



WELCOME FROM MR DREW

It is with great personal pride that I write this edition of our newsletter, reflecting on the many achievements and opportunities that continue to shape life at Hans Price. As we move further into the Spring Term, it is a pleasure to share with you the many successes, developments and important updates from across our school community — all rooted in our culture of Ready to Learn.

This edition begins with an important update on the transition to MCAS (My Child at School) as our new cashless payment and communication system (page 2). The app will soon become the only platform for payments for lunches, trips and clubs, and we encourage all families to ensure they are registered and ready for this change.

We are also looking forward to welcoming families to our Year 9 Subject Evening on 5th March (page 3), an important opportunity to discuss progress, curriculum expectations and next steps as students begin thinking ahead to Key Stage 4 pathways.

A highlight of this term has been the outstanding success of our students in the UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge (pages 5–6). With 8 Gold, 22 Silver and 35 Bronze awards — our best results to date — we are incredibly proud of every student who took part, especially those progressing to the prestigious Pink Kangaroo round.

This term also sees the launch of our exciting new Expressive Cup, shared with all students and available via our website. The theme, “Belonging Through Participation,” reflects our commitment to ensuring every student feels part of our community. With over 20 non-academic competitions running across the term, every entry earns valuable college points, encouraging ambition, community, imagination and pride.

Our curriculum continues to inspire creativity and reflection. In Geography, Year 7 students have been modelling river profiles, while our Nurture group created thoughtful Holocaust Memorial Day tea light holders. Year 10 students were also inspired at the Science Live! event in Bristol, gaining insight from leading scientists and valuable GCSE guidance.

Student wellbeing remains central to our work. We are pleased to introduce our Education Mental Health Practitioner and to continue strengthening support through our Mental Health Support Team, safeguarding work and upcoming Mental Health Awareness Week. Alongside this, students benefit from our free Breakfast Club each morning, while families can access support through Parenting Village coffee mornings and online safety sessions. Young people can also engage in positive enrichment opportunities such as The Hangar and the North Somerset Youth Awards.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. Together, we ensure that Hans Price Academy remains a place where every student is truly Ready to Learn and empowered to thrive academically, socially and emotionally.



MY CHILD AT SCHOOL

(MCAS)

CHANGES TO THE WAY YOU PAY

**HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED THE
MY CHILD AT SCHOOL APP?**

Later in the academic year we will be moving our cashless payment system from ScoPay to Bromcom MCAS.

MCAS will be the only system that you can pay for school lunches, clubs and trips.

With the app you can:

- View daily attendance
- Update personal information i.e. email address or phone number
- View and amend contact details we hold about you
- View your child's timetable
- Track I.S (Homework)
- View published reports
- Track behaviour and achievements
- Later in the year - make payments

The app is free to download and easy to use.
Compatible on smart phone, tablet or PC.

To register, please visit:

mychildatschool.com

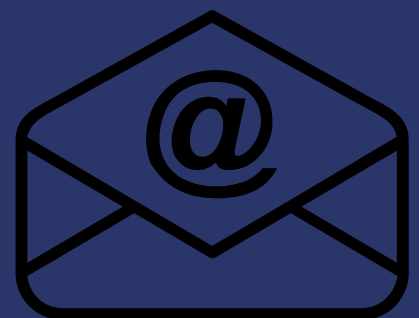
or contact:

mcas@hpa.clf.uk for more help



You can update contact information using the app via the 'Data Collection' tab.

Please ensure your email boxes are not full to allow the MCAS emails to get through to you.





YEAR 9

SUBJECT EVENING & GUIDED OPTIONS EVENING

Join us at Hans Price Academy for our Year 9 Subject & Guided Options Evening. Meet teachers, discuss progress and targets, and understand the curriculum and independent study expectations while learning how to support success at home. Students can explore subject choices for next year during the Guided Options Evening.



