

The new school year got off to a flying start! In just four weeks, with the support of a strong community, we have seen the anxious year 7 students settle well and manage the challenges of moving to a large school. At the start of term, assemblies revisited our KLB Vision and Values and focused on the community. It is lovely to hear the KLB core values talked about in lessons, assemblies and in conversations between staff and students.

The core values were never more evident than at our Open Evening and Open Mornings. Students signed up in their droves to be tour guides, speakers and department helpers, chatting confidently and enthusiastically to prospective parents and students. Many parents who attended the open evening also came along to our Open Mornings to see the school during a typical working day. At events such as these, our students take centre stage and remind us how proud we are to be part of this community. In the days that followed Open Evening, my inbox was flooded with feedback. Here are extracts from just three messages that sum up the sentiment expressed in the feedback of so many of our visitors:



I just wanted to say a few words about your open evening yesterday. I was really impressed! What a lovely school! All of the children appeared so happy and keen. It was great to meet the teachers and not only see the children's work, but watch them in action ... Both my children thoroughly enjoyed the evening and are now very excited about the future and potentially attending KLB.



We visited the school for an open evening the other week, and we just wanted to email you about the student who showed us around. Her name was XXXX. Of all the schools we have looked around she was the most animated, confident student we have come across and we were really impressed with the way she answered all our questions, listened to our boys and took them to the places they were interested in. She did a great job of making our boys fall in love with the school and super excited about going to secondary school.

I just wanted to say how amazed I am with the older students and the 6th formers in your school. I bought my daughter to KLB this evening and although she really wants to go to KLB she was also very nervous about going to secondary school next year. However the students of KLB answered any questions she had and explained everything so well to her that she left feeling confident and excited to be starting next year. You should be really proud of them all and how they have represented the school this evening. I certainly am and I am also less nervous about her starting secondary now, knowing that she will be well looked after by excellent role models. I needed to share how they have made a little girl so scared become so excited in one evening.



Another highlight of the KLB year is the Careers Convention, which took place this month. With the support of a vast array of providers and employers, students in years 9 – 13 spent an enjoyable and productive evening exploring work experience opportunities, finding out about apprenticeships, discussing universities possibilities, and gaining an insight into the world of work that awaits them. Once again, our visitors commented on the calibre of the questions asked and purposeful discussions they had with our students.

It has been lovely to welcome many parents back into school at our year group information evenings. Thank you for your support. I hope you enjoy reading the first newsletter of 2023/24 and look forward to sharing with you the many success stories that will unfold over the course of the year.

Hannah Khan, Headteacher

Year 6 Open Evening

Thank you and well done to our fantastic teaching staff, associate staff and students for their contribution at the recent open evening which showed KLB at its best.

Year 6 pupils and their parents were treated to a range of demonstrations and interactive activities across departments. These included a 40s tea party in history, calligraphy in languages, print-making in art, chemical 'explosions' in science, and identifying correlations in maths to name but a few.

It was evident that staff and students alike are **proud to be** part of the school community

The impression made on parents and pupils during the evening is summarised in the following words of appreciation from one of our visitors below:

I wanted to write to say 'thank you' for last night. My son ... absolutely loved it. For my part I wanted to observe the KLB students, to see how they were without a parent or member of staff with them, to see if I could pick up the 'vibes' of the place - to use the scientific term. We both felt it was a lovely, calm (as you had promised) place and the students seemed genuinely happy and proud of their school. [KLB Year 11 student] was incredibly helpful, open and honest and spoke as someone who really did believe what she was saying ... More than anything, she convinced me that KLB would look after my son and help him reach his potential. In itself, this is a great achievement for a Year 11, and goes to show how you prepare your students and help them to grow.





Careers Convention 2023

We were delighted by the response of local businesses, education providers, and others to our invitation to attend this year's Careers Convention at school. Over 70 different organisations joined us to offer advice and guidance to students from years 9 to 13 across a wide range of employment sectors.

The main aim of the event is to provide as broad a range as possible of career and further/higher education opportunities for students to explore. It also provides students and their parents the chance to talk directly to employers about the qualifications and skills that are valued in the workplace.

It was clear that students and their parents embraced the opportunity to have first-hand conversations with the representatives and the evening was busy throughout. We are really pleased that so many students and parents were able to attend and to take advantage of the wealth of advice and guidance on offer.



