



Dear Parents, Carers and all Friends of Colfox Academy,



We are very proud of all our students, especially Year 11 and Year 13, who approached their exams with hard work and diligence. Year 10 have also made a lot of progress on their GCSE courses and Year 12 have worked hard on their first year of A levels and are now considering their next steps.

We have enjoyed a huge number of trips, visits, house events and sporting fixtures this half term, as well as our Summer Exhibition at Bridport Arts Centre, our Colfox Junior Awards, our Y11 Prom, our Sixth Form Ball, Sports Day, the Colfox Recital, Colfox Quiz and more! We are looking forward to our annual House Cup Prize Giving Ceremony. Well done to all students who won an Award, a House Cup or took part in events.

The quality of work at our Sixth Form Art and Photography Exhibition at Bridport Arts Centre was very impressive, well done to everyone involved. We have enjoyed a huge number of House Cup Competitions this term, including the Art Cup, Music Cup, Chess Cup, Technology Cup, Tennis Cup, Catch the Flag, Science Cup, Cricket Cup, Rounders Cup, English Cup, Languages Cup to name just some of them!

Thank you to Lowri David and the rest of the Friends of Colfox Team for raising thousand for Colfox this year and for hosting a brilliant quiz last night! Thank you to everyone who donated a raffle prize or bought a ticket.

There are some great free summer activities if your child receives free school meals: helpandkindness.co.uk/summer-in-dorset-2026 Claiming free school meals is important find out here if you can. We have paid for access to best selling magazines and books for everyone, via SORA, check it out and save £££s. We look forward to welcoming students back on Thursday 3 September. Have a peaceful summer.