5th

March

16:00 - 19:00

HANS PRICE ACADEMY

Marchfields Way, Weston-
super-Mare BS23 3QP

Book Via SchoolCloud



Schedule your appointments online – book now via SchoolCloud, slots will fill quickly

Guided Options Talk – Book a slot on the Green Steps for a guided options presentation

Specialist teams available – SEND, Safeguarding, and College staff will be on hand for drop-in support

Review progress – collect student report and understand grades and next steps.

Duke of Edinburgh Volunteering



As part of their volunteering section for their Bronze DofE Award, 3 of our participants – Gracie, Emma and Alana arranged a food collection for the Weston Foodbank.

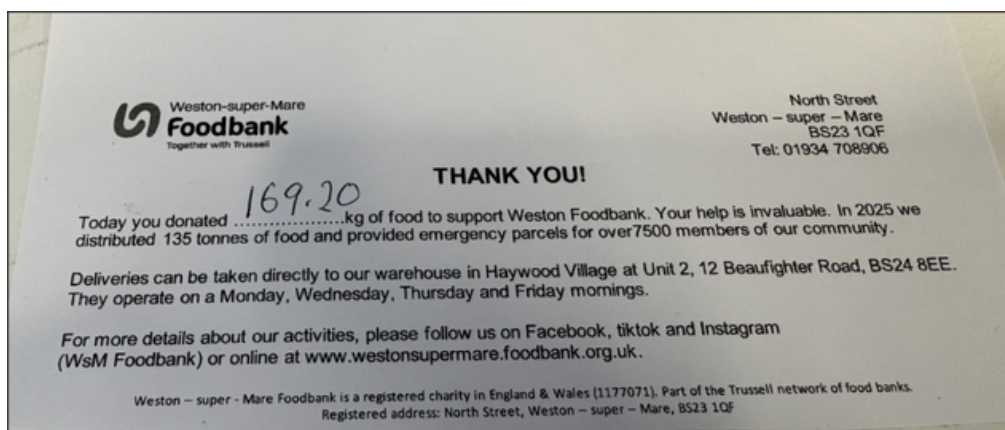
This is a fantastic initiative by the girls. By printing their own flyers, and dedicating their personal time, they have made a tangible, significant impact on their local community in Weston-super-Mare.

Over 169kg of food and donations were collected for the Weston Foodbank. Their volunteering goal for the award is to support people in need, directly contributing to community wellbeing. This, and planned future collections, represent a high level of dedication to their Bronze DofE volunteering section.

Their effort to support the Weston Foodbank (located at North St, BS23 1QF) helps provide essential items such as long-life milk, tinned goods, toiletries, and cleaning products to local people in need. The girls said, "We're so grateful for all the donations and it makes us happy to know that all the food is going to the people who need it."

Congratulations to the girls on this massive achievement and for their continued commitment to helping others.

Mrs Cox – DofE Manager



INTERMEDIATE MATHS CHALLENGE



At the end of January, 156 top mathematicians from Years 9, 10 and 11 took part in the prestigious UKMT Intermediate Maths Challenge.

The challenge is run by the United Kingdom Mathematics Trust and consists of answering 25 multiple choice questions in an hour. The questions test students' logical thinking, ability to problem solve and extends their understanding of mathematical ideas covered in their maths lessons.

Students worked hard to prepare for it and between them, they managed to achieve 8 Gold, 22 Silver and 35 Bronze certificates. Everyone else received a participation certificate. This is the best we have seen at Hans Price Academy, and all students should be proud of what they have achieved.



INTERMEDIATE MATHS CHALLENGE



The results are:

Bronze – Gracie A, Arthur B, Leo C, Alfie D, Mateusz G, Alana J, Jack L, Dylan M, Roman N, Jacob R-L, Joy S, Alicja S, Bella S, Riley S, Priscilla B, Alfie H, Bana H, Kamil K, Charli M, Joseph T, Kirk Gabriel V, Ethan W, Coby W, Freddie B, Ava B, Jin Hau C, Dougie D, Kaya G, Zachary K, Joe L, Alexis L, Haydn S, Ethan W, Callum W, Francesca Y

Silver – Elijah B, Lam B, Liam D, Eddie H, Liam H, Lilly L, Henry L, Deea M, Emily H, Anita M, Mars M, Charlie M, Indie P, Maks A, Joshua A, Maggie B, Sid B, Manuela D, Buster P, Emily P, Ceylin S, Kaitlyn W,

Gold – Elliot C, James F, Emma G, Jayden G, Archie H, Elijah M, Ethan N, Travis S,

Deea won the award of Best in Year 9.

