



“Pride, Grit and Team Spirit”

### Newsletter

Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome to the latest edition of the City Academy Newsletter. This is where we publish information, celebrate achievements and share important updates.

Thank you for your continued support

Jon Angell, Principal

### **2017-2018 Remaining Term Dates**

Term	Start	End
Spring Term 4	Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March
Summer Term 5	Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> April	Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> May
Summer Term 6	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> June	Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> July

### **REMAINING INSET Days and OTHER IMPORTANT DATES**

#### **INSET – School closed to Pupils**

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April  
Friday 6<sup>th</sup> July  
Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July

#### **Other:**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> March – Year 11 Parents Evening  
Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> April – Year 9 Parents Evening  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> May – May Bank Holiday  
Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July – Year 8 Parents Evening

### **Non-uniform Day**

On Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> March, we are holding a non-uniform day, organised by our year 11 students, for their prom. They are asking students for a suggested donation of £1.

### **GCSE Results**

Please can year 11 parents make note of the date for GCSE results – this will be on Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2018.

### **Free School Meals – Are you eligible?**

If you **do not** receive Working Tax Credit your child may be eligible for Free School meals. Please apply online to the Bristol City Council [www.bristol.gov.uk/fsm](http://www.bristol.gov.uk/fsm) for an immediate answer

Free School Meal Forms can be obtained from our reception desk if you do not have access to the internet or if you need help completing the form. For any further information please contact Donna Stark - 0117 9542819

### **2018-2019 Term Dates**

We have published our term dates and INSET days for the next academic year as follows:

#### **2018-2019 Term Dates**

Autumn Term 1: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2018 - Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Autumn Term 2: Monday 5<sup>th</sup> November 2018 - Friday 21<sup>st</sup> December 2018

Spring Term 3: Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019 - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Spring Term 4: Monday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2019 - Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019

Summer Term 5: Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2019 - Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Summer Term 6: Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun 2019 - Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> Jul 2019

#### **INSET 2018-2019**

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2018  
Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
Friday 26<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
Monday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2019  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019

### **Attendance Information**

There is a direct number that you need to call if your child is going to be absent from school for any reason. The telephone number is 0117 9542822, this number will go straight to our attendance team.

### **Contact Details**

It is really helpful if you can please provide us with up to date contact details. Please send your child's name, along with your up to date telephone numbers and email addresses to [warel@cityacademy.bristol.sch.uk](mailto:warel@cityacademy.bristol.sch.uk) or tell reception.

## Reading Award Winners

Congratulations to our reading award winners:

Y7 - Benedicta Lobela and Serayia Johnson

Y8 - Karima Halhoul and Ladan Mohamed

Runners up:

Y7 - Syeem Ali, Aditya Bhandi and Samiira Ali Hassan

Y8 - Jahvona Rolle, Atiya Sultana, and Asiyo Ali

Word Millionaires:

Y7 - Maya McKenzie

Y8 - Ridita Hussain and Hassan Omar



## Maths Fest Competition

Miss Lovell took a group of 4 students, Miski, Sammy, Ikal and Ihtisham, to a year 10 maths fest competition. Although we did not win, they tried their best, worked extremely hard and worked really well as a team. If you see them congratulate them on their mathematical success!



## RFU's All Schools Programme

Year 8 student, Patrick Towa recently had the chance of a lifetime when he walked onto the pitch before the highly charged England v Wales game at Twickenham, in front of 80,000 fans and post-match met some of the players, wearing City Academy's brand new Rugby shirt which he and a team of three other students designed

The design is a dark blue shirt with City Academy's logo emblazoned on the chest and City Academy's values down the arm of the sleeve which are pride, grit and team spirit.



## Spanish Tapas Trip

A group of students recently went on a reward trip to a Spanish Tapas restaurant where they got to sample some excellent tapas and practice their spanish.



## World Book Day 2018

Students and staff took part in a week of activities for World Book Day.

Over half-term staff took part in a 'Get Caught Reading' competition and then students took part in a competition using these photos where students had to find the 'caught' image and number as well as the 'reading' image.

Staff completed a sheet about their favourite book. This has been collated and made into a book for students and visitors.

Students also took part in a World Book Day quiz.

On World book Day itself, students and staff were invited to wear fancy dress - dressing up as a book character. Students were all given a £1 World Book Day voucher and £1 books were available in the library so students were able to swap their voucher for a book!

Staff brought in their favourite book and read an extract to every class for five minutes at the start of each lesson, and in English students took part in a 'story around the class' where during silent reading time, students wrote two sentences of a story each and found how they could create their own story.



## Author Visit

A group of 15 students went to an author talk at Junction 3 Library given by young adult author Patrice Lawrence. The students had a chance to chat with the author, and listened to a talk about her life, her inspiration and her tips for future writers. She also talked about the importance of black and Muslim characters in young adult fiction. The students thought she was funny and inspiring, and left feeling excited about their future writing!



## Future Quest Mentoring Scheme

As part of the Future Quest mentoring scheme, Yasmin Curtis and Kerry Boucher, both recent graduates currently working as Paediatric Nurses at Bristol Children's Hospital, have been collaborating with teachers to provide professional group mentoring opportunities for students. They visited a group of students to discuss their pathways into nursing and the challenges they overcame along the way. They were able to offer insight into the challenges and successes of their time in Further and Higher Education. Listening attentively, the students asked questions and sought advice about how to make positive choices and where to get support.

Future Quest is all about encouraging young people to get into Higher Education. By working collaboratively with HE providers, schools, colleges, employers and partners, Future Quest aims to offer students opportunities to learn about educational pathways, university and the development of skills to make successful choices and progression. With regular mentoring sessions students will have the opportunity to listen to the stories of professionals from a cross section of industry.



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