**Yours sincerely,
Adam Shelley , Headteacher**



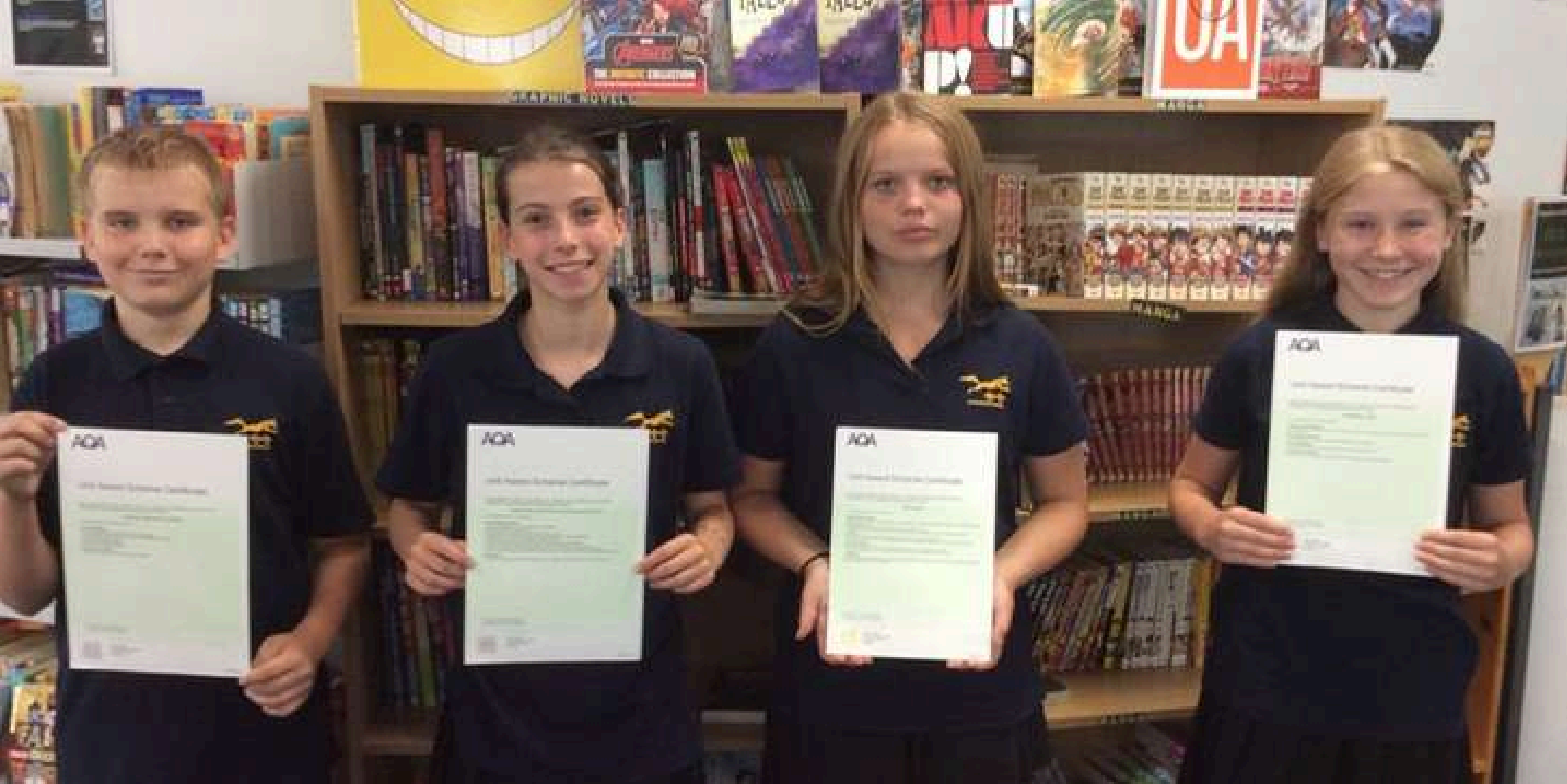
Year 9 Careers Day in Weymouth College

Well done Year 9, a great day for everyone at Coastland College in Weymouth! We took part in a huge variety of workshops at the Careers College Day in June. Students tried classes in everything from engineering, cookery, 3D animation, hair and beauty, construction, Ai and more. Our coach drivers asked us to pass on their compliments to parents on 'such a nice & polite group of young people' they were all brilliant all day, well done Year 9!









Well done to our Colfox Scholars

A huge well done to Max, Circe, Alice and Betsy in Year 7 who have gained AQA qualifications in a range of topics they have chosen including the cold war, space, forensic science, civil rights and design.

When our Year 7 students achieve adult reading ages they can now join our new Colfox Scholars scheme instead of reading lessons & pursue any academic interest or passion they choose. A wide range of projects are currently underway which are then assessed by Exam Board AQA who issue the awards. Well done to all students who've achieved an award this year and thank you to our Sixth Formers who have helped by advising on projects.



Hampton Court Palace Trip!

Year 10 had a great trip to Hampton Court Palace & were brilliant in the heat wave! We enjoyed a tour of the palace and gardens, thanks to all our parent helpers & to Ms Boe Zbijowski, our Ancient History lead, for arranging such a wonderful trip! Thanks also to Historic Royal Palaces for generously helping to fund the trip which meant we could keep the costs down to £5.







Science Cup 2026

Rocket making & launching challenge!



We had great fun making & launching rockets in the Science Cup! Well done Adler House team including Evlyn, Betsy & Lilly pictured top right, their rocket stayed up the longest and flew a remarkable distance!

Junior Awards Summer 2026



Well done to everyone who received a Junior Award!

It was great to celebrate your academic achievements at our Prize Giving Ceremony in July, congratulations everyone!
Thank you to musicians who performed at the ceremony yoo.



Well done to everyone who received an Academic Junior Award, here are some of the winners!











Duke of Edinburgh Award Expedition & Camp June 2026

A huge thank you to Mrs Ward and Mr Hardinge for giving up their time as volunteers to support the expedition and help make it such a successful and enjoyable experience.



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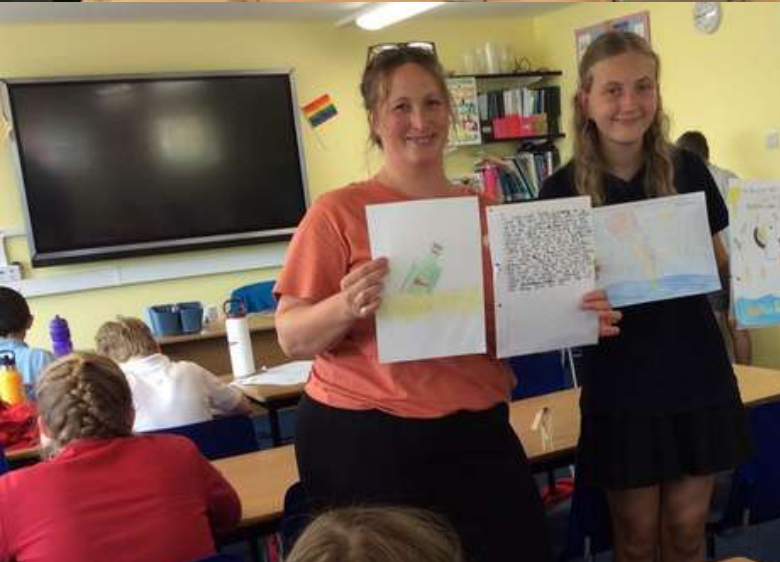
Students from Years 10, 11 and 12 recently completed their Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Expedition, enjoying two days of walking, teamwork and plenty of adventure across the Dorset countryside. The group, made up of the Purple Team (Riley, Freya, Miriam, Millie, Olly H, Ollie E and Will) and the Teal Team (Eddie, Emily, Ben, Zoe, Nathan and Ayla), set off from Maiden Castle on a foggy Friday morning.

With rucksacks on their backs, both teams made their way towards Martinstown before climbing up onto the Ridgeway and heading in the direction of Hardy's Monument. Along the way there were a few unexpected moments. The Teal Team took a detour to alert a local farmer to a ewe that had become stuck on its back – much to the farmer's gratitude – while the Purple Team enjoyed an unplanned sightseeing trip to Upwey before successfully getting themselves back on route! After arriving and pitching tents came the important task of cooking dinner, with pasta featuring very heavily on the menu in a variety of creative forms! The evening finished with a slice of birthday cake to celebrate Miriam's birthday, and a lively game of Mafia before everyone settled down for a well-earned sleep. The following morning, everyone was up bright and early for the final leg of the expedition to Abbotsbury, taking in the spectacular views over Chesil Beach and the Fleet Lagoon along the way.

