

Important Dates;

26 Jun

Residential trips
Activities Week

29 Jun

Yr 13 Leavers Assembly & BBQ
Yr 13 Prom, Guildhall

01 July

Bugsy Malone Rehearsal

03 July WEEK 1

Bugsy Malone Tech Rehearsal

04 July

Yr 11 Sixth Form induction and
parents evening

Bugsy Malone Matinee

05 July

Bugsy Malone evening
performance

06 July

New Intake Day
Bugsy Malone evening
performance

07 July

Yr 11 Leavers Assembly & BBQ
Yr 11 Prom

10 July WEEK 2

New Intake Evening
OSA Uniform sale

11 July

Evening of Dance

12 July

Sports Day

13 July

Yr 12 Parents Evening

15—16 July

DofE final expedition

17 July WEEK 1

Yr 10 Sixth Form Taster Day

18 July

Oldfest

19 July

Yr 8 Racing to School Trip
Art and Technology Showcase

21 July

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Dear Parents and Carers

In this interim newsletter before the final one at the end of term, you will see how busy our community continues to be. Even as the GCSE and A levels come to an end, other activities, trips and sporting fixtures continue for our other years. The main event for them this term being, of course, Activities Week, kicking off next week with our annual sponsored walk on Monday 26th June. We are looking forward to being able to put on a full array of activities and trips once again for our students and would like to thank staff for all the effort and time that has been put into organising, planning and leading on these events and trips.

Many of our students will be off on residential trips; Spanish immersion course to Benalmadena, Battlefields trip to Belgium, geography trip to Iceland, and trips to Paris and Barcelona. Many Year 10s and 12s will be on work experience during the week. This is a great opportunity for them to gain a little bit of insight into the world of work, and hopefully give them ideas about what they may want to, or not want to, do in the future.

The rest of the newsletter is filled with all the other activities that have already taken place this term and at the end of last, and I hope you enjoy reading about them.

Best wishes,

Steven Mackay, Headteacher

School Production; Bugsy Malone!

We are very excited to invite you to come and watch our forthcoming production of the hit musical, Bugsy Malone, featuring many well-loved songs, dancing and of course plenty of 'splurge'!

Set in prohibition era New York, we follow happy-go-lucky Bugsy Malone and wannabe singer Blousey Brown as they try to find success and love, in a city run by mobster-kids wielding whipped-cream-firing 'splurge-guns' as gang leaders Fat Sam and Dandy Dan compete for dominance.

Pupils from Years 7, 8, 9, 10 and 12 will take to the stage to act, sing and dance. Artwork created by our students especially for the show will be a key feature of the set design and our concert band will be providing live music. So please come along to be entertained and support our students.

Tickets are available on ParentPay; £4 each, £3 concessions (Oldfield pupils/ any under 18s, OAPs and Disabled Persons).

Show Dates; Wednesday 5th July and Thursday 6th July 2023, 6:30pm for a 7pm start.

We look forward to welcoming you to the show.

Mr Naylor, Leader of Learning: Creatives



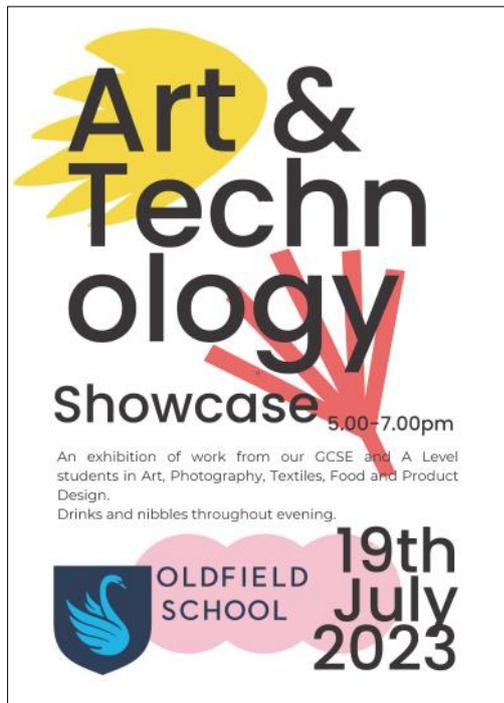
NOTICE BOARD

Creatives Showcase – Wednesday 19th July 2023

We are delighted to be able to invite parents, carers and students to an exhibition of work from our pupils in Year 11 and 13 in Art, Photography, Product Design, Food and Textiles. The exhibition will run from 5.00pm-7.00pm and there will be light refreshments available throughout the evening. We look forward to seeing you there.

