



DEAR PARENTS AND CARERS

Next week marks the start of our much-anticipated Activities Week, with an exciting programme planned for every year group. Year 7 students will enjoy visits to the Bristol Zoo Project and Circomedia before heading off to Osmington Bay residential camp. Year 8 will be taking part in a range of day trips, including Mojo Active, Planet Ice and the cinema, West Country Water Park, Adventure Bristol, Bowling and Ninja Warrior. Year 9 students will be setting off on one of six fantastic residential experiences; there is also a fantastic range of Base Activities for students in school while Year 10 will be gaining valuable insights into the world of work through their work experience placements. Year 12 students will be participating in Futures Week activities and for 50 of them they will be off on their Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award expedition in Snowdonia.

Activities Week is always a highlight of the school calendar, but it also requires a tremendous amount of planning and organisation. We would like to thank our teaching and support staff for the dedication, enthusiasm and hard work they put into making these opportunities possible for our students. We would also ask for the support of parents and carers in ensuring that students arrive with the correct kit and dressed appropriately for the activities. Finally, please keep an eye on the [New Gordano School Trips Facebook page](#), where we will be sharing updates and celebrating the many exciting experiences taking place throughout the week.

Thank you to all parents and students for their support during the two days of school closure. We fully appreciate that these closures can place additional pressure on families, particularly in relation to childcare arrangements, and we are grateful for your understanding and cooperation.

We have been incredibly impressed by the mature, focused, and positive attitude shown by our Year 10 and Year 12 students throughout the past few weeks in their mock examinations. It has been wonderful to see them working collaboratively in small groups, testing one another on key topics, and making effective use of their revision resources.

Students have responded exceptionally well to the demands of the examination period and to the guidance and communications provided through tutor time and assemblies. Despite the challenges posed by the recent hot weather, they have continued to approach everything with resilience and determination.

We will work to facilitate the completion of any missed Year 10 examination papers during lesson time after students return from their week of work experience. Marked papers and feedback will be shared as soon as possible once these have been completed.

Wishing you all a relaxing and restful weekend.

Yours sincerely



Ms L Blundell, Headteacher

YEAR 11 PROM

On Tuesday evening over 350 of our fabulous Year 11 students were joined by many members of staff in celebrating their time here at Gordano School. It was fantastic to see them dressed up and enjoying such a key milestone in their educational journey. The Prom was held at Ashton Gate Stadium, and the students filled the dance floor throughout the evening. They enjoyed a well-stocked buffet, some amazing magic tricks and had the opportunity to have group photos taken to remember the evening by. A special thanks must go to Miss Holt for all of her time and efforts in organising such an enjoyable celebration for the students.

YEAR 13 PROM

On Thursday, we were delighted to celebrate the end of seven years at Gordano with our fantastic Year 13 students. The prom, held at the Bristol Hotel, was made even more enjoyable by the welcome comfort of excellent air conditioning. It was a wonderful evening, and the students were an absolute pleasure to spend time with. We hope they thoroughly enjoyed this final, well-deserved celebration of their time with us.

A huge thank you to our dedicated Sixth Form team for organising such a memorable event, and to our student leaders for hosting the awards throughout the evening. We look forward to welcoming our Year 13 students back in the summer to collect their results. We couldn't be prouder of all they have achieved and wish them every success for the future.

YEAR 7 BOYS AND GIRLS – BRISTOL BEARS OPPORTUNITY

If you would like your child to apply for either the **Bristol Bears Bright Sparx** or **Bear in Mind** programmes, please refer to the announcement on ClassCharts for full details. Should you have any questions, please contact Mrs Luton via the [Mailbox](#).

CAREERS OPPORTUNITY

Interested in becoming an entrepreneur?

Meet Zoe Trigwell - Monday 6th July - 1pm–1.30pm - Sixth Form Hall

Join Zoe Trigwell, founder of Trigwell Cosmetics, as she shares her inspiring journey from make-up artist to successful business entrepreneur. Discover how she built her brand, the challenges she overcame, and the skills needed to succeed. A great opportunity for students interested in careers in business, beauty, or entrepreneurship.

PORTISHEAD YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE SUMMER ACTIVITIES

**YOUTH
SUMMER
ACTIVITIES**

FOR YOUNG PEOPLE IN SCHOOL YEAR 7+ (AS OF SEPTEMBER 2026)

PORTISHEAD YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE

<p>24th July Sip and paint workshop with mocktails</p> 	<p>27th July Cake and crafts workshop</p> 	<p>30th July Podcast workshop</p>  <p>PODCAST</p>	<p>29th JULY 5th AUGUST 19th AUGUST CAP-CUT VIDEO WORKSHOPS</p> 
<p>3rd August Japanese cooking workshop</p> 	<p>29th JULY HIKE PEN Y FAN TRIP</p> 	<p>10th AUGUST DEN OF WOLVES MEGA ROLE-PLAY GAME</p> 	<p>11th August French cooking workshop</p> 
<p>13th August Thorpe Park trip</p> 	<p>7th August Youth drop in</p> 	<p>14th August Roller Disco trip</p> 	<p>17th AUGUST RAP & LYRIC WRITING WORKSHOP</p> 
<p>20th AUGUST SPLASH DOWN WATER PARK TRIP</p> 	<p>21st August Make your own beauty products workshop</p> 	<p>24th August Warhammer gaming workshop</p> 	<p>25th AUGUST ENGLISH CUISINE COOKING WORKSHOP</p> 
<p>27th August Aqua Park obstacle course trip</p> 	<p>1st September Live Music jam session</p> 	<p>2nd September Bowling and meal trip</p> 	<p>3rd September Clay modelling self-portrait workshop</p> 

