



**Dear Parents, Carers, Students and
all Friends of Colfox Academy,**



We have enjoyed another busy half term and it is lovely to be able to share some of the brilliant things your children have achieved and enjoyed in this newsletter.

There were lots of highlights this half term, including trips to Bankfest, St Ives and West Cornwall, Duke of Edinburgh Expeditions, Field Trips, Theatre Trips, Literary Trips our Variety Show, Cross Country Tournaments, Hinomaru House Day, the Careers Fair, Black History Month, as well as lots of Sporting Fixtures and Inter-House contests, as you can see from these pages it has been a very busy term.

Well done to Year 11 for working hard on their GCSEs ahead of their mock exam week which starts on 10 November. The attendance at our after school GCSE sessions has been very high, in some areas almost entire classes have been attending which is great to see, as evidence shows this leads to higher grades. The diary of what is on when is in this newsletter and other help can be found here: colfox.org/revision ready for their upcoming Mock Exam Week. The next few months are a crucial time for them, Parents and Carers please encourage them to attend revision sessions and revise, their efforts will be rewarded. Well done to Year 10 for making a great start to their GCSE courses.

Our lower school have also done well, Year 9 and Year 8 have been leading House and Sporting events and well done also to Year 7 for settling in so well. It has been great to see our Sixth Form centre so busy, Year 13s worked hard on their Mock Exams and Year 12 have settled in well and made a great start.

Please encourage your child to explore SORA, this half term (and I recommend having a look too) as thousands of bestselling magazines, books, graphic novels and audio books are available free - check it out and save £££! Students can log in using their usual school password.

Thank you to everyone who has already supported the new Friends of Colfox Group, which acts like a PTA but is also able to draw support from our wider Bridport Community. Anyone interested in joining is invited to come to their next meeting on 13 November, where applications for funding will be considered from school departments and our Student Council. If you have any questions about the Friends please email: office@colfox.dorset.sch.uk

I know as Parents and Carers you want your children to achieve their best and enjoy more opportunities – you can do this best by supporting your child with attendance, punctuality and effort, including homework. This is important, as it allows them to keep up with their education and feel involved and part of our school. Help with Homework is available in school at our Homework Clubs. We of course understand that sometimes medical circumstances mean some absences are unavoidable. Please remember we are here to help, and work together with you our valued Families, to support our Students, so please get in touch if you have any concerns.

We look forward to welcoming Students back on Tuesday 4 November, Monday is a Staff Training Day.

I wish you all a very peaceful half term.

