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Important Dates;**26 Sept**

European Languages Day

28 Sept

Open Evening, 18.00 – 20.30

29 Sept

Inset Day 2

30 Sept

Open Morning, 09.00 – 11.30

Yr 7 Movie Night, 15.00 – 17.30

05 OctYr 9 Battlefields Trip to Belgium
departs

House Table Tennis Competition, 15.00

06 Oct

Work Experience Info Evening, 17.30

07 Oct

Yr 9 Battlefields Trip to Belgium returns

11 Oct

Yr 7 Music Soiree, 19.00 – 20.30

12 Oct

School Photographs

House Table Tennis Competition, 15.00

13 Oct

Yr 9 Big Pitch Enterprise Day

14 OctYr 8 Trip to Languages Show, London,
08.00-16.30**17 Oct**

Yr 7 (7G, 7L) Trip to Wild Place, Bristol

18 Oct

Yr 7 (7H, 7S) Trip to Wild Place, Bristol

19 Oct

Yr 7 (7D, 7T) Trip to Wild Place, Bristol

20 OctYr 7 (7B, 7N) Trip to Wild Place, Bristol
Trip to Akram Khan's Giselle Ballet,
Bristol Hippodrome, 19.00**21 Oct**

Reward Breakfast Yr 7-13

End of Term

Head's Lines

I am very pleased to be writing my first 'Head's Lines' for our school newsletter. I confess that I feel that I have been at the school for a considerably longer period than the 3 weeks that have passed since the start of term. This is very much a good thing as every day has been an enjoyable and rewarding experience and I am, increasingly, getting a feel for the ethos and culture of the school. I have been impressed with the attitude, behaviour and high aspirations of our students and I am spending as much time as I can in lessons and around the school at break and lunchtime. I have had the opportunity to speak to all students in assemblies and the theme of these has been to encourage them to have no ceiling on what they can achieve and that anything is possible if they are prepared to work hard and take advantage of the guidance and support that we will provide them with at the school.

The start of a new academic year is a particularly challenging transition for Years 7, 10 and 12 students. It is clear from feedback from their teachers that all three year groups have made an excellent start to the year and my visits to their lessons confirm that this is the case. Year 7 have now discovered that there is a life beyond the canteen at lunchtime and have been taking advantage of the unseasonably warm and dry weather to play on and around Penn field and to form and develop friendships.

It is early in the term to be reporting in any detail on extra-curricular activities but I can report that the school is a hive of activity after school with a wide range of activities and sporting fixtures taking place each week. I would encourage your son or daughter to involve themselves fully in these activities and to take advantage of the opportunities that are offered. A number of these activities are highlighted in the newsletter this month and a full list of clubs and activities for this term has been sent to parents, this information is also available on the school website. On a personal note I am very much looking forward to joining Year 9 on the Battlefields trip next week and am hoping that summer will continue for just a bit longer. While there is value in seeing Flanders when it is wet and cold to better empathise with the First World War soldiers, my preference is for it to be dry and warm!

I have a request to parents to assist us with ensuring that our students leave school in a safe and orderly manner at the end of the day. You will be aware that the great majority of our students leave school via the Kelston Road and your support in emphasising the importance of using the pedestrian crossing with your child is appreciated. In addition, could I ask that parents do not park on the Kelston Road to pick up children or use the school entrance as a reversing bay as this is causing traffic congestion on the road. I am in the process of contacting the Council to ask that they look to improve road safety measures outside of the school as a matter of urgency.

It is our Open Evening and Open Morning this week and I would like to thank the students who are helping to ensure that both events run smoothly and successfully.

*Mr Mackay
Headteacher*

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NOTICE BOARD

Mandarin Classes

If any students are interested in attending free Mandarin classes at Kingswood School, please contact Mrs Roveglia, Head of Languages by emailing enquiries@oldfieldschool.com. Classes take place on Wednesdays 4.20pm-5.30pm and parents will need to arrange transport. Thank you.

Uniform Shop

Our uniform supplier, Price and Buckland, have been in contact to apologise to parents for the frustration many parents and carers must have felt as they tried to contact Price and Buckland by telephone and email. They state that they have received an unprecedented number of calls and emails over the last month and their existing systems were overwhelmed. They assure us that they have now put in more phone lines and upgraded their e-commerce system so that this should not happen again at peak periods.