BOOK AT WWW.PORTISHEADYOUTHCENTRE.CO.UK/EVENTS
FULLY FUNDED SPACES AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE IN RECEIPT OF BENEFITS RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS OR PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING - ELIGIBILITY MUST BE CONFIRMED BY YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

6-10s SUMMER ACTIVITIES

<p>23rd July Nintendo Switch tournament</p> 	<p>27th JULY WET & WILD WATER GAMES</p> 	<p>31st July Beach themed activities</p> 	<p>5th August Aardman inspired stop motion film workshop</p> 
<p>13th August Jellycat inspired workshop</p> 	<p>14th AUGUST SUPERHEROES THEMED WORKSHOP</p> 	<p>18th August Bee themed arts and crafts workshop</p> 	<p>6th August Disney themed craft workshop</p> 
<p>25th August Glitter & fancy face paint workshop</p> 	<p>28th AUGUST AFRICAN ANIMAL ENCOUNTER SESSION</p> 	<p>1st September Crabbing at the Marina</p> 	<p>21st AUGUST SPORTS FUN & GAMES</p> 
<p>24th August Baking workshop</p> 	<p>3rd SEPTEMBER GARDENING INSPIRED WORKSHOP</p> 	<p>4th SEPTEMBER LEGO WORKSHOP</p> 	

8-11s SUMMER ACTIVITIES

<p>28th July Blaise Castle outdoor sports & games trip</p> 	<p>4th AUGUST NINJA WARRIOR & MEAL TRIP</p> 	<p>10th-13th AUGUST LUSS LIFE DANCE WORKSHOP DAYS</p> 	<p>5th August Aardman inspired stop motion film workshop</p> 
<p>11th & 12th August Beginners skateboarding & photography workshop days</p> 	<p>12th August Crealy theme park trip</p> 	<p>27th August Aqua Park obstacle course trip</p> 	<p>24th August Baking workshop</p> 

TO BOOK VISIT WWW.PORTISHEADYOUTHCENTRE.CO.UK/EVENTS

PORTISHEAD YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE

FULLY FUNDED SPACES AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE IN RECEIPT OF BENEFITS RELATED FREE SCHOOL MEALS OR PUPIL PREMIUM FUNDING - ELIGIBILITY MUST BE CONFIRMED BY YOUR CHILD'S SCHOOL

SHINE SUMMER HOLIDAY CLUBS



STEP INTO SUMMER

With Shine Holiday Clubs



Book Now
20% OFF
MyShine.co.uk

Use Code:
Early Booker



Offer ends 19/07/2026 *Conditions apply

KEY DATES FOR TERM 6

Monday 29 June to Friday 3 July	Years 7 - 9 Activities Week
Monday 29 June to Friday 3 July	Year 10 WEX Week
Monday 29 June to Friday 3 July	Year 12 Futures Week
Monday 29 June to Friday 3 July	Duke of Edinburgh Award Gold expedition - Snowdonia
Wednesday 1 July	5.30pm - 6.30pm Year 12 UCAS Parent Info Evening
Monday 6 to Friday 10 July	Learning Hub Functional Skills English Exams
Tuesday 7 July	Year 6 Induction Day
Tuesday 7 July	Weston College Taster Day trip
Tuesday 7 July	6pm Parent Forum
Tuesday 7 and Wednesday 8 July	Sports Day preliminary events
Thursday 9 July	Sports Day (pm)
Thursday 9 July	Year 12 Silly Sports Day (pm)
Thursday 9 July	Year 12 A-level Arranging Music mock exam
Friday 10 to Sunday 12 July	Year 10 Silver Duke of Edinburgh Qualifying Expedition
Weds 15 and Thur 16 July	Creative Arts & DT Festival
Thursday 16 July	Reserve Date for Sports Day
Wednesday 22 July	Last day of term for students - 12.30pm finish
Thursday 23 July to Wednesday 2 September	SUMMER HOLIDAY

USEFUL LINKS

[Contact Us](#)

[Gordano School Facebook Page](#)

[Communications to Parents](#)

[Latest School News](#)

[Termly Newsletters](#)

[Attendance](#)

[Uniform & Equipment](#)

[How You Can Support the School](#)

[Safeguarding](#)

[School Key Dates](#)

[School Calendar](#)

[Gordano Extra - Clubs Information](#)

[Careers](#)

[Trips & Activities Week](#)

[Sixth Form](#)

[Vacancies](#)

[Community Clubs & Holiday Clubs](#)

[Facilities Hire](#)

[GoShine Gordano Sports Centre Membership](#)