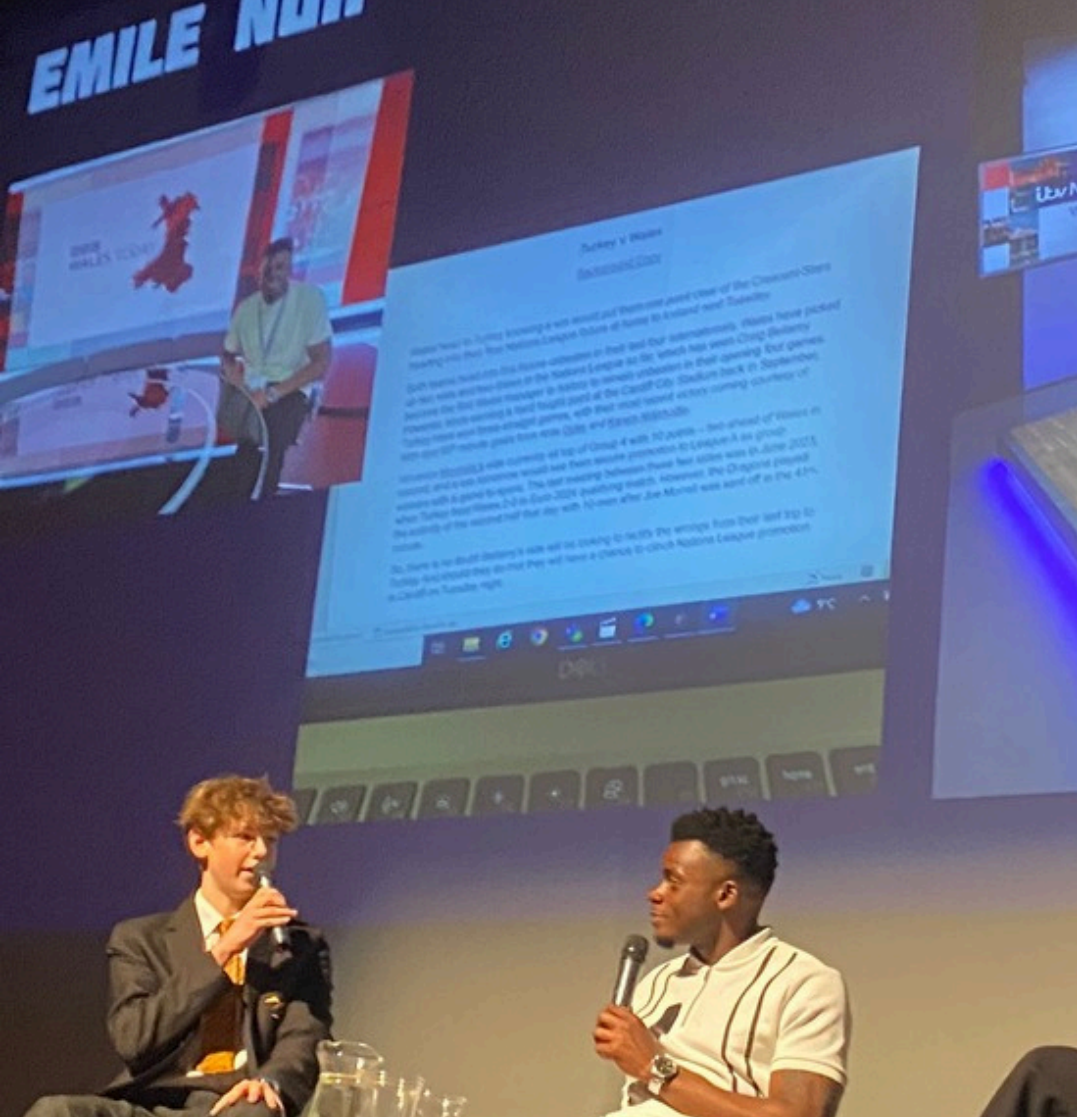
Yours sincerely,

Adam Shelley
Headteacher



Bankfest!

Clockwise from top, Eddie interviews comedy writer James Serafinowicz, Robert interviews Radio 1 Film Critic Ali Plumb, Arthur plays guitar with Musician Katy J Pearson and our Sixth Formers hear from speech writer Harry Vincent.



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Famous speakers inspire students at Bankfest Writing Festival!

Students enjoyed working with famous comedians, authors, journalists, musicians, critics and acclaimed games designers, lawyers, advertising creatives and speechwriters at the Bankfest Writing Festival.

The festival, organised by the amazing Bank of Dreams and Nightmares, was held at Weymouthy Pavilion from 13-15 October.

More than 40 Colfox students enjoyed inspiring talks from famous broadcasters like Ali Plumb of Radio One, as well as James Serafinowicz, writer for acclaimed shows such as Big Train, Brass Eye, who also cocreated black comedy 'Sick Note' starring Rupert Grint. Students also got to work with award-winning advertising creative Chloe Neal, Sports Journalist Emile Nuh, TV Presenter, Doctor and Non Fiction Writer Gabriel Weston and Games Narrative Designer Kate Fanthorpe.

Students from Years 10, 11 and the Sixth Form went to three inspiring talks each day, where they also got the chance to go on stage and interview the speakers. It was brilliant that Students from Colfox volunteered to do most of the on-stage interviews, encouraging and supporting each other to take part. A huge well done for conducting brilliant and well researched interviews to all our Students who took part, namely Albert in Year 10 who interviewed Sports Journalist Emile Nuh, Millie in Year 11 who interviewed writer Rebecca Watson, as well as Eddie and Robert in the Sixth Form who interviewed James Serafinowicz and Ali Plumb. The majority of questions from the floor also came from Colfox Students - well done everyone.

Students then got the opportunity to attend different workshops with the speakers, which gave them insights into lots of creative industries, as well as opportunities to write and work with a range of fascinating and successful creatives.

St Ives Art Trip

Art and Photography Students enjoyed an amazing trip staying in St Ives. Students attended a workshop at Falmouth University focusing on bees wax images and also visited a wonderful water colour exhibition at Cornwall Royal Museum, before sketching in the Barbara Hepworth Museum.

Students also enjoyed visiting the Tate, St Ives and painting on St Ives beach, before visiting an exhibition of Kurt Jackson's work in St Just, before painting again on the beautiful beach at Sennen.





Duke of Edinburgh Expedition





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Well done to Students who successfully completed their Duke of Edinburgh Expedition! A total of 38 Students enjoyed trekking about 30 km and camping out over a weekend in September. Students completed training after school to learn about expedition safety, equipment, cooking and camping skills and undertook practice walks to hone their navigation skills. They have also worked hard on their volunteering, physical and skill sections. Thank you to our brilliant teachers who gave up their weekends as volunteers so the trip could happen, thank you Mr Hardinge, Mr Westley, Mrs Holder, Mr Bugler, Mrs Ward and Mr James.

Ancient History Trip to see Mary Beard



Our Ancient History Students enjoyed a trip to see Mary Beard. It was part of her 'Secret Histories of Ancient Rome Tour' at Westlands Entertainment Venue in Yeovil. The evening included audience votes and quizzes which Year 11 and our Sixth Formers enjoyed.

Careers Fair!

