

3 November 2023

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term 2! We hope you managed to take advantage of the two-week October break and enjoyed time with friends and family.

### Maths Course for Parents/Carers

Weston College are running maths courses for parents/carers in the local North Somerset area. The aim is to boost your confidence in your own use of maths, and your ability to support your children with school work.

Courses are running for 8 weeks across various locations in Worle, Weston-super-Mare and Clevedon.

Scan the QR code on the poster (right) or visit [www.weston.ac.uk/multiply-your-skills](http://www.weston.ac.uk/multiply-your-skills) to apply and find out more information.

### New Dance P6 Enrichment

Miss Major is running a new dance P6 enrichment. This will be held on Thursdays, 3.15 – 4.15pm in the gymnasium. This is open to ALL year groups.

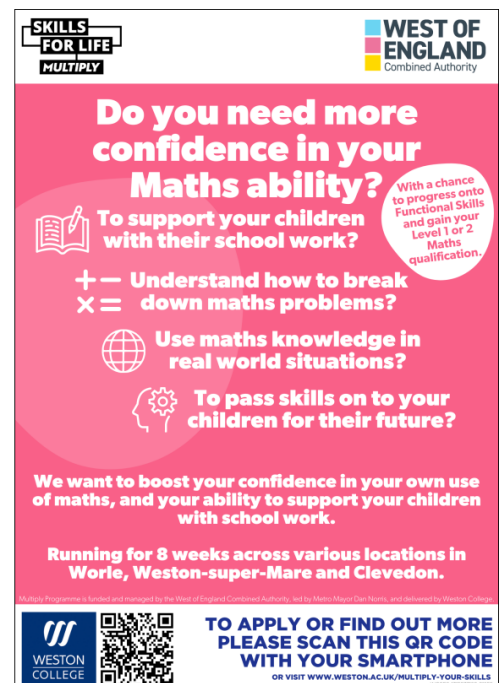
A great opportunity to try different dance styles, create choreography and challenge yourself!

To register your place, please see Miss Major, Miss Gadd, Miss Delaney or Mrs Spence!

### Updated House Match Information

Just a reminder, all students will be arriving at school in their PE kit on the day they have their house matches.

LC1.9 (wc 20th Nov) & 3.9 (wc 29th Apr)	P1	P2	P3	P4	P5
<b>Mon</b> (20.11.23) (29.04.24)		<b>Year 9</b>		<b>Year 9</b>	
<b>Tues</b> (21.11.23) (30.04.24)			<b>Year 10</b>	<b>Year 7</b>	<b>Year 7</b>
<b>Weds</b> (22.11.23) (01.05.24)					<b>Year 10</b>
<b>Thurs</b> (23.11.23) (02.05.24)				<b>Year 8</b>	<b>Year 8</b>
<b>Fri</b> (24.11.23) (03.05.24)					



## Student Hero Awards

All year groups and their families!

Do you know a hero? Every year, we host a little celebration just before Christmas break to put our student heroes on a pedestal and give them the credit they deserve (and a small prize from The Grand Pier).

If you know a PCSA student who is a hero to you through their acts of kindness at home, school or the community, then please let us know. These can be little small gestures or huge acts of bravery.. kindness is kindness.

To nominate a hero, please email [hero@pcsa.org.uk](mailto:hero@pcsa.org.uk) with the student's name and briefly explain why they are a hero to you.



## Christmas Book Project (for ALL students)

All year groups! Would you like to be a bestselling Author, Poet or Illustrator?

Every year the students of PCSA contribute to an eBook of Christmas themed stories and art which is published all over the world. With support from friends and family, they often reach bestselling status in the Amazon chart!

Taking part is a great way to build confidence and stretch creative skills. Many of our previous Authors continued to write and create art all through their time at school and beyond. Christmas Stories Volume 8 will be published online before the end of term and all students are welcome to contribute.

Interested? Here are the next steps:

1. Write a Christmas themed short story or poem. Type it up and double check spelling and grammar. Email it to [james.wilmot@pcsa.theplt.org.uk](mailto:james.wilmot@pcsa.theplt.org.uk). Stories can be any length. They need to have a wintery theme but can be about anything (but nothing too dark!). I cannot accept handwritten work.
2. You can submit more than one piece of work.
3. Are you illustrating your story or poem? Email Mr Wilmot the images to the address above or drop it into the Careers Office with your name written on the back.
4. Would you like to submit wintery illustrations but not a short story? That is absolutely fine!
5. Please make sure that everything is **sent to Mr Wilmot by Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**. This will allow time to compile everything together and publish the book online so people from all over the world can enjoy it!
6. We will then all meet in the last week of term with your friends and family for a celebration book launch and to see if your book achieved bestseller status!

Any more questions? Pop in to the Careers Office. This is a highlight of our school year and we cannot wait to see what students will produce this year!

## ReachMoreParents App Walkthrough

The link below is a great video to watch in terms of navigating your way around the ReachMoreParents App.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lwKuOon4XA4>

## Upcoming Events

After-school clubs and KS4 Prep for Success sessions continue – head to our website to find out what’s on next week. Please also refer to the calendar on your Weduc app. This gives you all the upcoming events for the rest of the academic year and is regularly updated.

<b>Wednesday 1 – 8 November</b>	Year 11 French & Spanish Mock Speaking Exams
<b>Thursday 9 November</b>	Year 11 Progress Evening
<b>Thursday 9 November</b>	Friends of Priory Meeting
<b>Monday 13 – Friday 17 November</b>	KS3 Diagnostic Tests (please see letter from Mr White for further details)
<b>Thursday 16 November</b>	PCSA Awards Evening (invites have been sent to award winners)
<b>Friday 17 November</b>	Non-School Uniform Day (Children in Need)

As always, if you have any questions or queries, please get in touch with the school directly and we will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,



Mr Markoutsas  
Principal

