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A message from the Principal:



Dear Parents/ Carers

We have enjoyed our first term of Academy life with a wonderful group of year 12 and 13 students from across our city, bringing a rich and diverse celebration of community. The students have collaborated well, made new friendships and brought a strong sense of belonging for each other.

We have had a busy term 1 is making sure our students are on the right course programmes and are now steady in their learning and working hard. We have been able to support over 70 students that have needed additional help to build the right study habits, improve their attendance and punctuality and close the gaps in their learning at Post 16. This reflects how we Care, Believe and Achieve with our students to be their best everyday.

Students have been prepared for their mock exams and resit English & Maths exams to start term 2 and we hope these exams go well and support them for their next steps and learning. We have organised some wonderful experiences for the students to engage with and it is great to see so many students participate in enrichment, trips and career events.

Well done to all those students that were selected to be the House reps, a positive step to build leadership amongst our student body. We look forward to seeing their organisation and leadership grow this year.

Thank you to all the parents and carers too, who we have met at events and we thank you for your support and commitment to work in partnership. Please reach out to us if you have any queries or concerns and we will be able to support.

We look forward to another successful Term in Term 2.

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Business

Our dedicated business students recently demonstrated their entrepreneurial spirit by organising an impressive finance and business event entirely on their own. This initiative provided a platform for students to apply their classroom knowledge to real-world scenarios, fostering a deeper understanding of business operations. The event featured interactive workshops and presentations, all meticulously planned and executed by the students. Their hard work and creativity not only highlighted their skills and teamwork but also inspired fellow students to pursue their own ventures. This successful event is a testament to the talent and ambition within our student body, promising a bright future for these budding business leaders.



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Celebrating Mental Health Day at Post 16



On Friday 10th October, to mark World Mental Health Day, we were pleased to welcome Off the Record South Glos/Bristol for a pop-up information stand at Post 16. This gave students a valuable opportunity to explore the wide range of mental health and wellbeing services available, and to speak with the team about how to access support.

OTR offers a variety of services including:

- 1:1 therapy
- Group workshops like Mind Aid and Resilience Lab
- Nature, sports, and book clubs
- Freedom- supporting LGBTQ+ young people
- Project Zazi- supporting young Black and Asian communities

...and much more

To find out more, visit www.otrbristol.org.uk/what-we-do , or speak to a member of the Pastoral and Safeguarding Team in college.

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Thorpe park trip



Earlier this month our post-16 students from CLF set off for an unforgettable day at Thorpe Park. The trip was well-deserved for students with exceptional attendance. From the towering heights of Stealth to the twists and turns of Nemesis Inferno, students embraced the excitement with laughter. It was fantastic to see everyone supporting each other—whether it was conquering fears on the rides or sharing snacks and stories during downtime. Staff were impressed by the maturity and positivity shown throughout the day. The trip not only celebrated the hard work of our students but also strengthened the sense of community that makes CLF Post-16 so special. A huge thank you to everyone who helped organise the day and made it such a success. We're already looking forward to the next adventure!

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Our House reps



A total of 23 enthusiastic students at CLF Post 16 have applied and interviewed for the House Representative positions. The selection process was rigorous, designed to identify students who demonstrate leadership, integrity, and a commitment to their school community.

Applicants represented all three houses — Rosa Parks House, Nelson Mandela House, and Malala House — and showcased their passion for student voice and their vision for making a positive impact. Each candidate went through a formal interview process, meeting with both a senior leader and their Head of House, ensuring a fair and thorough evaluation of their suitability for the role.

The successful House Reps will soon be announced and will play a vital role in representing their peers, leading initiatives, and strengthening the sense of community within their respective houses.



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Careers update

Sent to UCAS

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In this term and continuously throughout next term, our Careers team will invite in Into University to support our Year 13 students with their UCAS applications. Our Post 16 has had 5 early entrants this year which is very encouraging, ranging from Oxbridge application, medicine and dentistry. Well done to our early entries.

About our ESOL course

This September, CLF Post 16 welcomed new and returning students to two English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) classes. ESOL courses are designed to help people whose first language is not English improve their English skills for daily life, work, and education.

When asked about their first term at Post 16, one ESOL student commented, "English is important for learning because education is the key to life."

