

# BC14

Loving God, you created the world for us all to share,  
A world of beauty and plenty.  
Create in us a desire to live simply, so we can see your  
generosity. You gave us responsibility for the earth, a  
world of riches and delight.  
Help us to live sustainably, so that those who follow us  
may enjoy the fruits of your creation. Help us to act in  
solidarity with all our brothers and sisters so that we  
help create a fairer world.  
Amen

## Message from Mrs Breen, Vice Principal

I hope this newsletter finds you all well and you managed to have a restful half term.

We are now in the midst of exam season and I can only admire and watch in awe of how our young people are approaching their A level and GCSE examinations despite the disruption they have experienced over the last two years. We wish them the very best of luck for their examinations and their future pathways and we look forward to celebrating with both year groups at their respective proms.

The Rothesay Classic Birmingham women's tennis tournament, commences on the 13th June and 38 students have been dedicated to their training to be the ball crew at this prestigious event. We wish them and their teachers the very best of luck.

We are excited to be launching our Whole School Social Outreach Appeal for St Chads Sanctuary and Moseley for Ukraine. The launch will be starting on Monday 20th June and the final collection date will be Friday 8th July.

Each Year Group has been assigned different challenges to be able to meet the variety of needs and of course, all donations are welcome. This is a wonderful way to continue our year of giving and living out our mission statement. It continues to be a busy half term with many students participating in extracurricular activities. The hive of activity from early in the morning until way beyond the school day enriches the experience for our students and it is a delight to feel the buzz around the school.

I would also like to thank you for your continued support in all areas of school life and I wish you a happy and relaxing weekend.

Friday 10th June 2022



## Men's Health Week 13th -19th June

Next week we will be marking Men's Health Week in school by reminding our boys and young men that looking after your emotional health and wellbeing is just important for men as it is for women.

The NHS suggests the CAN DO Challenge.  
Every day next week, a different way.

The five ways are:

- **Connect** - connect with other people (eg. contact an old friend you haven't since before lockdown) #connectmonday
- **(Be) Active** - move your body (eg. go for a run/walk/swim/dance/etc) #activetuesday
- **Notice** - take notice of the environment around you (eg. turn off your phone for an hour) #noticewednesday
- **Discover** - learn something new (eg. read a book you haven't read before) #discoverthursday
- **Offer (or give)** - do something for someone else (eg. volunteer for a local community group, offer help to a family member) #offerfriday



## FREE Train to Teach Event



Thursday 16th June

4.00 - 6.00 pm

Stirchley Baths

Come along and speak to local, school-based training providers about becoming a primary or secondary teacher. Places available for a September 2022 start!

Book your free place now,  
or just turn up on the day!  
<https://bit.ly/3Nw2cvd>





Hacking has once again entered the popular public domain due to hacktivist group Anonymous declaring numerous Russian companies and organisations a 'target' for their activities. We all support the end of war in Ukraine, and many will understand and even support the activities of Anonymous, we must remember that even 'perceived' ethical hacking is illegal in the eyes of the law; Hacking is the unauthorised attempt to exploit a computer system or network.

Many students demonstrate an interest in hacking, often derived from movies and TV shows. We must ensure that they are aware of the repercussions of such crimes, and if engaging with the tools used, only do so in a safe and legal way.

More information on hacking can be found here: <https://nationalonlinesafety.com/hub/view/guide/what-parents-need-to-know-about-hacking>

## Sixth Form

### Leavers Service

The Year 13 Leavers' Service on 20th May was a lovely occasion. With readings and reflections from students and staff, fond memories from form tutors, and then a choice of celebration cakes and pizza, our Year 13 students had a very positive send off for their exam leave.

### Public Examinations

A Level and vocational qualification exams are well under way. We wish our students well and are sure their hard work and resilience will be rewarded in the summer.

### Prom

Something for Year 13 to look forward to after their exams, our first Prom for 2 years takes place on Thursday 30th June at Highbury Hall. Please consent via schoolcomms.

### Academic Coaches

Year 12 students have been made aware of staff who have volunteered to act as academic coaches. These subject specialists will be available to any student who is seeking advice or a sounding board, to discuss potential university courses and/or future career aspirations, in addition to the support already provided by their subject teachers and the wider Sixth Form team.

### University of Birmingham Open Day

All Year 12 students will be attending the University of Birmingham Open Day on Friday 24th June. Please sign up via schoolcomms.