Elliot won the award for Best in Year 10.

Elijah won the award for Best in School.

In addition to this, our Gold award students are also going through to the Pink Kangaroo follow-on round. This is a huge achievement as only a few thousand students qualify across the whole country.

Congratulations to all students who took part.



Geography

During Term 3 in Nurture, Year 7 having been working to make a model showing how water flows from the mountain to the sea - The river profile.



Tea Light Holders



Students in Nurture have been making tea light holders as part of the Holocaust Memorial Day. We talked about why we remember and the students chose what they wanted to make as their own way to remember.

They worked together and were very supportive of each others designs.



Science LIVE!



On Monday 9th February we attended the Science Live! event at the Bristol Beacon with Miss Treble. We thoroughly enjoyed listening to the different prestigious scientists and doctors.

One of the speakers, Professor Robert Winston, inspired us and provided us with knowledge on the study of embryos and IVF. The Neuroscientist, Sophie Scott, talked about the science of laughter. She showed us examples of how other species communicate through 'laughter'. One really interesting example was how rats, who are mute, were more likely to be attacked during play, because of their inability to communicate verbally.

An Edexcel exam specialist talked us through some top tips for passing our science GCSEs too. We really enjoyed the insights that the day provided, whilst also learning about science research currently taking place. We aspire to be like them one day.

Ruby K, Priscilla B, Alice D and Syd S (Year 10)



Year 11 Next Steps and Guide to Post-16

Education



As an Academy, we support all Year 11 students to prepare for their next steps and Post-16 choices. During Year 11 we host Post-16 assemblies, delivered by a variety of external providers, to highlight the wide-ranging opportunities at Post-16 including College, Sixth Form and apprenticeship routes.

Every student in Year 11 will receive a 1:1 career guidance session with myself, Jackie Fielding, Careers Adviser, to prepare for Post-16 applications. As a school we can support students with their applications where needed.

If you feel you or your child would like additional support to better understand Post-16 options and the application process, please contact me directly via email Jackie.Fielding@clf.uk or Direct Dial: (01934) 630836 ext.1340.

A Brief Guide to Post-16 Qualifications and Routes

'T' levels & BTECs: Ideal for students with one specific subject or vocational area in mind, with a practical and 'hands on' learning style and an emphasis on work experience. This is a mix of practical assignments and some exams. Equivalent to 3 A levels with routes into university, apprenticeships and the world of work.

'A' levels: Ideal for students who perform well in exams, enjoy the classroom environment and would like to study 3 or sometimes 4 subjects. For students with clear aspirations for university or those who do not have one specific subject area in mind and would like to keep their options open. Also, for routes into apprenticeships and the world of work.

Apprenticeships: Ideal for students who are looking to leave the classroom behind and enter the world of work. Apprenticeships are a full-time job with a day a week at college or assessment in the workplace.

Apprenticeships require a high level of maturity to apply for vacancies, be interviewed and secure a role.

Foundation Learning: Foundation Learning is available at most colleges for students with special educational needs or disabilities (SEND) and barriers to learning.

