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Key Dates

11 th January	Year 10 Mock Exams – English & Maths Indoor Athletics at Hanham (Year 7/8)
17 th January	Year 10 Mock Exams – Math & English Year 9 Parents Evening (Face to Face) - this Includes Lots of Information on Options
19 th January	Year 10 Mock Exams - Science
22 nd January	Year 10 Geography Field Trip – Group A
23 rd January	Dance Show
25 th January	Year 10 Geography Field Trip – Group B
30 th January	Year 9 / 10 Orchestra Trip
31 st January	Anti-Bullying Staff/Student/Parent Working Group

5 th February	Year 9 Inter Community Day
6 th February	Year 7 Inter Community Day
7 th February	Year 8 Inter Community Day Harry Potter Day in the Library
9 th February	Last Day of Term
19 th February	First Day of Term

JCA Routines: Arrival to Lessons

Welcome back to Term 3. Last Wednesday our students began the day in tutor groups to give them the best possible start to the day (and term ahead). We reminded them of our routines and our assemblies this week have focused on feedback from the student council.

We are entering the January exam window which affects Post 16, Year 11 and Year 10 students; it's really important we consider what others might be doing as we move around the school to give them the best chance of success through a focused and calm environment.

Students have been reminded that they should show respect to each other in the corridors as they move between lessons. We do this to empower ourselves as well as our community; we raise each other up by being kind and aware of our surroundings.



Arrival to lessons

- We care about our learning:
- You arrive promptly to all of your lessons.
- You walk with purpose along the corridors (and use break and lunch to socialise with friends). We walk quietly as others are in lessons when we changeover.
- If you are more than 5 minutes late to your learning, you will be sent to the SLR. You will attend restores at the end of the day.

Gemma Read
Vice Principal

Adverse Weather Reminder

The wonderful weather which welcomed us back last week and the drop in temperatures this week has prompted me to write to you to describe the actions we take in the event of adverse weather.

Cold Weather

The site team prepare the site and building in the morning by salting the paths, ensuring the heating is on etc. As such it is not necessary for students to wear coats in the building.

If the weather conditions are so adverse, e.g. thick snow, that we deem it unsafe to open, we would message you as early as possible in the morning. Therefore please do ensure we have up to date email and phone numbers for you.

Hot Weather

The site team prepare the building in the morning by closing blinds, opening windows and doors, turning on fans etc. in order to keep cooler air moving around the building. Where the weather is forecast to be over 30 degrees, we will advise students to wear PE kit. We will email you if this is the case.

Please do ensure your child has a drinks bottle which can be refilled at the water fountains during the day.

Our student council towards the end of last year began discussing changing the school uniform to include tailored shorts as well as trousers. This is a wonderful example of us empowering our students to make positive change in the school. There seems to be general approval from the school body for this change. When it is confirmed, I will let you know.

Kate Willis
Principal

2nd Hand Uniform

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the 2nd Hand Uniform. This has been very popular and successful and we will be very grateful for any further donations of uniform, PE clothes and shoes and hiking items for the Duke of Edinburgh

Any items can be given to reception.

Thank you

Parent Academy Councillor Vacancy

We currently have a vacancy for an Academy Councillor, and you are very welcome to put your name forward if you are interested in this volunteer role and wish to stand for election. An election will only take place if there is more than one nomination received for the role. Much like a Governing Body, the Academy Council's role is to ensure your children learn in a safe environment and to the maximum of their ability.

What does being an Academy Councillor involve?

You don't need to be an experienced professional to be a brilliant Academy Councillor – it's about attitude and your personal skills as much as it is professional experience.

Our Academy Councils meet approximately once per term (between 5 and 6 times a year) currently at 4.30 – 6.30 pm. It is important that Councillors attend Council meetings regularly; this is where key decisions are made and where the Council have a good opportunity to challenge the academy teams. Councillors are encouraged to link up with a specific part of academy life. This might be taking a special interest in a subject area, such as English, or having a focus on a group of students, such as those with special educational needs.

