

Bulletin

LEST WE FORGET



NOVEMBER 11

KEY DATES

- Monday 22 November - Year 11 and Year 13 Mock exams start
- Friday 3 December - INSET day - school closed for students
- Friday 10 December - Non Uniform Day
- Thursday 16 December - Last Day of term - school closes 12.30pm

PARENT/STUDENT SURVEY

We want to hear from you! Please find the time to go through the surveys below. We would like to gather your views on how well the school is doing and how we can further improve. The student survey was sent out on ClassCharts today so please remind your child to complete it.

Parent Survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TJFVZKM>

Student Survey:

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/TJPQRTT>



REMEMBRANCE DAY 11 NOVEMBER

Students this week have been exploring the theme of remembrance, why we remember, who we are being asked to remember, how remembrance takes place around the world and have been encouraged to consider how and what we can do to ensure remembrance continues for at least another 100 years.

WHAT IS REMEMBRANCE?

In times of conflict and emergency, there are always people trying to help and protect others.

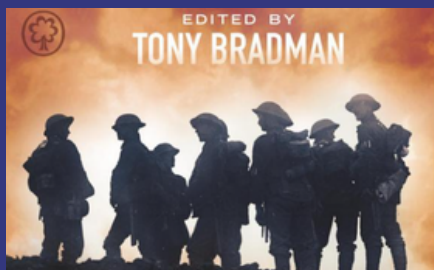
When we mark Remembrance we remember and give thanks for the people who help and protect others now, or who have done in the past. We remember those who have been hurt or killed as a result.

Remembrance is hope for a peaceful future.

STORIES FOR REMEMBRANCE

Students this week have been reading two extracts from stories relating to World War 2, and segregation in the Army. They have been thinking about the challenges faced, and the opportunities for change, over 70 years ago.

- Black and British a Short, Essential History by David Olusoga
- Shipmates by Tony Bradman.



WHO DO WE REMEMBER?

We remember the service and sacrifice of the Armed Forces

We pay tribute to the special contribution of families and of the emergency services

We acknowledge innocent civilians who have lost their lives in conflict or acts of terrorism



PAUSE, REFLECT, REMEMBER

Students have been selling poppies to support Royal British Legion Poppy Day - every poppy counts.



KEY EVENTS REMEMBRANCE IN BRISTOL

HOW CAN WE REMEMBER IN BRISTOL?

This year's Remembrance Day will be on Sunday 14 November and there will be services and parades in and around Bristol, with the city falling silent at 11am. These are where and when you can attend events and what is taking place.



CENOTAPH, BRISTOL CITY CENTRE

Members of the public are welcome to observe the parade and attend the service which includes two minutes' silence from 11am to 11.02am, followed by the laying of wreaths and a short service.

WESTBURY-ON-TYRM

Members of the public are welcome to observe the parade at the Westbury-on-Tyrm war memorial and attend the service which includes two minutes' silence from 11am.

BRISTOL CATHEDRAL

At 6pm on Sunday 14 November, the Cathedral Choir will sing Fauré's Requiem in a Eucharist for Remembrance. All are welcome to attend this service of remembrance. Free entry, no tickets required.

THE WAR MONUMENTS IN AND AROUND BRISTOL

Key Memorials that you can visit this weekend.

BOER WAR MONUMENT, CLIFTON



STOKE BISHOP MEMORIAL



WESTBURY VILLAGE MEMORIAL

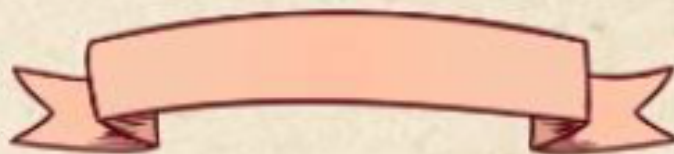


e, labor, or affectation;
repose; facility: *v.t.* to free
in. anxiety. or trouble: give

easily.

Easy Street (strēt), a position
financial comfort. [Colloq.]

HISTORICAL FICTION COMPETITION



AMAZING PRIZES TO BE WON!



