

January Newsletter



As we begin this new term in 2026, we are delighted to share some of the many achievements, activities, and experiences our students have been involved in. Our community has continued to demonstrate resilience, enthusiasm, and a strong commitment to learning, and we are proud of the progress being made both inside and outside the classroom. Below, you will find highlights of what we have been working on recently, celebrating student successes and key moments from the past term, as well as information about upcoming events and opportunities. We look forward to another productive and rewarding term and thank you, as always, for your continued support.

Pictured here is our Computer Club mentor supporting a learner. We are extremely proud of O'shay and Leon, who have both achieved an outstanding typing speed of 124 words per minute. This highly advanced level places them in the top 1% of typists worldwide. Their dedication and hard work truly makes them superstars.



Track Values in Action

Our Nurture Group took part in an exciting communication challenge, working together to navigate through a set of “lasers.” One student was blindfolded while their partner acted as their eyes, giving clear instructions and encouragement to guide them safely through. The activity highlighted the importance of trust, teamwork, and effective communication, with students showing great focus and cooperation throughout.



Local Community Project

Two of our students worked creatively and collaboratively to build a hedgehog and wildlife habitat using an old bathtub. By repurposing materials, they created a safe and welcoming space for local wildlife, demonstrating fantastic teamwork, problem-solving skills, and a strong commitment to caring for the environment.



Sports

Our students have been enjoying engaging in tennis sessions with our new PE and Sports Lead, Liam. The sessions have been a fantastic opportunity for students to develop their coordination, teamwork and confidence while staying active. The students showed great enthusiasm throughout and clearly had a lot of fun learning new skills on the court.



Cooking Talent

Students recently completed their BTEC assessments in cooking and did a fantastic job. They showed great effort, confidence and determination throughout, clearly reflecting all the hard work they have put into their learning. We are incredibly proud of them all.





Huge congratulations to Charlie, who represented our school at the Springboard FutureChef South West Regional Final in Taunton and finished in the Top 3! He wowed judges with “Full English Re-Imagined” and “Poshed Up Cow Pat (White Chocolate Edition)”, earning brilliant feedback for skill, creativity and presentation. A big thank you to James Stamp (Executive Development Chef, Griffith Foods) for mentoring Charlie in school and supporting his confidence and skills ahead of the competition. We couldn't be prouder! We are delighted to say that the students will have a cooking masterclass with James Stamp and his team on Friday the 6th February!

Outdoor Education



Our Outdoor Education mentor, Kerry, and students enjoyed a hands-on session practising fire-lighting and making dampers. Issy also created his own sign for his favourite tree!



Hair and Beauty



Our Hair and Beauty students showcased their skills by giving Colin a full makeover, including new nails and a refreshed hairstyle.

Careers

All of our students had the opportunity for specialist careers guidance from independent advisors from the 12th- 16th January 2026!

National Apprenticeship Week 2026:

The National Apprenticeship Week 2026 will take place from February 9th until February 15th focusing on the theme "Skills for Life"

This is an annual celebration that highlights the positive impact of apprenticeships on individuals, businesses and the economy. The week aims to showcase the benefits of apprenticeships and encourage participation from employers, apprentices and educational institutions.

Please use the following link if you would like to find out more!

<https://naw.appawards.co.uk/>

Xello is the online careers education and future-readiness program built for multi-academy trusts and schools. Brought to you by CASCAID, a leading producer of careers software for 50+ years, xello fully engages every student, from year 7 to 13, in developing the skills, knowledge, and plans for their future success -- regardless of background, ability, or pathway. By accurately tracking student progress and activities, xello's centralised data empowers leaders with insights to drive school and trust-wide careers education strategy.

If you have any questions or need support, please email our Careers Lead: pcampbell@ontrackededucation.com

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Trust - Resilience - Ambition - Community - Kindness

Upcoming Dates and Events:

Friday 6th February- NSPCC National Numeracy Day

Monday 9th to Friday 13th Feb- Childrens Mental Health Week

Friday 13th February- End of Term 3, 14:45 finish

Monday 26th February- Start of Term 4, 9:15 start

Friday 27th March- End of Term 4, 14:45 finish

Monday 13th April- Inset Day

Tuesday 14th April- Start of Term 5, 9:15 Start

Thursday 21st May- Year 8 HPV Vaccinations

Wiltshire College

28/01/2026- Trowbridge Open
Event- Wiltshire College &
University Centre- Trowbridge
17:00

03/02/2026- Chippenham Open
Event- Wiltshire College &
University Centre- Chippenham
17:00

05/02/2026- Salisbury Open
Event Wiltshire College &
University Centre- Salisbury 17:00

23/04/2026- Lackham Open
Event Wiltshire College &
University Centre 17:00

Bath College

24/01/2026- Bath College Open
Event- Somer Valley Campus 10:00

04/02/2026- Bath College Year
10&11 Taster Sessions - City Centre
& Somer Valley Campus 16:30

11/02/2026- Apprentichips and T-
Level Open Event. City Centre &
Somer Valley Campus 16:00

25/03/2026- Bath College Open
Event- City Centre Campus 16:00

29/04/2026- Bath College Open
Event- Somer Valley Campus 16:00

WEEKLY LUNCH MENU

 **ON TRACK**
EDUCATION
WEEK 1

MONDAY

BREAKFAST IN A POT (pork or vegetarian sausages, baked beans, hashbrowns with an optional side of mushrooms)



TUESDAY

BEEF BURRITOS OR CHEESY BEAN WRAP served with corn on the cob



WEDNESDAY

PASTA topped with cheese sauce or Italian chicken, served with salad



THURSDAY

JACKET POTATO topped with either cheese and beans or tuna mayo, served with coleslaw



FRIDAY

BURGERS beef or veggie, topped with cheese and salad

Every day there will also be a selection of cold sandwiches, wraps, houmous and sushi



WEEKLY LUNCH MENU

ON TRACK EDUCATION

WEEK 2



MONDAY

PASTA topped with Italian meatballs or tomato sauce, served with sweetcorn



TUESDAY

YORKSHIRE PUDDING WRAP: chicken (optional), roast potatoes, stuffing, carrots, gravy



WEDNESDAY

CHICKEN FAJITAS OR FALAFEL WRAP



THURSDAY

MARGHERITA PIZZA served with corn on the cob



FRIDAY

HOT DOGS pork or veggie, served with salad

Every day there will also be a selection of cold sandwiches, wraps, houmous and sushi



WEEKLY LUNCH MENU

ON TRACK EDUCATION

WEEK 3



MONDAY

JACKET POTATO topped with either cheese and beans or tuna mayo, served with coleslaw



TUESDAY

GRILLED CHICKEN BURGER OR CHEESY CORN QUESADILLA, served with lettuce



WEDNESDAY

LOADED WEDGES OR SALMON TACOS served with coleslaw



THURSDAY

TEX MEX NACHOS served with either beef chilli or cheese sauce and sweetcorn



FRIDAY

FISH FINGER SANDWICH OR VEGGIE SAUSAGE ROLL served with salad

Every day there will also be a selection of cold sandwiches, wraps, houmous and sushi