We would like to extend a huge thank you to all the organisations that participated on the evening. We really appreciate the contribution made towards informing our students about their options for the future. It was especially lovely to invite so many past students back to school representing a diverse selection of employment and training sectors including primary teaching, engineering, IT technology, veterinary, sport and leisure and colleges.

Thank you, too, to the year 11 and sixth form students who helped to make our visitors feel welcome as they arrived and set up, or who helped with food and refreshments. Your support was invaluable to the smooth running of the whole event.

Here are just a few of the comments made by visitors from participating organisations:

Excellent event, well planned, well communicated and blown away by the level of engagement by the students

The pupils helping out were excellent. Made us very welcome and helped us find where we needed to be. The whole atmosphere has been very positive, and we were impressed with the level of students' preparation and genuine interest.

This has to be one of the best/well planned careers fairs that we have attended. The students were very engaged and asked lots of questions concerning work experience and also university.



Amazing communication and help and very welcoming staff.

Your year 11s who showed us around were so friendly, smiley and welcoming. They are a credit to you. Thank you for having us.

Always welcomed, professional and confident students, excellent catering and valuable opportunities to reach young people.

Excellent catering and hosting by the students. Good energy in the event and good purposeful focus

Great and worthwhile event, fantastically run. Thanks to student helpers, they were fabulous!

Fantastic students! Great conversations.



Careers Information

Careers website for parents/carers

Careerplilot is a great website for parents/carers to get information on a range of areas, including choices at 14, 16 and 18 as well as apprenticeships and colleges. The link below takes you to the key page on the website.

<https://www.careerplilot.org.uk/parent-zone>

Guest speakers

We are always on the lookout for adults to share their experiences of the world of work so that we can broaden our students' awareness of the potential careers related opportunities out in the 'real world'.

If you would be interested in sharing information about your career path, the skill set needed for your particular field of work, your working environment or any other relevant details, please let me know. There is no doubt that hearing ideas from people in the wider working community can be a powerful and enriching experience for our students.

College and Sixth Form Open Days

Year 11 students and their parents may be interested in the following open events at local colleges. Please note that, in most cases, you will need to book via the college website.

Sat 7 October	City of Bristol College	10am – 1pm
Sat 7 October	SGS College (Filton, Stroud, Wise, QR)	10am – 1pm
Sat 7 October	Berkeley Green UTC	10am – 1pm
Sat 14 October	Cirencester College	10am – 3pm
Sat 4 November	Access Creative College	11am – 2pm
Sat 18 November	SGS College (Filton, Stroud, Wise, QR)	10am – 1pm
Sat 18 November	Berkeley Green UTC	10am – 1pm
Thurs 23 November	City of Bristol	5 – 7.30pm

In addition, please put the date of the **KLB Sixth Form Open Evening** in your diary:

Thursday 16 November 6.30 – 8.30pm

Simon Pegg, Head of Careers

spegg@klbschool.org.uk

Eggsiting Eggventures for Year 12 Psychology Students



Over the last week or so, year 12 psychology students have had a smashing time looking after their egg babies. This is no yolk! Whilst studying attachment, they all became proud parents to a little baby egg. They were able to name them and decorate them to give them some cracking personalities.

The task was simple; they had to look after their baby egg at all times from when they were given them in lesson until Sunday evening. The purpose of this eggperiment was to highlight to the students how important bonding factors in early attachment are.



Students have been learning about proximity, separation distress and secure-base behaviour. Caring for their baby eggs helped them to consider the importance of these factors whilst looking after their egg at all times. Overall, the babies were well cared for during their eggventures, accompanying the students in their daily tasks, including the careers fair, and weekend plans.

C Landeg, Psychology Teacher

Students Develop their Creativity at Photography Club

Year 7 and 8 students are making the most of the opportunities at KLB and have taken some fantastic photos at photography club, which takes place every Thursday in T5 with Mr Chilman. The club gives students the chance to develop their photography skills and creativity, and to have their work celebrated.

Photography is a creative subject all about responding to the world around you to show how you see things. The students have made a great start and we look forward to seeing how they develop as photographers over the weeks.

This week's theme was colour, shape and texture. The students went for a walk around the school looking for inspiration. We were impressed with their first photoshoots – some fantastic first attempts for novice photographers.



Herbie Holmes, year 7



If there are any year 7 or year 8 students who would like to come along, please speak to Mr Chilman in T5 over in the art department. Places are limited to 20. No need to bring a camera as you can use your phone! It is always great to welcome new photographers!