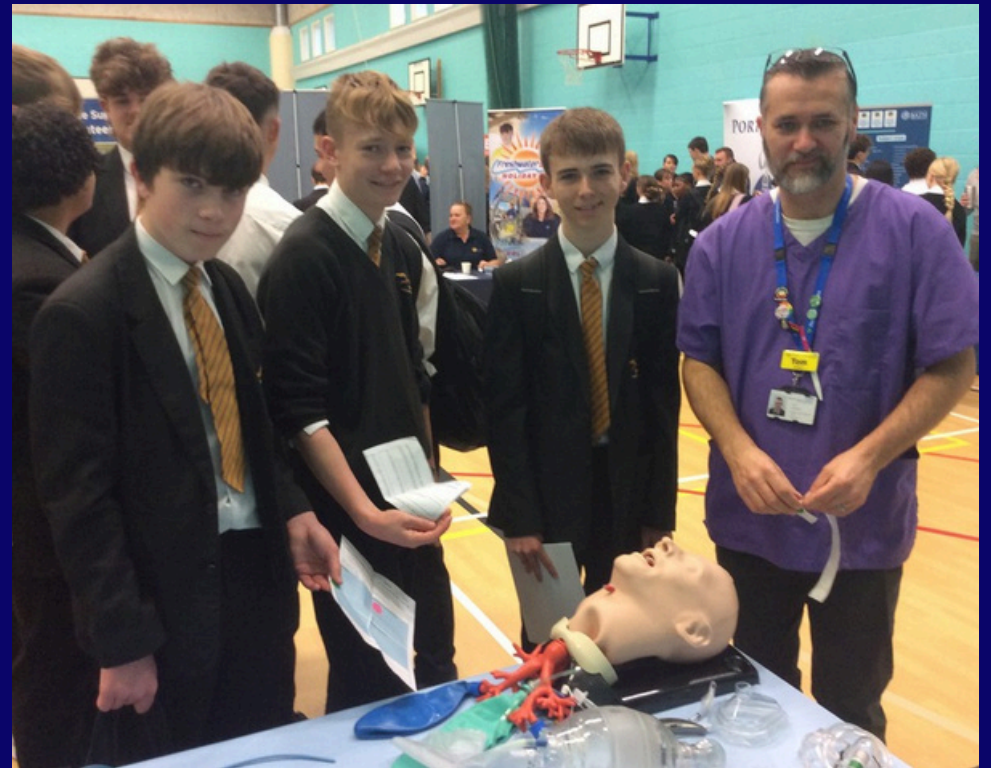
We held a Careers Fair and invited companies and education providers to showcase what they offer and advise our students. More than 1,000 students visited our Careers Fair, as students from many other schools joined us. The stall holders included the Royal Navy, Bath University, DEFRA, Bridmet and many more. Thank you to Mr Thompson for organising it and our Sixth Form for helping.



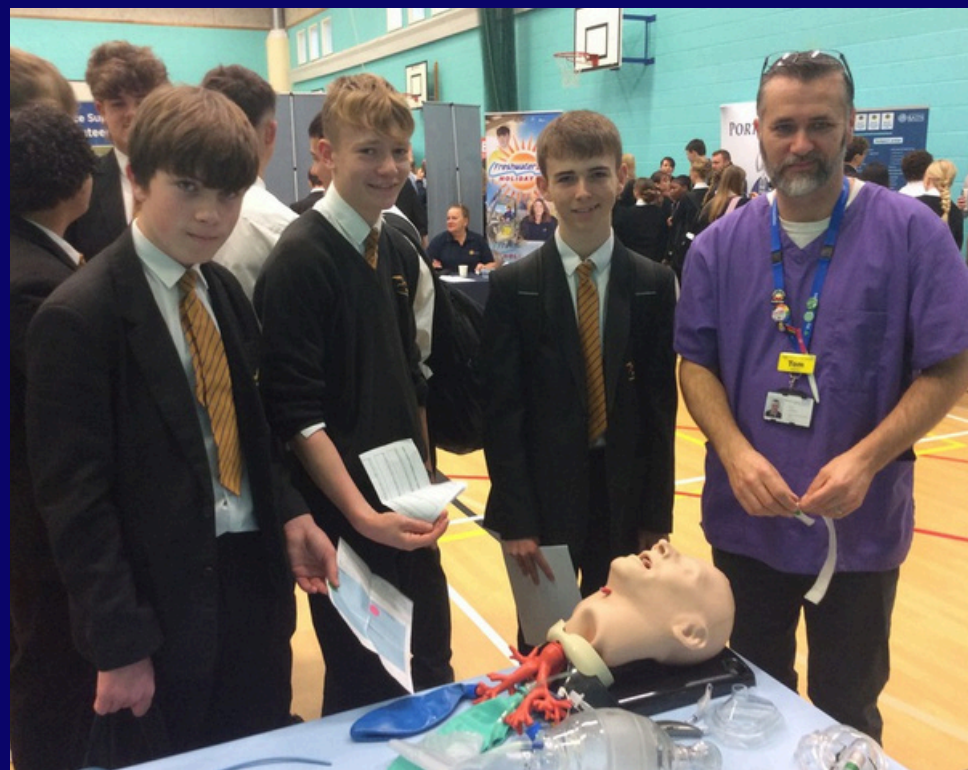
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Could you offer Work Experience?

We are appealing to businesses, charities, public sector organisations and other workplaces to provide high quality work experience for our students.

We are keen to offer a wide range of interesting work placements to encourage students to aim high and explore different career paths.

Michael Thompson, Head of Careers at the Sir John Colfox Academy, said: “We have a wonderfully supportive community in Bridport and we already have a range of great work experience placements, but we are always looking for more opportunities to offer our students.

“It is a fantastic opportunity for businesses and workplaces to give something back to our community and to inspire the next generation to join them in their field. Our work experience programme is very successful, and our students have previously succeeded in achieving offers of paid work or apprenticeships. This has been fantastic for them and for the workplaces they have joined.”

We are looking for week-long work experience placements for Year 10 students, who are aged 14-15, at the end of March 2025. Any business or workplace interested in finding out more should contact Michael Thompson, Head of Careers at the Sir John Colfox Academy, via email: Thompsonm@colfox.dorset.sch.uk or office@colfox.dorset.sch.uk
Thank you!



Astronomy GCSE Success!

More students keen to study space will be able to take a new GCSE in Astronomy. The course was launched after the school's Lead Practitioner for STEM, Lowri David was selected for the prestigious role of 'Space to Learn Space Advocate' with the National Space Academy. She said: "Lots of Students were keen to study Space and take GCSE Astronomy, I'm pleased that we've been able to introduce this new course that reflects their interests. Astronomy is fascinating and its been an exciting topic to pursue."