Congratulations to all of the students for successfully completing their expedition. Once they have finished and had their volunteering, physical and skills sections signed off, they will receive their full Bronze Duke of Edinburgh Award.

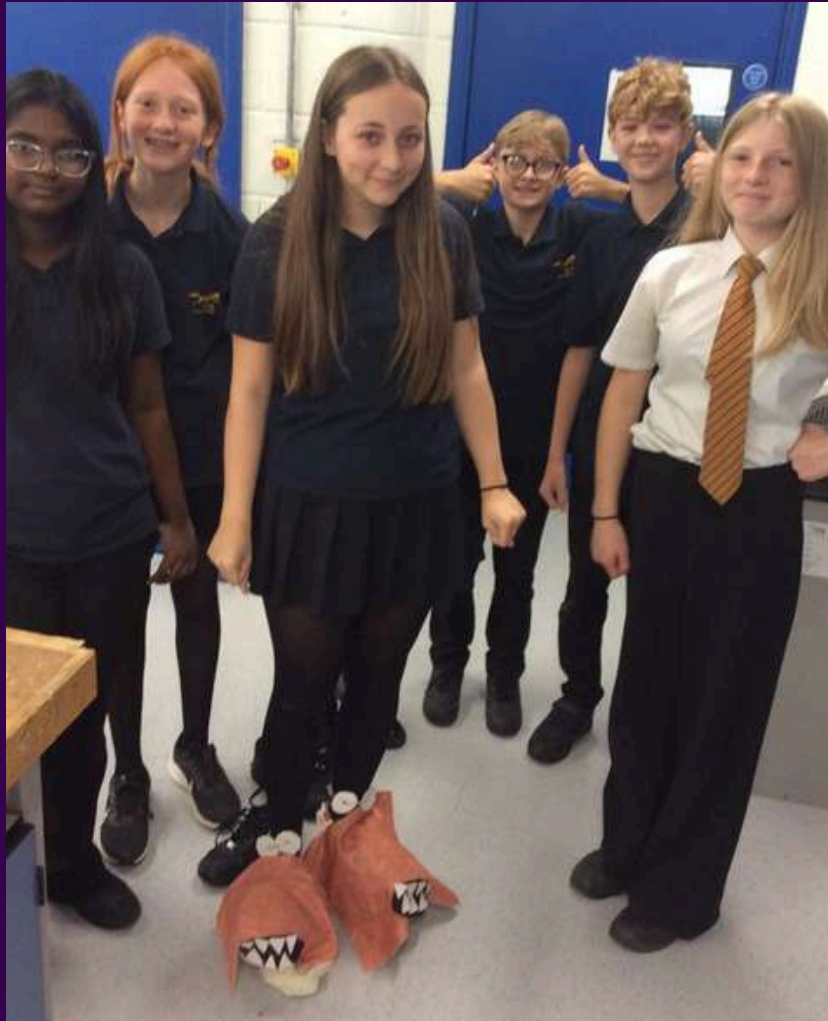
Welcoming Year 5 & 6 to Colfox!

We all enjoyed welcoming younger students to Colfox and our Taster Days were very popular and over subscribed



Thank you to all our students who did a great job welcoming and helping year 5 and 6 on our taster days, we investigated crime scenes in science, made cakes, created model castles, solved escape rooms, created art, music and much more!

DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY CUP



The Fleur de Lys House team!



The Toro House team!

Our house teams competed to make a pair of shoes out of cardboard under the theme of 'Jurassic Coast'. The shoe had to be 10cms off the floor and be able to walk at least 10 metres without falling apart. The teamwork displayed this year was wonderful with all of the Yr 7,8 and 9's working brilliantly together with some highly creative outcomes. Toro House made a great shoe but our overall winners were Adler House this year with a yellow, dinosaur, platform!

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Add a little bit of body text

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Water Sports Festival!

Some of our younger students enjoyed kayaking, boating, orienteering, raft building & games at the Dorset School Games Watersports Festival.



ART CUP

The Art Cup 2026 saw an impressive performance by all houses and we had a great day. The challenge was to create a group art piece in response to the theme of nature. We took inspiration from the theme of biodiversity and from an artist called Kurt Jackson.

All house teams produced impressive work but the winners were Fleur De Lys House and Hinomaru House came second - well done everyone!

Mrs Burgess Head of Art





Art Cup entries
clockwise from
top left:
winners Fler de
Lys House,
second place
Hinomaru
House, Toro
House and
Adler House

Geography Field Trip

All our Year 10 Geographers spent a productive day investigating the effectiveness of coastal management schemes in West Bay in June. They carried out a range of data collection methods to help and support them with the known fieldwork part of their Paper 3. They represented Colfox really well and even found time for an ice cream!





Photo by Robert Golden

RECITALS AT COLFOX

Our new Colfox Recitals, free for under 18s, have been delighting audiences, thank you to Arturo Serna & Ana Laura Manero for a wonderful recital in July. More are planned, dates below. Thanks to our fantastic Head of Music, Mrs Ali Davies for arranging and everyone who has helped support music at Colfox this year.