T Chilman, Art Teacher

Sam Jackman, year 8



Wren Stockley, year 7

Year 12 First Day

As summer finally arrived and we all came back to school, it was an enormous pleasure to welcome our new Year 12 students. The first day is always a moment of trepidation, but it was great to see the students put aside their nerves and get stuck in to some fun. As is the tradition, all tutor groups were set a series of competitive challenges. The enthusiasm and creativity were palpable and the results extremely entertaining for those of us judging. 12CRR have thrown down the gauntlet for inter-tutor competition to come with their decisive win.

J Campion, Head of Sixth Form



(Clockwise from top left: Yoga posing, gymnastics display, Tiktok video challenge, Jump! a different perspective)

History Department Winner

The Gloucestershire Historical Association has announced that Isabelle Adams in year 10 is the winner of the Richard Slessor Memorial Prize for history.



Isabelle's submission explained what the Battle of Nibley Green meant to her as a student of KLB and a young person that lives near Berkeley. This really impressed the judges and we would also like to congratulate Isabelle on her achievement. The Historical Association awarded Isabelle £50.

Isabelle entered the competition through the KLB History club, which she attended for two years. If you are in year 8 and would like to get involved in history club, we meet every Wednesday lunchtime in H1. If you are interested in local history, you may like to read an excerpt from Isabelle's essay below:

The battle of Nibley Green was fought near North Nibley in Gloucestershire on 20 March 1470, during the War of the Roses, between the troops of Thomas Talbot, 2nd Viscount Lisle, and William Berkeley, 2nd Baron of Berkeley. It is notable for being the last battle fought in England entirely between the private armies of feudal magnates. The battle of Nibley Green is important to me as, being from Berkeley and going to school in Wotton, it forms a sense of connection as the Berkeley family had Wotton as one of their lands 500 years before and after the battle. Another reason the battle is important to me is that Lady Kathrine Berkeley founded the school that I go to in 1384. It also symbolises the power that the Berkeley's has over Wotton before the Talbots came to power. It was also very likely that older children that went to the school at the time of its founding were in the army on the side of Baron Berkeley, however older children that went to school at the time of the Talbots power were most likely in the army on the Talbots side, most of these were killed. The school was divided in views during this time.

K Medcroft, Head of History

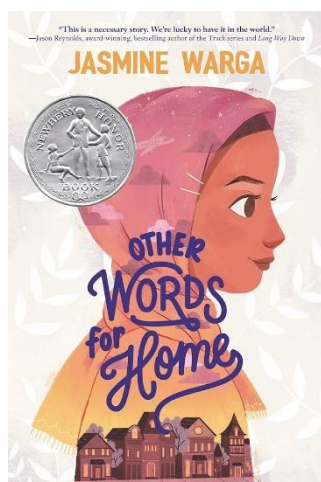
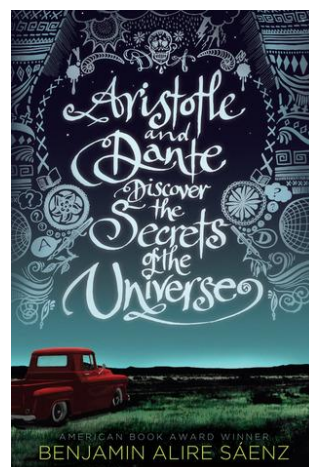
September diversity books

Each month we are sharing two books recommended by students in our recent diversity book project in RE.

Aristotle and Dante Discover the Secrets of the Universe by Benjamin Alire Saenz

Dante can swim. Ari can't. Dante is articulate and self-assured. Ari has a hard time with words and suffers from self-doubt. Dante gets lost in poetry and art. Ari gets lost in thoughts of his older brother who is in prison. Dante is fair skinned. Ari's features are much darker.

It seems that a boy like Dante, with his open and unique perspective on life, would be the last person to break down the walls that Ari has built around himself.



Other Words For Home by Jasmine Warga

Jude never thought she would be leaving her beloved older brother and father behind, all the way across the ocean in Syria. But, when things in her hometown start becoming volatile, Jude and her mother are sent to live in Cincinnati with relatives.

At first, everything in America seems too fast and too loud. The American movies that Jude has always loved haven't quite prepared her for starting school in the US, and her new label of 'Middle Eastern', an identity she's never known before. But this life also brings unexpected surprises: THERE are new friends, a whole new family; maybe America, too, is a place where Jude can be seen as she really is.