Adam Shelley, Headteacher, said: "We believe in launching new courses that Students are interested in, as well as Astronomy we've also recently introduced new courses in Ancient History and Latin in response to Student requests."

More Colfox students this year have opted to take Astronomy as an additional GCSE, following the success of last year's enthusiastic group of Year 9 and Year 10 Students. Despite sitting the exam early, most were only 14 when they took the papers, they all passed and many achieved top grades, congratulations to them all, including Jasper and Albert pictured above who both achieved a Grade 7, equivalent to an 'A' Grade.



Year 7 make a brilliant start!

Year 7 have settled very well into Colfox. They have accrued more than 10,000 house points, they have enjoyed inter house competitions, joined clubs, become Tutor Captains, Sports Captains, Charity Reps, Rights Respecting Schools Reps, joined our school production and become Librarians. Well done Year 7! Our Year Seven families came to our Belonging Event for our new Students - everyone was very impressed with the lovely performance by the Year 7 choir!

Claire Baker - Head of Year 7 and Assistant SENCO

VARIETY SHOW TALENT!

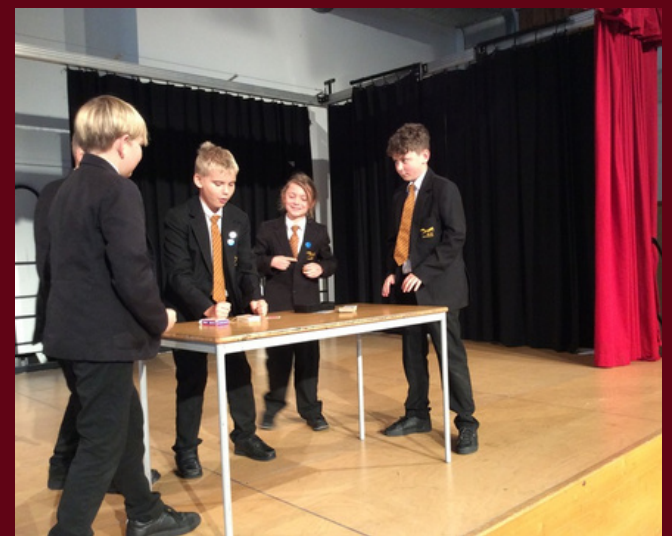


Well done to all students who performed in the Variety Show!

Students across our school competed in heats and the winning performers took part in a grand final enjoyed by the whole of Year 7. Congratulations to overall winner, Niamh in Year 10 for a great piano performance and also to runner up musicians Peter, Archie and Phoebe!

Well done to all our talented performers, there were some fantastic singing and dancing acts as well as great magic tricks. It was lots of fun and students produced a truly great show!

Mrs Holder - Subject Leader of Performing Arts



Anti-Bullying Ambassadors lead Assemblies



Well done to our team of Anti-Bullying Ambassadors who have been leading assemblies to all year groups this half term underlining that bullying will not be tolerated. Students delivered the assemblies after completing training with Youth Charity, the Diana Award. The 20-strong team have also established anti-bullying drop in sessions and are around to give help and advice. Well done everyone!



Buy a Remembrance Day Poppy Sixth Formers lead appeal



Remembrance Day activities and assemblies will be held as usual in November to give our students the opportunity to pay their respects to those who lost their lives in conflict.

This year our Sixth Form will also be selling Remembrance Poppies around school to raise money for the Royal British Legion's important work helping veterans. Thank you to all Sixth Formers and other students who have volunteered their time to sell Poppies.

**COLFOX CELEBRATES
BLACK HISTORY MONTH**



We are proud to celebrate Black History Month. Thank you to our History Department for arranging special assemblies exploring this year's theme 'Standing Firm in Power and Pride'. Thank you also to our Student Librarians for helping in the Library, where we have created a special display.

SEND NEWSLETTER

- Welcome Back
- The SEND Team
- Key People
- Tea and Cake
- Arrange a meeting
- Staff Training
- Website

This is our first SEND newsletter
and any feedback is welcome –
what would you like to see here?



**Autumn Term 2025
First Half**

Welcome back!

The start of the new school year is always a difficult time of new routines, teachers and rooms, but we are really pleased with how well our students are settling back. We have seen many of our SEN students visiting the SEN room for reassurance, a place to regulate, to check their timetables or for a quick chat; everyone is welcome in our SEN room.

The SEND Team

Mrs Cornish is the new SENDCO at our school with the leadership responsibility of SEND, overseeing the department and provision across the school. Mrs Baker is our Assistant SENDCO, she particularly oversees SEND provision within years 7 and 8. We have a wonderful team of HLTAs and TAs who support in classes, lead interventions, are key adults to named students and ensure a supportive and effective SEN room.



Mrs Laura Cornish
SENDCO

Key People

Mrs Cornish: cornishl@colfox.dorset.sch.uk
Mrs Baker: bakerc@colfox.dorset.sch.uk

Heads of Year

Year 7: Mrs Baker: bakerc@colfox.dorset.sch.uk
Year 8: Mr Morse morses@colfox.dorset.sch.uk
Year 9: Miss Burden burdenn@colfox.dorset.sch.uk
Year 10: Mr Westley westleye@colfox.dorset.sch.uk
Year 11: Mr Maybury mayburyj@colfox.dorset.sch.uk
6th Form: Mr Teasdale teasdalea@colfox.dorset.sch.uk

Parent Coffee Morning

Wednesday 5th November 9-9:45am

All parents and carers are invited to a coffee morning to meet Mrs Cornish, our new SENDCO. This is open to all, whether your child is on the SEN register or not. We are aiming to hold a session like this every half term and are open to suggestions about the focus of them. Please complete this form to express your interest, whether you are able to attend this session or not. We aim to get dates for the rest of the year out in our next SEN newsletter.

