

July Newsletter 2022

Headteacher's Address

Dear Parents and Carers,

Well, here we are at the end of another school year! It has been a very good year with lots of activities and opportunities provided for students as we emerge from the pandemic conditions. As ever, I have been very proud of the efforts and achievements of our students – it was a pleasure to attend the Anne Frank Somerset Youth Awards in Wells Cathedral earlier in the year and see so many of our students achieving recognition for their creative writing. Particular congratulations to Heidi Davis who took first place in the Key Stage 4 category. Likewise, it was wonderful to hear about the success of so many of our students in the maths challenge – a particular well done to Zeppy Malachy for her achievements in the European competition! We have seen sporting successes, amazing culinary skills, excellent artwork and great participation in events such as the STEM day at Strode and the public speaking day with Talk the Talk where I was delighted that every student showed resilience and did a presentation in spite of their nerves. Well done to all. It was a bittersweet day on 5th July as we held our Year 11 Leavers' assembly and then joined Year 11 for their prom in the evening. We all had a wonderful time at the prom – some fantastic outfits and, as ever, good humour from Year 11. The Loft did us proud with the décor, music and food. We all wish Year 11 the very best and look forward to hearing how they are getting on in their next steps; we have had a great five years with them and will always think of them fondly.

The day after the prom, we had the pleasure of welcoming our new Year 7 students for their transition day; it was a great day and it was lovely to see the enthusiasm of the new students as well as the kindness shown to them by our student helpers. The speeches made by students at the evening event for parents were beautifully written and delivered; they truly embodied the spirit of St Dunstan's – well done to all involved. I was delighted by the quality of applications for student leaders this year – Mr Oakwood and I agreed they were of the very highest standard. Congratulations to all those who have secured a leadership post, particularly to Arthur Reakesmith and Olivia Masters, our new head students, Frankie Derbidge and Ashley Gunton, our deputy head student and Molly Johnson who will be our senior prefect. I know all our student leaders will be fantastic role models for our students – I am very proud of them all.

As we headed towards activities week, we watched the weather forecast with an impending sense of doom! However, as always, our staff showed their flexibility and creativity in adapting the activities to the conditions so that students could still have a great week. One hundred students went to camp in Bideford and, as you will see later in this newsletter, had a great time!

During the course of this year, the conduct of our students as well as their obvious pride in being members of our community has had a significant impact beyond our gates. We have had many requests from students wishing to transfer from other schools because of the reputation our students are building. As a result, our numbers are continuing to grow and, in September, there will be almost 470 students on roll – quite a change from when I joined the school eight years ago and there were 240 students here with numbers falling. It makes me very proud to know what a good school St Dunstan's is and to know that we are being sought out as the place new students want to be. As our numbers grow, it is even more important that we maintain our high expectations and the ethos that makes this school unlike any other. As you know, our core values are very important to us and this year we have reviewed and revised our values, with the help of a panel of students. Going forward, our values have been amended to TRUTH, RESILIENCE, AMBITION, COMMUNITY and KINDNESS – by living these values, we all stay on TRACK.

You will have had a letter from me outlining expectations for next year – please do note the new start time of the day; **morning registration will be at 8.45** and so all students need to be **on site by 8.40** at the very latest. We will be using the side gate by the Lucas block as we did in preCovid times.

Please also note that all students are expected to be in the correct uniform every day, this includes shoes. Please ensure your child is in correct uniform so that we can focus on the job of providing high quality teaching and learning rather than sorting out incorrect uniform.

As the school continues to grow, we would like to invite applications for parent governors – there is more in the newsletter from our Chair of Governors, Kama McKenzie about the role of the governors. If you would like to know more, please contact Kama in the first instance for an informal chat about the application process and more detailed information about the role of a parent governor. Kama can be contacted via kama.mckenzie@mnspartnership.com

I would like to thank you all for your support over the last year and wish you all a wonderful and relaxing summer. We will look forward to seeing Year 7 and our Head Students on Monday 5th September and the rest of the school on Tuesday 6th September.