Careers and Post-16 Events Calendar

March - April 2026



Provider	Event	Date & Time	More Information
Hans Price Academy	1-1 Career Guidance Meeting with Mrs. Fielding Students will be collected from lessons	September onwards	For more information contact: Jackie.fielding@clf.uk (01934) 630836 ext:1340
Thatcher's Cider Apprenticeships	Applications for September 2026 start are now open		Thatcher's Cider Apprenticeship Applications
Weston College Campus Tours	Year 11 Students, Parent/Carers Campus Tours	2nd -27th February 3.30pm – 5.30pm	Book: School Liaison Tour Takeover Month
City of Bristol College	Open Day	Wednesday 11th March 10am-1pm	Register: City of Bristol Open Day
Bristol Robins Foundation	Q&A Session Online Q+A via Microsoft Teams	Monday 30th March 6:30pm	To Book: Bristol Robins Online Q&A
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Weston College All Campuses	'Have a Go' Open Evening	Wednesday 25th March 6pm – 8pm	Register: Weston College Open Evening
Weston College Knightstone Campus	Easter Half-Term Workshop For Years 9,10 &11 Hair & Media Make-up Catering & Hospitality Early Years Computing	Tuesday, 14th April 10am – 2pm	Booking essential: Easter Half-Term Workshop
Weston College Loxton Campus	Easter Half-Term Workshop For Years 9,10 & 11 Sport Coaching Art & Design	Wednesday 15th April 10am – 2pm	Booking essential: Easter Half-Term Workshops
SGS South Gloucestershire & Stroud College All campuses	Open Evening	Thursday 30th April 5.30pm to 8.pm	Register: SGS Open Evening
Become an Apprentice	Apprenticeship Information	Online Research Only	Apprenticeship Advice & Guidance Register & Search for an Apprenticeship

Meet Your Education Mental Health Practitioner (EMHP)

Mia

Hi, I'm Mia (she/her) from the Mental Health Support Team. I work at Hans Price on **Tuesdays**. Say hi next time you see me!



What is MHST?

The Mental Health Support Team (MHST) is here to help your school to develop ways to look after the mental health of its students, staff, parents and carers.

Our EMHPs are trained to give 1-1 support to students on anxiety, low mood and other struggles with wellbeing.

Our logo is an otter because, like otters, we work as part of a team and we use tools! **Some of our favourite tools are self-care, challenging negative thoughts, problem-solving and managing worries.** We want to share these tools with you so that you can look after your own wellbeing and build your resilience.

If you would like to know more then chat to Mrs Chapman or another trusted adult in your school.



Fun facts about me:

- I enjoy being in nature and going for long walks!
- I love animals so tell me about your pets
- My superpower would be to teleport!

RESET WSM



NORTH SOMERSET YOUTH AWARDS

RESET
WSM
COMMUNITY INTEREST COMPANY

**DO YOU KNOW AN OUTSTANDING YOUNG PERSON
AGED 8 TO 18 THAT LIVES OR RECEIVES EDUCATION IN
NORTH SOMERSET ?**

We might just have something for you and for them...

WE ARE BACK FOR 2026...RESET ARE RUNNING THE NORTH SOMERSET YOUTH AWARDS TO CELEBRATE AND SHARE THE EXCEPTIONAL CIRCUMSTANCES THAT HAVE BEEN OVERCOME, HARDSHIPS THAT HAVE SHOWN GREAT RESILIENCE AND THE MAGNIFICENT WORK AND ACHIEVEMENTS CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ACROSS NORTH SOMERSET HAVE HAD. THE CATEGORIES ARE...

Superhero Arts and Culture Learning
Caring Team/Group Service to Children
Environmental Sporting Fundraising



NOMINATIONS OPEN NOW



HOW TO APPLY.... EMAIL US FOR AN APPLICATION FORM OR JUST SEND US THE DETAILS OF THE YOUNG PERSON, WHO THEY ARE, PARENT/CARER DETAILS, HOW YOU KNOW THEM, WHAT CATEGORY AND WHY THEY SHOULD WIN.

WWW.RESETWSM.CO.UK
ADMIN@RESETWSM.CO.UK
01934 707810

**17th July 2026 @
The Grand Pier**

Could you tell if your child was being **exploited**?