K Williams, RE Teacher



We have had a busy start to the new term in the library, welcoming our new Year 7 cohort and showing them how to use the space and borrow the wonderful books we have on the shelves.

Our induction lessons involved solving book-related clues to open locked cases and all students got stuck in and worked together to help crack the codes. Their reward was to choose a brand new book to keep! Through the BookTrust Bookbuzz scheme, a reading programme which aims to inspire a love of reading in 11 to 13 year olds, the library is pleased to offer students a choice one of 16 titles (shown below) carefully selected to ensure quality, suitability and to encourage reading for pleasure. Students should receive a copy of their chosen book later in the term and these will be handed out during their English lessons.



Overdue books

Following the summer break, we have rather a lot of overdue books. Now that we are back, please encourage your child to have a good look at home and return any books that they find. Sometimes, we cannot process books the same day they are placed in the Returns Box and this is causing some confusion as email reminders are automatically generated by the library computer system. We would ask students who get a reminder and know they have already put their books in the box to be patient – we will process them as soon as we can.

Wednesday Lunchtime Quiet Read

Now that the autumnal weather has set in, students may like to take advantage of our quiet read session in the library every Wednesday where they can curl up with a good book and read while eating lunch. Please arrive for 1.15pm and settle in for a quiet read with no distractions. What could be better?

Esra Koroqlu-Ward and Leah Hill, Librarians

Parent Workshops

KLB School's Pastoral Support Advisor, Suzie Smyth-Roberts, will be running a series of workshops for parents throughout the year. We will issue further information prior to each workshop but you may wish to make a note of the following dates:

Thurs 19 Oct	A Guide to the Teenage Brain
Wed 29 Nov	A Guide to Anxiety and Stress
Tues 20 Jan	A Guide to Building Resilience
Tues 23 Apr	A Guide to Challenging Behaviour

Japanese Assistant

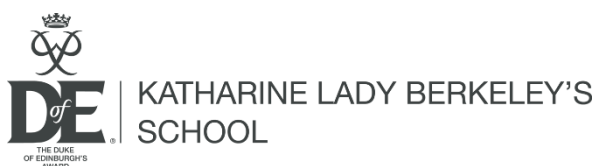
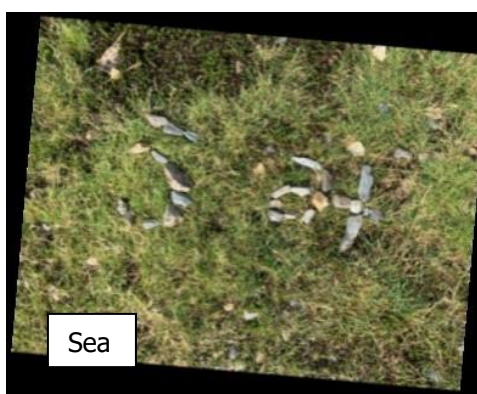
The Japanese department is delighted to welcome back Mrs Richards again this year. Thanks to a generous grant from the [Japan Foundation](#), we have funding for Richards-sensei to support the learning of students in Years 10 and 11 as they prepare for their GCSE in Japanese. She will be visiting lessons and offering extra practice on Thursday lunchtimes to students in Key Stage 4. どうぞよろしくお願いします。

Summer sando-ji

Thank you to those students who submitted photographs of kanji and hiragana characters from their summer holidays. It's always possible to keep your learning fresh! Here are some of our favourite entries.

Thank you to Conor Godfrey, Elisia Cerullo, Sophie Morwood and Ella Matthews.

Japanese Department



This month we have launched DofE at Bronze level to year 9 students, at Silver level to year 10 and at Gold level to year 12 students.

We recommend that students who are keen to participate should get started on suitable activities if they wish to do so, as the start date for the award can be backdated to the beginning of September for all those who are enrolled during half term or before.

If you have any questions about the award programme, please email hisaacs@klbschool.org.uk

Helen Isaacs, DofE Coordinator

Year 7 Rugby

The year 7 boys have made a fantastic start to rugby at KLB. Nearly 60 boys have attended the after school club with the vast majority new to the game. They have made excellent progress in just a few short weeks.

On 26 September the boys had their first game. Forty-nine boys enjoyed a training fixture in Cheltenham with Bournside School. No scores were kept, but it was lovely to see KLB making tries in all three games.

Training continues every Tuesday after school and is open to players of all abilities and experiences.



