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Dear Parents/Carers

## End of Term 6

Thank you for all your support over the last academic year. It has been a fantastic year with BFS growing from strength to strength. In this letter I wanted to highlight some key information and developments before we close for the school summer holidays.

### Development in the House System

We are delighted at how well our students have embraced the adjustments to our house system. It has been lovely to see the Year 7s wearing their house ties and aligning each tutor group with a house, has supported us to embed and further develop our community ethos. This will only continue to grow year on year. We are so proud of our students for having raised £3,783.54 for local causes and with today's final bake sale, this amount will increase again. We are looking forward to challenging our house parliament members to beat this total next year. The house competitions and sixth form mentoring have also been a key part of the house system success. We plan to build on this next year with greater student leadership opportunities and more curriculum competitions.

Main School	A	B	C	D
	TG1 & TG2	TG3 & TG4	TG5 & TG6	TG7
Year 7	Blaise	Canford	Durdham	Ashton
Year 8	Ashton	Blaise	Canford	Durdham
Year 9	Durdham	Ashton	Blaise	Canford
Year 10	Canford	Durdham	Ashton	Blaise
Year 11	Blaise	Canford	Durdham	Ashton

Sixth Form	A	B	C	D
	TG1	TG2	TG3	TG4 & TG5
Year 12	Ashton	Blaise	Canford	Durdham
Year 13	Durdham	Ashton	Blaise	Canford

### Year Leaders and Tutors 2024/25

Please find attached the list of tutors for next year. We do have a small number of teachers who are leaving in August, so we have sensitively assigned new staff to any tutor group where it is needed.

*Year Leaders will be following their year group.*

Year Group	Year Leader
Year 7	Mrs MacBlain
Year 8	Ms Bate
Year 9	Mr Langeveldt
Year 10	Ms Ludwell
Year 11	Ms Urch
Sixth Form	Mr Smith and Ms Norton



### **Changes to attendance and lateness procedures**

The Department of Education has made changes to when schools are allowed to close their registration as part of a national drive to improve school attendance. At BFS we have been following these changes since Term 6, so this is a reminder that our registers close at 9.00am. We expect students to be in school by 8.25am for 8.30am registration. If your child is late and arrives to school after the registers have closed (after 9.00am) your child will receive an absent mark for the morning session. So, I strongly encourage you to plan for these changes.

### **Safeguarding Update**

We are constantly reviewing our safeguarding procedures. This year we have made changes to our site entrance procedures during the school day, as well as practised fire drills and shutdown procedures. We continue to keep procedures under review and will be practising Shutdown more regularly.

### **Developments in SEND Leadership and Services**

We made changes to the way SEND and the Wellbeing departments work together this year, and we are very pleased with how that has supported our young people. The next stage to our improvements we will be the development of a Springboard/catch up curriculum for students who need additional support away from the taught curriculum.

Mrs Jenkins and team will be in contact with families if we believe this extra provision will support your child next year.

### **Uniform purchases over the summer**

We aim for a positive start to the term and often this can be a challenge if students come to school in the incorrect uniform. Please use the link below to check what is acceptable. This includes shoes which need to be non-branded and polishable.

[Uniform - BFS.jpg \(2304x1152\) \(bristolfreeschool.org.uk\)](https://www.bristolfreeschool.org.uk)

To keep our uniform affordable, we have reduced the amount of expensive branded items in our uniform and PE kit. Note that non-natural hair colour, facial piercings and false nails are not allowed in school so ensure these are removed before the start of term.

We will continue to run our second-hand uniform sales in the new school year.

### **The start of Term Dates 2024/25**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Theme of the day</b>	<b>School open for</b>
Mon 2 Sept	INSET day	Staff only
Tues 3 Sept	INSET Day	Staff only Selected Year 11 students for resits
Wed 4 Sept	Induction Year 7 and Year 12	Year 7 and Year 12 only Selected Year 11 students for resits
Thurs 5 Sept	Term 1 starts for all students	All students

We do have a lot of information on the school website including our newly published Student/Parent Handbook. This has very useful information about the day-to-day procedures in BFS.