Mrs Bevan

Chair of Governors

As another school year passes it is a time for reflection on all our achievements.

St Dunstan's continues to grow to meet the needs of our local young people; as Governors we are always so proud to hear how many families choose to trust in school for their children - and soon we will welcome Park Road students on site as building work has now begun.

Staff have worked incredibly hard throughout the ongoing covid related challenges and continue to respond to the needs of students who missed out on so much during the lockdowns.

An exciting range of trips taking place over Activities Week has allowed much needed respite and, most importantly, fun with peers. I am sure you have appreciated seeing the photo updates on social media as much as I have. If you do not already follow the St Dunstan's Facebook page I would encourage you to do so to see all the fantastic opportunities in which our students get involved.

As everyone breaks for summer, I know school staff will be busy preparing for the year ahead - therefore I take this opportunity to thank all of them for their hard work. When parents and members of the community talk to me about St Dunstan's the phrase "they go above and beyond" is often used - I could not agree more.

This year we have welcomed two new community Governors, John Steer a former student of St Dunstan's and Kim Ridgeon a former teacher. As Mrs Bevan has said, we are looking for new parent Governors to work alongside myself, and Simon Baker-Cooke, as the current parent Governors on the Local Governing Board. As Governors we are advocates of the school; acting as critical friends in all our responsibilities. On behalf of the Local Governing Board we hope you all have a lovely summer.

Kama McKenzie

Goodbye

We say goodbye to several members of staff this term. Miss Whittaker has been with us for seven years and has done a great job in promoting PE through lessons, competitions and extra curricular activities such as coaching days and the opportunity to attend professional sports events. Her impact can be seen in the success of our netball and hockey teams as well as the hugely successful summer camp she organises each year. We wish her well in her new role – she will be missed.

Mr Harris is also moving on to pastures new having been with us for three years. Hugely popular with staff and students alike, Mr Harris has been a great member of the St Dunstan's team. His new school are lucky to have him joining them – we will miss him and wish him every success in his new job.

We also say goodbye to Mr Green, one of our lovely teaching assistants – those of you whose children have been supported by him will know what a significant impact he has had on the progress, confidence and learning of the children with whom he has worked. We are delighted that Mr Green is going on to train as a teacher – he is just right for this career and we know he will do well.

Sadly, Mrs Mitchell will also be leaving us at the end of term. She has worked here for twelve years and is much loved by staff and students alike. We all know that Mrs Mitchell can be counted on to bring a smile to our day, to help out without being asked and to be a friendly face when students need someone to talk to. Mrs Mitchell is taking on a new role at Kings of Wessex School – they are lucky to have her joining them. We truly wish Mrs Mitchell well in her new job and hope she is as happy there as she has been here.

Finally, it is with heavy hearts that we say goodbye to Mrs Pallister who is retiring at the end of term. Mrs Pallister has worked at the school for 21 years and has supported many, many children to achieve more than they thought possible. Mrs Pallister has been a steady, kind, dependable member of the SEND team and has made a real difference to the school and to the outcomes of our students. She has been invaluable in organising exam arrangements for students and in encouraging students to try even when they are having a wobble. She is always willing to go the extra mile for staff and students – Mrs Potter will miss her particularly in food lessons and exams as she has become quite the expert in what is required! We do wish Mrs Pallister a long and happy retirement but have every intention of having her back to help with exams whenever we can. Our love and best wishes go with you Mrs P – THANK YOU for everything you have done for all of us. Do keep popping back please.

Au Revoir!

Mrs Hopton is on maternity leave for a large part of next year. She has already had a significant impact on music in the school and she has made sure that everything is set up for Mr Speller who will be teaching music in her absence. We look forward to hearing about the safe arrival of Baby Hopton and having him or her pop in for a visit in due course. Best wishes Mrs Hopton!

Hello!

Where there are goodbyes, there are also hellos!