<https://forms.office.com/e/Le61052QNG>

Please note that this is a general session and there will not be the opportunity during this session to discuss individual needs, but do please book a time using the information to the right if you have individual needs to discuss.



Book a Time

We are aware that many parents and carers have questions related to SEN needs or possible needs. We are offering the opportunity to book a 20 minute conversation with Mrs Baker (years 7 and 8) or Mrs Cornish (year 9, 10, 11 and 6th form). Your child does not have to be on the SEN register to book a time. Sending a brief email to them before the meeting will help them have any needed information to hand.

[Book time with Claire Baker: SEN Year 7 & 8](#)

[Book time with Laura Cornish: SEN Year 9+](#)

Staff Training

As a school we are committed to ongoing professional development for all staff. During our INSET days in September we did a short, practical activity to highlight the sensory challenges many students face and had an informative and helpful session on speech, language and communication needs led by our link Speech Therapist, Darcey Lewis. In order to get a taste of the sensory challenges some students face, staff were asked to wear their shoes on the wrong feet, hold a sweet in their mouth and balance an item on their head while being given a spelling test to write using their non-dominant hand - many staff found it very uncomfortable and it led to some powerful reflections on the experiences of our students in our classrooms. Darcey really highlighted the language we use in the classroom and the challenges some students experience in making sense of communication both in the classroom and socially. We certainly had a lot to think about as we welcomed the students back!

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Website

Please visit our school website and click on the link to **SEND and Inclusion**. Here you can find more information on our school offer as well as links to support and courses available.

Royal Literary Fellow Paul Mason Inspires Students

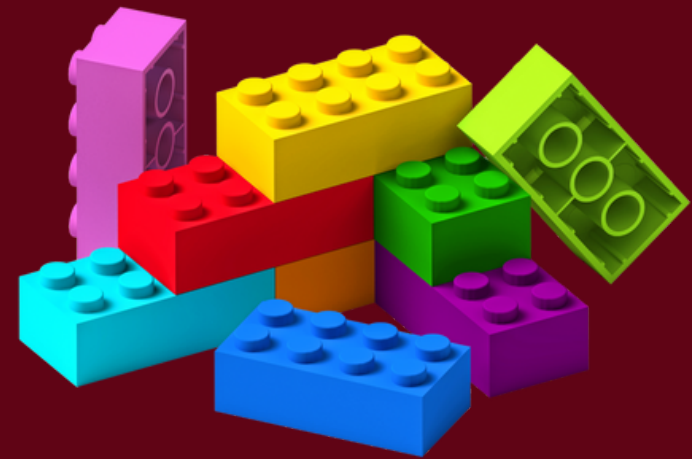


We were delighted to welcome Paul Mason, acclaimed author and Royal Literary Fellow, for a special visit aimed at helping students strengthen their academic writing skills. During his visit, Paul delivered an engaging and practical writing workshop for students, offering expert guidance on how to write with greater clarity, confidence, and precision. Drawing on his extensive experience as a published author and educator, he shared valuable tips on how to structure arguments, express ideas effectively, and develop a personal voice in academic work.

Students described the session as both inspiring and useful, praising Paul's approachable teaching style and his ability to make writing feel creative and accessible. Adam Teasdale, Head of Sixth Form, said: "It was an incredible opportunity for our students to learn directly from such a talented writer. Paul's advice on how to craft thoughtful, well-structured writing will have a lasting impact on their studies."

As a Royal Literary Fellow, Paul Mason works with universities and schools across the UK, supporting students to become more confident and effective writers. His visit to Colfox highlights the Academy's commitment to developing students' literacy and communication skills - essential foundations for success both in education and beyond. Paul Mason commented, "**I was impressed by the enthusiasm and creativity of the students at Colfox.** It's always a pleasure to see young people engaging so thoughtfully with the craft of writing." Paul will be returning for a follow-up session after half term. Thanks to Paul and the Royal Literary Fund for making this enriching experience possible.

Calling All Innovators: Join the FIRST LEGO League Challenge!



The FIRST LEGO League Challenge is an exciting, global program that gets students thinking like scientists and engineers. Teams design, build, and program an autonomous LEGO robot to solve missions on a competition mat, while also researching a real-world problem and proposing an innovative solution. It's all about STEM skills, teamwork, and fun!

This Year's Theme: UNEARTHED!

This season, the challenge is UNEARTHED! Our teams are digging into the world of archaeology to uncover the past and find inspiration for the future. They're exploring how ancient innovations connect us to today's technology.

We Need More Year 8 & 9 Members!

Are you in Year 8 or Year 9 and interested in robotics, coding, research, or hands-on problem-solving? We are actively recruiting new team members! No prior experience is needed—just curiosity and a willingness to collaborate.

This is a fantastic opportunity to develop vital future-ready skills and represent our school at regional events.

To join the challenge, please contact Ms David in A209!

Open Day 2025

It was great to welcome so many families to Open Day, thank you to all the Students who helped show off our school. There were so many wonderful demonstrations and performances - well done everyone!





Year 7 Team Building Fun

Year 7 had a great time team building with mentors from Hooke Court!



Careers Talks in Library

We have had some great Careers Talks in the Library this half term, which have proved very popular, thank you to the speakers who've joined us from the NHS, Law firm Porter Dodson, the UN and UNICEF. Next term we have:

- 14 November - Ambulance Service
- 28 November - Doctor
- 12 December - Cyber Security

Colfox Friends

Meeting 13 Nov - come along!

