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Key Dates

26 th March	Pride Club Theatre Trip
27 th March	Year 11 Parents Evening (Face to Face)
27 th – 28 th March	Year 10 Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition
28 th March	Last Day of Term
15 th April	INSET Day – School Closed to Pupils Year 9 Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Practice
16 th April	First Day of School

JCA Routines: Lesson and School Entry

We know that having a positive interaction as your child's first experience of the day/lesson can have a huge impact in having a positive lesson/day/week overall. Our staff are especially focused on this as we recognise that students have worked hard across Terms 3 and 4 and may now be feeling a little tired.

We are continuing to focusing on prompt and focused starts for our lessons. Please continue support us by:

- encouraging promptness to both school (the school gate opens from 8:20am and our lessons begin at 8:40) and between lessons with your child/children; this puts learning at the forefront of our time here at school.
- ensuring your child has their pen/pencil/calculator and all they need to learn;

Please ensure your child has a school jumper/PE hoodie to wear as the weather remains variable. An outdoor coat that is waterproof and warm is also essential in keeping everyone dry and ready to learn.

If anything has been lost over the last 3 months, don't forget our lost property area in reception and we have our second hand uniform shop where you can pick up key pieces at little or no cost!

Attendance: Illness

Students should attend school on every day the school is open, unless they are really not well enough to.

Minor ailments should not be a reason for staying at home. If your child attends school when feeling slightly under the weather, but feels worse during the school day, they can let a member of staff know and we will contact you if we think your child needs to go home. If you aren't sure whether or not to send your child to school, please contact us on 0117 976 3000 and we will be happy to advise.

If your child is too ill to attend school, you must notify the academy **before 8:40am** on the first day of absence. If your child is ill for more than one day, you will need to notify the academy on each morning of the absence, unless otherwise agreed. To report an absence, contact **0117 976 3000 option 2**.

Please clearly explain the symptoms your child has, when the symptoms started, and when you expect your child to be well enough to return to school.

By law, schools must record all student absences and whether the absence is authorised or unauthorised. _

CLF Bake Off



Congratulations to Finley and Thalia for their impressive win in the CLF Bake Off Competition 2024! Their creatively decorated cake, accompanied by a heartfelt poem about belonging, must have truly left a lasting impression on the judges.

It's evident that their passion and talent shone through in their entry, making it a well-deserved victory. It was great to see students showcasing their talents, especially in a newly opened Winterstoke Hundred Academy. Kudos to all the student participants for their hard work and dedication in making the competition such a success.

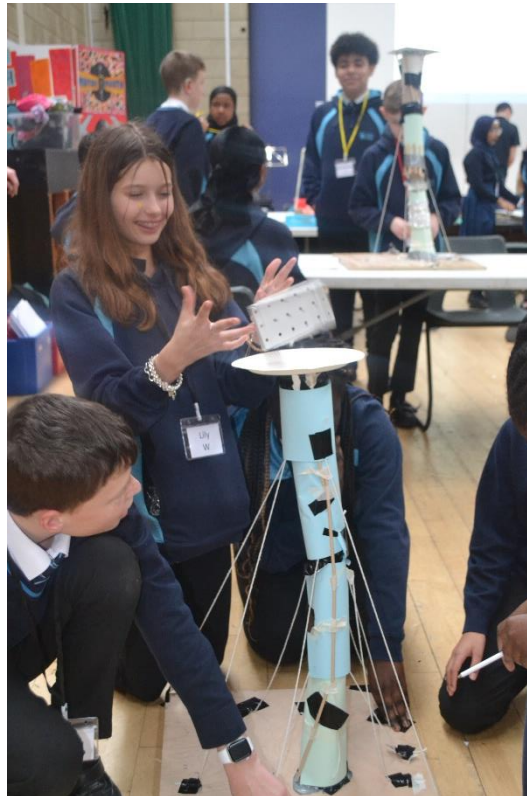
Lost Property

Lost property will be put out in main foyer after school on Wed 27th and Thursday 28th March for pupils to collect. Please encourage your child to come and collect. Any uncollected, lost property will be either recycled or donated to charity.

Future Brunel's

Last week we had 60 year 7 students take part in a Future Brunel's Science and Technology activity workshop. They spent the day building support structures to best support large weights which were judged and rigorously tested at the end of the day.

Students were extremely resilient and were willing to take part in activities that were not usual lessons. Well done to all who took part, and especially to Maisy, Else, Jack, Liam and Alexander who were the winning team.