In September, we welcome the following teachers:

- Mr Waterhouse – Science
- Mr Timm – Science
- Mrs Kench – Maths
- Ms Pengelly – PE
- Mr Waugh – PE
- Ms Jeanes – English will be joining us as a full time member of staff.

We are also delighted to be welcoming the following new teaching assistants

- Tibbi Vaughan-Lee
- Victoria Walker
- Natalie Roser
- Kelly Davies

Our new receptionist will be

- Tina Squire

Congratulations also go to Mrs Pulford who has been appointed as the Senior Mental Health Lead for the school. And congratulations to Mrs Cook who will be joining the Pastoral Team as Pastoral Manager alongside Mrs Chinnock.

You will hear more about them in the newsletter for Term One next year, in the meantime, welcome one and all – we are looking forward to you joining the St Dunstan's family.

Year 11 News

Leavers' Day

Our Year 11 leavers' assembly and prom were a great success. Students gathered at school one more time to celebrate their time at school, share memories and some embarrassing photos kindly sent in by parents! Thank you to Mrs Manning and Mrs Gregory for being such supportive tutors to our outgoing Year 11. Our prom was held in the magnificent surroundings of "The Loft" in Street. An extremely well turned out Year 11 enjoyed a fabulous meal, presentations and music in a great venue to say our farewells. Thank you to Michael Eavis for his generous donation towards the cost of prom which enabled us to have such a fantastic night. Good Luck to you all!

Mr Jones



Year 11 - London trip

It was a final privilege to accompany some Year 11 students on a trip to London on the 14th July.

Having completed a workshop in school on interview skills, students during the trip were styled by Shein and then participated in a professional photo shoot (photos to be shared soon!)

Following this, they travelled on the underground to the London HQ of Weil Law firm. Here students gained an insight into working in a law firm and engaged in a negotiation workshop alongside apprentices at the firm.

The day was organised by Fionnuala Shannon from Dress for Success. The mission of Dress for Success is to empower people to achieve economic independence by providing a network of support, professional attire and the development tools to help them thrive in work and in life. <https://www.dressforsuccessgl.org/> St Dunstan's are the first school in England to be offered this opportunity. As always, students were a credit to the school. They behaved impeccably and set the bar for future Year 11 students to be involved in this fantastic day. What a lovely end to their journey with us! Mrs Manning, Mrs Gregory and Mrs Pallister



Year 10 News

As Year 11 leave us, it is time for Year 10 to step up into leadership roles. The competition was fierce this year and the applications were outstanding. Our new Head Students, Prefects and Student Leaders are:



Head students and Prefects 2022-23



Head students

Arthur Reakesmith

Olivia Masters

Deputy Head students

Frankie Derbidge

Ashley Gunton

Prefects

1. Molly Johnson- Lead Prefect
2. Luca Cresswell
3. Mohamed Masro
4. Hannah Stoodley
5. Maddison Sturt
6. Abdul-Jalil Symonds
7. Jack Wills
8. Heidi Davis
9. Eliza McKeever
10. Chloe Ackerman
11. Hazel Moon
12. Harrison Whitehead
13. Martha Smith
14. Henry Reeve

Student leaders

1. Nimal Aiksyuk

Well done to all of you – we know you will do a great job and we are looking forward to seeing the impact your leadership and ideas will have on the school. Mr Oakwood

GCSE Graphic Design

Year 10 students have been working hard this term completing merchandise for their project. The project was to design and make advertising/merchandise for the 50th anniversary Glastonbury Festival. Year 10 students have worked hard developing their creative skills as well as their CAD knowledge. I look forward to seeing the creativity develop even further as they progress into year 11. Well done! Mrs Potter



Y10- Work experience

Year 10 ventured out into the world of work in a wide variety of placements week beginning the 18th July. They have worked hard to secure placements this year in a difficult environment. Enjoy your week! I have enjoyed visiting you and seeing how you are getting on. **Mr Jones**



Maths

Maths Team Challenge (Year 7 and Year 8)

Mr Conway took a group of top Mathematicians from St Dunstan's to Norton Hill as one of nine schools represented at the Midsomer Norton Schools Partnership Team Maths Challenge. Lexi Chapman and Jack Matthews in Year 8, and Alfie Cook in Year 7 represented our school in the competition, working as a team in four rounds: Head to Head, Team Memory, Individual Speed, and Relay.

