

Bulletin



ANNUAL AWARDS EVENING



KEY DATES

- Monday 10 July - Y9, Y10 & Y12 Careers/Uni Day and Y7 & Y8 STEM Day
- Tuesday 11 July - Whole School Sports Day at Stoke Lodge
- Wednesday 12 - Thursday 13 July - Y8 Camp (Group 1)
- Wednesday 12 - Friday 14 July - Y10 Science/MFL Paris Trip and
- Wednesday 12 - Saturday 15 July - Y9 Battlefields Trip
- Thursday 13 - Friday - 14 July - Y8 Camp (Group 2)
- Friday 14 July - Reserve Sports Day and Y10 & Y12 Drama rehearsals (Drama Hall)
- Monday 17 July - Y12 & Y10 Drama Showcase after school (Drama Hall)



IZABELLA 10TG4

CLIFTON COLLEGE

SUSTAINABILITY EVENT

On Thursday 29 June, Elliot (10TG2) and I visited Clifton College to explore food sustainability. We were able to prepare a three-course meal for 50 teachers, caterers and charities from Bristol. This included making shepherd's pie, vegetable pasta bake and stone fruit cobbler. These were also accompanied by fresh bread and bread sticks that we prepared during the morning. Something incredibly important about this event was that most of the ingredients were sustainably sourced, reducing the carbon footprint of our meal. After serving the meal we had the opportunity to open a conversation about how schools can be more sustainable when it comes to food. This opportunity was great to be more aware of the environmental impacts of what we are eating. Elliot and I thoroughly enjoyed this experience and are grateful for this opportunity!



FRIENDS OF BFS

IDEAS MEETING

Please come along to the Black Swan, Stoke Lane on Wednesday 12 July from 7.30pm. We love to get to know as many BFS parents/carers as possible and we can throw our ideas together on how we can raise money for our school. Please spread the word and bring a friend or two. We look forward to seeing you there.

EASYFUNDRAISING

Online shopping? Please use Easyfundraising, a hassle free way of earning extra money for our school. Please use the link below or install the Easyfundraising App on your phone. All you have to do is assign BFS as the place you want funds to go to. There are lots of online shops on there and it's really straightforward to use.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/panel/>



BFS BIOLOGY

MR HAMILTON



Y12 FOLLY FARM TRIP

Our recent Year 12 trip to Folly Farm on 28-29 June was an incredible adventure celebrating biodiversity, ecology, and hands-on learning. The students immersed themselves in nature, gaining valuable insights into ecosystems and wildlife of Chew Valley. Students delved into the fascinating world of freshwater ecosystems, participating in pond sweeping activities, using nets and identification guides to discover and study the diverse array of aquatic organisms. A particular highlight was finding great crested newts. Students also used a range of sampling techniques to investigate grassland and woodland habitats. In the evening, we were treated to a display of the local bat population, but sadly the badgers had moved to their summer home!

We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the staff at Folly Farm and the Avon Wildlife Trust for their warm hospitality and for providing our students with an enriching and unforgettable experience.





YOUNG
GREEN
BRITON
challenge

Y7 YOUNG GREEN BRITON NATIONAL AWARDS FINAL

MISS BOARD



This week, Florence, Flo, Elsa and Emily were invited to present at the House of Lords for the National Finals of the Young Green Briton competition. All of Year 7 started working on this project last November and were tasked to come up with new and pioneering ways to help our local school and community environment become more eco-friendly and sustainable.

After months of heats and presentations, the girls' team submitted an informative video about their idea to eradicate single-use sauce sachets from the canteen, and introduce refillable sauce stations and an automated machine linked to our biometric payment system. Team ELFF were chosen to represent BFS against 15 other teams from around the UK from Year 7-9, presenting and influencing MPs, members of the House of Lords, charities and even representatives from the Premier League!

The event was hosted by Lord Bird, founder of The Big Issue, who quickly became our favourite! He gave a memorable speech about driving change and spent a long time talking to us and taking photos after the event. Founder of Ecotricity (and Forest Green Rovers owner) Dale Vince set up the Young Green Briton campaign and recruited his friend (and our new BFF) Chris Packham to inspire and judge at the awards. All the speakers had great advice about how to be a positive change on the environment and in your community and we all left feeling inspired.

We were so proud to be part of this national event in such a prestigious venue, as well as enjoying our very fancy lunch! We had the most incredible time and will remember this opportunity for a long time to come (especially Elsa, what a way to spend your 12th Birthday!) We are really proud of the team, they are all such incredible representatives for BFS! A huge well done!