Intermediate UKMT Maths Challenge

Many congratulations to the Y10 and Y11 students who took part in the UKMT intermediate maths competition at the end of January.

This year 40 students gained an award which is superb. From these 40 awards, 10 students gained the highest gold award, the best results JCA has seen in a decade; a brilliant achievement!

Student Survey – Safety Day

All parents and carers,

This week we shall be collating feedback from all students around the content of the Spring Safety Day. This will be completed with tutors during tutor time (as whole class feedback).

If your child has mentioned something to you regarding Safety Day, please ensure they give their feedback directly to their tutor and I will follow up any misconceptions, concerns and/or gaps in understanding.

Many thanks
Jo Shipp
Lead PSHRE

Culture Day: 17th April

JCA Equalities Council are reaching out to parents and carers asking if anyone would like to be involved in our Culture Day, taking place throughout the day on Wednesday 17th April. Culture Day is an important day in the JCA calendar where students are encouraged to wear cultural clothing, taste foods from different cultures and listen to inspiring talks from students and guests.

Parents/carers are welcome to come and share cuisine, showcase their skills that are specific to a culture or to deliver talks to groups of students about heritage and culture.

If you'd like to be involved, please contact Miss Grierson via email:
JCAinfo@clf.uk

Library Chess Tournament

Term 5 will see the return of the Library Chess Tournament. The tournament will be staggered across the different year groups social times and is open to all students.

Matches will take place during lunch breaks and students will be able to check game schedules and progress through the library leaderboards. If you would like to take part, see Mrs Harnell in the library to sign-up by Wednesday 27th March



Green Careers

Recording of recent webinar for parents and carers of Year 10 and 11 students:

[Webinar for Parents/Carers - WECA region - Choices at 16 and jobs of the future \(youtube.com\)](#)

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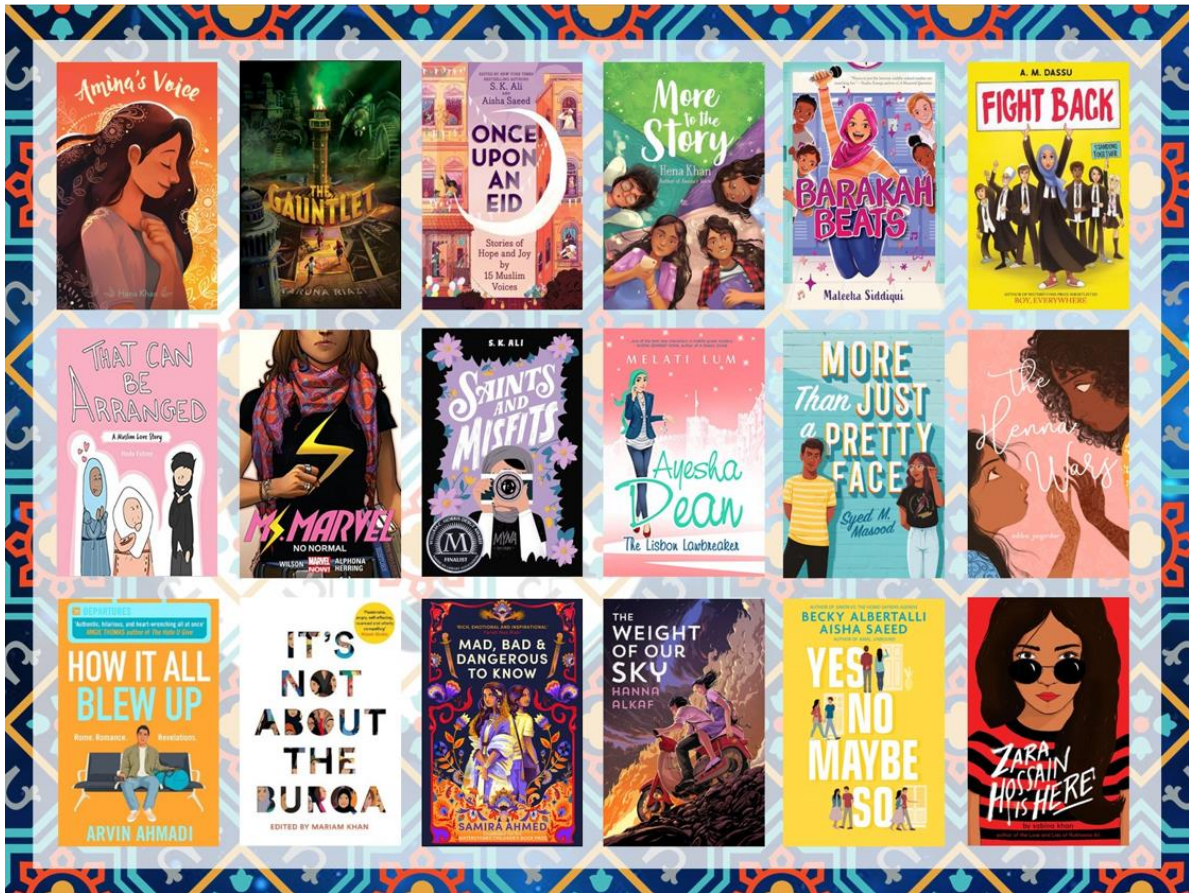