Everyone is welcome to join us for a cuppa in school on 13 Nov at 3.30pm, if you are picking up a child they are welcome in the Library. Our last meeting only took 40 minutes! On the agenda:

- Deciding on funding applications from School Depts & Student Council
- Deciding on a Friends Logo - Students have created some great designs!
- Support for upcoming events, Colfox Carol Service etc
- AOB

Rugby Success



Well done to our Y11 Rugby Squad who were Area 10s Finalists.

The boys blitzed their pool, winning against all who took them on including sides who'd previously beaten them in friendlies. Unfortunately injuries and a lack of consistency was the team's downfall in the final.



Well done to our Y9 Rugby Squad who did well in the Area Rugby 10s.

The team played well and valiantly. They enjoyed the games and fought to third place in the competition.

Mr Maybury - PE Teacher & Head of Y11

We Sport!

You can follow 'colfox_sports' on Instagram



All our Sports Clubs are free and great fun for everyone, even if you don't think you are sporty, come along & have some fun! Well done to everyone who took part this term!



Free online support & talks for Parents



October Timetable

All sessions delivered live online via zoom. 90 minutes long

£24 each or FREE with School Membership

Book online at facefamilyadvice.co.uk

Recordings available for 48 hours (excluding Free Talk)

Understanding The Teenage Brain	6 Oct 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	6 Oct 7pm
Supporting A Child With ADHD	13 Oct 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	13 Oct 7pm
Autism Improving Communication	14 Oct 10am
Improving Family Communication	14 Oct 7pm
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	20 Oct 10am
Facing Defiance	20 Oct 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	21 Oct 10am
Understanding Anger	21 Oct 7pm
FREE - Raising Self-Esteem	23 Oct 7-8pm
Anxiety Explained	27 Oct 10am
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	27 Oct 7pm
What Is ACT?	28 Oct 10am
Introduction To OCD	28 Oct 7pm

We have bought access so Parents can get free advice talks

We all need advice sometimes, and we are delighted to share free high quality online support from FACE Family Advice. They offer support for parents across a wide range of topics.

We have purchased a 100% discount code so that all parents can have unlimited, completely free of charge access to all the regular Parent Talks. More details & the code is [available here](#).

Colfox.org/talks



GCSE Study & Revision Help



MON - LUNCH

Science A201
Biology A204
French speaking B217
Ancient History B216
DT Coursework C101

TUES - LUNCH

Buisness A207
Chemistry A203
Geography (Week A
Mrs Tremelling's Class)
DT Coursework C101

TUES - 3.30PM

English B208 B209
Business A207
History A105
Art
Religious Studies A103

WED - LUNCH

DT Coursework
Physics A209
Food C101
DT Coursework C101

WED - 3.30PM

Science
History B215

THURS - LUNCH

Biology A205
Food C101
Drama
Geography (Ms Nicoll's
class by invite)
DT Coursework C101

THURS - 3.30PM

Computer Science
Ancient History B218
Art
Maths
Music

FRI - LUNCH

Physics A202
Food C101
DT Coursework C101

FRI - 3.30PM

Geography

**Go to these
sessions!**

**Students who go
do better**

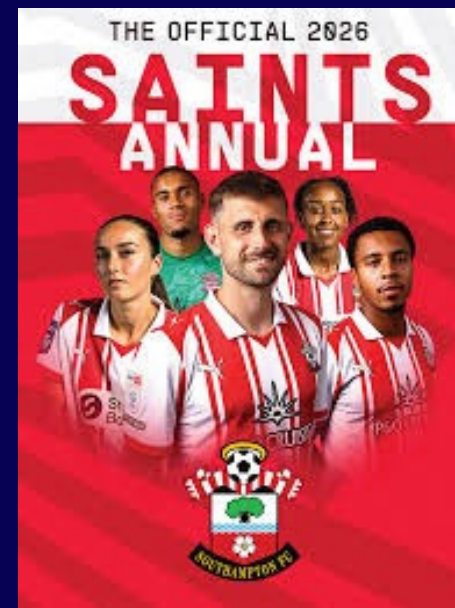
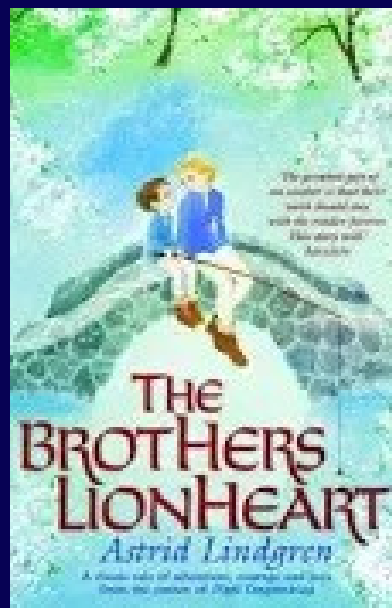
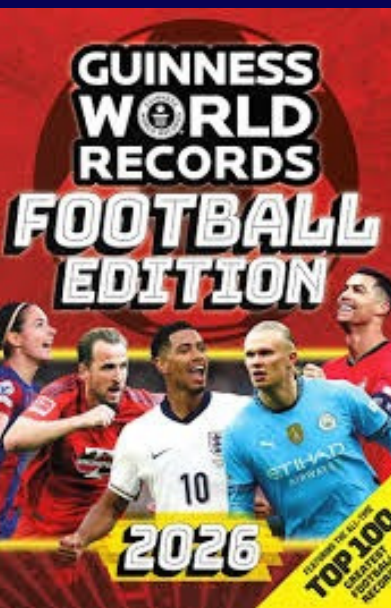
**Library & SEN
open after school
Mon-Thur**

[Colfox.org/revision](https://colfox.org/revision)

Help, resources & more

LIBRARY TRENDS

Students' book orders this half term (now in Library) include:



Our Library is Student led, we only buy books that students request. Our Library budget has been boosted by generous Parents and Carers supporting our 'Buy a Book for our Library' Appeal hosted by the wonderful Bridport Book Shop. We have a large team of Student Librarians who help decide how the Library is run. Students need to complete three book reviews a term to become a Librarian!