We have also suggested that next year they open the uniform shop on the school site more frequently in the first two weeks of term and that they ensure that it is fully stocked.

Please note the uniform shop open days have changed to Monday and Wednesday, 2.45 – 5pm.

Lunch menu from September 2016

Our lunch time food provision is proving to be very popular with students and staff. Please find below the price list for your information.

PRICE LIST

ROLLS £2

HAM
CHEESE
CHEESE SALAD
TUNA MAYO
CHICKEN, BACON & MAYO

WRAPS £2

HOUMOUS & SALAD
CORONATION CHICKEN
JACKET POTATO OF THE DAY £2
CHOICE OF HOT FILLING (ADD CHEESE 20p)
PASTA OF THE DAY £2
CHOICE OF HOT SAUCE (ADD CHEESE 20p)

CHILLED PASTA POT £1.50

FRUIT POT £1.00

YOGHURTS/PIECE OF FRUIT 60p

DRINKS & SNACKS

BAKED CRISPS

50p

POPCORN £1.00

FLAPJACKS OR CHOCOLATE BROWNIE £1.00

BLUEBERRY CRUMBLE OR TOFFEE APPLE MUFFIN £1.30

ORANGE OR STRAWBERRY JELLY SQUEEZE 60p

BANANA, CHOCOLATE, STRAWBERRY MILKSHAKES £1.00

STRAWBERRY & BANANA OR ORANGE & MANGO SMOOTHIE £1.00

LEMON & LIME OR STRAWBERRY & RASPBERRY WATER 60p

Behaviour Policy

Details of our new behaviour policy will be sent to parents shortly.

Free Band rehearsal and recording

If any bands out there are interested in getting some free rehearsal and recording please contact Stage 2 Studios. They have been contacted by a Government backed initiative which gives free weekly and ongoing rehearsal and recording time for young bands between the ages of 16 and 19 years old.

If you are interested, email stage2studios@btconnect.com,

This is totally free with no conditions other than you meet the age criteria and live in Bath or the surrounding areas. It's a fantastic opportunity.

Extra-curricular clubs

Please note there will be no after school clubs on **28 September** as it is Open Evening.





CONGRATULATIONS!!

We are delighted to announce that the following students from Oldfield School have been selected to represent Bath and Wiltshire Football teams this season;

Year 7 : Oliver Coleman

Year 8 : Juan Kennaugh-Colegate, Joe Paradise

Year 9 : Rory Jones, James JC Horrocks, Callum Lovell

Year 10 : Ben Payne

We are extremely proud of the students and wish their teams the very best for the coming season.

*Mr M Pearce
Head of PE*

Wimbledon Winner!

Congratulations to Year 10 student Nick Mole who has had an incredible summer participating in the National Tennis pathway tournament that has seen him grace the prestigious courts of Wimbledon. Nick has evolved from Tennis lessons at Oldfield School as part of the PE curriculum to regularly pushing his passion outside of School. Nick is a regular at Pucklechurch Tennis club and through his dedication and their guidance won two regional competitions that finally led to his place on centre court at the National finals.

The standard of play as expected was extremely high; and in the Singles Nick won one of his three first round 'box' matches but just missed out in qualifying into the next round. In the Doubles, he was paired up with a qualifier from the Welsh Schools Tennis association and they made a really good team together. This team went all the way to the Quarter Finals and were eventually knocked out in a match that went to a third set tie-break. Here at Oldfield School, we are all extremely proud of him as his tennis goes from strength to strength. We also recognise that just like any strong sporting pupil it is the support from a dedicated team of coaches, family and friends that really serves up a winning combination. Well done Nick you are 'ACE'.

*Mr D John
PE Teacher*



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Are you interested in Debate Club?

have your voice heard

Starting on Thursday 6th October.

- Debate important subjects:
- Animal experimentation is justified because humanity is superior
- Nobody has the right to not be offended
- There are some crimes so horrific, the death penalty should be reinstated.
- In a digital age we should not expect our online activities to remain private

Sports people should not be seen as role models



**When: Thursday
2.45-3.45**

Where: D03

Why:

- 1. Verbal fisticuffs**
- 2. Gladiatorial Combat of the Intellect**
- 3. Because it's awesome**

No previous experience necessary



A full list of our Extra-curricular clubs is available on the website or through the Main Office.