St Dunstan's got a very good score of 181, right in the mix of a number of schools battling very closely for the top places. Beechen Cliff Boys School from Bath took first place, with only 8 points separating the next five schools, including St Dunstan's. Well done to our team, who not only put in an excellent performance representing the school, but also said they genuinely enjoyed it!

Looking to 2023, the Maths department are aiming to enter a team of four (Year 8s and Year 9s) in the UKMT National Maths Team Challenge which, post-Covid, should be up and running again next year.



UKMT National Intermediate and Junior Maths Challenge Results

The UK Mathematics Trust (UKMT) has run annual Maths Challenges for school age students for many years. The challenges are well recognised by colleges, universities and employers, and achieving a bronze, silver or gold certificate is a mark of a top mathematician in a year group nationally. UKMT certificates can feature on college or university applications.

Our top Year 9, 10 and 11 mathematicians took part in the annual UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge back in February, and this term received their certificates. At St Dunstan's we had eight students achieve a bronze certificate, and one silver, which is a fantastic set of results.

Well done to:

Year 9

Felicity Eastwood ("Best in Year"), Jim Budd and Lyla Green

Year 10

Olivia Masters ("Best in Year"), Charlie Dash and Abdal-Jalil Symonds

Year 11

George Davies and James Manley for their bronze certificates. Albert Kench in Year 11 achieved the "Best in School" certificate along with a silver certificate.

Our top Year 7 and 8 mathematicians took the Junior Maths Challenge in April, receiving their certificates this term. A superb 13 St Dunstan's students received bronze certificates, two silver and one gold:

Year 8

Bronze: Blake Gunton, Rosalyn Pole-Evans, Darsh Patel, Tyler Dines, Robert McKenzie, Sam Chambers, Charlotte Pompey.

Silver: Jack Matthews ("Best in Year"), Lexi Chapman.

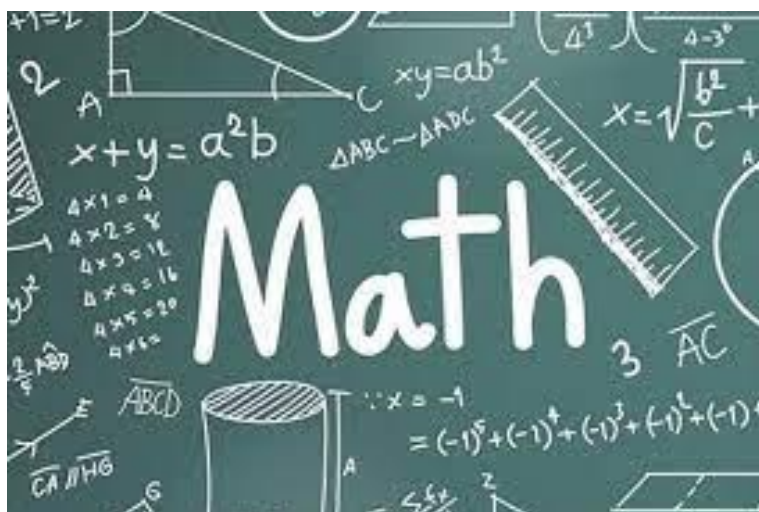
Year 7

Bronze: Noah Simms, Alfie Cook, Phillippa Stainer, William Godden, Raeven Ivany.

Gold: Zeppy Malachy ("Best in School") and qualification for the European round called the Junior Kangaroo.

In qualifying for the Junior Kangaroo, Zeppy was one of just over 10,000 students nationally. Zeppy's Kangaroo result was only one mark off the level needed for the top Kangaroo award of "Merit". Whilst a little unlucky not to receive a merit, Zeppy did fantastically well to be in that elite group.