Join one of our free online sessions led by Child Exploitation Prevention Officer **Andri Nicolaou**

18 March 7:00 - 8:30pm

30 March 10:30am - 12:00pm

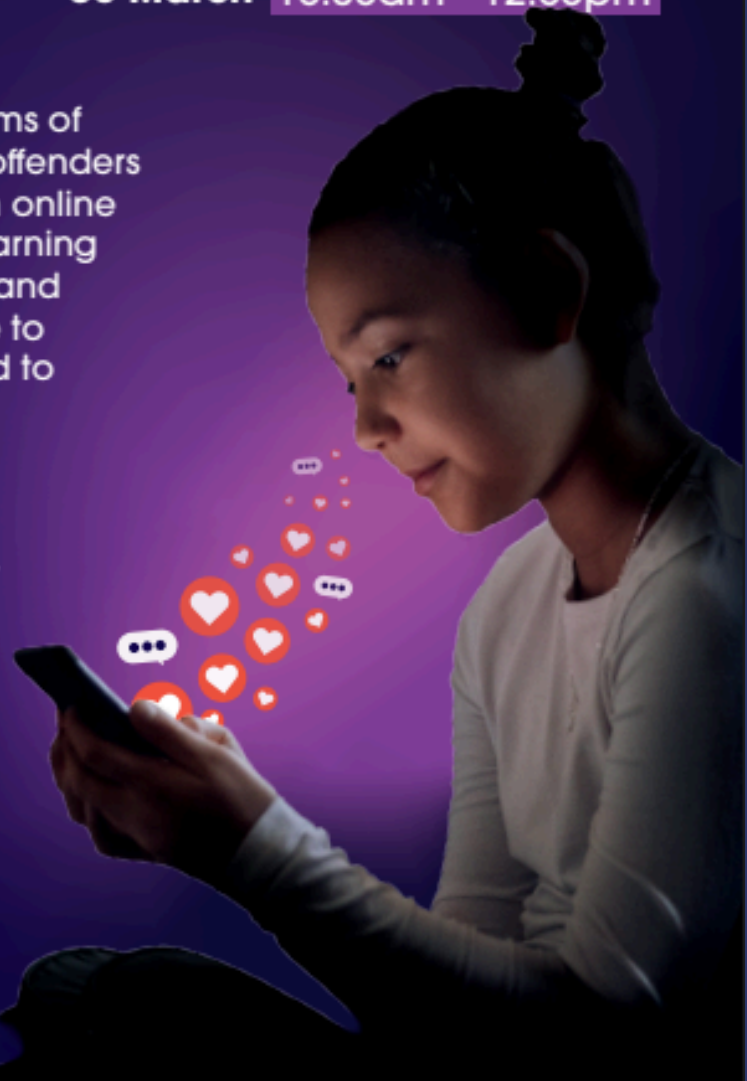
Learn about the different forms of child exploitation and how offenders groom/exploit children both online and offline. We'll highlight warning signs a child may be at risk and practical steps you can take to keep them safe and respond to any concerns.

Visit the **Avon and Somerset Police Eventbrite page** or scan the QR codes below

18 March



30 March





If you're under 18 and helping someone at home with a disability, illness, mental health condition, or substance misuse - you're a young carer.

Every young carer faces unique challenges, and our service is here to help.

What we offer

Alliance Homes' carers service supports young carers by giving them the time, tools, and opportunities to thrive. We offer:

- **Statutory Young Carer Assessment:** Understand your needs and get the right support.
- **Welcome groups:** Spaces to connect with the service.
- **Social meet ups:** Make friends with other young carers, connect and grow.
- **Day Trips and workshops:** Enjoy activities and learn new skills.
- **Day trips and residential weekends away:** Take a break and recharge.
- **One-to-one support:** Needs based with a focus on supporting you to join groups.

Advocacy

We can speak on your behalf with schools, social services, and health teams – making sure you get the support you deserve.

@nscarerssupport



Get in touch today

Scan the QR
to find out
more about the
service



alliancehomes.org.uk/carersupport
carersupport@alliancehomes.org.uk
03000 120 120

Parenting village coffee morning



This is a relaxed and friendly drop-in session where parents and parenting specialists will be on hand to share resources, offer support, a listening ear or just spend time talking about what it's like to be a parent.

"It takes a village to raise a child" comes from an old African proverb. It shares the message that it takes many people to provide a safe and healthy environment in which children can flourish.



