



# **YEAR 8 - THE YEAR AHEAD**

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# YEAR 8 PASTORAL STRUCTURE



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Wellbeing and Mental  
Health Lead

School Counsellor



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# YEAR 8 TUTOR TEAM

8.1



Mrs Hazell  
Mr Thomas

8.2



Mr Keen  
Mrs Richards

8.3



Mrs Hardy  
Mrs Sanchez Bermudez

8.4



Mrs Marriott  
Mr Griffin

# THE ROLE OF THE TUTOR

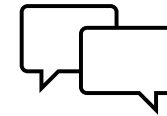


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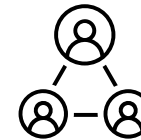
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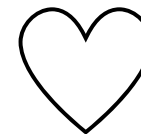
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MONITOR attendance, progress and behaviour



AID personal development



# THE TUTOR PROGRAMME

DAY	TUTOR TIME
Monday	Weekly Notices
Tuesday	School Assembly
Wednesday	ERIC / Health & Wellbeing
Thursday	
Friday	

1-1s

Mindfulness

Year Group Assemblies

Current Affairs

Target Setting



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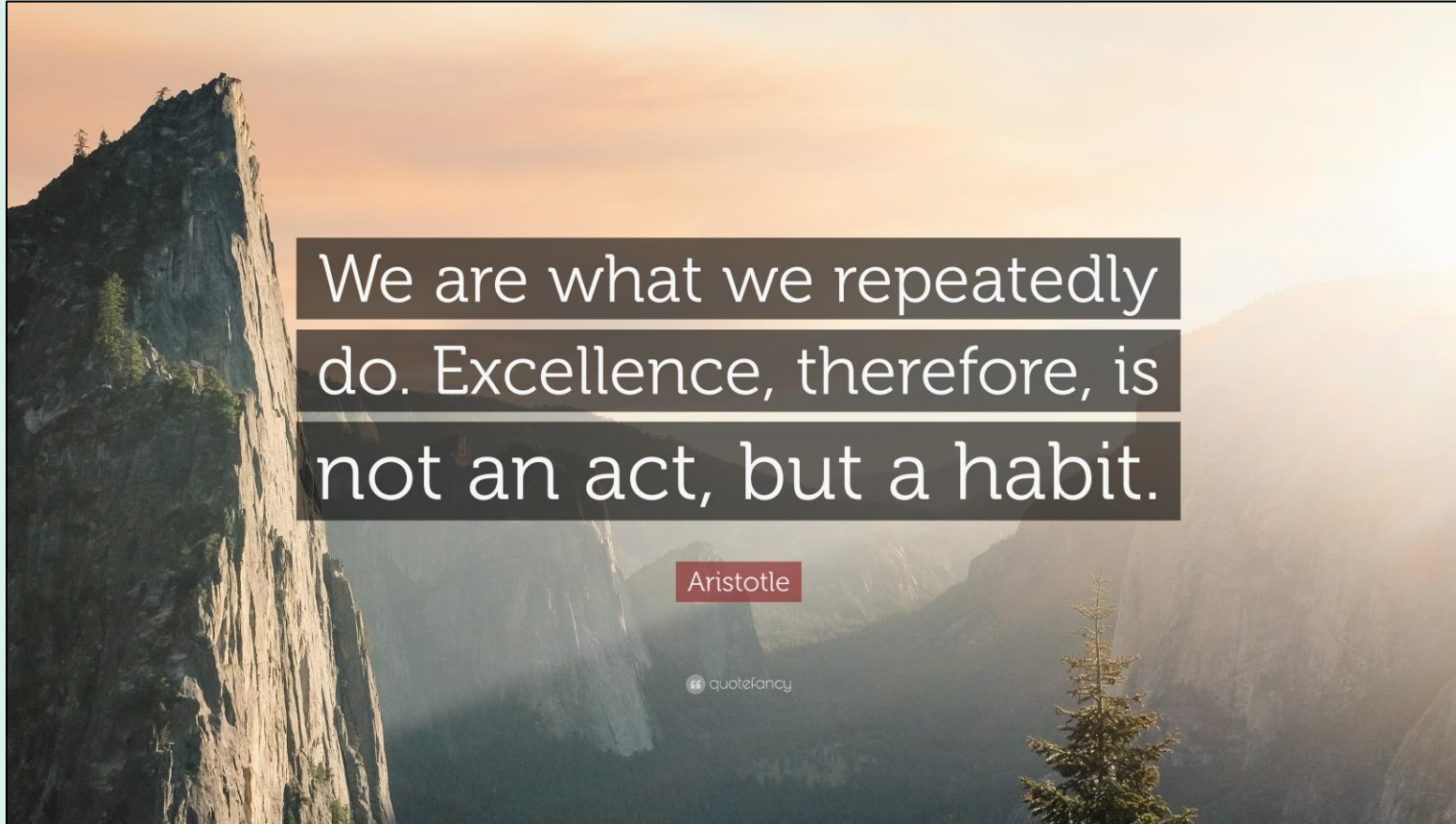
# HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Health and Wellbeing will be taught Wednesday period 1.

1. Staying Safe
2. Community and Rights
3. Digital Literacy
4. Employability and Entrepreneurial Skills using Unifrog
5. Relationships
6. Mental Wellbeing

External Speaker – Vaping

# READY





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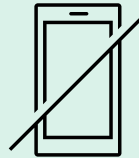
Uniform & Kit



Punctuality



Phones and Smart Watches



Role Models



Ready to Learn





# ATTENDANCE



Pupils are registered at 08.40 in their tutor rooms.