Sixth Form Rugby



The sixth form rugby started the year with a well-attended and competitive internal fixture, It was so pleasing to see so many boys keen to get involved, with some familiar faces as well as a few players coming along for the first time.

Our first fixture was against Bournside School who always provide very good competition and, as expected, this was a tough encounter. Cheered on by a large crowd, the team were excellent running 38-29 in a festival of running rugby. Player of the match was Henry Bayston while the Blazer of Shame went to Charlie Shipp.

The team was excellently led by Tom Eldridge who will captain the team this season.

R Daniel, Head of PE

Girls PE

The department has had a fantastic start to a new academic year. Commitment, enjoyment and attendance at clubs has been outstanding, with over 150 girls attending both football and hockey clubs in years 7, 8 and 9.

The year 7 hockey girls are excited about their first fixture approaching this week, where we are proud to be able to take A, B and C teams to Prior Park School in Bath. Thank you to the 40 year 8 and 9 girls who came to represent KLB at our open evening, at which we had a fun filled and active evening of sport, to showcase the department.



Clubs this term for KS3 are as follows:

Tuesday	Year 8/9 girls hockey and year 7 girls football
Wednesday	Year 8 and 9 girls football
Friday	Year 7 girls hockey

L Wills, Head of Girls PE

Schools Horse Event Equestrian Games One Day Eventing 2023 Championships

One-day events (ODE) are the ultimate test for horse and rider. Each combination takes part in all three phases: dressage, show jumping and cross-country with a combined total score collected to decide the placing.

Following Flo Hall-Smith and Harwood Fortitude's win at a qualifying ODE event earlier this year at Rectory Farm, the combination progressed onto the ODE Championship event at Dauntsey's School last Saturday, 23 September, representing KLB and featured below.



The competition was tough and Flo achieved a good dressage score, had just one pole down in the show-jumping and went clear in the Cross Country. She was unfortunate to have a time-penalty as they turned the wrong way but Flo thoroughly enjoyed taking part and placed 13th overall.

We welcome new members into the school equestrian team. If your child owns or has access to a loan horse/pony with transport and would like to compete for the school in dressage, show-jumping or ODE, please contact Sharron Bates at sbates@klbschool.org.uk to register interest.

Health Care at KLB

First Aid

The school has a number of trained First Aiders who can offer first aid and support in the management of medical conditions.

Please note that First Aiders are not trained to diagnose medical conditions. If your child suffers an illness or injury at home, please ensure that it is treated before they come to school and that medical advice is sought if necessary.

If your child becomes ill or suffers an injury at school and the condition is more serious than can be treated by the First Aid team, we will contact parents/carers. It is therefore important that the school has up to date daytime contact details for parents/carers at all times.

Medication

Any student who needs to take medication in school must take it to the medical room with a completed KLB Medicine Consent Form explaining the purpose of the medication, the dose and frequency, signed by the parent or carer. Only medicines that remain in their original container with clear instructions regarding dosage can be accepted.

For health and safety reasons it is important that students do not carry medication with them at any time. It could present a risk to the student themselves as well as to others. The exception is reliever inhalers and auto injectors/epipens: students for whom these are prescribed must carry them at all times and they must be clearly marked with the student's name and tutor group.

Cold Symptoms

Now that there is generally more social mixing, children are picking up cold bugs. We would not expect a child with cold symptoms to come to First Aid. If the symptoms are such that your child is not able to manage a day at school, please do not send him/her in to school.

Covid

Covid testing is no longer required in schools, colleges or other education settings. Following expert advice, we now know that Covid presents a low risk of serious illness to most children and young people, and most of those who are fully vaccinated.

Due to high immunity in society, a greater understanding of the virus and improved access to treatments, we can now focus on how we live with COVID-19. This means we do not expect students or staff in education settings to routinely test themselves for COVID-19.

We are aware, however, there may be reasons why some people are continuing to test at home. Children and young people aged 18 and under with a positive COVID-19 test result are advised to try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people for three days, which is when they are most infectious.

