20	PGL activity weekend returns
Tuesday 22	Sports Day
Wednesday 23	End of term 6: 3.00 pm