

Weekly communication to Parents/Carers

Friday 10 July 2026



St Katherine's Website



Term dates



Termly newsletters



PE calendar

Whole School messages

School	Whole school	We are incredibly grateful for the enthusiasm and commitment shown by our staff throughout the year. Whether teaching in the classroom, supporting students academically, guiding them through exam/mock preparation, pastoral care, running and accompanying residentials, Duke of Edinburgh, leading day trips or organising clubs and sports fixtures, colleagues consistently go above and beyond to create meaningful experiences for our students. If a member of staff has made a difference to your child(ren) this year, we would love to pass on your thanks. Please use the form here to share any messages.
Amplify Trust	Whole school	Please see here parent/carers newsletter from the Trust
Mrs Collins Miss Adams	Whole school	One for the diary! St Katherine's school proudly announces we will be putting on our <u>whole school musical</u> next academic year <u>MATILDA JR December 2026.</u> Auditions for lead roles or ensemble are Wednesday 15th July 3:15pm - 5:15pm in the theatre. All students who want to be involved in the school show <u>MUST</u> join the google classroom 'Matilda Jr' with the code to join in <u>v2hm25xq</u> to gain access to all the relevant information. Once added, parents and carers will have access to this information also. We are SO excited! We hope you are too!
School	Whole school	Railway safety video We have been asked to share the links below with all parents/carers. Please note that the age ranges below are recommendations only. It is advised that parents/carers to view the video first to assess their suitability prior to sharing with their child(ren) Secondary School Version – Suitable for ages 11–16 https://careerfriendlyprogramme.com/video/rail-safe-friendly-secondary
School	Whole school	To help keep pupils safe and comfortable in the heat, please ensure that your child: • Brings a refillable water bottle to school each day • Applies sunscreen before arriving at school and, where appropriate, brings sunscreen to reapply during the day • Antihistamine medication to be taken before arriving at school
School	Whole school	Locker keys Please hand these back to SSO if your child is not keeping it for next year. Payment can be made via ParentPay.

Finance	Whole school	Canteen Tills - 7th July 26 Due to Internet issues for the majority of Tuesday 7th, our tills in the canteen weren't working. The canteen staff wrote down all items purchased and adjustments were posted via Parentpay on Thu 9th. A number of lunch accounts have subsequently gone overdrawn, as there was no way to check balances or daily limits. Please can you top up all overdrawn accounts ready for next week.
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Year 7

Mr Fey	Year 7	Race to the Line day will take place on Wednesday 15th July. Students will have an hour during the day to work in groups to design and build a Co2 powered car. During period 5 the whole year group will get together where we will race their creations.
Food and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 7	Please ensure all ingredients are weighed before the lesson. Thursday 16th July - 7R Quesadillas
English and Ms Campbell	Year 7	As we reach the epic conclusion of our journey through Homer's The Odyssey, you are cordially invited to celebrate your heroic triumphs at our upcoming Year 7 Greek Banquet on Monday 20th July! To truly immerse ourselves in the world of Odysseus, gods, and monsters, all students are asked to arrive in proper ancient attire. Your Quest: The Bedsheet Toga Your homework task before the banquet is to bring in a toga-in-disguise. No need to buy anything fancy—an old, plain bedsheet (white, cream, or a light color works best) is the perfect canvas for a philosopher or a hero • What to bring: A single or double bedsheet (and a couple of safety pins just in case). • What to do: Bring it to school in a bag on the day of the banquet. We will be learning the ancient art of toga-tying together before the feast begins! • Optional Upgrades: Feel free to bring a rope belt or a DIY cardboard laurel wreath if you want to look truly divine Prepare your appetites and channel your inner gods and goddesses. The halls of Mount Olympus await!

Year 8

Food and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 8	Please ensure all ingredients are weighed before the lesson. Tuesday 14th July - 8R Dutch apple cake Friday 17th July - 8L Dutch apple cake
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Year 9

Food and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 9	Please ensure all ingredients are weighed before the lesson. Monday 13th July - 9L Fajitas Monday 13th July - 9R Fajitas
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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. 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
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		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
Food and Nutrition Mrs Jenkins	Year 10	Please ensure all ingredients are weighed before the lesson. Monday 13th July - 10B Lemon Meringue Pie

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

bit.ly/skpe_spondguardian



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

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	1900-1930 Y8 Bronze DofE information evening
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