First Aid Team

Extra-curricular Activities – Terms 1 and 2

	Club	Venue	Time	Member of Staff	Age Range
Mon	Drama Club	DRS	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mr Blake	Years 7/8
	Diversity Club	N1	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Williams	Year 8
	Jazz Band	MU1	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Dudbridge	Musicians grade 3+
	The Reading Club	A4	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mr Ford/Mrs Gould	Years 7/8/9
	Recreational Badminton	Sports Hall	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Bates	All Years
	Hockey Goalkeeping	Astro	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Meredith	All Years
	Senior Girls and Boys Hockey	Astro	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Meredith	Years 12/13
	Table Tennis	Sports Hall	2.50 – 4.00pm	External Coach	All Years
	Homework Club	A1	2.50 – 4.00pm	Learning Support	All Years
Tues	KLB School Choir	MU1	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Dudbridge	All Years
	Chess Club	N6	1.10 – 1.45pm	Prefects	All Years
	Fencing	Sports Hall	1.10 – 1.45pm	External Coach	All Years
	Sixth Form Badminton	Sports Hall	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Bates	Years 12/13
	Craft Club from Term 2	Library	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Koroglu-Ward	Years 7/8/9
	KS5 Maths Drop-in	M1	2.50 – 3.50pm	Mrs Beltrami	Years 12/13
	KS3 Maths Drop-in	M2	2.50 – 3.50pm	Miss Jones	Years 7/8/9
	KLB School Orchestra	Mu1	3.00 – 4.00pm	Music teachers	All Instrumentalists
	Greenpower Car Club	D3	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Thomson	Various Y8-13
	GCSE DT catch-up	D2	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Hanney	Year 11
	Year 7 Boys Rugby	Field	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Daniel	Year 7 boys
	Year 8/9 Girls Hockey	Astro	2.50 – 4.00pm	LCJ/ALC	Years 8/9 girls
	Year 7 Girls Football	Field/3G	2.50 – 4.00pm	LCB/LMW	Year 7 girls
	Homework Club	A1	2.50 – 4.00pm	Learning Support	All Years
Wed	Warhammer Club	N2	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mr Jones	All Years
	Ukulele Club	Mu2	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Dudbridge	All Years
	Warhammer Club	N2	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mr Jones	All Years
	History Mysteries Detective Club	H1	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Medcroft	Year 8
	Quiet Reading	Library	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Koroglu-Ward	All Years
	The Great Literary Debate Club	A4	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs McAllister	Years 10/11/12/13
	Recreational Badminton	Sports Hall	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Bates	All Years
	Yoga	Dance Studio	1.10 – 1.45pm	External Coach	All Years
	Science Club from Term 2	S2	2.50 – 3.50pm	Science teachers	Year 7
	Warhammer Club	N2	2.50 – 3.50pm	Mr Jones	All Years
	Year 10 Boys Rugby	Field	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Meredith	Year 10 Boys
	Year 11 Boys Rugby	Field	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Grenfell-W	Year 11 Boys
	Sixth Form Boys Rugby	Field	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Daniel	Years 12/13 Boys
	Years 10/11 Girls Hockey	Astro	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mrs Wills	Years 10/11 girls
	Years 8/9 Girl Football	Field/3G	2.50 – 4.00pm	Miss Chinnick	Years 8/9 girls
	Homework Club	A1	2.50 – 4.00pm	Learning Support	All Years
Thurs	Chess Club	N6	1.10 – 1.45pm	Prefects	All Years
	Chamber Choir	Mu2	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mr Smith	Please enquire
	String Orchestra	Mu1	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mr Smith	All string players
	Poetry Society	T&L room	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs McAllister	All Years
	Yoga	Squash Court	1.10 – 1.45pm	External Coach	All Years
	Street Dance	Dance Studio	1.10 – 1.45pm	External Coach	All Years
	Photography Club	T5	3.00 – 4.00pm	Mr Chilman	Years 7/8
	Famelab Academy from Nov	S7	2.50 – 3.50pm	Mr Goode	Year 9
	KS4 Maths Drop-in	M2	2.50 – 3.50pm	Mr McPherson	Years 10/11
	Year 8 Boys Rugby	Field	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Dudbridge	Year 8 boys
	Year 9 Boys Rugby	Field	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Capaldi	Year 9 boys
	Years 10/11 Girls Football	Field/3G	2.50 – 4.00pm	Miss Johnstone	Years 10/11 girls
	Homework Club	A1	2.50 – 4.00pm	Learning Support	All Years
Fri	Samba Band	MU2	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mrs Dudbridge	All Years
	Book Club	R6&7	1.10 – 1.45pm	Mr Morgan	Years 7 – 11
	Year 7 Girls Hockey	Astro	2.50 – 4.00pm	Mrs Wills	Year 7 girls
	Health and Wellbeing		2.50 – 4.00pm	Mr Meredith	Years 7/8/9

Library Access Open to all years Mon/Tues/Thurs/Fri lunchtime (Quiet reading only on Wed lunchtime)

Open to all years after school until 4pm Mon-Thurs and 3.30pm on Friday

Duke of Edinburgh Award Scheme: available at Bronze level (Y9), Silver level (Y10) and Gold level (Y12)

Equestrian team representing KLB at competitions: students must have access to their own horse and transport

KLB Friends

Hello!