Cello & Piano Recital 'From Vienna to Buenos Aires'

Arturo Serna &
Ana Laura Manero

July 9 2026



RECITALS AT COLFOX



RECITAL PROGRAMME From Vienna to Buenos Aires

Camille SAINT-SAËNS
(1835-1921)
Allegro Appassionato

Ludwig van BEETHOVEN
(1770-1827)

Sonata op. 69 in A major
1. Allegro ma non tanto
2. Scherzo. Allegro molto
3. Adagio cantabile - Allegro vivace

INTERVAL

Felix MENDELSSOHN
(1809-1847) - Song Without Words, op. 67 no. 2

Edward ELGAR
(1857-1934) - Chanson de Matin, op. 15 no. 2

Frank BRIDGE
(1879-1941) - Spring Song, H.104 no. 2

Edward ELGAR
(1857-1934) - Chanson de nuit, op. 15 no. 1

Traditional Venezuelan/arr. Arturo SERNA: 'Pajarillo'/Little bird

Astor Piazzolla
(1921-1992) - Le Grand Tango

Music at Colfox 2026/27 Concerts & Events

Recitals at Colfox - In association with Jazz Jurassica - 8 October Evening Concert - Sara Coleman - Voice with Rebecca Nash - Piano

Carol Concert - 17 December St Mary's Church, Bridport

24 February - Violin/Piano masterclass with Leora Cohen - Violin and Duncan Honeybourne - Piano

Recitals at Colfox - 24 February, an evening with Leora Cohen and Duncan Honeybourne

School Show - 1-4 March

Recitals at Colfox - In association with Jazz Jurassica - 11 March - Workshop and Concert with Jason Rebello Piano and Iain Ballamy Saxophone

Spring Concert - 22 March

If you would like to be added to a concert and recital information only mailing list please email: Ali Davies Head of Music: adavies@sirjohncolfox.org

Music - Adult Theory course - starts Sept

Unlock the Language of Music – 20-Week Adult Theory Course

Ready to deepen your understanding of music and work towards a recognised theory qualification? Our 20-week Adult Music Theory Course is designed to guide you step-by-step from the fundamentals through to exam readiness in a supportive, engaging environment.

From September on Mondays 3.45-5.15pm - Maximum 15 participants. £250 for the whole 20-week course inclusive of course materials. Not including theory exam at the end. All proceeds from this course will go to fund Colfox Music Club - giving children the opportunity to learn an instrument at a reasonable cost. For more details please contact Ali Davies Head of Music - daviesa@colfox.dorset.sch.uk



Colfox Music Club

For all young people, including home learners & students from other schools are warmly invited to come to our Music Club for all young people on Wednesdays.

To donate to the Colfox Music Department please scan the QR Code thank you



MUSIC AT COLFOX



New Colfox Music Club - open to all!



Everyone is welcome to our new Colfox Music Club, including home learners & students from other schools, details below please share! Thank you to all our students who are volunteering to help at the club and to Clock Tower Records, Bridport Music Centre & Harmony Music & the public, for kindly donating more musical instruments!

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FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE
AGED 7-18

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- **COMPLETE BEGINNERS WELCOME!**

 **WEDNESDAYS - 3.30-5PM - @COLFOX SCHOOL, BRIDPORT**

 **TO SIGN UP OR MORE INFO - ALI DAVIES DAVIESA@COLFOX.DORSET.SCH.UK**



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Youth Voice Town Hall Debate



Well done to Phoebe, Scarlett and Archie who took part in a youth voice debate at County Hall in Dorchester.

Students had to write a speech and debate what is most important for improvements in Bridport for young people. They discussed housing, social spaces, health, communities and safety. The categories were decided during a workshop at Colfox and then shared with other schools. Schools debated which one they felt needs to be worked on and improved. After a vote at the end social spaces came out as the top, but awareness that this links very closely with communities and safety. The debate was organised by Jayne Brown of Dorset Youth Voice, and attended by Cllr Thornton and Cllr Jones.

Sports Day Fun!

We made some changes due to the heat but we managed, well done everyone!



Well done to everyone who took part in Sports Day! We held it over several days and moved some of the running events to 9am on other days so they could go-ahead in cooler conditions. Our students were keen to go-ahead as enjoy either competing or spectating & cheering our houses on. We did have doubts about the mascot race, but again our students were very keen to go-ahead!



You can follow Colfox PE on Instagram



Colfox PE awarded School Games Gold Mark Award



Well done to our brilliant PE Team from left Miss Mia Halifax, Mr Gary Littlechild, Mrs Julia May, Miss Katie Fear, Mr Justin Maybury and Mr Sam Morse!

Congratulations to our PE Team for achieving the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2025/26 academic year.

The School Games Mark is a Government-led award scheme launched in 2012, facilitated by the Youth Sport Trust to reward schools for their commitment to the development of competition across their school and into the community.



WE ARE A GOLD MARK AWARD SCHOOL FOR 2025/2026!!!