Become a Librarian

How? Write three book reviews each term

What will I do? Run the Library desk, help decide how the Library is run

What are the benefits? Extra access to Library if due to overcrowding we rotate year group access (if that happens Y7 / Y11 and Sixth Form will have priority as well as Librarians)



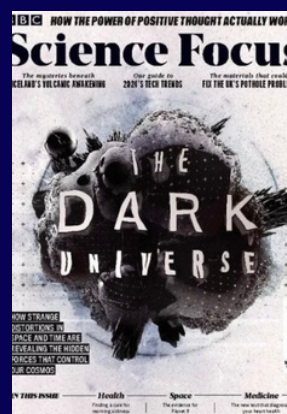
Library News

FREE Magazines now available on SORA!

Save cash, 500+ almost everything available!

Save £100s, Students can now get bestselling magazines - New Scientist, Lego, Fortnite, Coding for Kids, Vanity Fair, Vogue, the New Yorker, Good Housekeeping, House and Garden, Textiles, Music, National Geographic, Film, Chess, Cookery, Sport, the list is endless and all amazing titles!

We have paid for all students to have access to them via our online reading platform SORA, just use your usual school log in, it's easy! A 'how to use SORA' guide is below. Downloading the free app avoids the log-in process. Take a look, there is lots for Parents to enjoy too!



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Here is the 'how to' guide:**

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- Click 'Find my School'
- Click 'No I'll search for my School'
- In 'Let's find your school' type 'Colfox' and click it when it pops up
- Scroll down list to 'T' and click 'The Sir John Colfox'
- Click 'sign-in using the Sir John Colfox Academy'
- Log in using your full email address 23surnameinitial@colfox.dorset.sch.uk and your usual password

EXPLORE!

**Sport / Manga / Graphics/ Thrillers /
Horror/ Football / Horses / Anything!**

Join a Free Club! Try Something New!

Join a Club, come along at lunch or after school & try something new! Joining is free and there is lots on offer! Details of all Clubs are available on our website and on the Clubs Display in the Street. Crochet Club starting next half term in Library!



Try a New Club at lunch or after school!

You can join free anytime & have fun. Clubs are for all years unless it says otherwise, you only need trainers for lunch sports clubs

Autumn 2025

Help with Homework available

We provide two Homework Clubs to support students with their studies. Students can attend Homework Club in the Library, which is open from Mon to Thur until 5pm. We also offer a Homework Club in SEN, which is open until 4.30pm from Mon to Thur.

Lunchtime Clubs Autumn 2025:



Lunchtime Clubs

MONDAY

STEAM Club (Art & STEM) A209
Chess A110, beginners welcome
French Y11, B217
Volley Ball Y10, Y11, Sports Hall
Table Tennis Y7, Y8, Y9 Main Hall



Lunchtime Clubs

TUESDAY

Quiet Crafting Club, B208
Volleyball Y7, Y8, Y9, Sports Hall
Pokemon Club - A106
Creative Writing- Library



Lunchtime Clubs

WEDNESDAY

Band - Music Room
Pythagoras Club - Y7, Y8, Y9 A109
DT for Y11 - C101
Basketball - Y7, Y8, Y9 Sports Hall
Table Tennis, Y10, Y11 Girls Main Hall

Join a Free Club! Try Something New!

Lunchtime Clubs Continued:



Lunchtime Clubs

THURSDAY

Blue Planet Club - B209
Jazz Collective - B205
Drama Club - B201
Heartstopper Club, Y9, Y10, A105
Badminton, Y7, Y8, Sports Hall



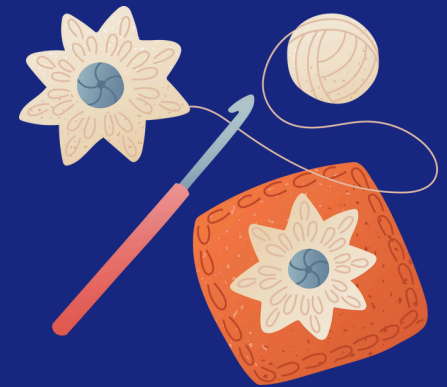
Lunchtime Clubs

FRIDAY

Badminton, Y10-Y11, Sports Hall
Table Tennis, Y10-Y11, Boys, Main Hall

Choir - B205
Maths - A107

New Club - starting
next halfterm:
CROCHET CLUB



After School Clubs:



Afterschool Clubs

MONDAY

Homework Help & Revision, Library until 5pm

SEN Homework & Revision, SEN until 4.30pm



Afterschool Clubs

TUESDAY

Cross Country all years, Field
Rugby Y9, Field
Netball, Y9, Y10, Courts
GCSE English Y10, Y11, B208
Homework Help & Revision, Library until 5pm
SEN Homework Help & Revision, SEN until 4.30pm



Afterschool Clubs

WEDNESDAY

Netball, Y11 & Sixth Form, Courts
Rugby, Y10, Field
Homework Help & Revision, Library until 5pm
SEN Homework & Revision, SEN until 4.30pm



Afterschool Clubs

THURSDAY

Basketball, Sports Hall, Y10, Y11 & Sixth Formers
Hockey, Astro
Rugby Y7, Field
Netball Y7, Y8, Courts
Homework & Revision, Library until 5pm
SEN Homework & Revision, SEN until 4.30pm

A Warm Welcome to Our International Students!