Fixtures List

27.09.16	Yr 11 English Schools Football Cup vs Downend School	Away
28.09.16	Yr 7, 8 and 9 Netball fixture v Hayesfield	Home
04.10.16	Yr 11 and 9 Rugby v Beechen Cliff	Away
04.10.16	Yr 7 and 8 Rugby v St Marks	Home
05.10.16	Yrs 7,8,9 Netball v Hayesfield	Home
05.10.16	Yrs 8 and 10 Rugby v Beechen Cliff	Home
12.10.16	Yr 7,8 9 Netball v Broadlands	Away
13.10.16	Yr 7 and 8 Football (Astro) Tournament v Somervale School	Away
18.10.16	Yr 8 and 11 Rugby v Broadlands	Home
19.10.16	Yr 7,8 and 9 Netball match v Ralph Allen	Away
20.10.16	Yr 8 Rugby Tournament at Walcot RFC	Away

Please note, if a fixture is cancelled on the day, students can either make their way home at the normal time, or they can attend an extra-curricular club. These end at 4pm (or at 4.30pm for Homework Club in the LRC) and not the time that the fixture is due to end. Students are able to call their parents from the Main Reception at the end of school.

Netball fixtures

This week our netball teams went out for their first games of the season, and for year 7s, their first game for Oldfield! The Year 7s did really well and I was very pleased with how they played together as a team. Year 8s had a very tough match and found themselves playing against some England players! However they kept going, gave it their all in every quarter and did the school proud. The Year 9s were unlucky in their game, the result did not reflect the effort and they lost a few balls which were then converted to goals. Our shooters did well once they had the ball. Congratulations to all players they have made me very proud and I look forward to the coming season.

Year 7

Oldfield 10 St Greg's 2
Player of the match; Eleni Francis

Year 8

Oldfield 6 St Greg's 31
Player of the match; Lisa Kurdziel

Year 9

Oldfield 3 St Greg's 23
Player of the match; Keziah Marrett

*Mrs K Little
Second in PE*

Inter House Table Tennis – Junior Boys

A highly competitive table tennis tournament took place on Wednesday 21st September in the sports hall as boys from Shelley, Austen and Holburne competed in the first annual Inter House Table Tennis tournament. Dan Iles (8H) won his first match convincingly 11-1 to become the early favourite for the title. There were close matches elsewhere as Elliot Harrison (7B) and Ewan Beale (8T) can count themselves unlucky in their close losses to Luke Burt (8H) and Herbie Bailey (7B) respectively. Luke 'Burtie' Burt swept all before him as he raced to the final. His opponent would be the victor of a highly anticipated match-up between Herbie and Luke in the semi-final. Herbie proved too strong for Dan and won 11-7, 11-5.

Elsewhere, there was reprieve for Ewan and Elliot as they met in the 2nd tier Plate Final, Ewan winning a close first set 12-10 before racing away 11-3 in the second for an Austen victory.

The final was a tense affair as Herbie, who originally wasn't even going to play, lined up against the older Luke. In the best-of-3 match, Herbie prevailed 2 games to none to become the Junior Table Tennis champion for Holburne House. All winners are delighted to be receiving certificates and Herbie will be presented with his trophy shortly. There is hope for such exciting tournaments in the Junior Girls, Senior Boys and Senior Girls. There are still spaces available in each so contact your tutor, Mr S Newport or any of the PE staff to get involved.

Junior Girls – tbc

Senior Boys – Wednesday 5th October 3-4pm

Senior Girls – Wednesday 12th October 3-4pm

*Mr S Newport
Maths and Computing Teacher*

TRIPS AND EVENTS



Welcome to Oldfield School
Open Day

Open Evening
6pm – 8.30pm Wednesday 28th Sept 2016
Headteacher's talks and activities taking place around the school.

Open Morning
9am – 11.30am Friday 30th Sept 2016
Guided tours from 9am.

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Duke of Edinburgh Award

The DofE award will be enrolling in November this year for Year 10 students, with a scheduled presentation evening on Wednesday 9th November 18:00-19:00 for prospective students and parents. This will also be a chance to meet our new external provider OceanRock who will be running the outdoor expedition and for you to ask any questions regarding the qualification.

