

Weekly Update

**Extra-curricular activities
during week commencing
22 June**

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

Monday:

4 – 5 pm: Introduction to Latin

Tuesday:

Animal Club
Boys' cricket (Y7 & Y8)
Girls' rounders (Y7 & Y8)
Tennis (Y9 & Y10)
International Games Club
LitSoc (Y10)
Makers Club
Orchestra
Textiles Club (Y8, Y9 & Y10)

Wednesday:

All Years Mixed Athletics
Composition workshop (Y10)
Commercial Jazz Dance Club
Science Club
Young Enterprise (Y10)

Thursday:

Art Club
Boys' cricket (Y9 & Y10)
Chess Club
Street/Hip-hop Dance Club
Football Fan Forum
Games Club
Gardening Club
Girls' rounders (Y9 & Y10)
International Film Club
Maths Club
Student Newspaper
Technology Open Workshops
(Y10)
Warhammer Club
Tennis (Y7 & Y8)

Friday:

'Band Academy'

Study Club will run every day
except Friday.

Words from the Headteacher

Here is a reminder to parents about being considerate to our neighbours when collecting or dropping off our students. The roads can become very congested and this applies to Burghill Road as much as it does to Concorde Drive. At this time of year, given the weather, I would expect far more students to be travelling to and from school under their own steam rather than in cars. Where this is not possible, may I ask parents to drop their children off at least 5 minutes away from school. This will reduce congestion and ensure that students have a little bit of exercise on the way in to school. Please apply the same principles to the end of school day.

There are four weeks left of this term and the academic year. When we return in September we will have our full complement of year groups in the 11-16 age range as well as preparing for the 6th form. Our founding students start Year 11 and will be counting down the weeks until the first of the GCSE exams in May 2016. We finished our recruitment of teachers last term in preparation for next year and I was extremely pleased with the high quality of applicants we were able to choose from to add to Bristol Free School's great teachers. Joining us in September are:

- Mr Iwan Thomas, Ms Hannah Monsell and Ms Helen Williams (English)
- Mrs Kath Conway and Miss Helena Case (Maths)
- Mr Andrew Mabey and Mr Robert Mitchell (Science)
- Mr Robert Wisemen (Modern Foreign Languages)
- Mr Luke Green (Geography)
- Mr Martin MacBlain (History)
- Miss Roslyn Macleod (Philosophy and Religious Studies)
- Miss Rachel Marsh (Art and Design)
- Miss Cara Clifton (Drama)

As of today we are also recruiting support staff in the positions of Reprographics/ICT technician, Curriculum Learning Mentors and Pastoral Learning Mentors. Please keep a close eye on our vacancies page of the website for any further posts.

In the early part of next week students will be bringing home their programme for Aspiration Week and consent forms for off-site activities. Please complete the consent form and ask your child to hand it in to the School's reception. Please also retain the details of the week so that you can support your child in ensuring that they are in the right place at the right time with the necessary equipment. When you see the programme we are sure that you will agree it is worth the suggested contribution of £25 to £35 as outlined in earlier letters. Ideally this will be paid using the School's online payment system but cash and cheques (payable to Bristol Free School) will be accepted at the School's reception.



See separate flyer
about the end of year
BBQ

Richard Clutterbuck

Queen’s Birthday Honours

One of the FoBFS mums has been included in the Queen’s Birthday Honours. Clare Waggett has received the British Empire Medal for services to young people through the Scout Movement and the local community. We are all very proud to be associated with Clare.

Bryn Ruck

BFS student Bryn Ruck (Y7) represented Sulis Scorpions cycling club last week in the Under 14s support race to the professional Tour Series races in Bath. He finished an excellent 3rd overall of some 25 boys. The challenging course included two stiff climbs and an extended section over the Royal Crescent cobbles.

Water Sports

Since early May a small group of students from Year 7 have been taking part in weekly training sessions to prepare themselves for a water sports competition. During the first introductory sessions the students tried their hand at the three disciplines on offer - sailing, paddling and rowing. Then they chose an area to specialise in, to focus on refining their technique. The culmination was a competition against students from eight other schools. Although the BFS students were the youngest taking part (11-16 age group), they came away with many medals, achieving first places in the individual sailing, team sailing and the 5-piece rowing race.

Term 6 – Key Dates

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

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| June | |
| Monday 22 | Start of Y10 exam week |
| July | |
| Wednesday 1 | Y10 GCSE Art trip to Tate Modern, London |
| Thursday 2 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6 degrees: Career in Medicine workshop Science Fair (Y8), 3.00 – 5.00 pm Full Governing Body meeting |
| Friday 3 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Science Fair (Y7), 3.00 – 5.00 pm FoBFS end of year summer BBQ |
| Monday 6 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Start of Y10 work experience week Trip to WW1 battlefields departs PGL Beam House trip departs |
| Wednesday 8 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trip to WW1 battlefields returns PGL Beam House trip returns |
| Thursday 9 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aspiration week starts New Y7 parent information evening |
| Friday 10 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> New Y7 induction day Trip to Barcelona departs |
| Tuesday 14 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trip to Barcelona returns |
| Wednesday 15 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Aspiration week finishes Volunteers’ meeting |
| Thursday 16 | Sports Day |
| Friday 17 | End of term 6: school finishes at 1.45 pm |

