



# Court Fields School

What's Happening: Information for Parents, Carers & Families  
14<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> October 2019

## A Message from Mrs Matthews

Once again this week I'm left with very little space to actually write about our amazing students, staff and parents! We have so much to celebrate though, so I'm not going to complain!! It's been a great week with Year 11 Curriculum Evening, the Year 11 Careers Fair, Army STEM Visit, and some great sports results. We also celebrated the Grand Opening of our Wellbeing Hub, which coincided with World Mental Health Day, 10<sup>th</sup> October. Members of the community and professional colleagues from within and outside Somerset joined our staff and students to formally open our Hub, which will provide vital support for our students, alongside the recruitment of an additional Pastoral Support Officer.

We were very fortunate to feature on BBC Points West, which demonstrates our work is placing us at the forefront of schools in the South West. I would like to thank Mrs Westwood in particular, but all the staff and our Anti-Bullying Ambassadors, Wellbeing Champions and Student Leadership Team for their support. The theme for World Mental Health Day was #HelloYellow, set by charity Young Minds, to focus on youth mental health. Below are just some of the pictures of the day, featuring our students, staff and #HelloYellow items! Thank you as always for your support, both direct and indirect, it is highly appreciated.



## Non-Uniform Day!

Court Fields School will be holding a Non-Uniform day for all students on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October.

If you have any items that you wish to donate for the Christmas Fair Tombola such as unwanted gifts, chocolate, sweets, toiletries or in date food items then students can bring them in to pass to their tutors. The non-uniform day is being held in aid of Madagascar.



## Year 8 Rugby



Students from Year 8 played rugby against Kingsmead recently, with the final score being 25 - 5. It was a scintillating game of rugby that resulted in a great victory against our local rivals Kingsmead. The boys were fantastic in both their playing and attitude from the first whistle until the end of the game. Well done to all of the boys involved. Congratulations to the Man of the Match, Ignas B.

## Court Fields School Equestrian Team

The National Schools Equestrian Association are running competitions at venues around the South West, there will be an opportunity for any students with equestrian skills to qualify for both regional and national championships. Students will need access to their own horse / pony and transport to the venues in order to compete on the teams. The upcoming competitions are:

**1st November** - Grassroots Show Jumping at Kings Sedgemoor. Classes from Cross poles to 75cm. This is a regional championships qualifier.

**3rd November** - Eventers Challenge at Pontispool. Classes from 85cm to 105cm. This is a qualifier for Hickstead. Courses will be up to height.

If you/your child are interested in this fantastic new opportunity please speak to Miss Green or email her via the school mailbox [SCH.552@educ.somerset.gov.uk](mailto:SCH.552@educ.somerset.gov.uk) for more information



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## Year 9 Community Project

As Head of Year 9, I was extremely proud to hear from a member of our school staff that some students in Year 9 are participating in a local community project being run out of the visitor centre. The Community Project is based on a loneliness project. Some of the Year 9's who are taking part are Adam K, Charlotte H, Paris R. This is a great example of citizenship at work in our local community, and contributing to positive outcomes for others. I really look forward to hearing more about the project.



If any other parents and carers know of other examples of your students in any Year Group contributing to other projects or volunteering time to support other people, please let us know. Mrs McCarthy

## Oliver!

We are excited to announce 'Oliver' by Lionel Bart will be our whole school production (Year 7 to Year 10) this year. If your son/daughter is keen get involved they can pick up an audition pack from Mrs. Chidgey. Auditions will be held on the 21st and 22nd of October. We are looking forward to seeing the amazing talent on offer at Court Fields. All welcome!

The Creative Arts Team



## Use of Court Fields School Driveway

A gentle reminder that all students, other than those with a disability, or with an injury that impacts mobility should be dropped off outside the youth club. Parents have been driving up to the main entrance and this has been causing issues with access. Also, a reminder that students who walk or cycle to school must use the designated footpath and not walk or cycle up the main drive, this is for their own safety.

Thank you.

## College Open Mornings/Evenings 2019/20

The local colleges have some great taster days and open evenings coming up soon, with all the dates and times set out below. These are not school trips, so students will make their own way to each college where a register will be taken and phoned through to the school. Students must book their place online.

### **BRIDGWATER TAUNTON COLLEGE**

#### **Open Evenings - Autumn Term**

##### **Bridgwater campus**

Wednesday 16 October 2019 6pm - 8pm

Thursday 5 December 2019 6pm - 8pm

##### **Taunton campus**

Thursday 17 October 2019 6pm - 8pm

Wednesday 4 December 2019 6pm - 8pm

##### **Cannington campus**

Saturday 16 November 2019 10am - 1pm

### **BRIDGWATER TAUNTON COLLEGE -**

#### **TASTERS**

##### **Bridgwater & Cannington campuses**

Thursday 7 November 19 9.30 am - 2 pm

Thursday 28 November 19 9.30 am - 2 pm

##### **Taunton campus**

Tuesday 5 November 2019 9.30 am - 2pm



### **RICHARD HUISH COLLEGE**

Saturday 9 November 2019 9.30 am - 12pm

Monday 11 November 2019 5pm - 8pm



## Parent workshop: anxiety, resilience and school refusal

A parent workshop will be held at Wellington Rugby club, from 9.30am until 11.30am on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October, to provide information about anxiety, resilience and school refusal. Please see the attached PDF letter for full information.

## Events This Week and Coming Soon

18 <sup>th</sup> October	Non-Uniform day for Madagascar
22 <sup>nd</sup> October	Madagascar Launch Parents Evening, 6pm
24 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup> October	Inset Days (students not in school)
28 <sup>th</sup> to 1 <sup>st</sup> November	Half Term
7 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 11 Parents' Evening
13 <sup>th</sup> November	Year 12 Presentation Evening

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