### Work Experience 11th -15th July

A reminder that it is an expectation that all students complete a minimum of one week of work experience. If your son or daughter has not yet secured a place, this must be a priority. The Sixth Form team is available to support their search for a placement.

## Social Outreach Appeal

We are excited to be launching our Whole School Social Outreach Appeal. Refugee week is Monday 20th June - Friday 24th June and in support, we will be launching the appeal starting on Monday 20th June.

Each Year Group has been assigned different challenges to be able to meet, of course all donations are welcome. We believe adding the element of themes/challenge will spark on a bit of competition and a healthy way to be able to provide the variety St Chads needs to be able to support our local Refugees.

Please send all donations to the Chapel. Final collections will be Friday 8th July.

#### Year 7

- Rice
- Tin chickpeas
- Tin kidney/black beans
- Tin corn
- Tin peas

\*Think whole meal\*

#### Year 9

- Pasta
- Pesto
- Ragu
- Cooking Oil
- Long Life Bread
- Long Life Milk

\*Think whole meal\*

#### Key Stage 4

- Body Wash
- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Moisturiser
- Toothpaste
- Combs

#### Year 8

- Men's T-Shirts (S) & (M)
- Cooking Oil
- Tinned Tomatoes
- Tooth Brushes
- Nappies (L)
- Empty Plastic Water bottles (they are filled with cooking oil)

#### Sixth Form

- Flour
- Long Life Milk
- Yeast
- Chocolate Chips
- Icing tubs

## Library Reminder

Please be reminded to return any outstanding library and text books.

## Assessments & Examinations

Reminder of links to view subject information and guidance for assessments and mocks.

- [Year 10 Mini Mocks](#)
- [Year 11 and 13 public exams timetable](#)

# Sports Updates

## Football

Congratulations to the Year 8 Boys for winning the Kings Norton and South Birmingham FA League Title after beating Kings Norton Boys 10-1 in the final played at Birmingham City's West Hills training ground.

Year 9 Boys showed great fighting spirit during their Birmingham Trevor Gill Cup Final at Villa Park. Despite coming back from two goals down to draw level, the boys went on to narrowly lose the game 4-3 to a strong Bishop Walsh. An amazing experience for all involved.

## Basketball

Year 8 Boys are through to the last 4 of the West Midlands Jr. NBA after a 20-17 victory over Barrs Hill. Michael T was

voted as MVP. The boys will now travel to finals day at the University of Worcester arena to play their conference final against St Bedes.

## Dodgeball Competition

Well done to all who attended the Year 7 and 8 dodgeball competition. Awesome event run by our Sixth Form OCR CNAT Sport students Ellie, Eoin, Morgan and Annabel.

## Extra-Curricular

New PE Extra-Curricular Timetable for SUM2. There's a Commonwealth Games focus for Summer Term. Attend each highlighted Commonwealth Club to earn points for your form/nation. Ask your PE teacher for more info.



[Click here to view full Extra-curricular timetable](#)

Times:	Sports Hall:	Dojo:	PG/Fitness Suite:	
MONDAY	10:00-11:00	Volleyball Mr Ebrahim All Years (Mixed)		
	11:00-12:00	Cricket Miss Yule All Years (Mixed)	Event Club Mr Ebrahim 15:15-15:45pm	
	15:00-16:00			
	16:00-17:00	Table Tennis Miss Brown All Years (Mixed)	Dodgeball Mr Cole All Years (Mixed)	

## Uniform Grant DEADLINE IS SUNDAY 3RD JULY

The link to apply for a uniform grant from Yardley Educational Foundation is now LIVE:

<https://kwiksurveys.com/s/YEFGGrants2022>

The password is: yef22

Grants are only paid for students in Years 7-11 who are eligible for free school meals or listed on the school's Pupil Premium Register AND lives in the charity's area of benefit: mainly B11, B13, B14, B25, B26, B27, B28, B33 and B34, although not all parts of these areas are included. Ask school to check the map if you are unsure.

Please note the following points in order to make the application process easier:

- to input Date of Birth you need to click on the month to get a drop down list, same for year and then choose the day from the calendar that will update based on month and year.
- The drop down list for schools is also quite sensitive, so please ensure the correct school has been selected prior to submitting your application as this is the school that your details will be sent to in order to check you meet the criteria
- Please include a space in your postcode, this makes the checking process so much easier our end.
- When you submit your application the page should clarify that it has been received. Please refrain from calling us unless absolutely necessary, we dealt with over 3500 applications last year and we need to concentrate our time on getting the vouchers issued.
- The closing date for applications will be Sunday 3rd July 2022.
- Vouchers should be issued the last week in July. We are looking into the possibility of issuing voucher codes rather than paper vouchers. This is still in early planning, but please be certain that your email address is correct and monitored for this reason.