Write a story about any period or place in the past! Perhaps a thriller about a Catholic priest being hunted down during the height of the English Reformation, a love story in Revolutionary France, or a tragedy during World War One!

Your story needs: a riveting storyline, creative and interesting perspectives of story-telling, effective use of historical vocabulary and literary conventions, and accurate historical knowledge!

Story must be between 400 to 3500 words!

Send in submissions to Miss Horton via email at s.horton@bristolfreeschool.org.uk or by hand at DF.05 by Friday 7th January 2022 at 12 Midday.

The three best stories will be entered into the Historical Association's Historical Fiction Competition where there are even more prizes available including a £25 cash prize and an engraved blue paperweight!





MENTAL HEALTH & SAFEGUARDING

Mental Health & Safeguarding Support, Advice & Information



Ms Townsend, Mental Health & Safeguarding Manager



Miss Hastings, Medical and Mental Health Officer

BFS WINS AWARD FOR YOUNG CARER SUPPORT

Bristol Free School has been awarded a Bronze Young Carers in School Award from The Young Carers in Schools programme to celebrate the work we do to support our young carers. Young carers take on huge responsibilities looking after someone at home and can be responsible for emotional, practical or physical care for a parent, sibling or other family member who has a physical disability, mental health issue or substance misuse issue.



YOUNG CARERS PROGRAMME

The Young Carers in Schools programme helps secondary schools support young carers and celebrates good practice through the Young Carers in Schools Awards. To achieve our Bronze Award we have demonstrated that we support our young carers in many ways, including:

- Access to a telephone during break and lunch time to phone home if necessary.
- Negotiable deadlines for homework/coursework if required.
- Provision of a Time-Out Card if necessary.
- Parents evening consultations via phone or Teams.
- Access to a Young Carers group to meet other Young Carers - coming soon!
- Opportunities to complete homework at lunchtimes or after-school with a member of staff.
- Opportunities to complete detentions at lunch time.

Please visit our Young Carers Board (outside DF29) for more information or speak to Ms Hastings if you think you might be a young carer.



TELLSOMEONE@BRISTOLFreeschool.org.uk





Crochet Club!



Do you enjoy crochet (or knitting)? Are you keen to learn some more stitches to create something wonderful?

Well, Crochet Club could be for you!

Time: Wednesdays 3pm-4pm

Place: DF15

Teacher: Miss Rowden



YOU'RE INVITED TO AN EVENING WITH

ROUSTABOUT THEATRE

THE SOUTH WEST'S NEW AWARD-WINNING THEATRE COMPANY
FOR SCHOOLS' AND FAMILY AUDIENCES

Formed in 2019 by Toby Hulse, Robin Hemmings and Shaelee Rooke, we have developed a unique, fully funded way of working in collaborative partnership with local schools to develop three touring shows, *Luna*, *This Island's Mine*, and *Dinosaurs and All That Rubbish*.

We are now looking to make new partnerships for future projects, and to identify schools interested in receiving *Dinosaurs and All That Rubbish* (EYFS, KS1 and KS2) and *This Island's Mine* (KS2 - KS5) in 2022.



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Join us for drinks and nibbles from 5.30pm followed by a presentation and discussion from 6pm to 7pm at one of the following venues:

Wednesday 1st December

The Stable, 3-6 Wadham Street, Weston-super-Mare, BS23 1JY

Thursday 2nd December

Bristol School of Acting, Silver Street, Bristol, BS1 2JY

Wednesday 8th December

Almondsbury Creative, 10 Gloucester Road, Almondsbury, BS32 4AA

Please RSVP by Friday 26th November to shout@roustabouttheatre.co.uk and feel free to pass this invitation on to any colleagues in other schools.

'A fantastic production that inspired fascinating and challenging conversations amongst my GCSE students.'

Becky Ferguson, Head of Drama, Marlwood Secondary School on *Luna!*

'Feedback from the schools has been so positive. They've all commented on how much the children loved experiencing live theatre and how thought provoking the production was.'

Jack Lacey, Head of Primary, Cathedral Schools Trust on *This Island's Mine*

'This is cutting edge curriculum development.'

Jo Jefferson, Head of English, St Katherine's Secondary School on *This Island's Mine*