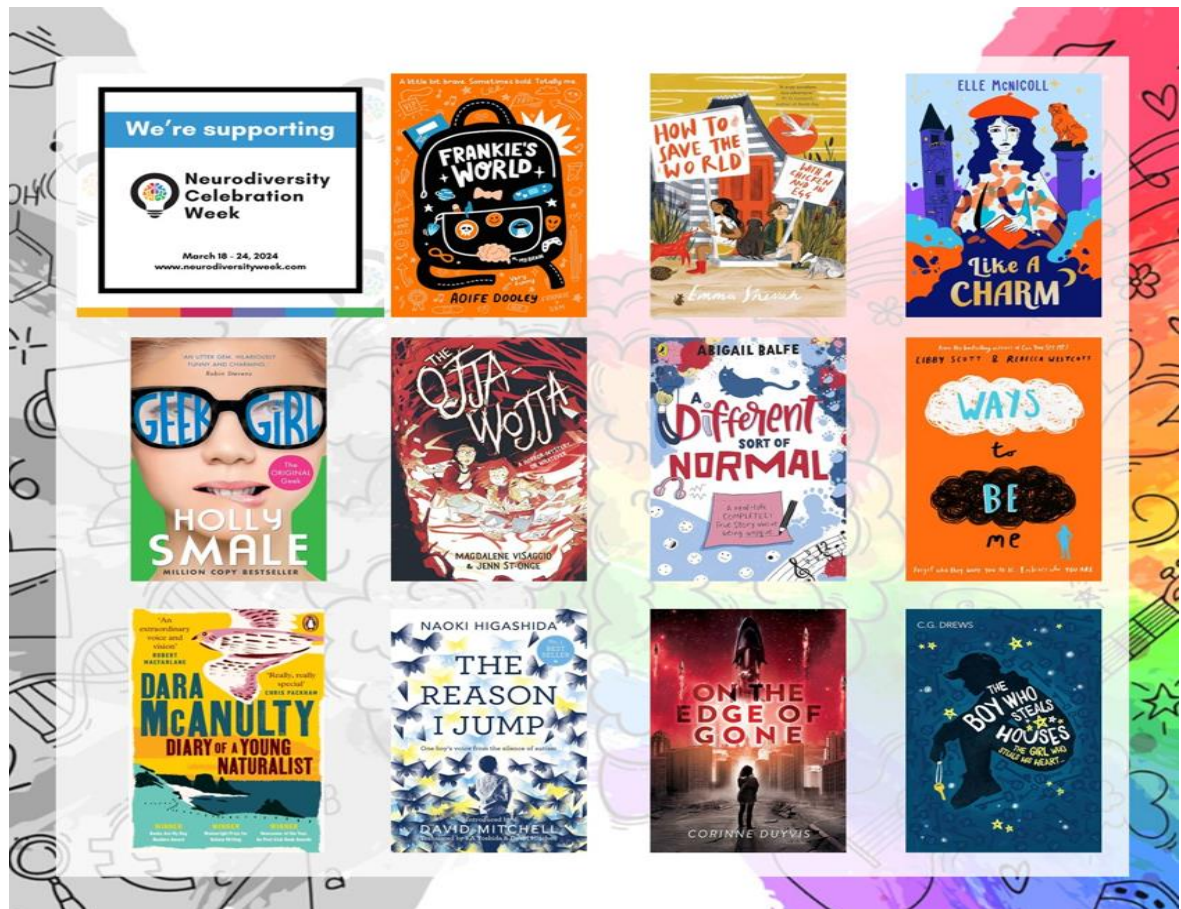
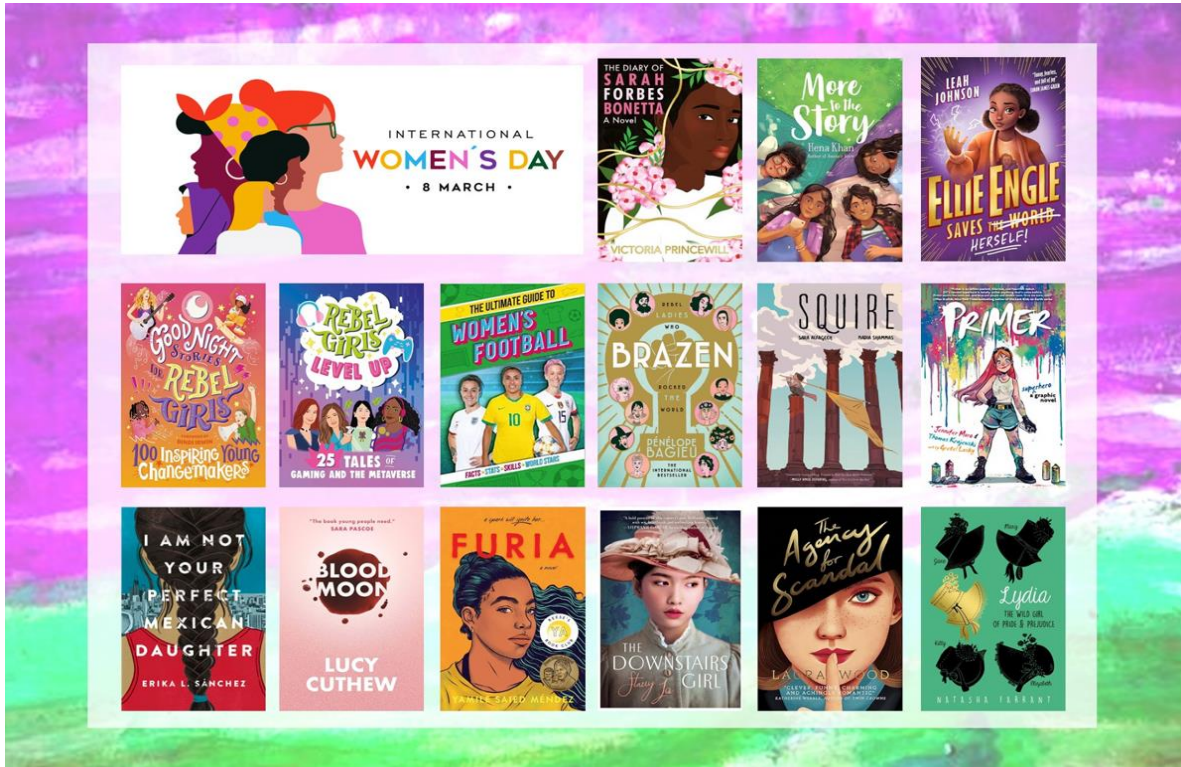
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Current Reading Lists








