## ST. MARY REDCLIFFE & TEMPLE SCHOOL

## STUDENT ENRICHMENT & VOLUNTEERING GUIDE 2023 - 2024





## GUIDE TO ENRICHMENT AND VOLUNTEERING IN THE SIXTH FORM

At St. Mary Redcliffe & Temple School there are lots of enrichment and volunteering opportunities on offer to you.

As a Redcliffe Student we expect you to contribute to the community in the Sixth Form and in your community.

In this booklet we explain all the ways in which you can do this.





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## **VOLUNTEERING IN YEAR 13**

For year 13s that are <u>not</u> undergoing the extended project qualification (EPQ), Maths Studies, GCSE Maths, DofE or Super Curricular Study must commit to either work experience or a volunteering position.

This must be equivalent of at least 30 hours between October and the Easter Holidays.

This can look like 1 hour per week, 2 hours every other week or you can do it in chunks.

This will then ensure you have fulfilled the requirements for being a full-time student.

For 2023-24 you must ensure you have a plan in place by **9th October 2023** so that you give yourself enough time before your exam season kicks in.

If you ARE doing EPQ, Maths Studies GCSE Maths, DofE or Super Curricular Study then please still take advantage of all the opportunities in this booklet as it will not only enhance your CV and applications, but it will support your personal development.



## **VOLUNTEERING IN YEAR 12**

Year 12 students are expected to make contributions to their local and school community by both volunteering through the year on mentorship schemes available through the school and during 'Activities Week' that falls on the last week of term before the summer holidays.

Some students will attend school trips during Activities Week but year 12s are expected to find a work experience or volunteering opportunities throughout the year.



If you or your parents/carers are currently working with or are aware of any organisations in Bristol in need of volunteers, please let us know.

# YOUR SENIOR STUDENTS AT REDCLIFFE SIXTH FORM

Helping to run all RAG events, supporting student voice and creating an inclusive environment for all. Please speak to them if you have any queries. seniorstudents@smrt.bristol.sch.uk



# SENIOR STUDENTS AT ST. MARY REDCLIFFE & TEMPLE SCHOOL

The Senior Students are a group of year 13s that support staff and students in the sixth form to create a positive community throughout.

They meet every Friday lunchtime to discuss the sixth form, events, positive change and they create space for student voice.

If you would like to get in contact with them with any questions, queries or ideas then you can email them at seniorstudents@smrt.bristol.sch.uk

The Senior Students also run our Sixth Form Instagram page—You can follow it here @redcliffe6thform



## VOLUNTEERING OUTSIDE OF THE SIXTH FORM

There are so many opportunities throughout the City and beyond and as a Sixth Form student it is expected of you to independently find something that suits you.

Here are some ideas and links from across the city. But remembering this is only scratching the surface!

# FARESHARE SOUTH WEST



FareShare South West fights food poverty by tackling food waste - saving perfectly good surplus food destined for waste and redistributing it to local frontline Charities and

community groups who transform it into nutritious meals for vulnerable people.

But it's about more than meals. The organisations FareShare South West supply food to – from youth clubs for <u>disadvantaged children</u>, to homeless

hostels, community cafes and domestic violence refuges – are places that provide life changing support, as well as lunch and dinner.

FareShare volunteers support the

central food distribution operation in the warehouse, picking orders and sorting food into sizeable portions for the projects they deliver to, and helping to keep the warehouse clean and tidy.

Follow this link to find out more or email them

https://fareshare.org.uk/volunteer/

# ST MARY REDCLIFFE CHURCH COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT & REDCLIFFE COMMUNITY HUB POP UP



You could be involved with the many community projects that the church runs, which aim to support members of the local community and are not religious in content.

Their current initiatives include food bank services, activity packs sent out to local families, a youth group and the opportunity to volunteer in music and graffiti workshops with local young people.

If you would like to know more or be involved please email David Cousins, Community Youth Development Worker

david.cousins@stmaryredcliffe.co.uk

# **ST PETER'S**

## HOSPICE



St Peter's Hospice is a local charity that provides care and support to adults who are living with a progressive lifelimiting illness in the Bristol, South Gloucestershire and North Somerset area. We have been established for over 40 years with the majority of our support provided in people's homes.

Check out their website if you are interested.

https://www.stpetershospice.org/

# ST MONICA TRUST BEDMINSTER



Based in Bedminster, this is an opportunity to grow your confidence and social skills by

volunteering at a retirement community. There are many ways to take part

- Joining in with the classes or clubs the residents put together such as art or French
- Taking part in the open and friendly church service
- Providing a helpful hand with the roof top garden
- Being part of a small group of students to help residents create a newsletter, this may include interviews and local news.
- If you have a skill or idea which you think might interest the residents it could be something to explore! Maybe you have excellent understanding of simple technology and can share your expertise with a willingness to take questions on how to use a smart device.