Councillors will receive the meeting agenda and associated papers in advance of the meeting and are expected to spend some time preparing for the meeting. Councillors are also required to complete core training on an annual basis via the online training platform.

Councillors are regularly invited into academies; these visits are valuable opportunities to learn more about the academy and provide another perspective to the information received at Council meetings.

Parent Councillors are not elected to represent parents. Rather, they are representative of the parent body; they are able to bring a parent's perspective to discussions and decisions being made by the Academy Council.

All parents and carers are eligible to stand for election, except:

- Persons subject to a bankruptcy restriction order, interim order, or debt relief order.
- Persons disqualified under the Company Directors Disqualification Act 1986; Companies (Northern Ireland) Order 2002, or an order made under the Insolvency Act 1986.
- Persons that have been removed from the office of trustee for a charity by an order made by the Charity Commission or Commissioners or High Court on grounds of any misconduct or mismanagement in the administration of the charity, or under section 34 of the Charities and Trustee Investment (Scotland) Act 2005 from being concerned in the management or control of anybody.
- Persons included in the list of people considered by the Secretary of State as unsuitable to work with children or young people.
- Persons barred from any regulated activity relating to children.
- Persons subject to a direction of the Secretary of State under section 142 of the Education Act 2002 or section 128 of the Education and Skills Act 2008

- Persons disqualified from working with children or from registering for child-minding or providing day care.
- Persons disqualified from being an independent school proprietor, teacher, or employee by the Secretary of State
- Persons (subject to certain exceptions for overseas offences that do not correlate with a UK offence) that have:
 - Been sentenced to three months or more in prison (without the option of a fine) in the five years ending with the date preceding the date of appointment/election as a governor or since becoming a governor.
 - Received a prison sentence of two and a half years or more in the 20 years ending with the date preceding the date of appointment/election as a governor.
 - Received a prison sentence of five years or more.
- Persons that have been convicted and fined for causing a nuisance or disturbance on school or educational premises during the five years ending with the date immediately preceding appointment/election or since appointment or election as a governor.
- Persons that refuse a request by the clerk to make an application to the Disclosure And Barring Service for a criminal records certificate.

If you would like to put your name forward, please complete the online **Nomination Form by 12 noon on Thursday 25 January 2024**. You will need to include a brief factual statement about yourself (not exceeding 100 words). You might like to include a little about your background and why you want to be a Councillor. If there is more than one nomination received, I will circulate your statement, and those of other candidates, to voters for the election to take place. If you have any difficulties with completing the online form and wish to receive a paper copy, please email me on linda.corbidge@clf.uk.

Please do take a look at the [Academy Council Section](#) of the website for information about our Council.

If you have any questions about the role, please feel free to email me on the email above.

Yours sincerely

Linda Corbidge
Clerk to the Academy Council

Flu Vaccine Catch Up Clinics

Children's Flu vaccination (nasal and injection) catch-up clinics are still available for Reception – Year 11 students who did not receive their vaccinations at school. Please book an appointment at <https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2023/book> If you have any queries please contact the Immunisation Team directly on 0300 124 5515 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net

Many Thanks,

Olivia Lee
Programme Manager – School Aged Immunisations
Sirona care and health CIC

