

# Court Fields School

## Parent Weekly 'What's Happening' Bulletin



### Message from Mrs Matthews

Last weekend our Senior Prefects James and Tallulah represented our school at the Wellington Remembrance Parade, laying a wreath at the War Memorial to honour those who have served and continue to do so, and the sacrifices that they have made. Following our collection last week, we received a message from the Wellington Branch of the Royal British Legion: "On behalf of the Royal British Legion I would like to say a big thank you to you all and the children for raising £55.08 for the Poppy Appeal. It is very much appreciated especially at this time where everyone is finding donations to things like the Poppy Appeal are difficult. However, every penny raised will go towards looking after our Service personnel and Veterans who are struggling to make ends meet." Thank you as always to our staff, students and parents for developing such a sense of community. Have a good weekend!

**17th November 2023**



### Under 16s County Cup Football

A big well done to the under 16s boys football team who are through to the next round of the Schools County Cup, after beating reigning champions Millfield 3-0. The boys travel to Sexeys Bruton in the next round.

Goals from Harry C, Harry J and a bullet header from Jake B. Man of the match was Oliver C, however all the boys were outstanding!

### Year 9 Insight into Apprenticeships - Communicate with Confidence

Supporting students to develop their communication, team building and problem solving skills, a great first Insight into Apprenticeship session this week. There's no doubt that the Communicate with Confidence workshop highlighted the importance of these key employability skills!



### College Students

Always lovely to see former students enjoying college, look at all these smiling faces at BTC, Taunton Campus last week. If you want to take a look at BTC, the next Open Event is on Thursday 18 January 6pm - 8pm.



### Somerset West Police Independent Advisory Group

Welcomed by Peter Joint, One Team Coordinator at Somerset Council and Sam Southam from Falcon Housing, our small group of Year 11 students got to hear all about the plans for the Kings Arms, Wellington. Creating a new Community HUB, the students were lucky enough to have a tour of the site and get to speak to the on-site apprentice Rowan B who is a former student of Court Fields School.



### Netball Friendly Matches

Our Year 7 and 9/10 netball teams welcomed Tiverton this week for some friendly games. Both teams played well and came out on top! Well done to all involved.



## CHRISTMAS CONCERT

### Christmas Concert Auditions

Do you love all things Christmassy? Do you love singing and performing? If the answer is yes, then we need you! Next week, we'll be holding auditions for a spot in the Christmas Concert, so come along and show us what you can do.

**Auditions: Wednesday 22nd November at lunchtime in B7.**

You must sign up with Mrs Chidgey first!

You won't get an audition if you do not sign up, so please see her in the next few days.

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### Year 8 Visit

In World Views last week we had a visit from Steve Jenkins to discuss ultra poverty in Burundi, which is the world's poorest country. He shared his recent experiences from Burundi and what difficulties people face on a daily basis. Year 8 learnt about schools, health care, one cup a day project, house building projects. We now can't wait to help raise money to support these people.



### Barrister Visit

Last week our Year 9's were lucky enough to have a visit from a Barrister. They learnt about criminal law, the justice system, dealt with case studies and decided the clasp ability and harm of each case.



### Temporary change to School lunch break

We will be making a temporary change to the timing of the lunch break for the whole School from Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December inclusive. This change is to support Year 11's who will be taking exams during this time.



**From Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November to Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December, lunch will be 12.30 – 13.05** (instead of the usual 13.30 – 14.05).

**All other times will remain the same.**

### Special Mention

Well done to Year 7 who are beginning this week to show what they have learnt in art, by working on a focused drawing. This is hard, so big pats on the back! They are all doing brilliantly.

### Year 7 Rugby

Year 7 Rugby - some great rugby on display this evening. The year 7 played a triangular tournament against Minehead Middle School and Kingsmead. Winning one and drawing one. Well done to all players involved.



### Trampolining

Lots of our students have been taking part in our trampolining clubs this term with Accelerate Trampoline and Whirlwinds Academy. All students have been making great progress, whether they're experienced, or if they are trying trampolining for the first time. Great work!



### KS3 Badminton CVL

It was great to welcome over Castle and Tiverton High for a Badminton CVL last week. It was a friendly and there were no official scores recorded. However, a great evening of badminton with lots of fun, learning and points scored by all. We certainly have a potential future Olympian in Will K!

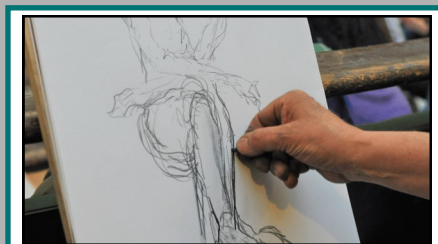


### Art & Photography Twilight session

We had a great twilight Session this week, from 3.30-7pm, with 25 Year 11 students. This was to help prepare for the upcoming PPE. Loads of work done, loads of fun and busyness, a visit from Mrs Matthews and Mrs Westwood, and of course the obligatory takeaway ordering!



### Free Virtual Event



### Saturday Sketch Club

The Royal Academy of Arts are hosting an online Saturday Sketch Club, giving young artists some expert advice in drawing along with the opportunity to practice skills. It would be great for any Year 9 student wishing to take GCSE Art to have a look at this event, and any future ones.

Any student that signs up and would like to borrow any drawing media/surfaces to work on, please see Mrs Binmore. Find out more details and sign up here:

[https://](https://www.royalacademy.org.uk/event/saturday-sketch-club-life-drawing-jan-24)

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### DIARY DATES

#### **7th December**

Year 9 Parent's Evening

#### **8th December**

Non-uniform for Save the Children

#### **10th December**

Christmas Carol Brewhouse Trip

#### **13th December**

Year 7 Pantomime Trip

#### **15th December**

End of Term - 12.45pm finish

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