Follow this link to find out more

https://www.stmonicatrust.org.uk/charitable-impact/ volunteering

You could also consider local charity shops, youth clubs that you attended yourself and local organisations such as Bristol

Museums, Arnolfini, M Shed and the Watershed.

Get creative and if you have any questions about an option you have found, come and *speak to our Enrichment Coordinator*, who also has a more extensive list of local organisations offering work experience.

## **BRISTOL PARKS**

By volunteering to work in parks you can be involved in activities such as: fundraising for park facilities and play equipment, wildlife conservation projects and surveys,



landscaping work alongside our staff, horticulture projects, such as working in our rose gardens, picking up litter, holding fun days and events, giving guided walks and talks.

Follow this link for more information

Get involved in your local park or green space (bristol.gov.uk)

# **OTHER USEFUL LINKS**

**UoB Student Union:** their website is regularly updated with local opportunities https://www.bristolsu.org.uk/skills-volunteering Future Quest: a great online resource for Work Experience opportunities https://www.futurequest.org.uk/students Can Do Bristol: A Bristol based platform that brings people and organisations together to create positive change in the community - regularly posts volunteering opportunities https://candobristol.co.uk/ I Will: an organisation focussed on youth social action and the power of change http://powerofyouth.iwill.org.uk/ Volunteering Matters: A youth centred organisation with UK wide opportunities https://volunteeringmatters.org.uk/ **Do-it:** find more nationwide opportunities here https://do-it.org/opportunities/search Speakers for Schools: virtual work experience opportunities https://www.speakersforschools.org/experience-2/vwex/ Springpod: virtual work experience opportunities https://www.springpod.co.uk/ Medic Mentor: virtual work experience for students interested in Health Care https://medicmentor.co.uk/

## **VOLUNTEERING IN SCHOOL**

There are many opportunities in the main school for you to volunteer with the younger years. This could look like supporting the year 7s with their transition into secondary school or even mentoring year 11s to help with their GCSEs.

You can contact your subject teachers to ask if they can accommodate your volunteering once a week/fortnight in their secondary lessons too.

Here are some opportunities we know of

### **MULLER HOUSE (YEAR 7 LUNCHTIME SUPPORT)**

Year 7 need sixth form students to support during lunchtimes in the tennis courts. They are looking for students to play sports games, host boardgames or even run craft sessions, whatever you like. It would look like committing to one hour a week and you will be helping with the sometimes tough transition from primary to secondary by being a role model and mentor.

You can contact Mr Freeman if you would like to be involved

freeman@smrt.bristol.sch.uk



## **OTHER YEARS MAIN SCHOOL SUPPORT**

There are also opportunities for you to support during tutor time in the main school for years 8, 9, 10 and 11.

This could look like mentoring younger students, helping with in class support and/or helping GCSE students with their revision. If you would like to get involved please get in touch with their head of years.

Year 8—Ms Ainsworth (ainswortha@smrt.bristol.sch.uk) Year 9—Ms Sainsbury (sainsburyc@smrt.bristol.sch.uk) Year 10—Dr Wilson (wilsond@smrt.bristol.sch.uk) Year 11—Mr Hare (harej@smrt.bristol.sch.uk)



## **6TH FORM LIBRARY SUPPORT**

Come and join our team of library volunteers! I am looking for a group of committed individuals to offer up an hour a week to help keep our lovely library up and running. This role will involve organising our books, sorting out prospectuses and journals and helping to create displays. I'm also really open-minded to any improvements we could make to how things are run around here (should we set up a student book club? Is there a certain series you would love to see in the fiction section?), so suggestions are most welcome.

If you would like to get involved, please email our librarian Sian

davids@smrt.bristol.sch.uk

## **PE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITIES**

Examples of PE Volunteering Opportunities include:

**Support for individual students in PE Lessons-** Many of our students struggle to cope with the performing and understanding of skills. Where appropriate and possible we would like to link a 6<sup>th</sup> form student with these students to work on a 1 to 1 basis or small group work

**Team teaching alongside PE staff for a KS3 PE class-** Develop your teaching skills by working alongside the teachers in KS3 PE lessons. You will develop your organisation and communication skills as you help deliver parts of the lesson.