Mr Conway



Music

We were really excited to hold our first song writing workshop at the beginning of the term with local musician Oska Zaky. Oska is a professional songwriter, artist, DJ and producer in the south-west who worked with Year 9 students who have chosen to take Music at KS4. Oska inspired the students by performing some of his songs and talking about his career in the music industry, he then showed us how he writes his own music and students were then given the opportunity to create their own music with Oska's help. Huge thank you to Oska for giving up his time to come into St Dunstons, we look forward to more musicians coming into the music department next year.



Over this term it has been brilliant to have lots of students performing in assembly, most of these were recorded, but last week we were lucky to have Tilo and Alfie performing on the accordion and electric guitar as students entered and left assembly. I hope we will have lots more students performing in the future as it builds confidence, musicianship and performing skills, and it's fantastic to hear the talents of our students.



Well done to all students for their hard work this term in music lessons. Here are the Musicians of the Term who have been recognised for outstanding work in music both inside and outside main classroom lessons.



In September we will welcome Mr Speller to the department who will be looking after Music when I'm on maternity leave, I know everyone will make him feel very welcome. I look forward to visiting you all with the baby and seeing what you have been doing in music once baby Hopton has arrived.

Mrs Hopton

Workshops

LIFEBEAT Workshop

A number of students across the school attended a Well Being Drama workshop last week organised by an external group called Lifebeat.

Key Stage 3 students were asked to explore key themes about friendship and resilience whilst being involved in a number of entertaining (and comedic) drama games. Key Stage 4 created a devised performance based on the same themes and then had the chance to present their piece to the Key Stage 3 students.

Having had a lovely email about how well the groups did and how helpful Mrs Gray was I want to thank each student involved and, as a result of their excellent work, the team have offered to come back again next year. Well done all. I am so proud of you all.

Mrs Pulford

Year 8 STEM workshop at Strode College

For one day only, Strode College brought together expert led companies in science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

The objective was to give our students an insight into their industries with practical demonstrations, hands-on activities and engaging talks about study progression and careers within their organisations.

This was an amazing event for our students and it was great to get the next generation of potential science, technology, engineering and mathematical enthusiasts all together for this event.

Students were given information on how to progress onto A and T Level programmes following GCSEs and they were given an insight into associated careers.

It was a wonderful day out and a great opportunity for students to be inspired into STEM subjects.



Year 7 Seasonal Cooking Club

It has been a great season for introducing students to the importance of food provenance and seasonality this term in seasonal cooking club. Year 7s have been working hard to showcase their skills learnt from lessons this year and developing more complex and technical skills and they progress into year 8. As always it has been a pleasure running this club with these students and I look forward to seeing them in October for some cooking with autumnal ingredients. Details will go out in September about when the club is starting again, watch this space. Well done year 7s and have a wonderful summer. Keep on cooking! Mrs Potter



Staff Success

On Sunday 10th July one of our TAs, Mrs Greuter, took part in Frome Festival's flash fiction event. She was given the prompt "it could have been worse" and was challenged to write a 600 word story and to read it on stage at Frome's stone circle. A terrifying, nerve wracking experience ended up being enjoyable and exciting, showing that the adults in school also stay on TRACK – Mrs Greuter showed ambition to achieve a goal and resilience in feeling the fear and doing it anyway! We are very proud of her. During the autumn term Mrs Greuter hopes to inspire creative writers within school to hold their own flash fiction event. If you'd be interested in taking part, please let Mrs Greuter know.



Activities Week

🏰 Brean Leisure Park trip - 18th July 🏰

KS3 students enjoyed a fabulous summer's trip at Brean Leisure Park. They coped admirably with the heat with the aid of the log flume and lost their voices whilst screaming loudly on the rides.

Student behaviour throughout the day was impeccable and we saw many examples of TRACK values, especially resilience and kindness!

Well done everyone!