When? First Friday of each month
Where? Castle Batch Children's Centre,
Bishop Avenue, Weston-super-Mare, BS22 7PQ
What time? 09:30am – 11:00am



When? Second Tuesday of each month
Where? Oldmixon Family Centre, Monkton Avenue,
Weston-super-Mare, BS24 9DA
What time? 09:00am – 11:00am



When? Third Monday of each month
Where? Clevedon Library, 37 Old Church Road,
BS21 6NN
What time? 9.30am - 11am

Scan here to learn
more about our
advanced
parenting groups



We Need YOU!



Hans Price Academy are looking for members of our community to join our Parent Teachers Friends Association for the upcoming academic year.

Register your interest by sending an email to info@hpa.clf.uk

- Have a voice in school decisions and improvements
- Meet other parents, carers and staff and build community
- Help organise fun events like fairs, discos and raffles
- Support fundraising for school resources and activities
- Make a positive difference in students' school experience
 - Share your ideas and skills to benefit the school
 - Stay informed about what's happening in the school
 - Show your child you're involved in their education



Term 4 Clubs

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before School	Breakfast Club (ERO, TBE) 7.40 - 8.10am All students, Canteen	Breakfast Club (ERO, LPH) 7.40 - 8.10am All students, Canteen	Touch Rugby (SHO, KTO) 7.15 - 8am All students, Astro	Breakfast Club (ERO) 7.40 - 8.10am All students, Canteen	Breakfast Club (ERO, LPH) 7.40 - 8.10am All students, Canteen
Lunch	Morning Library Club (RAL) 8.20 - 8.35am	Morning Library Club (RAL) 8.20 - 8.35am	Breakfast Club (ERO, LPH) 7.40 - 8.10am All students, Canteen	Morning Library Club (RAL) 8.20 - 8.35am	Dance Club (SAN) All Students Dance studio
After School	Library (RAL) All students	Futsal (JGR) Year 9 Sports Hall	I.S. Club (DTU) Years 7, 8 & 9, G7	Music Careers (OBO) All Students, Music Room	Boys Wellbeing Fitness (AGA) KS4 Boys, Gym (Starts Week 3)
Enrichment	Futsal (EHO) Year 8, Sports Hall	I.S. Club (DTU) Years 7, 8 & 9, G7	Card Games (FEL) All Students LRC1	I.S. Club (DTU) Years 7, 8 & 9, G7	I.S. Club (DTU) Years 7, 8 & 9 G7
	Fitness Club (DDI) Y9, 10 & 11 Gym	Film Club (RAL) All years, Library	Girls Futsal (HBR) All years, Sports Hall	Futsal (CGR) Years 10 & 11, Sports Hall	Futsal (LPU) Year 7 Sports Hall
	I.S. Club (DTU) Years 7, 8 & 9 G7	Songwriting (OBO) All students, A5	I.S. Club Years 7, 8 & 9 G3A	Library (RAL), All students	Card Games (FEL) All Students LRC1
	Card Games (FEL) All Students LRC1	Girls Futsal (JGR) Year 9 Sports Hall	Theatre Club (BDA) Years 7-10 A6	Fashion & Textiles (SMI, LST) Years 8, 9 & 10 (G3)	All new clubs noted with a 
	Chess Club (PMO) F5	Gym Club (TRO) Years 8 & 9, Gym	Careers Support Drop-in time (JFI) Careers Office	Strength & Conditioning (CGR) Y9 & 10 Outside Changing Rooms	Every club you attend = 1 ticket for a prize draw at the end of Term 3!
	Eco Club (TSL) All Years, G6	Football (LPU & DDJ) Years 9&10	School of Rock (MBR) Y7-10 Music Room	Football (LPU, DDI) All students Outside Changing Rooms	
	Young Carers (ADA) G2	Boys Basketball (CGR) All years Sports Hall	Duke of Edinburgh Y9 (JGR)	Girls Netball (JGR) Y10 Outside Changing Rooms	
	Hero Club (OFA) All Students G1	Drama Club Y7, 8 & 9 A6	Drums / Guitar / Singing lessons (every day) (External provider) Collect a letter from RGR	Hockey (EHO) All Students Inside Changing Rooms	
		Young Carers (ADA, JFO) Y7 & 8 Art Barn		Girls Basketball (SAN) Inside Changing Rooms	
		I.S. Club Years 7, 8 & 9, G3A		Skids Kids (CSK) A6 Musical Theatre Club Y7-10	
				I.S. Club Years 7, 8 & 9, G3A	