Coach/Manager of a KS3 or KS4 extra-curricular team- Do you want to help coach/manage one of the KS3/KS4 sports teams? This would involve organising training sessions, Team Selection and publicity on noticeboards and school website.

Officiating Duties – House/school competitions- Are you a qualified official in any sport? Do you want to use your skills in the KS3 school and house fixtures? We will provide opportunities for you to use your skills and qualifications.

House Competition Managers- Do you want to help organise the competitions and inspire the House teams in the lower school. You will be allocated to a house to help their House Competition Preparations.

You will be able to do more than one role. We will arrange interviews to hear your ideas about how you can perform these roles and then we will arrange training to help you deliver them.

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You will be expected to fulfil your commitments; this includes a development plan to help progression. If you are interested in any of the above roles, please see one of the link teachers.

## **CERTIFICATED ENRICHMENT OPPORTUNITY**

## The Duke of Edinburgh Award



The D of E Gold Award program is a real adventure from beginning to end.

You achieve your Award by completing a personal program of activities in five sections: Volunteering, Physical, Skills, Expedition and a Residential.

The first three of these require regular time commitments of differing lengths of time. We run the whole program in school and can get you through the gold award within your time at SMRT 6<sup>th</sup> form, regardless of whether you have completed the bronze or silver award.

You'll find yourself helping people or the community, getting fitter, developing new skills and building strong relationships.

Your program can be full of activities and projects that you are passionate about, as well as pushing you out of your comfort zone. Along the way you'll pick up experiences, friends and talents that will stay with you for the rest of your life.

If you would like to get involved please get in touch with Mr Trott from PE

trottj@smrt.bristol.sch.uk

## **ENVISION**

Their vision is to live in a society where a young person's background doesn't determine their future

Envision partner a Programme Coordinators and mentor students to tackle social problems affecting their community. By engaging young people in what matters to them, they support them to make change happen whilst building their skills beyond the classroom. Our structured, 12-session (KS4) or 24-session (KS5) programme is based in schools, to reduce the barriers young people may

face. Our young people graduate from our programme having developed their confidence and essential skills



# Societies timetable

#### GABBLERS

**There can be only one!** – The Gabblers Club is a training in public speaking and an opportunity to build relationships with students from 20 different schools over the course of 7 evening events through the year. You will have some great food and then learn to do an after dinner speech, with four opportunities to do this in front of an audience, including the grand final in front of more than 200 people. See Mr Wheeler on the enrichment fair debating stand if you want more information or Libby if you can't find him. Mr Wheeler must have your name by the end of Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September and will then pick our one person to represent the school.

## SOCIETIES IN REDCLIFFE SIXTH FORM

All of our societies at Redcliffe Sixth Form are student run. Mostly by our year 13s.

You can sign up to our societies at the Enrichment Fairs that happen in both September and January. You are also more than welcome to follow our society timetable and turn up whenever you want to <u>any</u> society.

If there is a society that is not already being run in the sixth form then we want to encourage you to create one. All you need is an idea, a day of the week and we can provide you with the room. Speak to the Enrichment Coordinator for more information.

Have a look over the next few pages to which each society explains what they get up to and who to contact if you have any questions.

## **MUSLIM PRAYER**

#### **MON-FRI LUNCHTIMES**

#### ROOM 218 (F) & ROOM 319 (M)

Everyday at lunchtime we make space in the sixth form for Muslim prayer. Students asked for separate rooms for male and female but please use whichever room is more appropriate for you.

There are prayer mats provided in both rooms for you to use.

Please respect these places for those that want to use it.

## **CRAFT SOCIETY**

#### **MON LUNCHTIMES**

#### ROOM G10

For a place to relax, share interests, and create some cool stuff, come along to crafts society! There'll be crocheting, origami, jewellerymaking, and embroidery to name a few, and other suggestions are more than welcome. We'll have supplies, but feel free to bring your own equipment. For pros, beginners, and anyone in between - everyone is welcome!

LILLY VINCENT, ANAIS REYNOLDS & ARIANE TYAS

## **BOOK CLUB**

#### **MON LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM 102**

Book Club is a stress-relieving activity for any students who love reading or want to read more as well as a space for friendly but intellectually engaging discussion about literature. Members of the club can decide together what books we read but they will always have accessible language so readers with varied levels of experience can enjoy being a part of the club.

NINA JONES, NINA BROOK & HEATHER SWEET

## LAW SOCIETY

#### **MON LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM 202**

Whether you take law as a subject or just have an interest in law, you should come to the law society.