Miss J Wells and Mr A Mills

Head of Art & Photography and Head of Technology



Activities Week 2023

Here is a list of the trips taking place over the week

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Residentials	Battlefields	Battlefields	Battlefields	Battlefields	
	Benalmadena	Benalmadena	Benalmadena	Benalmadena	Benalmadena
	Iceland	Iceland	Iceland	Iceland	Iceland
		Paris	Paris	Paris	Paris
		Barcelona	Barcelona	Barcelona	Barcelona
Day trips	School walk	Thorpe Park	Harry Potter	Harry Potter	Cadbury World
			Lion King	Splashdown	Splashdown
			Channel Kayaks		

There are also a huge number of activities taking place in school, including cycle skills, gardening day, music tech day, making a scene, knitting workshop, Oldfield Express newsletter, Bath City Football coaching, board games day, Oldfield does Taskmaster, movie day, screenprinting workshop, Oldfield murder mystery and many more. All organised by our amazing staff.

Updating details – general and medical

Please ensure you keep us up to date on where you live and contact numbers and email if they change. Also, if your child suffers from a medical condition then we need to be informed of any changes. Please do so by emailing enquiries@oldfieldschool.com

Warning Allergies

Many of our students suffer serious nut and sesame seed allergies. Therefore, please remember not to include these in your child's packed lunch. We are a nut free school.

Follow our social media accounts to get updates from school trips and activities;



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Dates for your diary

Monday 10th July: Pre-loved uniform sale, 3pm to 5.45pm in room PO2 in Penn House. Please see more details at www.oldfieldschool.com/about-us/osa/second-hand-uniform-sale/

REQUEST FOR DONATIONS OF UNIFORM and GCSE TEXTBOOKS

Oldfield School is committed to supporting parents with the cost of buying uniform, exam revision books and living more sustainably.

We want to be in a position where we can help anyone who is struggling in the current financial climate. Therefore, the Oldfield School Association (OSA), would be grateful if you could consider donating your child's school uniform and any GCSE text books or revision books they no longer need. The uniform will be sold at our next pre-loved uniform sale on **Monday 10th July**.

Adding second hand GCSE text books to our sales will give our next group of GCSE students a chance to buy any unwanted textbooks at very low cost in Term 1 of the next academic year. All money raised from these sales will go straight back to support students at the school. Your kind donations help keep this going for all in our community.

Uniform donations

- We only accept uniform that is from Price and Buckland. This includes blazers, skirts, trousers, jumpers and PE kit.
- The uniform should be washed and ready to sell
- We are not able to accept coats, shirts, PE socks or any shoes.

Textbook Donations

We can accept

- GCSE revision guides
- Texts for English Literature
- General textbooks for all GCSE subjects

Books and pre-loved uniform can be donated to reception at any time in a bag labelled 'OSA'. Alternatively, Year 11 students can bring donations on the Year 12 Induction Day on Tuesday 4th July, or the Year 11 Leavers Celebration on Friday 7th July.

The OSA is so grateful to the many of you who have come along to our events this year and bought refreshments, raffle tickets, second-hand uniform, and Christmas trees! Your financial support has been invaluable in enhancing and enriching the experience of students at Oldfield.

Your help is much appreciated.

Gaynor Williams, OSA Chair and Paolo Santarpino, Geography Teacher



Oldfest 2023

As we are getting further into the final term of this year our annual Oldfest celebration is on everyone's mind. **Tuesday 18th July** is the date for the fun and games on Penn Field. As well as inflatables, students will be running stalls with each tutor group taking responsibility for a different category. From drinks and snacks to games, live music and festival chic, everyone will be able to enjoy the whole experience.

Who will claim the 'soak the teacher' stall? Will the Sixth Form tutors be running the BBQ again? Will the flower crowns be the best seller for the second year running? How well will Year 7 be able to match their snack and drink choices with their house colours? We'll have to wait until 18th July to find out!



EVENTS AND ACTIVITIES

Design and Technology STEM Year 10 & 12 Legoland trip

On Monday 22nd May, 43 Year 10 and 12 Design and Technology students attended a LEGO Education Robotics Challenge at Legoland Windsor.

Everyone had an amazing day out. The day involved fun, STEM learning and creativity.

The Lego Robotics challenge brought Design and Technology STEM learning to life outside of the classroom through a fun, hands-on workshop. The students loved working in teams completing challenges using LEGO robots. They built, coded and debugged robotic electric vehicles.

They developed their problem-solving skills and learnt more about algorithms, sequences, and inputs and outputs, as well as applying mathematical skills such as estimation, measurement and the use of angles to get their robotic vehicles moving around the map.