We are KLB friends, the 'PTA-like' supporters of KLB school.

We are rising phoenix-like after KLB friends had a few quiet years post lockdown.

We are:

Chair Ciara Knight
Vice Chair Janet Young
Secretary Caroline Grant
Treasurer Alison Wiltshire



We work with the school to improve the school experience for all of our children.

We have set out this year to do a few things:

- Enhance the sense of community amongst parents
- Raise some money for the school
- Create a lasting committee that will persist beyond individual members
- Showcase pupils talents where we can
- Have some fun.

Our AGM is on **Monday 9 October, 6.30 – 7.30pm at school. Please come along and find out about us, and let us know what you would like from your KLBFriends.**

We also intend to be popping up a number of small refreshment stands at various school and community events throughout the year, so please reach out to get on our helpers list (we have web page, email, facebook and twitter accounts. We are also connected into the Whatsapp year groups).

The next few events that we need helpers and cakes are:

Wed 11 Oct 6.00-7.30pm Year 7 welcome concert

Tue 24 Oct 6.30-8.30pm Year 11 Core Subjects and Mock Preparation Evening

We also hope to have a presence at Bonfire celebrations and Christmas events in the wider community. Do let us know if you can help (even just for an hour), or if you are a proficient cake baker (or purchaser – we sell shop bought cakes too!)

THANK YOU to those of you who have already signed up and/or helped and we look forward to seeing you soon.

Ciara, Janet, Caroline and Ali

PS: We raised £377 from the refreshments stall at the 10km race at Renishaw. Thank you!

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ROUNDTABLE

WOTTON-UNDER-EDGE & DISTRICT 974

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GATES OPEN 5.30PM

FIRST DISPLAY 6.30PM

BONFIRE LIT 7.00PM

MAIN DISPLAY 7.30PM

*Tickets are only
available online.*

*All proceeds go to
local causes.*

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scan the QR code to support
KLB School*



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What's on in OCTOBER?

The Keepers is a community hub supporting the residents of Wotton and surrounding areas. It is here for everyone. Either come along to one of the organised groups below, or just pop in for a chat and a cuppa - whenever we are open. Come as you are, bring what you can and take what you need.

Monday

- Parent Support Group** - a support group by parents for parents. 9.15am - 10.45am
- Citizens Advice** - to book an appointment call 0800 800510/511 or just drop in. 30th October. 10am - 2pm
- Age UK Gloucestershire** - a social group for those who are 50+. 11am - 12.30pm
- Age UK Gloucestershire Help Team** - drop in and ask questions about any aspect of later life. No booking needed. 2nd October. 11am - 12.30pm
- Chair Yoga** - join in with some gentle, supportive yoga. Open to all. No booking is needed. Pay As You Feel (PAYF). 1.30pm - 2.30pm
- After School Drop In** - reading, games and toast available. Children to come with an accompanying adult. Also runs through the holidays. 3pm - 4pm
- Menopause Support Group** - a peer support group for those affected by menopause. 2nd October. 7pm - 8.30pm

Thursday

- Lloyds Bank** - drop in for basic transactions such as account balance, direct debit, standing order and bill payment enquiries for both personal and business account customers. No cash services are available. 9.30am - 3pm
- Wotton Area Neurodivergent Support group (WANDS)** - a group run by, and for, ND adults and parents/carers of ND children including Autism, ADHD, PDA, Dyslexia etc. 12th October. 9.30am - 11.00am
- Wotton Area Breast Support Group** - anyone touched by breast cancer is invited to drop in and meet others who know just how it feels. The next meeting is on 19th October. 10am - 11am
- Gloucestershire Deaf Association Hearing Aid Clinic** - 5th October. To book an appointment, call 01452 372999. 10am - 12pm
- Qigong** - meditation, breathing and gentle movement. No booking is needed. Pay As You Feel. 12pm - 1pm
- Independence Trust and NHS social prescribers' Drop In** - help to connect and grow in confidence. Just drop in, no appointment needed. 11am - 1pm
- Welcome Space** - run by the Independence Trust and CALMHS - a space to talk and be listened to. Call 01453 767999 to book. 1.30pm - 3.30pm
- Menopause Support Group** - a peer support group for those affected by menopause. 19th October. 7pm - 8.30pm