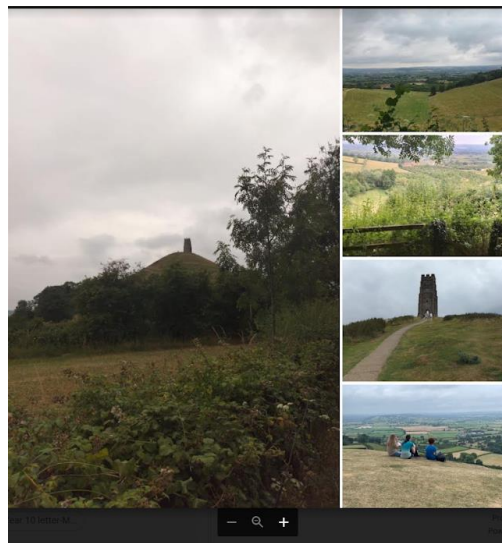
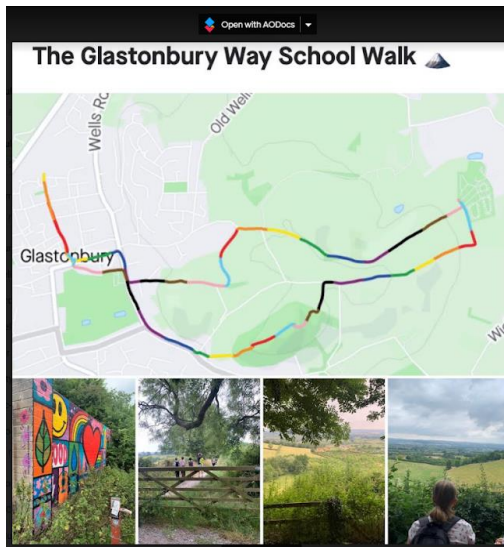
Gardening

The heatwave at the start of activities week meant that some activities had to be adapted. As it was too hot to be outside gardening, the group for this session painted plant pots and then decorated and planted them. All students threw themselves into the painting with gusto and really focused on what they were doing. We're sure you will agree that they have done a great job!



The Glastonbury Way Walk - 20th July

🚶 What an adventure we had on Wednesday 20th July! Having had to cancel Tuesday's walk because of the heatwave, we were all excited to get out and explore our local community and the beautiful spaces that we have on our doorstep. We walked 7k of The Glastonbury Way, up the Tor 🏔️ and through the fields 🌾 in that area, stopping to visit the ancient trees of Avalon, Gog and Magog 🌳🌳. We marvelled at the stories that those trees would be able to tell if they could speak and reflected upon the value of trees and how we need to keep them protected. We were so proud of the resilience 💪 shown by our students, many who had never been up the Tor before and were afraid of heights. Their peers responded with kindness 🤝 as they supported them to the summit 🏔️. We ate our lunch 🍱, enjoying the beautiful vistas 🌄 around the Tor and walked back via some of the Glastonbury Mural Trail 🖼️. Such a pleasant way to spend a school day! 🙌



🚀 Science and Mathematics Day 🚀

Activities week has given us the chance to collaborate, compete and experiment during the Rollercoaster Challenge 🎢 and the Paper Aeroplane Challenge ✈️. We had rollercoasters with loops ⭕, twists 🌀 and ascending ↗ and descending ↘ trails and our furthest flying aeroplane ✈️ travelled 23.3 metres 📏. A very impressive morning's work! 🙌🙌🙌



Camp

100 students signed up for camp this year and what a week they had! Activities included 'coasteering', surfing, kayaking, den building to name but a few – do see our facebook page for detailed reports. A great way for students to be on TRACK as they have all had to be truthful, resilient, ambitious, have a sense of community and be kind to each other and to staff. Staff at the camp and other activities have been full of praise for the attitude and effort of our students as well as their resilience and enthusiasm! Well done to everyone involved and thank you to the staff who have spent the week at camp.