We are delighted to announce that the Sir John Colfox Academy, has achieved the School Games Gold Mark Award for the 2025/26 academic year.

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The Sir John Colfox Academy's Sporting Achievements this year include:

- Providing at least 5 sports clubs a week for all year groups.
- Running Interhouse events each half term for Years 7-10
- Attending multiple fixtures throughout the year, including local friendlies, Area matches/tournaments, County matches/tournaments, and providing opportunities for our students to represent at a county, regional, and national standard.
- Running primary school events for the local Bridport and Beaminster schools, including Quadkids, Primary Sports Days, Kenway Cup, multi-sports festivals
- Giving over 100 students in Years 7-13 opportunities to lead, coach and run events.
- Hosting the Bronze Ambassadors Leadership Academy for the local primary schools
- Providing a broad, inclusive curriculum throughout KS3 and 4, with provision for continuing into KS5 PE
- Inclusive opportunities, such as events for participation like Can-Do Watersports at Rockley Sports

With so many young people competing in local inter-school competitions this year, the Sir John Colfox Academy is very proud of pupils for their dedication to all aspects of school sport, including those young volunteers, leaders and officials who make competitions possible.

Julia May, from Colfox PE team, said: "As part of the application, we were asked to fulfil criteria in the areas of participation, competition, workforce and clubs, and we are pleased that the hard work of everyone at Colfox has been rewarded this year. A special thanks goes to our communities and primary schools for working with us this year, and our fantastic students to turn up to play, compete, lead or coach throughout the year and allow us to be able to put on all of this!

"We look forward to applying once again in 2027!"



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Art & Photography Exhibition @ Bridport Arts Centre

SUMMER EXHIBITION

Photography, Fine Art, Sculpture & Mixed Media

**17-25 JUNE
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Congratulations to our very talented sixth formers who exhibited their art and photography work at Bridport Arts Centre in June.

Louise Burgess, Head of Art at the Sir John Colfox Academy, said: "The show this year was a wonderful showcase of the breadth of fantastic talent we have in our sixth form. The paintings were brilliant and the show featured exciting and creative outcomes, the Year 13 exhibits were all inspired by the starting point 'Union'. The work was highly original, personal and creative."

The exhibition featured Year 13 students' personal investigations of range of powerful themes and included impressive Portraiture, Landscape, figure studies and mixed media work by our Year 12 students.



**Congratulations
to our Mr David
Dummackin!
Winner of the
‘Young Carer
Champion of
the Year for
Dorset’ Award**

We are very proud that Mr Dummackin, Colfox’s Young Carers Champion, has won a MYTIME Community Hero Award.

Jo Cooper from MyTime young carers charity, said: ‘David absolutely deserves this award, he is a super star. He is a true leader in developing outstanding support for young carers within school.

He is creative, innovative, and always puts the needs of young carers at the centre of everything he does. The systems he has established ensure that every young carer receives the right support at the right time, while seamlessly integrating community services into the school's provision. His approach brings the saying, "It takes a village to raise a child," to life, creating a network of support that enables young carers to thrive."

Mr Dummackin has been working to develop the best support for our Young Carers at Colfox and his work has been recognised by organisations like MYTIME who are hoping it can be replicated in other schools so more Young Carers can receive the support they need.

Mr Dummackin said: "My role is about standing beside the child, so they aren't alone. It is about working to get them the right help at the right time and providing early help to promote their wellbeing and their family's wellbeing."

More details of help available is here: colfox.org/youngcarers and if you would like get in touch with Mr Dummackin to discuss support for a Young Carer, please email: ddummackin@sirjohncolfox.org