# School Reminders

## Contacting School

Communication between home and school is very important, in the event that you need to contact school please be reminded of the following procedures.

School telephone number- 0121 444 4161

Option 1- To report an absence

Option 2- Head of Year/Pastoral concerns/enquiries

Option 3- Sixth Form enquiries

## Head of Year Contact

All Heads of Year and Assistant Heads of Year have teaching commitments; therefore any Head of Year/Pastoral enquiries should be directed through Option 2 for students in Year 7-11 or option 3 for students in Year 12 or 13.

If student services staff are not available to answer your call in person, please leave a message with the nature of your enquiry/concern and you will get a call back from the most appropriate member of staff at their earliest convenience. We aim to respond to all contact by the end of the next working day.

## Reporting Student Absence

All students are required to attend school/college on time every day. If for any reason your child is unable to attend, please ensure that the school attendance policy is followed, and their absence is reported before the START of the school day (8.40am) and on each day of absence. Please provide a reason for their absence and the likely length of absence, if known.

If your child is in Year 7, 8, 9, 10, 11 please call 0121 444 4161 and select OPTION 1.

If your child is in Year 12 please call 0121 441 6113.

If your child is in Year 13 please call 0121 441 6144

If you receive a text message or phone call from school/college because you have not reported your child's absence, please contact us on the most appropriate number as detailed above as soon as you can.

Thank you for your co-operation.

## Free School Meals

Have you checked to see if you are eligible (It only takes 5 mins). Check today!

<https://www.cloudforedu.org.uk/ofsm/birmingham>

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## Senior Staff Contact

Contact with Head of Year and/or Head of Department is expected to have been made before issues are escalated to Senior staff. Should you need to speak to a Senior member of staff please contact school by phone and select Option 2 or 3 depending on the year group of your child and request a call, the most appropriate Senior member of staff will contact you at their earliest convenience.

## Meeting Staff

Any requests for a face to face meeting with staff should be made using the same contact details as above. Please ensure that the purpose of any meeting request is made clear. A member of staff may contact you before a meeting is arranged if more information is required.

Please do not attend school without an appointment unless there is a safeguarding emergency.

## Safeguarding Concerns

If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact school and ask to speak to a DSL (Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL). Mrs Breen is the Senior DSL.

## First Aid

Please make sure we have the correct medical information and emergency contact details, if you have changed your phone number or there is any change in medical conditions or concerns, please contact first aid using the enquiries email or the main school phone number.

Students with Asthma must carry with them their own personal inhalers this includes offsite activities and school trips to ensure they can participate safely.

If your child suffers Hay Fever, please provide the school with Antihistamine so we can make them more comfortable.

## First Aid and Mobile Phones

Students should not be contacting parents/carers when they feel unwell and requesting to be collected from school. In the event that a student is unwell they MUST go to the First Aider who will deal with them. In the event that a student is not well enough to stay in school, the First Aider will contact parents/carers to arrange collection.

Students who contact their parents/carer directly and do not follow the procedures in place will be sanctioned, this may result in their mobile phone having to be handed in to the Pastoral office each day. The use of anyone else's mobile phone risks that person being sanctioned also.

Please do not arrive at school to collect your child unless school have contacted you to do so. We do not have school staff readily available to collect children. Thank you for your support and co-operation.

# Upcoming Events

Year 7 Ball Crew  
Saturday 11th June

Food Bank Collection  
Monday 13th June

Teenage Trust - Canteen  
Men's Health Week  
Wednesday 15th June

Year 8 HPV Vaccine (TBC)  
Thursday 16th June

Year 9 Ball Crew (TBC)  
Sunday 19th June

Health and Wellbeing Week  
National Refugee Week  
Primary Science Week  
Girls' Villarreal Football Trip  
Monday 20th June - Friday 24th June

STEM Fair  
STEM NEC Trip  
Wednesday 22nd June

Chess Competition  
Thursday 23rd June

Year 11 Leaver's Mass  
Year 7 PE Event  
Year 7/8 Day Trip to France  
Friday 24th June



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## Easy Fundraising

Our extra curricular and enrichment programme enriches the lives of young people in our school and gives them the opportunities to fulfil their full potential. Our programme runs 40 clubs per week ranging from book club to gymnastics.

Join easyfundraising and you can collect free donations for us every time you buy something online.