

Weekly communication to Parents/Carers

Friday 26 June 2026



St Katherine's Website



Term dates



Termly newsletters



PE calendar

Whole School messages

School	Whole school	Coffee with the Headteacher will be held on 6 July 2026 from 9-10, this will be held in our conference office. In order for us to provide catering, please email school@skdrive.org if you would like to attend.
School	Whole school	Free School Meals is changing From September Free School Meals are being expanded to all families on Universal Credit. If you would like to apply for Free School Meals for September, please apply in the summer holidays at www.n-somerset.gov.uk/freeschoolmeals If you have any queries or require any help please email FSM@n-somerset.gov.uk or call the school on 01275 373737. You can find our letter to all parents with more details here
Amplify Trust	Whole School	Parent and Carer survey Please see parent/carers survey from the Trust for completion by 29 June 2026.
School	Whole school	HAF (Holiday Activities and Food) activities are now available to book HAF activity days are for children who receive benefits-related free school meals. The HAF programme is funded by the Department for Education. It's all about supporting families, reducing holiday hunger, and giving children opportunities to learn and play. Activities are designed to support wellbeing, build confidence, and create lasting memories. By working with local organisations, we ensure safe, inclusive spaces where children can thrive. Children will be provided with the opportunities to: • eat healthily over the school holidays • take part in and enjoy physical activity • develop their self-esteem, confidence, and wellbeing • be safe and develop peer relationships with other young people North Somerset Families can book activities here. Bristol Families can book activities here.
Finance	FSM Families	WEX Y10 FSM Vouchers Vouchers (Wonde/EVouchers) will be issued for FSM students on WEX placements. Closure Days Vouchers have been issued for the 2 closure days.

Year 7

Food and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 7	Please ensure all ingredients are weighed before the lesson. Thursday 2nd June - 7r Breakfast muffins
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Year 8

Food and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 8	Please ensure all ingredients are weighed before the lesson. Tuesday 30th June - 8r Stir fry Friday 3rd July - 8l Stir fry
Science Mrs Ivey	Year 8	Next week students will be completing GL assessments in science lessons to assess their progress in science since year 7. Students do not need to revise or prepare for these assessments. The results will be used to inform our decisions about setting and interventions.

Year 9

Food and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 9	Please ensure all ingredients are weighed before the lesson. Thursday 2nd July - 9r goujons Friday 3rd July - 9l goujons
Science Mrs Ivey	Year 9	Next week students will be completing GL assessments in science lessons to assess their progress in science since year 7. Students do not need to revise or prepare for these assessments. The results will be used to inform our decisions about setting and interventions.

Year 10

Art Ms Tallis	Year 10	Y10 GCSE art students are continuing to work hard on their artist research for their Personal Projects (second coursework project). They must spend a minimum of one hour on homework every week, although this is not expected during the WEX & mock exam weeks. Your child may work in the Art Dept at the following times: - Every Tue after school - Every Thu after school - Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu lunchtimes Please support your child to attend one of these sessions regularly; those who did this last year had the most success with their art GCSE results. Deadline for the artist research for the Personal Project = Thurs 16 July
Textiles Miss Everard	Year 10	Year 10 Textiles are now continuing with their Sustained project - Architectural Forms and Features - students will be completing their garments and sketchbooks. It is important that they keep referring to the Assessment Objectives (AO1-4), which they have copies of and it has been explained to them. Each student also has an up-to-date personalised checklist of work they should try to complete. After Work Experience Week (29th June - 3rd July) the remaining weeks of term will be used to complete ALL coursework, which so far includes Architecture sketchbook, or boards, and any final work to complete on their Organics project, boards or final outcome. At the end of term I will be collecting in ALL coursework, this will be the end of these two projects. The coursework project for September will be on a different theme, and students will be expected to prepare over the summer, ready for a flying start in the autumn term. They should be spending at least an hour on homework each week, and they can attend catch-up sessions at lunch times and after school in the Art/Textiles Dept. Your child may work in the Art Dept at the following times: - Every Tue after school - Every Thu after school - Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu lunchtimes