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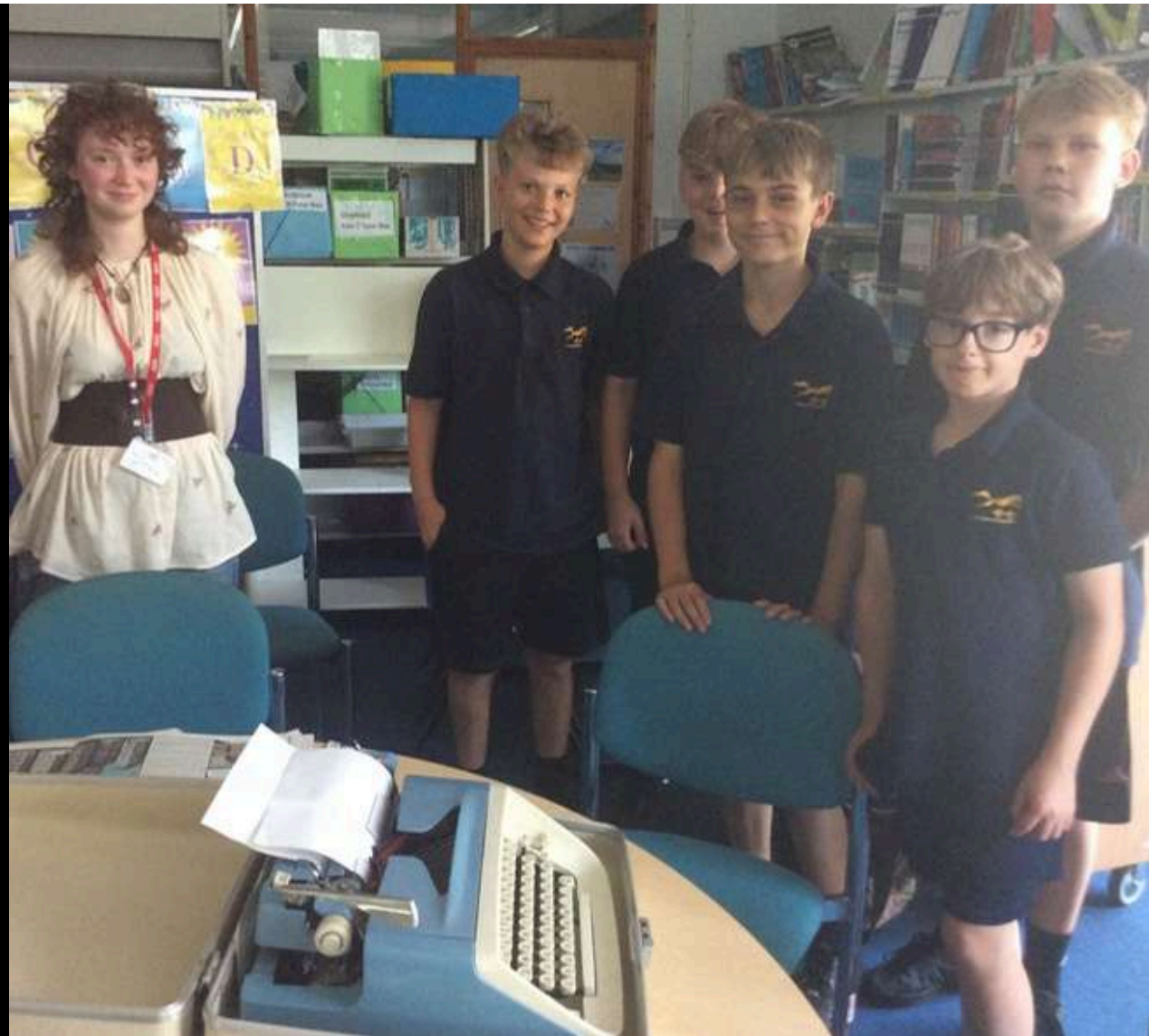


Sixth Form Summer Ball

We enjoyed our Sixth Form Summer Ball at Bridport Golf Club in June - it was a lovely evening and every body looked amazing!

Bank of Dreams & Nightmares visit

We have enjoyed welcoming the Bank of Dreams & Nightmares into our Library this half term. Thank you to Alani for coming in to work with our Creative Writing Club, as well as hosting fun drop-in sessions. We particularly enjoyed the typewriter game which sees everyone writing one word and passing it on to create a story - not everyone was familiar with type writers though!





BRIDLIT Bursary is open for 2026 applicants £9,000 available to support students

Young people across the Bridport area who are preparing to begin university in autumn 2026 are being encouraged to apply for the prestigious ‘Bridlit Bursary’, a life-changing award worth £9,000 over three years. The Bridport Literary Festival will once again award two bursaries of £3,000 per year to successful applicants, helping students pursue undergraduate study in any subject. The funding is provided without restrictions on how it is spent, allowing recipients to use it where it matters most. The bursary reflects the Festival’s long-standing commitment to education and to giving back to the community that has supported it for more than two decades. Previous awards have enabled talented local students to access opportunities that may otherwise have seemed financially daunting. Former recipient Jess St Barbe Baker, who recently completed her degree in Childhood Studies, described the profound impact of the award: “I honestly cannot put into words how much the bursary has helped me over the last three years. I have been able to travel to university and my placements without worry. I have been able to buy the latest books and journals, which strengthened my studies and writing.”

The scheme is open to students in Year 13 at Beaminster & Colfox Joint Sixth Form, as well as young people who live within the Bridport ward and intend to begin an undergraduate degree in 2026. Students who have taken a break from education and are returning to study are also encouraged to apply. Applicants are asked to submit a letter of no more than 4,000 characters explaining why they should be considered, why they have chosen their degree subject and how the bursary would help them achieve their ambitions. Two referees will also be required as part of the application process. At a time when the cost of higher education continues to rise, the Bridlit Bursary represents not only financial support but also a vote of confidence in the aspirations and potential of local young people. Previous winners consistently speak of the freedom the award has given them to focus on their studies, pursue opportunities and make the most of university life. Students who are eligible are strongly encouraged to apply. The process is straightforward, and the rewards can be transformational. Information and application details can be found on the Bridport Literary Festival website at www.bridlit.com



COLTFOX PROM 2026

We enjoyed the Prom! It was lovely to see everyone at Symondsburry Tithe Barn, amazing outfits, dancing and tractors! The photo above was taken by Photographer Mr Andy Potter, his [pictures can be purchased here](#). Thank you also to Mr Brendan Jackson whose photographs are shown on the following pages and have been emailed to all Year 11 students. Thank you to Mrs Wright for making delicious cakes for everyone and to Miss Halifax, Ms Zbijowski and Mrs Carpenter for decorating the venue with an 'Under the Sea' theme.



















