

Weekly Update

**Extra-curricular activities
during week commencing
23 November**

*All after school activities finish
at 4.30 pm*

Monday:

Latin (Y8)

Tuesday:

Latin (Y10)

Makers Club

Maths and code-breaking Club

Boys' rugby (Y10 & Y11)

Girls' netball (Y9, Y10 & Y11)

Boys' basketball (Y7, Y8 & Y9)

'Oliver' rehearsals

Textiles Club (Y8, Y9 & Y10)

Wednesday:

Orchestra

Latin (Y11)

Craft Club

Science Club

Young Enterprise (Y10)

Boys' rugby (Y7, Y8 & Y9)

Girls' netball (Y7 & Y8)

Boys' basketball (Y10 & Y11)

Jazz and Commercial dance

Jazz band

Thursday:

Fencing

Friday:

Band Academy

Study Club will run on

Monday, Tuesday and

Wednesday.

Words from the Headteacher

A new version of Show My Homework is being launched on Wednesday 25 November. The new version has been designed to make the site faster and more resilient. It will feature a new user interface intended to make Show My Homework easier to look at and navigate through.

Given that the switch is being carried out next week, there may be some disruption to the service but I have been assured that this will be minimal. In order to prepare everyone for what the site will look like and how the new version will operate there are two links below giving information on the changes by the SMHW team. The first is a video introducing the new version of the site and the second link takes you to tutorial videos which demonstrate the basic changes.

New Version Introduction Video

<https://showmyhomework.wistia.com/medias/3am1vjpk0y>

New User Tutorials

<https://showmyhomework.wistia.com/projects/5byggq51ec>

For more information about homework and the role of Show My Homework at Bristol Free School, please visit the homework page of our website:

<https://www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk/bristol-free-school--homework.php>

On the subject of websites, our new Sixth Form website is now live. You can access the pages through our main school site or follow the link here: www.bfs6.org.uk

We will be adding lots more information to the site over the next few weeks and months but in the meantime the crucial areas to visit are the prospectus, courses and application form pages. There are two versions of the application form on the website. The first is designed to be printed off and then completed in paper copy whilst the second version is an interactive PDF. This can be completed online, saved to your PC and then emailed to the School. Alternatively students may collect a pre-printed application form and Sixth Form prospectus and course guide from the School's reception. We are receiving completed application forms up until the deadline of Monday 21 March 2016.

Year 11 students begin their mock exams next week. They have been preparing for these over a number of weeks and are now ready to sit the exams. Bar the timing in the year, the format of these exams will follow those of next summer. When students are not sitting an exam they will follow their normal timetable of lessons. The lessons will either be revision for an upcoming exam in that subject or carrying on with the subject's curriculum. As a final mock exam experience Year 11 students will attend a mock results morning at BFS on Thursday 17 December.

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Absence from school

Please remember that parents or carers should contact the School before 8.30 am on each day of a student’s absence. Preferably this should be via “Sickly” (through the website www.sickly.org/about/parents or by downloading the app).

The benefit to the School of this system is that it automatically enters sickness reports straight into the register. “Sickly” also provides information, to you and the School, about illnesses going around in the area.

If you are unable to use this system, please continue to call the dedicated student absence line on 01179508157.

MFL news

The languages team is taking communication to the next level through twitter. Check it out and get involved @bfs_mfl.



Residential trips

Students in Years 8, 9 and 10 should have brought home a letter with information about a wide range of forthcoming residential trips, including Barcelona, Iceland, Munich, Auschwitz and Devon. Please do not miss the deadline of the end of this month to return forms and pay a deposit. In most cases we need to confirm places with the tour operator at that time, so missing the deadline will mean that your child will be unable to join in.



Term 2 – Key Dates

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

November	
Monday 23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 & Y8 girls’ 5 a-side football tournament at Redland Green School, 1.00-4.30 Young Enterprise (part group) to finance workshop at UWE, 4.15 – 6.15
Tuesday 24	Dynamics Choir performance at Katherine House, 1.30 – 3.15
Wednesday 25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y10 & Y11 boys’ basketball vs Oasis Brightstowe (home) Y8 & Y10 netball vs Patchway (home)
Thursday 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y9 Subject Evening from 4.30 Y8 & Y9 boys’ basketball festival at Patchway
Monday 30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Young Enterprise Directors visit to Netsight, 3.15 – 5.00 Y7 boys’ basketball festival at Bradley Stoke
December	
Wednesday 2	Y10 & Y11 boys’ basketball vs Oasis Brightstowe (away)
Thursday 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y10 Subject Evening from 4.30 Y8 & Y9 boys’ basketball festival at Oasis Brightstowe Girls’ 5 a-side football tournament at Bristol Metropolitan Strasbourg trip departs
Friday 4	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Enterprise Day Y7 & Y8 disco run by FoBFS, 7.00 – 9.00
Saturday 5	Young Enterprise group at St Nicholas Market, 8.00 – 5.00
Monday 7	Strasbourg trip returns
Wednesday 9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y11: meningitis vaccinations Y7 & Y8 girls’ football vs Red Maids’ School (home) 9TG6 activity at Airhop from 6.00
Thursday 10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y7 trip to see ‘Snow White’, 1.00 – 5.00 Full Governing Body meeting, 6.00 – 8.00
Friday 11	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Y10: PSHE day Y8 & Y9 Sports Academy coaching at SCS college, pm Small group trip to Wildlife Photographer of the Year exhibition at MShed, 12.40 – 3.30
Tuesday 15	Y11 Maths Inspiration trip, Cardiff
Wednesday 16	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sixth Form taster day Christmas Extravaganza (evening)
Thursday 17	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas lunch Christmas Extravaganza (evening)
Friday 18	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christmas Jumper day in aid of charity End of term 2: 1.45 pm



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