[Student/Parent Handbook 2024/25](#)

BFS will be closed over the holidays for capital works and essential maintenance.

Finally, we hope you have an enjoyable summer break, and we look forward to the new academic year in September.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S King', written in a cursive style.

**Mrs S King**  
**Headteacher**

## Tutor Teams 2024-25

Mrs N	MacBlain	Y7 Year Leader	
Mrs B Ms H	Wynne Jones <i>MTThF</i> Reeve W	7TG1-B	CG08
Miss B	<i>Clarley</i>	7TG2-B	CF18
Miss K	<i>Stuttard</i>	7TG3-C	DF23
Mr O	Howard	7TG4-C	CG09
Mr N	Winner	7TG5-D	CF13
Miss H Mr J	Carter MTWT Sanchez F	7TG6-D	CG16
Mr S	Hadfield	7TG7D	CF31
Mr J Ms H	Sanchez <i>TWTh</i> Reeve	attach	

Ms R	Bate	Y8 Year Leader	
Ms M Mx F	Ardelean <i>MTThF</i> Sweatman W	8TG1	DF16
Mrs N Miss F	Ramanandi <i>TWThF</i> Laleye M	8TG2	CF01
Ms K	Coleman	8TG3	DF17
Mr A	Lally	8TG4	CG13
Miss T	Conole	8TG5	CF05
Mr J	Fearon	8TG6	DF08
Ms M	McMurdo	8TG7	DG08
Mx F Kiss F	Sweatman <i>ThF</i> Laleye T	attached	

Mr D	Langeveldt	Y9 Year Leader	
Mrs R	Jerome	9TG1	DF04
Mrs R Ms A	Stokes MWF Musa <i>TTh</i>	9TG2	DF34
Mrs S Ms K	Gordon <i>MTThF</i> Harvey W	9TG3	CG16
Ms E	Sayer	9TG4	DG09
Mr J	Harvey	9TG5	CF14
Mr D	Milstead	9TG6	CG11
Miss A	Moran	9TG7	DF26
Ms K Ms A	Harvey <i>TTh</i> Musa W	attach	

Ms D	Ludwell	Y10 Year Leader	
Mr R	Ruston	10TG1	DF09
Mr J Miss C	Harris <i>TThF</i> Edwards MW	10TG2	DG04
Ms G	Kennard	10TG3	DG31
Ms A	<i>Soupianos</i>	10TG4	CF02
Miss C	Marsh	10TG5	DG05
Mr Y	Nouas	10TG6	DF19
Miss J	Hawes	10TG7	CF19
Dr C Ms K	Clavel <i>MWTh</i> Humphries	attached	

Becky	Urch	Y11 Year Leader	
Miss L Ms L	Ballard <i>TWThF</i> Goodbody M	11TG1	LRC2
Mr N Mr K	Cousins <i>TWThF</i> King M	11TG2	CF08
Ms R	Slater	11TG3	LRC1
Mr D	Lustig-Bruce	11TG4	CF09
Mr J	Innes	11TG5	CF20
Ms E	Jones	11TG6	DF25
Ms A	Tovey	11TG7	DG16
Ms L Mr S	Goodbody TW Lam TWF	attached	
Mr M Mr K	Gowen Brown		

Mr K	Smith	Head of 6th	
Ms S	Norton	DH of 6th	
Mrs K	Kinnersley	12TG1	DF35
Mr A Mrs S	Giles <i>MTWTh</i> Morgan Jones F	12TG2	CF16
Mr J	Cahill	12TG3	CF17
Mr A	Cullingford	12TG4	DF30
Mr H	King	12TG5	CF04
Ms A	Robbins	13TG1	DF15
Mr M	Laxon	13TG2	CG22
Mr J Mr A	Knight <i>TWThF</i> Martin MTh	13TG3	CF11
Mr J	Dignan	13TG4	DF05
Mr T Mr H	Probert MTWF Hamilton Th	13TG5	CF30
Ms R Mr M Mr P Mrs S	Watkins <i>TWTh</i> Hamilton Treen Morgan-Jones	Attached	