BFS FUNDRAISING

MR SMITH

MOVE A MILE FOR LEUKAEMIA



**Leukaemia
Care**
YOUR Blood Cancer Charity

BFS is taking part in Unicorn Fest this summer. It's a walking trail of painted unicorns on display throughout the city. Our own unicorn will also be on display. The event is raising money for Leukaemia Care – a charity which helps people who have blood cancer. See [here](#) for more info.



As part of our participation in Unicorn Fest, we're using this year's Move a Mile events to raise money for Leukaemia Care. Over 200 students are taking part by running or walking a mile before school. So far, they've raised an incredible £1,684 with one more event to go. If you would like to sponsor us, please [click here](#).



BFS SIXTH FORM



Y12 CARDIFF UNIVERSITY TRIP

MISS NORTON

On Monday 26 June, all Year 12 students visited Cardiff University. The university gave lectures which introduced our students to higher education, the benefits of studying at university and student life. Students also had a tour of the university and were able to have some free time to explore Cardiff City Centre in the afternoon.

The day was a great success and has given students more information to help them make decisions about their post-18 pathways.



**CARDIFF
UNIVERSITY**



MY 'SHADOW THE TEACHER' EXPERIENCE

Last Thursday, I spent a fantastic morning shadowing Mr. Innes in the science department. I helped teach my fellow Y8s tricky physics concepts such as terminal velocity and how to draw free body diagrams. We then used these concepts to design and produce boats and parachutes and held a fun competition to see which group made the most effective designs. Then Mr. Innes had a planning period in which I helped prepare for future practical experiments and I learned how to wire a plug which is an important life skill. This opportunity gave me a great insight into teaching and understand the difficulties of being a teacher. With the support of Mr. Innes, it was very fun and I learned a few tricks on how to manage behaviour!

Thank you for making this experience possible.

ANDRES 8TG4



CHLOE 8TG1



My 'shadow the teacher' experience was very interesting. Firstly, I helped out with a Year 7 lesson, where we played Viva La Vida by Coldplay. I had loads of fun with the ukuleles and even learnt a new chord! I then helped out with a Year 10 lesson where we ran through GCSE solos and talked about potential ensembles starting up next year. We then did a Year 8 lesson where we listened to people's compositions and I gave constructive criticism. This has been an amazing opportunity and I would love to do it again.

This Friday, we spent our afternoon in the Music Department. We had a great time and got to see music lessons from the unique perspective of a teacher. The first period, we observed a Year 7 class studying chords on the ukulele. We listened to their class performance and even got to accompany one pupil! Afterwards, in a Year 9 class, we helped to organise some music and hear their group pieces. Lastly, we were part of a Year 10 lesson, where they offered feedback on each other's performances. Thank you to Miss Humphries for such a wonderful afternoon!

ROSIE 8TG1 LUCY 7TG1



LUCAS 8TG1

On Monday, I spent an amazing morning with my music teacher, helping in the Music Department. I started by helping a Year 9 class log on and send their music files to their teacher. After this, we watched and listened to their compositions, giving feedback and helping them to improve their pieces. After that, I demonstrated ukulele chords to a Year 8 class, helping them play Viva La Vida by Coldplay.

I loved shadowing a teacher and would gladly do it again. Thank you BFS for arranging this opportunity for me!





BTS ENGLISH

MR GOWEN

Y7 POETRY SLAM



The English department were delighted with the efforts of our students in the Year 7 poetry slam; it was a testament to the budding talents of these young wordsmiths. Each participant took to the stage with confidence and passion, ready to share their unique perspectives with the world. The diversity of themes and styles explored showcased the depth of creativity within this talented group of students.

Themes ranging from personal growth, social issues, and the power of imagination were passionately woven into their verses. The poems touched upon the complexities of adolescent life, exploring themes of self-identity, friendship, and the pursuit of dreams.

From the rhythm and cadence of their verses to their effective use of metaphors and similes, the young poets demonstrated a mastery of poetic devices that belied their years. Their confident delivery, paired with an understanding of timing and tone, created an immersive experience for the listeners. The audience was left hanging onto every word, moved by the intensity and authenticity of the performances.



HENBURY PRIMARY COURT ACADEMY

KIDS Summer CAMP



**24TH JULY - 31ST
AUGUST**

AGES: 5-14 YEARS

TIMES: 9:00AM - 1.00pm

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meals

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