EXAMS - well done everyone!

Well done to all our Year 11 and 13 students, who took 133 exams this year. Thank you to our teachers for providing confidence boosting support sessions and to our exams officer, Mrs Davies, who again did an amazing job of making sure they ran smoothly and our wonderful team of invigilators!

A total of 3,137 exam papers were completed. There were 57 GCSE exams and 59 A Level exams, 23 other exams and we sometimes were up to 6 rooms at the same time, well done everyone!

Cradle to Career - bringing our community together to create more opportunities locally for our young people



Cradle to Career is a community-led, place-based 10-year whole community approach designed to raise young people's life chances by supporting them through every stage of life, from birth through to adulthood and employment. It aims to involve businesses and rather than treating education, healthcare, social services and other support as separate systems, it aims to integrate them to create a seamless pipeline of support for disadvantaged families.

The Cradle to Career Bridport programme involves schools, businesses, local councils, community groups, charities, health and other public services uniting around a shared vision of making our town a place where every child and young person can thrive. More than 50 community leaders came to the launch, read the [report here](#). Schools play a vital role in children's lives, but we know that many of the challenges young people face – such as poverty, mental health pressures, educational disadvantage and limited opportunities – cannot be solved by schools alone. It takes a whole community working together. Cradle to Career Bridport is mapped out in slides here; where Bridport is now, what challenges families face, how Cradle to Career works and what we can do as a community to make Bridport a place where children and young people thrive. [Colfox.org/cradletocareer](https://colfox.org/cradletocareer)

Adam Shelley, Headteacher



Cradle to Career is a community project, please have a look at it here: [Colfox.org/cradletocareer](https://colfox.org/cradletocareer) and please email if you'd like to become involved: office@sirjohncolfox.org

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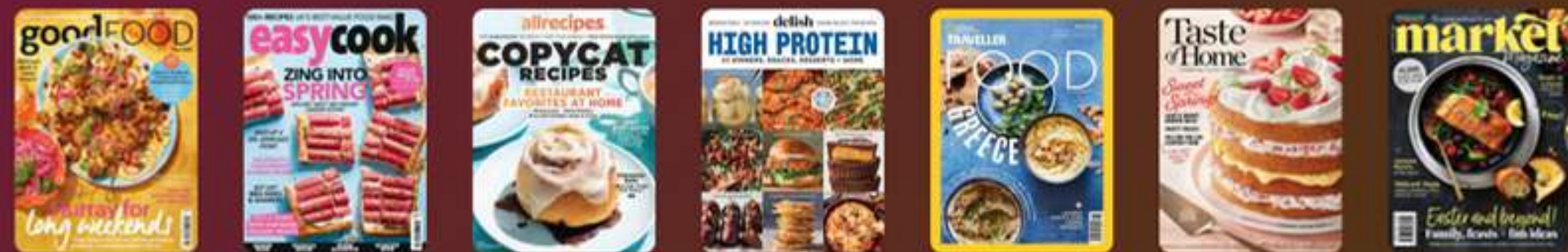
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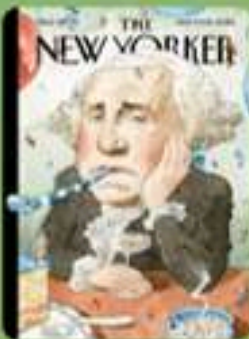


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- Click 'No I'll search for my School'
- In 'Let's find your school' type 'Colfox' and click it when it pops up
- Scroll down list to 'T' and click 'The Sir John Colfox'
- Click 'sign-in using the Sir John Colfox Academy'
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WEDNESDAY
29TH JULY
2026

10AM – 2PM



MONDAY
24TH AUGUST
2026

10AM – 2PM



FOR YEAR 6 PUPILS MOVING INTO YEAR 7
AT COLFOX – SEPTEMBER 2026

MAKE FRIENDS,
BUILD CONFIDENCE,
HAVE FUN!

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A DAY FULL
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& MEMORIES!

Head of Year 7 Mrs Baker, along with Colfox staff
and youth workers will be there to welcome you and
help you feel *right at home*.



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Fun
team-building
activities



Plenty of chances
to meet new friends
and bond



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and challenges

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28TH AUGUST 2026

10AM – 2PM

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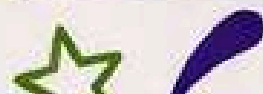


BUILD CONFIDENCE
and get excited for
secondary school!



EXPLORE NEW
subjects and discover
your passions!

EVERY CHILD
WILL ROTATE
BETWEEN
ACTIVITIES!



Free sessions for Colfox Parents, usual cost £26



August 2026 Timetable

All regular 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

School Anxiety	3 Aug 10am
Anxiety Explained	3 Aug 7pm
Facing Defiance	4 Aug 10am
Cannabis & Ketamine Awareness	4 Aug 7pm
Supporting Healthy Sleep	10 Aug 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	10 Aug 7pm
Introduction to OCD	11 Aug 10am
Decreasing Depression	11 Aug 7pm
What is ACT?	17 Aug 10am
Improving Family Communication	17 Aug 7pm
Supporting a Child with ADHD	18 Aug 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	18 Aug 7pm
FREE - Raising Self-Esteem	20 Aug 7-8pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	24 Aug 10am
Understanding Anger	24 Aug 7pm
Autism: Improving Communication	25 Aug 10am
Supporting Healthy Screen Use	25 Aug 7pm

We have bought access so Colfox Parents & Carers can get these sessions FREE.