IMPORTANT DATES



Date	Event
Thursday 5 th March	Year 8 HPV Vaccinations Year 9 Parents' Evening Year 9 Into University Trip
Friday 6 th March	Inset Day
Monday 9 th March	Year 10 Work Experience Week
Thursday 19 th March	Year 10 Parents' Evening
Thursday 26 th March	Year 11 Parents' Evening
Wednesday 1 st April	Easter Show
Thursday 2 nd April	Year 9 Vaccinations End of Term
Friday 3 rd April	Good Friday
Monday 20 th April	Start of Term 5
Thursday 30 th April	Year 8 Parents' Evening
Monday 4 th May	Bank Holiday
Thursday 7 th May	GCSE Exams Begin
Monday 11 th May	Mental Health Awareness Week

A DEDICATED SPACE FOR 11 - 16 YEAR OLDS

the  **HANGOUT**
hangout

THURSDAYS
3:15PM
UNTIL 5:15PM

A RELAXED SPACE TO COME AND LET OFF STEAM, UNWIND,
PERSUE YOUR INTERESTS AND MEET NEW PEOPLE.

GAMES & ACTIVITIES

SNACKS & DRINKS

CHILL AREA

SPECIALIST VISITORS

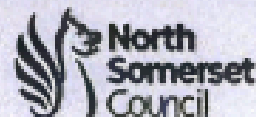
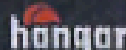
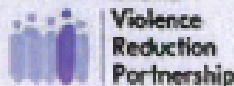
GYM EQUIPMENT

**LEARN NEW
SKILLS**

THURSDAYS - 3:15-5:15PM

THE HANGAR GYM

1-2 RECTOR'S WAY, BS23 3NP





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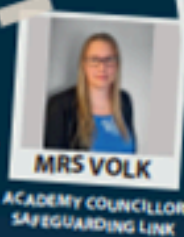
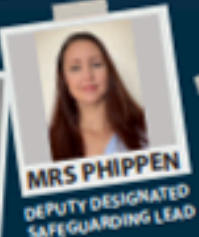
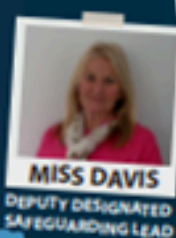
SAFEGUARDING IS EVERYONE'S RESPONSIBILITY

"Hans Price is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people. We expect all staff, volunteers and visitors to share this commitment"

WIDER SAFEGUARDING TEAM



SENIOR LEADERSHIP TEAM
COLLEGE LEADERS
SENCO
E-SAFETY LEAD
MENTAL HEALTH LEAD



If you're worried about a child:

- 0808 800 5000
- help@nspcc.org.uk
- www.nspcc.org.uk

IF YOU HAVE ANY CONCERNS ABOUT ANY MEMBER OF THE HANS PRICE COMMUNITY, PLEASE SPEAK TO A MEMBER OF STAFF

VISITOR INFO

1. Visitors must report to reception to sign in. You must wear your visitors ID at all times.
2. You must not walk around the Academy alone unless you have been given permission to do so.
3. You may not take photographs or video recordings of anyone in the Academy.

North Somerset Care Connect

ANYONE CAN MAKE A REFERRAL TO NORTH SOMERSET FOR SUPPORT OR TO REPORT A CONCERN.

01275 888 808

BREAKFAST CLUB

7.45am - 8.10am

Every day

Free to all students

Start the day right with bagels/toast & jam and fresh juice.

See Mr Drew for more information or just show up.

