COLFOX BULLETIN 10

HEADTEACHER NEWS

I met with fantastic business people from across Bridport this week to look at how we can create opportunities to prevent our young people from becoming NEET (not in education, employment or training). This was part of the Cradle to Career Bridport community programme we've been setting up to raise the life chances of young people in Bridport. Lots of businesses pledged to create more work experience and also more apprenticeship opportunities, more information here. On Thursday we will be hosting a tea for Bridport's community groups & charities, if you are involved, please come along (invite below) & help us explore how we can support young people. This week we also had a fantastic hands on medical workshop for students interested in health careers. Eddie, trainee therapy dog, visited, our students loved meeting him and he loved meeting all of us. Eddie is coming in again soon! Well done also to all our Youth Speaks teams for great performances. Have a good weekend, **Adam Shelley, Headteacher**

UPCOMING EVENTS

Week Beginning 30/11/26
Week A

Mon 30th - School Council mtg

Tue 1st - Y9 Parents Evening

Wed 2nd - Christmas Concert with Colfox Orchestra & West Dorset Community Orchestra

Thur 3rd Cradle to Career Community Tea (see poster below)

Clubs info: colfox.org/clubs

School Show - see rehearsal schedule on Drama Noticeboard

You can follow us on Facebook & Colfox PE is on Instagram

HANDS-ON MEDICAL WORKSHOP, THERAPY DOG VISITS & YOUTH SPEAKS SUCCESS

Medical Mavericks photo special! Students interested in health careers took part in a hands-on workshop and tried ultrasounds, taking blood (from a model) explored keyhole surgery technology, recorded ECGs, carried out eye exams, hearing tests, vein scans & more at the Medical Mavericks workshop.



Trainee therapy dog Eddie visits Colfox and will be back again soon!



We had a very important visitor in our Student Support Hub, Eddie the Sprocker! Eddie, pictured working with Mrs Collis & Miss Pinkett, is in training to be a therapy dog (good luck Eddie) & will hopefully soon be a regular visitor. We loved seeing him & he loved all the attention!

CAN YOU HELP COLFOX? CHESS SETS & CHRISTMAS TREES WANTED



If anyone has a chess set they no longer want please can we have it! If anyone can donate a Christmas tree (real or not) our students would love to decorate them around school, we'd like to create as much Christmas fun as possible! Thanks also to Colfox Friends for buying us a lovely tree for reception!

PUBLIC SPEAKING YOUTH SPEAKS COMPETITON SUCCESS

Congratulations to all our youth speaks teams! Colfox beat several teams from private schools to win through to the next round. Well done!



Christmas Concert

Sir John Colfox Academy Students & West Dorset Community Orchestra

Join us for a celebration of local musical talent at the Sir John Colfox Academy, the Ridgeway, Bridport. Everyone welcome!

Drinks & refreshments will be available and there will be a raffle.



Wednesday 2 December, 7pm

Tickets: Adults £5, in advance £5.50 on the door, under 18s free, available from the Book Shop in South Street, Bridport.

MUSIC AT COLFOX

Community Groups & Charity Organisations

Tea & Cakes

A warm invitation to community groups and charity organisations



Thursday 3 December 2026

4.00pm – 6.00pm

Bridport Town Hall

Join us for tea, cake and conversation as part of Cradle to Career Bridport. We are bringing together community groups and charity organisations from across Bridport to connect, share ideas and explore how we can work together to support children, young people and families.

Please RSVP: office@sirjohncolfox.org

Cradle to Career Bridport

Every Child. Every Family. Every Future.

Calling community groups & charities - come to our community tea on Thursday at 4pm

Colfox.org/cradletocareer

FRIENDS OF COLFOX

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Please buy a ticket:

Colfox.org/raffle

Support our Young People this Christmas!



Flu Vaccination for your child

NHS



Sign up today!

Scan the QR code to complete the **flu consent form**

or

Or visit:

https://www.schoolimmunisation.dhc.nhs.uk/

to complete the consent form.

Please ask your school for the school code when filling out the form.

If you do not want your child to be vaccinated, you can still fill out the form and select **"No Consent"**.

If your child misses their vaccination at school again, they will receive an invite to a catch-up clinic, but only once the consent form is done.

For any queries about giving consent or your child's vaccination, please e-mail **dhc.immsenquiries@nhs.net** or phone us on **01425 891162.**

Let's help keep our children healthy this winter!

HPV Vaccination
Protect for life

NHS

Fill out the HPV consent form...

for both boys and girls!



The HPV vaccine is routinely offered to **Year 8**

If you missed it in Year 8, you can still fill out the consent form as you are eligible to get the HPV vaccine **up until your 25th birthday!**

UP TO 25th BIRTHDAY

Scan the QR code to complete the **HPV consent form**

or

Or visit:

https://www.schoolimmunisation.dhc.nhs.uk/

to complete the consent form.

Please ask your school for the school code when filling out the form.

If you do not want the vaccine, please still complete the form and select **"No Consent"**.

The HPV vaccine helps protect you now and in the future.

For any queries about giving consent or your child's vaccination, please e-mail dhc.immsenquiries@nhs.net or phone us on 01425 891162.

Let's protect our young people together

NEWSPAPER CLUB

THE BANK OF DREAMS & NIGHTMARES



COME AND BE PART OF THE NEWSPAPER TEAM, CREATING ARTICLES, FEATURES AND INTERVIEWS TO BE PUBLISHED EACH TERM IN A REAL NEWSPAPER.

THURSDAYS DURING TERM TIME - 4:30PM TO 5:45PM
AT THE LSI BUILDING, BRIDPORT FOR 9-14 YEARS OLDS
FREE TO ATTEND / SNACKS PROVIDED
Contact: trish@thebankofdreamsandnightmares.org or sign up at www.thebankofdreamsandnightmares.org

see a copy here

THE WRITERS' ACCOUNT

THE BANK OF DREAMS & NIGHTMARES



DO YOU LOVE WRITING? DO YOU WANT TO HAVE MORE PEOPLE HEAR AND READ YOUR WORK? THEN THE WRITERS' ACCOUNT IS FOR YOU

WEDNESDAYS DURING TERM TIME 4:30PM TO 6PM
AT THE LSI BUILDING, BRIDPORT FOR 15-19 YEARS OLDS
FREE TO ATTEND / SNACKS PROVIDED
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PODCASTING CLUB

THE BANK OF DREAMS & NIGHTMARES

DO YOU LIKE CREATING STORIES? JOIN US TO RECORD ALL YOUR CRAZY STORIES AND IDEAS AND GET THEM ON THE AIRWAVES FOR THE WHOLE WORLD TO HEAR.



MONDAYS DURING TERM TIME 4:30PM TO 5:45PM
AT THE LSI BUILDING, BRIDPORT FOR 9-14 YEARS OLDS
FREE TO ATTEND / SNACKS PROVIDED
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or sign up on at www.thebankofdreamsandnightmares.org

scan here to listen

Bookings are now live for the Bank of Dreams & Nighmares FREE after school clubs for next term:

CLICK HERE TO BOOK

The are very popular, so don't delay!

The clubs are FREE and there are free snacks too!