We are delighted to announce that our school will be welcoming five international students this January through Educatius, the world's leading organisation dedicated to high school exchange and study abroad programs.

These students will be joining us for a term, staying in local homes until the Easter holidays, and fully immersing themselves in our academic life. This is a wonderful opportunity to enrich our school community! They have specifically chosen our school to follow our diverse A-Level offerings, allowing them to explore subjects not available in their home countries. We look forward to them sharing their unique perspectives in the classroom and bringing a greater global flavour to our school.

Please join us in giving a warm welcome to our new international students in the New Year!

Educatius UK are searching for local homestays to welcome international students from January 2026 for 3 to 5 months. Homestays provide a private bedroom for our students and half board accommodation during weekdays, with full board at weekends and holidays. Educatius UK provide a local coordinator who'll provide 24/7 support to all students and homestay hosts in the area and **monthly £500 payment**.

For more details please contact Ivonne Vilhelmsen on 07850221526 or scan the QR code to enquire online.

Homestay Registration Form



Help with uniform

If you need help with uniform

Please contact us we may be able to provide families in need with uniform help, we also have some free second hand uniform available which has been donated to us. Please email us if you need assistance: office@colfox.dorset.sch.uk

Please donate unwanted school uniform – Thank you!

Please donate school uniform, ties, PE kit (without names on the back) and sports equipment that you no longer need. Please donate uniform that is in good condition, we are grateful if you could wash it first. Please drop it off to reception. Thank you, your generosity will help others.

Please make sure your child has the correct uniform

Advice on uniform is available on our [website here](#).

Helpers needed! Friends of Colfox

We are looking for volunteers to join our 'Friends of Colfox' group, one of the things the group does to help students and support families is help sort through uniform donations, and launder any that need attention. If you can help please contact: office@colfox.dorset.sch.uk

Local Club Information:



BRIDPORT RUGBY CLUB

FRIDAY 7TH NOVEMBER

KICK OFF - 7PM

Remembrance Match under the Floodlights

*Last Post played by St. Swithun's Band Bugler before kick off
followed by 2 minute silence*

**Bridport U13's
VS
Chard RFC U13's**





Open Saturdays at Bridport Community Shed A Workshop for ages 11-18

On the
1st Saturday
of the month
10-12

Bridport Community Shed is a project where people come together to make and mend and share skills. This creative workshop is open to young people to work on their own ideas using materials available. Arts facilitators are on hand for support. We have small group sizes. Space to innovate, doodle, engineer and create.

ALSO!
At the same
time

find fabrics,
ribbons, yarn,
beads, buttons, wires,
tubes, bottle tops,
leather, felt, corks,
match sticks
and lots more!



Bridport Community Shed Dinky Scrapstore is also open on the 1st Saturday of the month. We have lots of materials available. Come along and see what we have. You can take the materials you like in exchange for a small donation to the Shed.



For more information or to book a space,
please email
bridportcommunityshed@gmail.com.
£3 suggested donation to take part.

Instagram icon @bridportshed

Facebook icon @bridportcommunityshed

The Shed is in town near Mountfield Town Council.
See our website for a map.

www.bridportcommunityshed.org.uk



Charity number 1190565

Local Club Information:

Mondays CLOSED*

Tuesdays 9.30am-12 noon / 4-8pm

Wednesdays 3.30 – 6pm

Thursdays 4pm – 8pm

Fridays 4-6pm

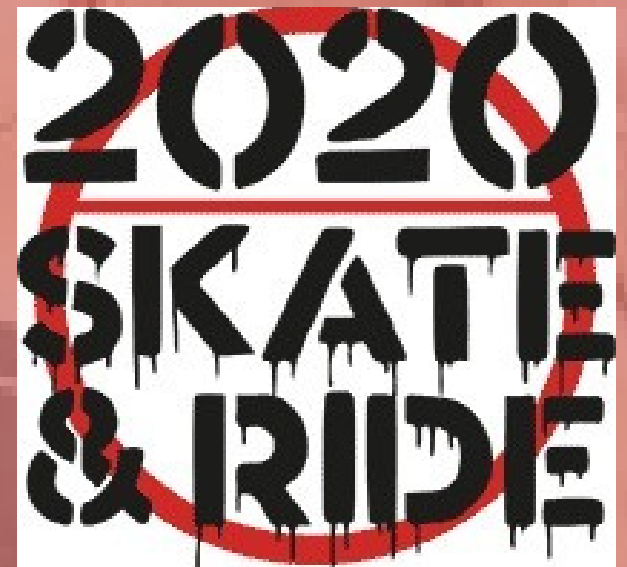
Saturdays 10am – 3pm

Sundays CLOSED

Other opening times may occur
(depending on weather & volunteer
availability), Facebook/Instagram for
more information (“2020 Skate & Ride”)

Unit 2A Corbin Way,

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Thank you for reading!



**We wish you all a very
Peaceful Half Term!**