It was a fantastic learning experience and there was even time to fit in a few rollercoaster rides to add to the excitement.

Miss Sackett, Design & Technology Teacher



Shepton Mallet Prison Trip

On Monday 19th June, a fantastic day out was had to Shepton Mallet Prison for Year 10 Sociology GCSE students. They had a tour of the prison, which was led by an ex-prison officer with encyclopaedic knowledge of the prison's history, from when it opened to the day it closed. Students heard first-hand what life inside a prison is like and discovered the prison's history dating back more than 400 years.

The tour experience took place in all areas of the prison, including the 19th century hard labour yard, the treadwheel

house, the Old Gate Lodge, original cells dating from the 17th century, the largest prison wing with 94 cells, the exercise yard, and the execution room.

Students were also able to explore Shepton Mallet Prison in small groups, whilst completing activity booklets. To finish, students were able to ask their tour guide questions about his experience as a prison officer in an informal setting, before being awarded their Certificate of Completion.

One student's highlight of the day was "getting to know the personal experiences of prisoners, and prison guards, and learning about how prisons have changed over time."

This trip aimed to enhance students understanding of how the criminal justice system operates and allowed them to consider the pros and cons of different forms of punishment. This trip will now be very useful in preparing them for their "Crime and Deviance" unit, which will be studied in Year 11.

Mrs Moore, Leader of Learning Social Sciences



Every child deserves a great school library!

What are the benefits of our library?

Sense of Safety

Our library is a refuge for many students, a place to escape from the daily grind, to create new friendships and feel a sense of belonging. It is also a space where students can feel safe and empowered to make their own choices about what they read. It is important for children to have the opportunity to make their own reading choices as this leads them to continue to read for pleasure.

Inclusion

Our library collection reflects the wide variety of experiences and backgrounds of our students, helping to build empathetic, literate, and well-rounded young adults. The librarian ensures there is access to good quality books and that all students are represented and catered for in the library. Books are essential not only for literacy, but also mental health, and academic attainment - the stronger their reading skills the better students will do in all subjects.

Positive Life Experiences

Our library brings important events and experiences to students like author visits, extra-curricular clubs, and a feeling of ownership over the space. It is a vital wellbeing hub where students can be themselves without judgement. The library has many Library Helpers who volunteer their time to help at break and lunch times, an inclusive Book Club and The Literacy Hub which includes The Young Editors programme.

Improved Academic Results

School libraries are proven to combat poverty through improved academic outcomes while increasing positive attitudes towards learning. There is good quality collaboration, where teachers and our librarian work well together creating an atmosphere of positive learning. Evidence proves that school libraries:

- Lead to higher qualifications and attainment.
- Promote a better quality of life.
- Generate improved results.
- Alleviate pressure on health and mental health services.
- Alleviate teacher workload.
- Increase efficiency for schools.
- Contribute to the delivery of a well-rounded education.
- Deliver essential Information/critical literacy skills to combat fake news and engender independent learning.

A Good School Librarian

Our librarian guides students in their reading, inspires them to try something new and provides opportunities to explore reading. Our librarian works hard to create an inclusive, inspiring, friendly, and welcoming space for all students. Any questions please contact our librarian, Mrs Nic Pearce.





Battle of the Bands

Ten bands fought it out in an intense battle of wonderful music and fantastic stage presence. The quality of music from all bands who performed in the evening was superb and I don't think the final result has ever been so close! There could only be one winner though – The Bambinos will be heading to Bath Spa University to claim their day in a recording studio prize very soon. Thank you to all the students that put so much effort into their performances and thank you to the judges who were able to give such insightful advice on the evening. *Mrs Robinson, Head of Music*



Bath's Rising Stars

Students from Years 7-10 joined me to perform with students from other schools across Bath in the Dorothy House Fundraiser concert – Bath's Rising Stars. All the students taking part worked really hard to learn the music in just four rehearsals and it was a really great experience to join with the other schools on the day to form a massed choir. The two duets and one trio who also represented Oldfield sounded sublime. This was the last of our choir performances for this school year but I am already looking forward to starting back up again in September!

Local History Windrush Project

Students across KS3 took part in creating a display to support a new local government initiative about Windrush which will be displayed locally at Fairfield House. A key part of this local exhibition was to explore the history, legacy and contribution of the local Windrush generation to Bath. One of the panels in the exhibition features work from local B&NES schools reflecting on the issue of Windrush and what it means to the students of today. This is what we created as a school. The piece is called "With each suitcase began a story, each story shaped our country." We hope to see our students' work in the exhibition over the coming months.