CLF Post 16 Information Evening

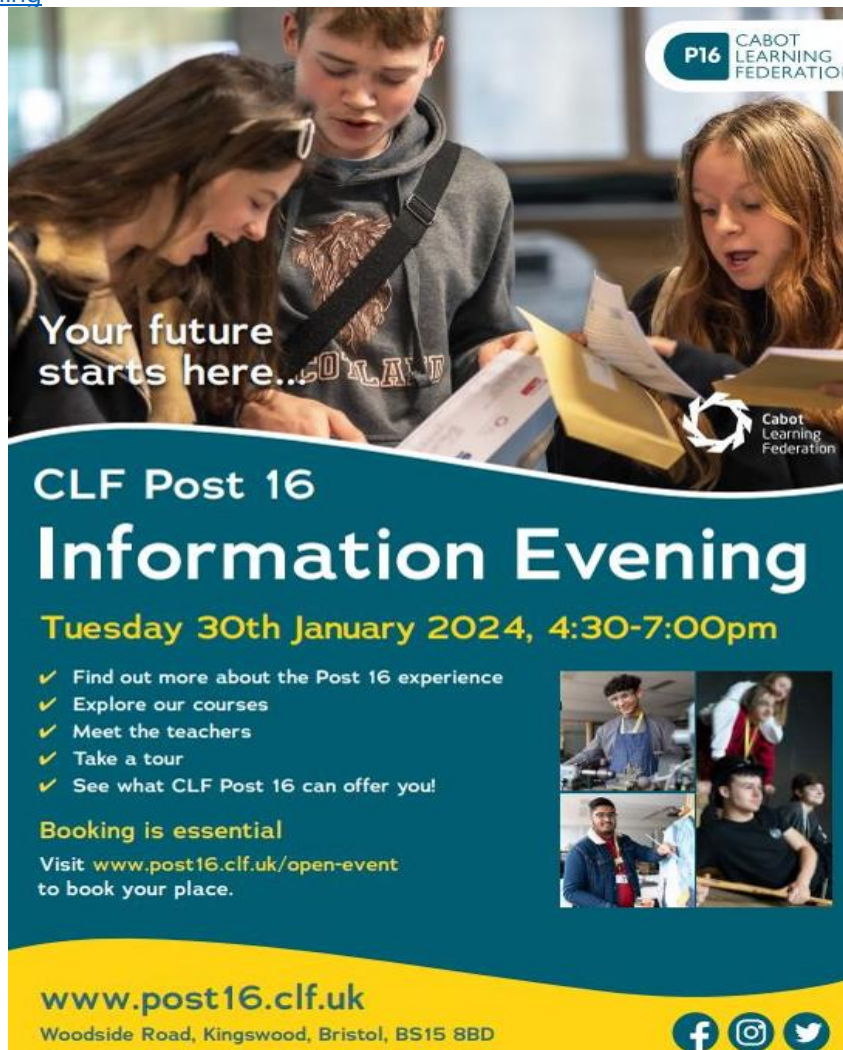
CLF Post 16 will be holding an Information Evening on **Tuesday 30th January** from 4:30-6:30pm. Kath Cooper, Principal, will be delivering presentations about Post 16, who we are and what we can offer at 5pm and 6pm.

During the evening, students, parents and carers will be able to:

- Find out more about the Post 16 experience
- Meet the teachers
- Explore courses available
- Take a tour

Bookings for the Information Evening are now open. Please complete the form below to confirm your attendance and whether you plan to join one of the presentations.

[Information Evening](#)



The poster features a photograph of three students looking at documents together. The text on the poster includes: 'Your future starts here...', 'CLF Post 16 Information Evening', 'Tuesday 30th January 2024, 4:30-7:00pm', a list of activities (Find out more about the Post 16 experience, Explore our courses, Meet the teachers, Take a tour, See what CLF Post 16 can offer you!), 'Booking is essential', and the website 'www.post16.clf.uk/open-event to book your place.' It also includes the Cabot Learning Federation logo and social media icons for Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter.

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Post GCSE Apprenticeships

Apprentice and School Leaver Open Evening Wednesday 17th January 2024, 17:00 – 20:00

Location: Rolls-Royce, Horizon Hall – Whittle House Customer Centre Reception, Gate 7 – PO Box 3, Gypsy Patch Lane, Filton, Bristol, BS34 6QA

The Open Evening will provide students and parents with the opportunity to explore the schemes we have here at Rolls-Royce, including a chance to talk with representatives from the Apprentice Development team, University of West of England and Weston College, current apprentices and Recruitment Team who will be available to answer any questions you may have

PLEASE NOTE: ONLY BOOK MAXIMUM 3 TICKETS PER HOUSEHOLD

5pm

[Rolls-Royce Advanced Apprentice Open Evening - Bristol - UK Tickets, Wed 17 Jan 2024 at 17:00 | Eventbrite](#)

6pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rolls-royce-advanced-apprentice-open-evening-bristol-uk-tickets-757655667497?aff=oddtcreator>

7pm

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/rolls-royce-advanced-apprentice-open-evening-bristol-uk-tickets-757656600287?aff=oddtcreator>

Bristol Autism Support



Bristol Autism Support

Bristol Autism Support are a very friendly group, and all our events are open to parents and carers of autistic children, either diagnosed / suspected, from any local authority.

https://www.bristolautismsupport.org/whats-on/#start_date=2024-01-01

Flying (Gliding) Scholarship Scheme for 14 to 16 Year Olds

**ARE YOU BETWEEN 14 AND 16
WHY NOT LEARN TO FLY – PART SPONSORED?**

AT THE BRISTOL AND GLOUCESTERSHIRE GLIDING CLUB



Another 14 year-old goes solo!

No qualifications required - Just enthusiasm and determination

TRAIN WITH OUR INSTRUCTORS....

... AND GO SOLO!



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Harry Potter Art Competition



HARRY POTTER ART COMPETITION

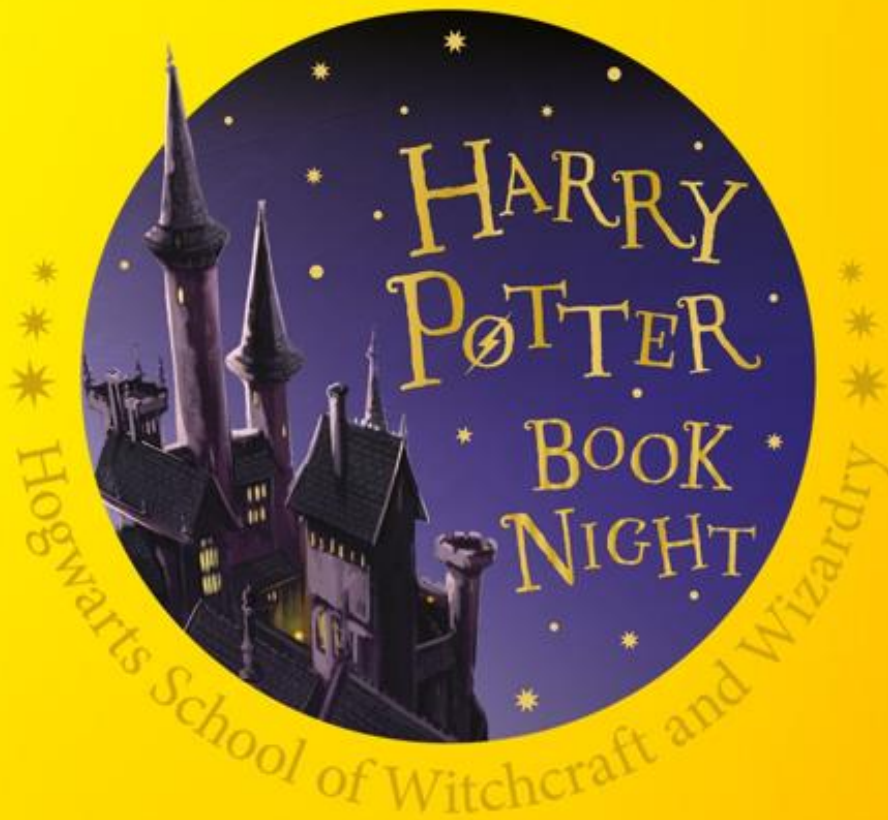
In the run up to Harry Potter Book Night on 7th February 2024 the Library is running an art competition. This year's book night will feature *The Goblet of Fire*. Your challenge is to summon up a spellbinding piece of original artwork featuring a dragon or a mer-person for you to face in your own Triwizard task.

Your artwork must be completed and handed in to Mrs Harnell in the Library by 10th January 2024.



SAVE THE DATE

February 7th 2024



Sign-up begins January 2024