We all need help sometimes and [FACE Family Advice](https://facefamilyadvice.co.uk) offer high quality advice on how to support our young people with many things.

We have purchased a 100% discount code so you can have unlimited, completely free of charge access to all the Parent Talks. At the payment stage, click 'enter a promo code' and use the code: SJC191226

Colfox.org/talks

School's out!

Free Summer Activities

Lots of summer activities are available free if your child is entitled to free school meals (pupil premium), you can book and [find out more here](#). Includes fun activities at: Bridport Leisure Centre, Arts Reach, Bridport Youth Club, Bridport SupaStrikers (Football), Thriving Wild, the Bank of Dreams & Nightmares and lots more! You can get a [passcode for free holiday activities here](#) if your child is entitled to free school meals.



Schools out!

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Adventure

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This summer, get ready for days packed with fun, laughter and unforgettable experiences! Join us at our holiday clubs, action-packed activities and fantastic fun days – there's something for everyone to enjoy.

Help with costs is available for eligible families. Visit Holiday activities and food (HAF) programme - Dorset Council to find out more.

During Schools out you can expect...

- a wide variety of sessions including sports, music, arts and crafts, cooking, drama, story writing and much more
- lots of unique and exciting experiences to enjoy with new friends
- tasty meals at activities and tips for how you can eat well from home

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If you have any questions, contact us
holidayactivities@dorsetcouncil.gov.uk
01305 221157



Thriving Wild's Summer Club

Come and join us for fun, supportive days of outdoor adventure, creativity and nature connection.

Choose from six summer sessions:

10 Aug 11 Aug
17 Aug 18 Aug
24 Aug 25 Aug

Led by experienced Forest School practitioners at our beautiful field near Askerswell.

For ages **6 to 14 years**.

Places limited to 14 children.

Pricing:

£40 per day: **10 am to 2 pm**
Funded places available!

Please get in touch to find out more information.
HAF codes accepted.

Transport:

Free transport from Bridport bus station.
9.40 am pick up
2.15 pm drop off

The day includes:

- *Second breakfast on arrival
- *Delicious campfire lunch
- *Nature crafts
- *Shelter building
- *Woodland games
- *Exploring wildlife
- *Cooking
- *Play and adventure
- *Child-led activities and flexibility

Support needs:

We welcome children who need some extra support. Please get in touch to discuss how we can help.

For more information and to book a place, visit:
www.thrivingwild.org.uk
email: clare@thrivingwild.org.uk



MUSICAL IN A WEEK!

SUMMER WORKSHOPS
for 13-18 year olds
BRIDPORT

Do you love singing, acting or dancing?

Join us to help create an original musical from scratch. Learn songs from a range of musicals, then work together to create your own story and bring it all to life in a performance at the end of the project.

August 10th - 12th,
10.00am - 4.00pm daily.
Lunch included.

Bridport Arts Centre,
South Street,
Bridport DT6 3NR

Free with a Dorset HAF code,
£50 without HAF code
(bursaries / subsidies available)

BOOK NOW!

www.bsharp.org.uk/musicalinaweek
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email: info@bsharp.org.uk



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Schools out!



BINGO



• FAMILY FRIENDLY BINGO • PRIZE & CASH RAFFLES •

SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST
Doors 5pm • Eyes Down 7pm

Lots of **fantastic prizes** up for grabs including family tickets to **Melplash Show, Seaton Tramway, Jurassic Fields Festival** & much much more!!!!

DRINKS & SNACKS AVAILABLE
CASH ONLY EVENT

Bridport Youth & Community Centre,
Gundry Ln, Bridport DT6 3RL



Raising funds for
St. Catherine's Preschool

With special thanks to
Gill East and her team

Calling all
WRITERS
of Bridport & West Bay

Have you
Heard
the one
About
the Boat?

LOOKING FOR
**ANTHOLOGY
SUBMISSIONS**

On a misty 4th July morning a well-known local boat set sail from West Bay harbour. However, after encountering engine problems, it was forced to land on Chesil Beach.

These events have sparked inspiration, and I am looking for fellow writers to join me in my quest to compile an Anthology of original fictional writing.

Contribute to the project with either:

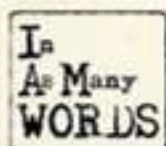
A Poem ~ *up to 25 lines*

Flash Fiction ~ *up to 250 words*

A Short Story ~ *up to 2,500 words.*

Submissions can be in any genre but must be fictional.

For full details, visit the website.



inasmanywords.com
info@inasmanywords.com



* Submissions from young writers are welcome, but contributors under 18 must have a parent/carer consent.

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 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!

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

Thank you for reading!



We wish you all a very peaceful summer!