Tuesday

- The Keepers' Garden** - the garden is open - come along to plant, dig, weed, sit or just chat with our gardener. Refreshments provided. 10am - 12pm
- The Carers' Café** - run by Healthcare Assistants from Culverhay and Chipping surgeries. Coffee, chat and advice if needed. Just drop in. Carers can come by themselves or bring the person they care for. 3rd and 17th October. 10.30am - 12.30pm
- Dementia Connections** - for anyone who would like to make connections, including those living with dementia, long term health conditions, and unpaid carers. Activities and conversation. 10th and 24th October. 10.30am - 12.30pm
- Sing 2 Remember** - sing together, share memories and make friends. Come and join this supported, dementia-friendly singing session. Just turn up. 3rd and 17th October. 10.45am - 11.45am
- Tuesday Lunches** - come and join us for a warm meal, open to all and Pay As You Feel (PAYF). Spaces are limited, so to book a space please call 07585 466418 or pop in to find out what's on the menu! 12.30pm - 1.30pm
- The Keepers' Car Club** is also running on Tuesdays to provide transport from your home to the hot lunches. Places are limited so to book please call 07585 466418 or pop in to The Keepers.
- Ukulele group** - open to beginners and those who already play. Come along and join in. 3rd and 17th October. 2.15pm - 3.15pm

Friday

- Small Circles** - music and movement for pre-school children and their adult. 9.30am - 11am
- The Keepers' Garden** - the garden is open - Come along to plant, dig, weed, sit or just chat with our gardener. Refreshments provided. 10am - 12pm
- Drop In Café** - all welcome on a Pay As You Feel basis. This cafe is quieter than a Wednesday, the tables are spaced apart, board games available if wanted. 11.30am - 12.30pm

OPENING TIMES

Monday, Tuesday and Thursday:
9.00am - 4.00pm

Wednesday and Friday:
9.00am - 1.00pm

Wednesday

- Drop In Café** - all welcome on a Pay As You Feel basis. 10am - 12pm
- Craft and Chat** with tea and cake - held fortnightly on 11th and 25th October. Learn how to use a Kumihimo ring. 10am - 12pm
- P3 Drop In** - help with a range of issues e.g. housing, debt and benefit support. No booking needed. 10am - 12pm
- Job Club** - help with CVs and employment support. Drop in, no booking required. 10am - 12pm
- Stroud District Council Housing Officer Drop In** - pop in and talk to Rachel. 10.30am - 11.30am
- Health Visitor Drop In** - available to weigh babies and answer any questions. Next drop in is on 4th October. 10am - 12pm
- Other visitors to the Café** - all 10am - 12pm:
- Gloucestershire Carers' Hub** - if you support someone, come and get some advice and find out what is available. 4th October.
- Men's Shed** - talk about the projects they're working on and discuss yours. 11th October.
- Gloucestershire Older Persons' Association** - aims to provide a voice for all those over 50 living in Gloucestershire. 11th October.
- Wotton Heritage Centre** - Janet will be sharing old photographs. 18th October.
- Ask Us - Gloucestershire Library Service** - find out about the free, fast information service. 25th October.
- Wotton Area Neurodivergent Support group (WANDS)** - a group run by, and for, ND adults and parents/carers of ND children including Autism, ADHD, PDA, Dyslexia etc. The next meeting is on 25th October. 7pm - 9pm
- Talk Club** - a new talking and listening club for men to help keep mentally fit. 4th and 18th October. 7pm - 8.30pm

Courses at The Keepers

- IT Course (Adult Education)** - Next steps for tablet/iPad users. This 6-week course has spaces. **Mondays** 1.30pm - 3.30pm
 - Art Shape** - a 6-week creative arts course. This course is full, if interested in another art course, please contact us. **Thursdays** 9.30am - 11.30am
 - Cookery Course (Adult Education)** - Confidence in the kitchen. This 3-week course has spaces. **Thursdays** 9.30am - 11.30am
- To find out about the eligibility for these courses, book a space or ask a question - contact us on 07585 466418, email thekeeperscommunityhub@gmail.com or pop in.

It's important to us that everyone is included, the Hub is accessible to all and we work in collaboration with other local organisations. www.thekeepers.org.uk Reg Charity No. 1192121