If your child **participates in a club before School** that overruns into tutor time, they need to sign in early on the early register in the school office.

If your child **arrives late to School**, please ask your child to sign in at the main school office on arrival.

Attendance	Days absent	Lessons missed
100%	0 days of absence	0
96%	7 days of absence equates to 1 week and 2 days of learning	42
90%	17 days of absence equates to 3 weeks and 2 days of learning	102
85%	25.5 days of absence equates to 5 weeks and 0.5 days of learning	153
80%	34 days of absence equates to 6 weeks and 4 days of learning	204
75%	42.5 days of absence equates to 8 weeks and 2.5 days of learning	255

# BEHAVIOUR AND REWARDS

## MERITS

Can be issued by any member of staff:

- Academic achievement
- Excellent effort
- Outstanding work
- School Orchestra
- Sporting representation
- Beyond the call of duty
- Demonstrating great leadership in the classroom
- Fantastic homework
- Co-curricular contribution

## Certificates

Bronze Award: 50

Silver Award + £5 voucher: 100

Gold Award + £10 voucher: 150

## Top 5 merit achievers each week:

Friday hot chocolate and biscuits

Pupils' success is also celebrated in termly reward assemblies and Senior Prize Giving

# BEHAVIOUR & REWARDS

## Misconduct Marks

Head of Year detention after school (supervised time to reflect) on reaching 5 Misconduct Marks in any half term period or one-off serious incidences.

Academic detention (academic catch-up session) on a Monday lunch-time if class work or homework is poor / incomplete.

# THE CO-CURRICULAR PROGRAMME

Co-curricular is not just an added extra to the school day, but a vital component of an all-round education.

Co-curricular activities are character-enhancing and provide life-long skills.



Adventure	Duke of Edinburgh	Performing Arts	Sport	Clubs and Societies
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senior School Adventure Programme</li><li>• World Challenge</li><li>• Welsh Four Peaks</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Bronze</li><li>• Silver</li><li>• Gold</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Senior School Performance</li><li>• Choirs</li><li>• LAMDA exams</li><li>• Orchestras</li><li>• Performances</li><li>• Peripatetic lessons</li><li>• ABRMS exams</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Hockey</li><li>• Rugby</li><li>• Netball</li><li>• Football</li><li>• Cricket</li><li>• Swimming</li><li>• Tennis</li><li>• Cross Country</li><li>• Basketball</li><li>• And many more...!</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• History and Politics</li><li>• Young Writers</li><li>• Food Science</li><li>• Employer Talks</li><li>• Yoga</li><li>• Rockets, Space and Stars</li><li>• Young Enterprise</li><li>• Volunteering</li><li>• And many more...!</li></ul>

# POWER OF CREATIVITY

Day	Club	Year Group	Staff	Venue	Time	Notes
Wednesday (week 1)	Choir	8	D Pieters + M Johnson	Main Hall	13.05 - 13.35	Plus Music Scholars
Wednesday (week 2)	Stop Animation	8	P Ayres	PD Mac room/iPads	13.05 - 13.35	Plus House Prefects
	Pottery Painting	8	L Horton	Art dept.	13.05 - 13.35	Plus House Prefects
	Circus Skills	8	M Caddy	Rose Theatre	13.05 - 13.35	Plus House Prefects
	Creative Writing	8	M Balmer	D22	13.05 - 13.35	Plus House Prefects

Pears	Percival	Winkworth	Wollaston
Animation	Pottery	Circus Skills	Creative Writing

## EXCELSIOR FORUMS

Week 1: Monday (4.15-5pm)

Week 2: Monday (1.30-2-10pm)

This half term: Classics / Languages / Computer  
Science / PE / Sixth Form Lectures

# PERFORMING ARTS

- School Production: *Beauty and the Beast*
- Cantata: open to girls in Years 7-9
- Male Voice Choir: open to all boys in the school
- Orchestra: Any instrumentalists of grade 3 standard and above
- Music Technology and Composition
- Performance Venues:
  - All Saints Church
  - Clifton Cathedral
  - Bristol Cathedral
  - Redgrave Theatre
  - St Georges, Bristol

# SPORTS FIXTURES

- Autumn - Hockey & Rugby (County Netball)
- Spring - Netball & Football (County Hockey, Girls' Football, Boys' Rugby 7s)
- Summer - Cricket & Tennis (Athletics)
- Fixtures appear on SOCS
- Unavailability - at least two weeks' notice please
- Contact your coach who will email the team sheet at the start of the week

# EVENTS THIS YEAR

## September

- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> – Senior School Open Morning

## October

- Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> – Health and Wellbeing Speaker (Vaping)
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> – House Orienteering
- Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> – Restart a Heart
- Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> – Interhouse Cross Country
- Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> – House Singing Day

## November

- Monday 11<sup>th</sup> – Odd Socks Day (Anti-Bullying Week)
- Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> – Book Fair
- Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Fair

## December

- Monday 9<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Carol Service
- Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> – Xmas Jumper Day (End of Term 12.00)

January

February

March

- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday 7<sup>th</sup> – School Production
- Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> – Year 8 Parents' Evening

Monday 24<sup>th</sup> – Year 8 Rugby Trip

April

May

- Monday 19<sup>th</sup> – Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Y8 Assessment Week

June

- Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> – Rocket Car Day
- Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> – Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> – Year 8 Residential
- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> – Senior School Prizegiving
- Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> – Rose Day

July

- Friday 4<sup>th</sup> – Senior Sports Day
- Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> – House Challenge Day







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