Mr D John
Duke of Edinburgh Co-ordinator

European Languages Day

On Monday 26th September, all students will be greeted by their tutors in a foreign language to help celebrate European Languages Day. I am sure that with the above activities, our students will have more of an appreciation of cultural diversity and embrace differences.

Mrs E Roveglia
Head of Modern Foreign Languages

Oldfield knit and natter poppy event

Oldfield School will be taking part in a local community project run by the Weston Knit and Natter group, by knitting remembrance poppies. The aim of the project is to create a tribute of remembrance to be displayed on Remembrance Sunday by the Weston war memorial and in Weston Church for the service. The tribute will be made up of two large panels, 1m x 3m each, covered in knitted and crocheted poppies. The poppies will then be sold at West Fest to raise money for the Royal British Legion.

I would like to invite any students who would like to knit a poppy, to an after school event at 2.45-4.45pm on Wednesday 12th October. You don't have to be able to knit, you just have to be willing to learn. I would also like to extend the invite to any parents or grandparents who can knit and would like to come and help us. There will be tea and biscuits!



Please contact me if you are interested in helping, as I need to confirm numbers for materials, needles and refreshments, email c.evans@oldfieldschool.com. Students should come and see me for a permission letter.

Mrs C Evans
Head of Technology



OLDFIELD SCHOOL ASSOCIATION NEWS

A big welcome to all new parents and staff to the school! We are the Oldfield School Association representing all parents and staff at the school. We endeavour to support the school through raising funds, and to create closer links between parents and the school. Everyone is welcome.

We are looking forward to this coming year and all the exciting events that our children participate in. We would love to hear from you, if you are able to come along to any of the meetings – only once a term, or if you are unable to sign up on a regular basis but are happy to help out occasionally please send your email address and we'll add you to our list. We're proud to support our children's education and provide those little extras that help enhance their educational experiences. However, we need your help. So please do come forward and join in with any events, meetings or ideas you have.

Please email osa@oldfieldschool.com

Dates for your diary;

28.09.16	Open Evening. We will be helping out at Open Evening with refreshments.
11.10.16	Year 7 Music Soiree. We will be helping out with refreshments.
01.11.16	Next OSA Meeting. Come along to the Boathouse to meet and chat. Steven Mackay will be attending.
04.11.16	First quiz night of the year. Come along and test your knowledge against other teams or just come along and have fun.
03.12.16	Christmas Fair. We welcome everyone to come along and get involved in this lovely seasonal occasion.
17.03.17	Quiz night. The second quiz night of the year – come back and prove you can do better than last time!
30.06.17	Battle of the Bands. Oldfield's got talent - a truly enjoyable evening, showcasing the musical talents of the students .

FROM OUR LOCAL COMMUNITY

ABBOT ALPHEGE ACADEMY

A brand new Primary School in Bath opening in September 2017 on the old MOD Enleigh site.

Abbot Alphege Academy will be part of the newly formed Comenius Trust which is a small Church of England Multi Academy Trust (MAT). The new school will be under the leadership of Dr Anne Bull OBE, Executive Headteacher of Weston All Saints Primary School

Applications open on September 12th 2016 for entry in September 2017

Applications for children who are due to start school in Reception Class in 2017 i.e. born between 1.9.2012 and 31.8.2013 should be made through B&NES Schools Admissions Department. Further details can be found at www.bathnes.gov.uk

All other enquiries should be made to WASPS by:
Telephone : 01225 421786 Email: westonallsaints_pri@wasp-school.org.uk

Writing to Dr Anne Bull, Executive Headteacher, Weston All Saints Primary School, Broadmoor Lane, Weston, Bath, BA1 4JR

WMC CHORUS

WILTSHIRE
MUSIC
CENTRE

A brand new chorus for men, women and young people aged 12+

Join up and take part in concerts and events with professional musicians and soloists, including Bach's St John Passion with the English Touring Opera on Sun 23 Oct. Under the musical direction of Mike Daniels, the Chorus will meet for a number of rehearsals to prepare for each event. The Chorus is based at Wiltshire Music Centre in Bradford on Avon. All are welcome.

TO JOIN / MORE INFO:
Contact Becky Stothart
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FIRST REHEARSAL DATES:
Sun 25 Sep
Sun 9 / 16 / 23 Oct

NO AUDITION
NO NEED TO
READ MUSIC