		Please support your child to attend one of these sessions regularly; those who did so last year had the most success with their GCSE results.
Food preparation and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 10	Year 10 FP&N students are currently working towards a mock NEA 2 coursework which includes a practical exam. The students will have 3 hours to prepare, cook and serve 3 dishes and accompaniments (if appropriate), which will be held on the 7th and 8th of July. Your child's allocated day is set on Classcharts as homework. Students will have decided on their 3 dishes and I would really appreciate your support to ensure they are prepared for the exam. Ingredients can be weighed at home and brought into school. Any questions, please let me know.
Photography Mr Frullo	Year 10	Y10 GCSE Photography students are working hard on their Personal Projects (second coursework project). They must spend a minimum of one hour on homework every week. Your child may work in Room 18 at lunchtime and Room 36 after school at the following times: - Every Tue after school - Every Thu after school - Mon/Tue/Wed/Thu lunchtimes Please support your child to attend one of these sessions regularly; those who did this last year had the most success with their GCSE results.
Yr 10 WEX	Year 10	If your child doesn't have a placement they will be expected in school as normal for the week for virtual work experience sessions. If your child has a part time placement they will be expected in school on the days they don't have a placement. RE students with no placement/part time placements: If your child has headphones please ask them to bring them in next week as they will be needed for the virtual work experience. If your child doesn't have headphones please do not worry, we will provide a set. Please see here for parent/carers information in readiness for Y10 work experience week 29th June - 3rd July. A copy has been sent out by email. Please take time to read through the information with your child, including expectations before, during and after work experience. If you have any questions please get in touch - afey@skdrive.org

PE & SPORT - sign up for Spond (our communication platform)

Spond



We're using **Spond** to communicate with students & parents

If you are looking for information about extra-curricular activities, school sports teams, fixtures, events, competitions, clubs and practices then you need to be on Spond!

Students

bit.ly/skpe_spondstudent



Parents

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We are using a new platform called Spond to manage selection for and communication around extra-curricular PE fixtures and events. We hope that using Spond will improve our communication with students & parents.

Spond is available as a freely downloadable app and as a web app which allows organisations like clubs & schools to set up groups, publish details about events and collect responses for availability. Students and parents can sign up for Spond accounts using the links above. Parents will be linked to their child's account as a guardian.

UPCOMING EVENTS - TERM 6

26 Jun	Y13 Prom
26 Jun	0900-1505 Y7 Race The Line, DAT block P1-P4, Bottom Courts P5 (all students)
26 Jun	Bronze DofE Exp 2 (Fri/Sat)
26 Jun	0835-0900 Y12 RSE Day
29 Jun	INSET DAY
29 Jun	Y10 WEX week
30 Jun	0835-01505 Y7 Chepstow Castle (all students)
30 Jun	0835-0900 Y12 Wex Celebration Assembly (50 students)
30-3 Jul	Y13 Gold Practice/Exped (15 students)
1-2 Jul	Y6 induction day and evening
1 Jul	1400-1505 Y12 Laing O'Rourke to explore the opportunities in Apprenticeship and Career Insights (50 students)
2 Jul	1220-1300 Accelerated Reader annual Pizza Celebration
2 Jul	0835-1505 Y12 & Y13 Step into Sixth Form
4-5 Jul	Bronze DofE Exp 3 (Sun/Mon 29)
6 Jul	0900-1000 Coffee with the Headteacher
6 Jul	0835-0900 Y8 SGS College talk LT (180 students)
6 Jul	0835-1505 Y10 Future Brunel WECA Activity Day (3 students)
6 Jul	Sports week
6-9 Jul	House Celebration Evenings

7 Jul	0835-0900 Y12 Bowerman and Kirkland construction talk (50 students)
8 Jul	0835-1505 Y12 & Y13 Bristol Crown Court Trip (7 students)
8 Jul	1400-1505 Y12 Biological Sciences talk from Bristol Uni, Disease defence strategies in social insects - Dr Nathalie Stroeymeyt (50 students)
12 Jul	Malala Yousafzai Birthday - 12 July 1997
14 Jul	0835-1505 Y10 Geography Trip (half year group)
14 Jul	0835-0900 Y12 KPMG Assembly (50 students)
15 Jul	Emmeline Pankhurst Birthday (W) - 15 July 1858
15 Jul	0835-1505 Y8 Airbus Trip (32 students)
15 Jul	1400-1505 Y10 WEX Celebration Assembly (180 students)
17 Jul	0835-1505 Geography Trip (half year group)
21 Jul	0835-0900 Y12 Bristol Robins Post 18 Assembly (50 students)
22 Jul	END OF TERM 6 at 1230