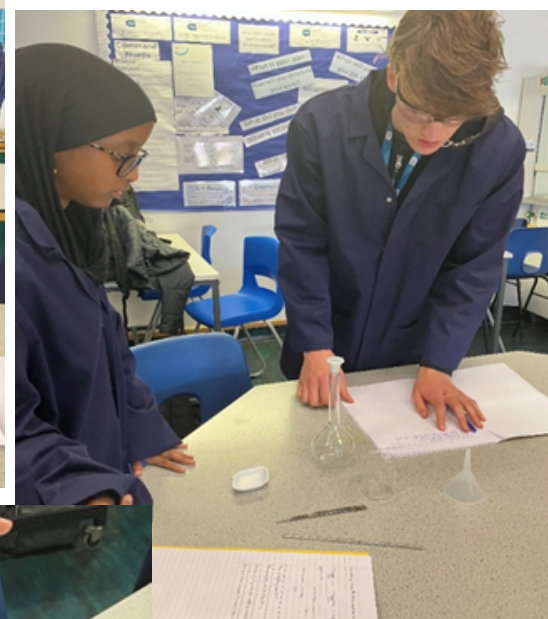
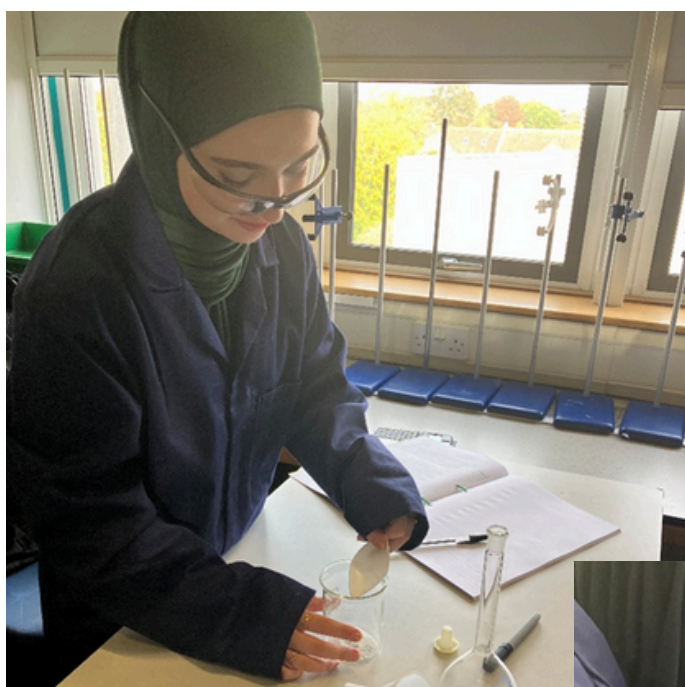
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Y12 Chemistry students

Check out our Year 12 Chemistry students making their standard solutions of Sodium Hydrogen Sulphate all ready for Titration experiments that will be taking place next term.



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Our Y12 and Y13 Art work

Explore the imaginative creations crafted by our talented art students.



ATONG ATEM

Along Atem is an Ethiopian-born, South Sudanese artist living in Nigeria/Nubia whose practice explores identity, heritage and the discipline of portraiture. Working with photography, video and textiles, Atem focuses on migrant experiences and the African diaspora, creating intimate and sometimes fantastical portraits of family, friends and, frequently, herself.

In each of the images her subjects are photographed against brilliantly coloured backdrops, and her sets are further decorated with intricately patterned fabric, furniture and abundant bursts of flowers, resulting in a riot of colour.

Along Atem was born in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia, in 1982 and migrated to Australia with her family as a small child. She moved to Melbourne in 2014 and is currently enrolled in a Bachelor of Fine Arts, Honours at UNSW, Melbourne. Atem began to exhibit her photography in 2016 when she was included in a group exhibition at Gertrude Contemporary, Melbourne. The same year she was awarded the Mark Taper Prize at the Brisbane PhotoFest. Since that time, she has participated in several group exhibitions, had five solo shows, and been awarded the NSW x UNESCO Creative IT-gener Grant in 2017, and the Light Work New York artist residency in 2018.

www.alongatem.com
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Ayana V. Jackson

Jackson was born May 14, 1977, and lives in New Jersey.

Jackson's practice maps the ethical considerations and relationships between the photographer, subject, and viewer, in turn exploring themes around race, gender and reproduction.

Key Concepts

She uses her lens to deconstruct 19th and early 20th century portraiture. Jackson questions photography's authority and role in perpetuating socially-reinforced and idealized identities.

Her work examines myths of the Black diaspora and re-imagines colonial archival images as a means to liberate the Black body.

In 2022, Jackson founded B&A, an artist residency program focused on emerging Southern African contemporary artists of all disciplines in Johannesburg.

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Term 2 key dates:

Monday 3rd November - Start of Term 2

Monday 3rd - Monday 10th November - GCSE Resits

Monday 10th - Monday 17th November - Year 12/13 Mocks

Friday 14th November - Year 13 Drama Performance

Wednesday 10th December - Rewards Evening (5pm-6pm)

Wednesday 17th December - Cultural Dress/Christmas Jumper Day

Friday 19th December - Term 2 ends

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Activities In the local area

HILLFIELDS PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

THICKET AVENUE, HILLFIELDS BS16 4EH

WELCOME SPACE

2PM TO 5PM
ON WEDNESDAYS

- Meet new friends
- Low-cost drinks and snacks
- Food Club: £5* (bring a bag)
- Local information and support

**Speak to a member of staff if this is a barrier*



Starting 5th November.
No sessions 24th and 31st Dec
Last session 25th February 2026



Free wifi, water, childrens corner, accessible toilet and baby changing

HILLFIELDS PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

THICKET AVENUE, BS16 4EH

ENGLISH CLUB

TUESDAYS - TERM TIME ONLY
10:00am - 11:15am

- Free drop-in group
- Practice English
- Fun activities
- All abilities welcome
- Children's corner
- Parents welcome with babies/young children



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YOUTH CLUB

@HILLFIELDS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Wednesdays 7-9pm

For ages 12-18

Free hot food, snacks and drinks

Games, drawing, cooking, basketball/ football and space to chill



CREATIVE YOUTH NETWORK.

HILLFIELDS PARK COMMUNITY CENTRE

THICKET AVENUE, BS16 4EH

Community Cooking: Cook Like a 'Hillfielder'



'Cook Like a Hillfielder'

Local people sharing family recipes
5th Nov - 26th Nov (10am-12pm)
Cost: £12

Supported by our Community Chef, four Hillfield residents will be guest teachers and teach you recipes that are important to their family and their culture.

Maria, Hind, Edda & Rashida will teach us Falafel, Dolma's, Fajita & Pakoras.



For more information scan the QR code, or pop into the Community Centre for an offline version.



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