Où es-tu?

7B had much fun practising giving and following directions to places in town in French.



OLDFIELD SCHOOL

SPORTS AWARDS EVENING



On 8th June we hosted the annual sports awards evening where we celebrate the sporting achievements across the year and nominate Performers of the Year in each sports and Spirit of Oldfield students who have shown dedication to the sport and an excellent approach to competition and training. We also welcomed Johannes Jonker (Bath Rugby Player) who spoke about his journey in sport and answered some questions from the audience. Many thanks to Johannes for attending and inspiring our students. Please see below the list of Performers of the Year in each sport and photos of the event.

Performers of the year:

Sport	Name
Netball	Sylvia Kurdziel
Rugby	Will Tanner
Basketball	Niven Teague
Dance	Masha Smyrnova
Boys Football	Eoin Godfrey
Girls Football	Ella Smith
Athletics	Esme McKenzie
Rising Star Award	Will Tanner
Team of the year	U14 Boys Football Team



Anyone who was not able to collect your awards on the evening can expect to receive these through your Head of Year.

Oldfield School PE department would like to thank you for attending this evening. Particular thanks to the parents of the students for your continued support of the school and the extra curricular activities.





BANES District Athletics results from Tuesday 16th May (Bath University)

This was a great afternoon with lots of Oldfield students taking part. For some students it was their first time competing on a proper athletics track. Athletes were responsible for registering at their event and getting themselves warmed up. Some made it through to the track finals and it was lovely hearing the support from our students, cheering each other on during the afternoon. There were many impressive performances (please see the list below). A special congratulations to the highlighted students from Oldfield School who won their events and will now be selected for the next round. We are also very proud of the Minor Girls and Inter Girls team for coming third overall. Well done to all students that took part.



Minor Boys

Alex Sandison High Jump (1.15m) 3rd Place
Oliver Mantri Shot (7.34m) 3rd Place

Junior Boys

Benji Gleave Hurdles (15.64s) 3rd Place

Inter Boys

Ronnie Mills 400m (58.98s) 1st Place
Ollie Holt Shot (9.17m) 3rd Place
Ned Barron Discus (19.36m) 3rd Place

Minor Girls

Julia Mboya 100m (14.43s) 3rd Place
Julia Mboya Shot (6.15m) 2nd Place

Junior Girls

Rhiannon Anaya 100m (12.83s) 1st Place

Inter Girls

Esme Mckenzie Triple Jump (9.32m) 1st Place
Esme Mckenzie Long Jump (4.31m) 2nd Place
Ella Smith 100m (13.99) 4th Place
Aya Kassous Discus (16.23m) 3rd Place

The overall school winners were as follows:

- Minor Girls - 1st = Monkton, 2nd = Norton Hill, 3rd = Oldfield
 - Minor Boys - 1st = Monkton and St Greg's, 3rd = KES
 - Junior Girls - 1st = Royal High, 2nd = Hayesfield, 3rd = Monkton
 - Junior Boys - 1st = Norton Hill, 2nd = Beechen, 3rd = Ralph Allen
 - Inter Girls - 1st = Hayesfield, 2nd = Monkton, 3rd = Oldfield
 - Inter Boys - 1st = Ralph Allen, 2nd = Prior Park, 3rd = Wellsway
- Mrs Bell and Mr Gann, PE Teachers*



Year 8 rounders

Well done to the Year 8 rounders team who played Wellsway this week.

Our fielding was fantastic in the first innings including some great quick thinking from Oakley and Olivia on posts, Maya bowling some difficult balls to hit, Leila keeping it tight as backstop and out fielding from Chris. This meant we went into the second innings half a rounder in front.

Despite some good hitting from the team and Chloe, Freya and Hattie trying to steal bases we had a couple of unfortunate outs which meant we were not able to achieve as many rounders as we would have hoped. The final score was Wellsway 12 ½ and Oldfield 10.

A very close game and well done to the team on what was a very hot night!

Well done to Maya who was voted player of the match.

We now look forward to the Year 8 tournament in July.

Mrs Little, Second in PE

Year 7 Rounders match against Wellsway on Wed 14th June 2023

This was the first match the Year 7s had played. All the students worked hard during both innings. Archie Westlake showed to be a good consistent bowler throughout the game and was nominated player of the match. There was great fielding in both innings and good decisions made. There were a number of rounders scored but we were beaten by Wellsway with a final score of 13-4. Well done to all the students that took part.