A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying



Skips Safety Net


Keeping children safe online

A Parent's Guide to Cyberbullying

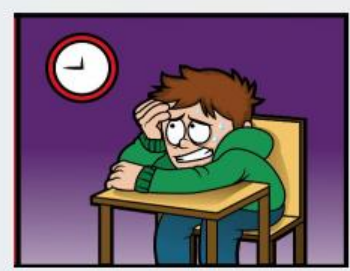




Many young people who are victims of cyberbullying suffer in silence.

They feel they can't turn to parents or a trusted adult for support as they fear they may get in trouble or have their devices taken away from them. It can carry on all day, all evening and all weekend for the world to see, causing a lot of emotional stress to the victim and their family.



It can very quickly lead to the victim feeling trapped, scared and vulnerable to grooming and blackmail.






Online safety is when young people know who they can tell if they feel upset by something that has happened online.

Parents please contact your school to enquire attending their next e-safety workshop or have any concerns.

Working with Home Office 'PREVENT', The Police and Crime Commissioner and Children's Safeguarding Partnerships to help keep children safe online.

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Food Banks

Service name	What is provided	When	Address	Any contact details	Cost	Who is the service for?	Need referral?
Household Support Fund	Money for food	N/A		01454 868009	Free	18+ living in South Gloucestershire	Yes Household Support Fund (HSF) v4 (office.com)
Frampton Cotterell Food Hub Cafe and Pantry	Food parcels, hot drinks and snacks at a community café.	Thursdays 12.00-2.30.	Zion United Church, Upper Chapel Ln, Frampton Cotterell, Bristol, BS36 2HY	01454 776618 zoe@zuchurch.co.uk Feeding Fromeside Group Facebook	Free/pay as you feel	Everyone welcome	No
Foodbank (Patchway)	Food Parcels	Thursday 10am-12pm	St Chad's Church 172 Rodway Rd Patchway BS34 5ED	0117 472 5172	Free	Everyone welcome	Yes – to get a voucher: Contact us - Citizens Advice or OSSAppointment@southglos.gov.uk
Foodbank (Yate)	Food parcels	Tuesdays 1pm-4pm	The Candle 88 Station Road, Yate, South Gloucestershire BS37 4PH	0117 472 5172	Free	Everyone welcome	Yes – to get a voucher: Contact us - Citizens Advice or OSSAppointment@southglos.gov.uk
Foodbank (Thornbury)	Food Parcels	Fridays 2pm-4pm	Thornbury Baptist Church Gillingstool	0117 472 5172	Free	Everyone welcome	Yes – to get a voucher: Contact us - Citizens
HAF (South Glos council)	School holiday activities and food programme	School holidays	Various locations	HAF@southglos.gov.uk	Free during summer holidays (cost incurred during other school holidays)	Prioritised for children eligible for & receiving benefit s-related free school meals	Yes South Gloucestershire HAF - Equu
Coniston community cafe	Low-cost meals	Monday-Friday 8:am-2:30pm	Coniston community cafe, Coniston community centre, the parade , Patchway, Bristol, BS34 5LP, UK	07432291460	Low cost	Everyone welcome	No
Little Stoke Baptist Church	Simple hot lunch	Thursdays 10-2pm	Little Stoke Baptist Church Kingsway, Little Stoke, Bristol BS34 6JW	01454 300 400	Free	Everyone welcome	No
Oldbury Court food club	Take-home food bags/boxes (value of £10-15)	Thursday 1-3pm	Children's Centre Frenchay Rd , Bristol BS16 2QS	Heather.wvatt@amilvaction.org.uk eastbristol.childrenscentres@bristol-schools.uk	£1 member ship, £3.50 per shop	Local residents	Email for referral form
The Kingswood Kitchen	Take-home hot meal (meat or veggie)	Thursdays 4:30pm-6:30pm	Holy Trinity Church Hall, High St, Kingswood , BS15 4AD	01454 300186 kwkitchen@wearebs15.co.uk	Pay as you feel (suggested donation of £3)	Everyone welcome	Call ahead to reserve meal - 01454 300186

Kingswood Food Club	Take-home groceries	Thursdays 12-2pm	Holy Trinity Church Hall, High St, Kingswood, BS15 4AD	kwfoodclub@wearebs15.co.uk	£2 membership for 12 weeks, plus £2 per shop of £10-£15 worth of food	Everyone welcome	Apply to become a member: Membership Application - We are BS15
The Beacon Cafe	Community café	Thu - Fri 9am - 2pm Sat 9am - 1.30pm	Hanham Methodist Church, Chapel Road, Hanham , BS15 8SD	thebeacon@wearebs15.co.uk	Pay as you feel	Everyone welcome	
Fareshare	Surplus food	N/A		020 7394 2468 enquiries@fareshare.org.uk	Low cost food delivery or free pickup	Community groups and organisations that feed people	Fill in the online form FareShare - Getting Food

Feed Your Family for £5

We're thrilled to unveil our brand NEW VIDEO SERIES, showcasing fun and wallet-friendly ways to feed a family of four for just £5! This series is specially crafted for families and staff within your school community, with a fresh video dropping every month.

Get ready to spice up your kitchen adventures! 🍴 You can display our eye-catching posters around school or share them on your social media platforms. Everyone can simply scan the QR codes, access the recipe card, and dive into our step-by-step videos to whip up some mouthwatering dishes!

Stay tuned, because each month, we'll send you the latest QR code poster along with a brand-new recipe. Our goal? To help everyone enjoy delicious meals without breaking the bank in today's economic climate! 🍷 💰 This month why not try our scrumptious Vegan Harissa Chickpea & Lime Stew with Couscous?!

<https://youtu.be/3vuxWc8qyWU>

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