Bronze DofE assessed expedition

Our Year 9 and 10 DofE students have all successfully completed their bronze DofE assessed expedition.

The Bronze Award not only involves a two day, 30km expedition, but also three other sections: skill, physical and volunteering. Most of our participants have already completed these 3 sections. The Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme is designed to challenge and stretch students, whilst building confidence, resilience and teamwork skills. These were seen in abundance during the expedition!

We will be introducing the DofE programme to interested students in our upcoming Year 9 in September.

Well done everyone, we are proud of you all!



Glastonbury Abbey Activities week meant that our annual visit to Glastonbury Abbey went ahead and what a visit it was! We enjoyed a leisurely walk first thing in the morning, arriving for our guided tour as the doors opened. The tour opened our eyes to the historical journey of the abbey and to how significant it is to us culturally. We were shown the Holy Glastonbury Thorn tree, thought to have originated from Joseph of Arimathea as well as the supposed final resting places of King Arthur and Guinevere. Students visited the museum and considered the 'life stories' of some of the artefacts. They also completed a sensory walk to gather ingredients for the creative writing which was completed at the end of the day. It was lovely to be accompanied by such delightful students - a great day all round!



Facebook



New St Dunstan's School, Glastonbury

I would like to thank the members of staff who run the school Facebook page so well for us. A huge amount of thought, work, creativity with emojis (!) and conscientious proofreading goes into each post. The Facebook page is a great place to share our successes and messages with you all - we really appreciate your kind comments and feedback.

Please do be aware that staff answer questions where they can but they don't always know the answers and, if a question is asked in the evening, they cannot always access the answers.

If you have a question or concern about anything at school, please email secretary@stdunstansschool.com and your query will be forwarded to the appropriate person.

Once again, a HUGE thank you to our staff who run the page and an equally HUGE thank you to parents, carers and students for all the positive comments, feedback and support.

Mrs Bevan

Pastoral News

R;pple' - The internet can be a force for tremendous good or harm. Here is one tool that attempts to tip the scales in favour of the positive.

While Christmas is a cheerful time for many of us, it is a sad fact that over the last two years internet searches for suicidal thoughts have increased by 23%, searches for suicide methods have increased by 50% and searches for suicide hotlines have increased by 125% (*Semrush: 2021*).

We have seen this increase within our own student body too, and whilst this is still a tiny minority, 1 student feeling this way is too many. What is sadder still, is that - often when young people search these key phrases online - they often come across any number of websites that are actually harmful, and in some cases explore how these thoughts can be acted on.

'R;pple' is an online interceptive tool designed to ensure more help and support is provided to individuals who are conducting searches relating to self-injury or suicide.

If a young person searches for something related to self-injury or suicide, R;pple intercepts the search, provides an immediate, vibrant display on a user's device, consisting of a message of hope as well as a selection of mental health resources in a range of different communicative options from free, established and 24/7 charity services.

Through R;pple, an individual feeling despair and researching harmful content will be urged to instead seek the mental health support they deserve and need in a way that works best for them.



If you are interested in finding out more and downloading the software onto your devices at home, please click the following link:

[Somerset Health & Wellbeing: R;pple](#)

Online Safety



We know there has been a significant rise in negative online incidents and experiences for young people. A huge thank you to the NSPCC for running a webinar about online safety for us. A reminder that this webinar was recorded and we have uploaded it for parents / carers who were not able to attend. Please find the link below.

[St Dunstan's Online Safety Webinar](#)

We are hoping to run another such session next year, for people that would like to receive the training whilst having the opportunity to ask questions, and we will keep you informed about this. The NSPCC also provided us with additional resources to help parents / carers keep their children safe online and these can be found below.

Avon and Somerset Police Webinars!

As you know, there have also been webinars run by Avon and Somerset Police but places were taken up so quickly that it was difficult for a lot of parents to attend. We are delighted that the police have set up a youtube channel so that you can see three recorded sessions covering topics including:

- Exploitation of children online
- Technical protective and safety measures available
- Tips on starting a conversation with children about the internet and how to use it safely.