Mrs Bell, PE Teacher

U13 cricket vs St Greg's

24th May was the first game for Oldfield's under 13 cricket team. We were very fortunate to use the Lansdown Cricket Club facilities for this game which certainly added to the occasion. I would like to give special thanks to Chris Godfrey from Lansdown CC & Jim the groundsman for facilitating this.

The game went well with Ernie top scoring with an unbeaten 25 and Linden taking three wickets to help the team to an 8 run victory over St Greg's. Well done to all students involved!

Mr Driver, Head of PE and Dance



Year 9 Cup Final vs Norton Hill

On 7th June our Year 9 football team played in the B&NES league cup final. I am not exaggerating in saying that this was the best Oldfield football team performance I have witnessed. Every single individual that played contributed to the 3-2 win over Norton Hill.

Special mentions to the goal scorers Charlie x 2 and Noah. Within midfield, James, Noah and Dimi ran the game from the start, big tackles, excellent distribution and gave the opposition no time to play. Tom and Jake at center back dealt with a good quality striker throughout the game, limiting his opportunities to half chances. Jack, Tom, Alex, Billy and Charlie all played important roles in fullback and wide midfield positions, all kept possession of the ball well and supported both attack and midfield. A brilliant all round performance and one that led to them being crowned team of the year for Oldfield School. Congratulations to all involved.

“A brilliant achievement and this follows the win by Year 8 boys in the same competition” Mr Mackay.

Mr Driver, Leader of Learning PE and Dance



Celebrating our students achievements in their individual activities outside school

Well done to Esmé Mckenzie has who made the Avon Schools team for Inter Girls triple jump. She's very excited and is looking forward to competing down in Exeter on Saturday 17th June. Esmé was recently representing Team Avon at the Upper Age Group YDL in Carmarthen, and won her U17 Women's event with an amazing jump of 10.26m – a new PB and over the county standard! We look forward to hearing how she gets on at the English Schools.

Mrs Bell, PE teacher



FROM OUR COMMUNITY

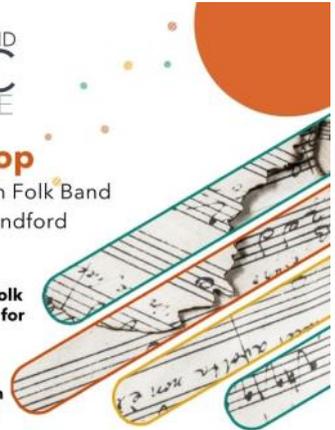


Folk Music Workshop

A Sunday Session with Bath Youth Folk Band tutors Rachel Barrett and John Sandford

This session is open to all players of 'C' instruments and percussionists. An opportunity to try your hand at playing folk music if it is new to you but also suitable for existing folk players.

Where: St John's RC Primary, Bath
When: Sunday 16th July, 1.30pm - 4.30pm
Course fee: £10 / free for students on FSM



Sign up here:

<https://bit.ly/3Jgc7FO>



SPORTS AND LEISURE GALA DAY

WESTON REC SATURDAY 1 JULY 11AM TO 5PM

TAKE PART OR JUST WATCH AND ENJOY ALL DAY, FOR ALL AGES

SPORTS, EVENTS ACTIVITIES FAMILY FUN ZONE LOTS OF FOOD AND DRINK

FREE ENTRY ACTIVE WESTON

The Weston Village Sports-and-Leisure GALA DAY

is on Saturday 1 July on Weston Rec.

It's a big event for the whole village, with sports events, leisure activities, a big Family Fun Zone, and lots of food and drink. All day from 11am to 5pm, for all ages.

Bring your family...have lots of fun and games...take part in the sports and activities...eat, drink, watch, relax and enjoy.

There's no entry charge, and free parking on the Rec (through the gate on Penn Hill Road).

Keynsham Music Festival and ArtSpace present

STRINGS IN RIVERSIDE SQUARE

FREE ENTRY

Come and try a musical instrument!
4-6pm, Keynsham Leisure Centre Café
Have a go on a range of instruments, including strings, woodwind and percussion. Staff will be on hand to talk about learning opportunities in Keynsham. Children and adults welcome.

Bath Strings Academy Quartet
6.45-7.15pm, Riverside Square
Performance by young string players from the local area.

Bristol String Quartet
7.30-8.30pm, Riverside Square
One of the most experienced quartets in the south west perform the music of G. F. Handel - the famous composer with a surprising and mysterious connection to Keynsham.

ArtSpace Pop-Up Art Gallery
4-9pm, Keynsham MakeSpace
Enjoy extended opening hours at Keynsham ArtSpace's pop-up gallery. Browse work by Keynsham artists and shop locally made gifts.

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