Here is the link – we highly recommend viewing the videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCf41oqLODZCDKOmdj6ulSDg>

Net Aware: An easy guide to apps, games and sites:

<https://www.net-aware.org.uk/>

NSPCC Online safety resources:

<https://www.nspcc.org.uk/keeping-children-safe/online-safety/>

Advice and support for young people, via Childline:

<https://www.childline.org.uk/info-advice/bullying-abuse-safety/online-mobile-safety/>

YoungMinds parent helpline:

<https://youngminds.org.uk/find-help/for-parents/parents-helpline/>

<https://vimeo.com/480839159>

Have a look at this film about who to trust online

<https://vimeo.com/uksic>

Please note that you can find the Trust safeguarding policy (and all other policies) by using this link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B5Z73cTOEMQdTVJCVU0weFZQb2s?resourcekey=0-mC9nM0f-rFEjRkAeis0sAw>

Further tips on e-safety for parents from CEOP

1. Make sure your child knows where to go for support: Remind them they can always speak to you or an adult they trust if anything happens online that makes them feel worried or upset. For a breakdown of report services, visit: [Supporting your child with reporting unwanted content online](#)
2. Make sure they know about CEOP: Young people can report a concern about grooming or sexual abuse to CEOP at <https://www.ceop.police.uk/safety-centre/> and get support from a specialist Child Protection Advisor.
3. Have an ongoing conversation: Continue to talk about the apps, games and sites they like to use, and what they like and don't like and any concerns about being online. Discuss with them when to unfollow, block or report. For help starting this conversation, read [having a conversation with your child](#).

School Nurse

Our School Nurse service is running very successfully. If students have concerns or need to talk to someone over the summer, they can use the text number or QR code in the poster to access help or advice.

ChatHealth

Emotional Health
Relationships
Sexual Health
Drugs
Smoking
Alcohol

SOMERSET
County Council

Got a concern?
If you're 11-19
it only takes one text to
start making a difference

You'll get confidential advice from your
School Nursing Team and you don't have
to give your name if you don't want to.
Just send a text or scan me
07480 635 516

Improving
LIVES

Disclaimer: This is not an emergency service. It operates Monday to Friday between 9am and 5pm and is only available by using a UK mobile number. Your messages are stored on our secure system and can be seen by the School Nursing Team who run ChatHealth Service. Although this is a confidential service, in the event of an safeguarding issue the School Nurse has a duty of care to act on this and may escalate the concern.



Medicines/Medical Conditions



Please remember to update any medical conditions or required medicines with the school office.

If your son/daughter suffers from Asthma and uses an inhaler or has an allergy and requires an epipen, please supply the school with a spare to keep for emergencies.

Prescribed medicines administered by the school or unprescribed medicines administered by students both require an authorised form to be completed which is available from the school office

Important Information



Keeping in contact



Please remember to update any changes of your contact details for your son/daughter with the school office.

You can make changes to your details by calling 01458 832943 or emailing:
secretary@stdunstansschool.com.

We are relying on email communication more than ever to send you updates and notices.

To help you to receive your emails promptly, there are a few things you can do to help

- Inform the school if you change your email address
- Check your email box daily including your SPAM mail
- Regularly sort and delete any unrequired messages to keep space in your inbox

We will look forward to seeing everyone back in their classrooms, in correct uniform and with the correct equipment (including a reading book) on 6th June 2022. A reminder that students should be in their tutor room at 8.45 and so should arrive on site by 8.40; the gates will be closed at 8.40 to ensure everyone gets to tutor on time.





Term Dates

Year 7 and Head Students are in school on Monday 5th September

All students are in school on Tuesday 6th September

INSET on Friday 21st October

Term 2 begins on Monday 31st October

All students should be on site by 8.40 for a prompt start to registration at 8.45. Students must be in the correct uniform and have the correct equipment with them including a reading book.

Have a GREAT summer!