We will be discussing career paths into law, such as a barrister and solicitor, as well as the qualities and skills needed. We will debate cases so you can practice putting together an argument for both sides and presenting arguments. We will discuss law related stories that come up in the news and share our thoughts. We will also be looking at injustice in the criminal justice system and if there are any areas if the law that should be reformed. You can also suggest topics that you find interesting and want to discuss in a session

FATIMA KOWALCZYK, EMILY MCCOURT & AMINA AHMED

## **ENGINEERING SOCIETY**

#### **MON LUNCHTIMES**

#### ROOM G18

Engineering society will be taking part in a design crewed space settlement competition. Students from multiple schools are combined to form an engineering company and take on task of designing crewed space settlement within our solar system. We have the potential to win a trip to NASA as well as understanding what it's like to be an engineer.

ARTEMY ZORINGANTS, DERRICK CHEUNG

## **BAME SOCIETY**

#### **TUES LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM 142**

BAME society is about the representation of black Asian and minority ethnicities we will be talking about social issues that are often overlooked in society. We want to create a positive and safe space in the society but also in the sixthform. We will be talking about BAME issues but we want everyone to be apart of this society to help the cause.

ESTHER AWOFADEJU , JADE MSUMBA, THERESA MERCHANT. WATI KHONJE, MARIAMA SANNEH

## WAR HAMMER

#### **TUES LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM 102**

Welcome to Warhammer

or welcome to the club if you've already started.

This Soc will just be a chilled out weekly painting/discussion session with some small games every so often (1000 points or less due to time constraints) and getting used to 10th edition or learning how to play. All factions welcome (including age of sigmar). For in the Grimdankness of the far future, there are only memes.

(Please prime your models before you come in, the school doesn't like the fumes).

#### **DANIEL CLARK**

## SIGN LANGUAGE SOCIETY

#### **TUES LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM G10**

Welcome to BSL society

I will be running Sign Language Society on Tuesday lunchtimes. We will be using a website called Sign World to learn words and phrases for beginners. I am not fluent in sign language but I am passionate about learning it and I think it's a great skill! Here is my email 17mooree@smrt.bristol.sch.uk See you there!.

**ELSEPTH MOORE** 

## **REDCLIFFE REPORT**

#### **TUES LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM 302**

Redcliffe report has been going on for years and we are so glad to keep it going. You get to join a small team of students and create a newspaper/ report . You might talk about student wellbeing or events happening in the sixth form. This society is for anyone but particularly students interested in media or journalism.

KATIE PITTS, PATRICK COURTNEY.

## **DEBATE SOCIETY**

#### WEDS LUNCHTIMES

#### **ROOM 102**

Each week we debate a different topic chosen by the group: motions vary massively, and there's something for everyone. If you want to improve your public speaking, critical thinking, language, or teamwork skills, would like to meet some new people, or would just like to hear some interesting discussions, come along! There's no need to speak if you don't want to; we're always looking for more people to get involved.

There is no need to sign up, you can just come along whenever you want. Follow our Instagram account, @smrtdebate, to see what's happening each week.

The Debate Society is also involved in multiple Model United Nations events throughout the school year, which are exciting opportunities to explore world events and practise negotiating, giving speeches, and more.

**ELIJAH RUSHTON** 

## **QUEER SOCIETY**

#### WEDS LUNCHTIMES

#### **ROOM 319**

A completely safe space to learn about LGBTQ+ issues, discuss experiences and current events. This is a chill and safe space for all in the LGBTQ+ community and we want to be as inclusive and accepting as possible, we therefore insist this space is free of discriminatory views and all are respectful of others. All are welcome and we hope this will be a really fun, supportive and informative space, hope to see you there!

TIA DSOUZA & JAMES BABER

## FILM CLUB

#### WEDS LUNCHTIMES

#### **ROOM 212**

Will be watching films in room 212 and talking about them after. A chill space for you to relax and enjoy your lunchtime while watching great television.

LUCIA THOMAS

## NETBALL

#### WEDS AFTER SCHOOL

#### MAIN SCHOOL NETBALL COURTS

We are netball society! Are you beginner, intermediate or a pro? It does not matter because anyone is welcome! Wednesday after school in main school on the courts along with music, vibes and food is where you will find us.

**IBEN FUNDERSKOVL** 

## **CHRISTIAN UNION**

#### WEDS LUNCHTIMES

#### **ROOM 142**

Whatever your background or views on Christianity, we invite you to come along and find out more for yourselves! We are a welcoming bunch of people who meet every Wednesday lunchtime in room 142 (next to the common room), spending time together thinking about what it means and doesn't mean to follow Jesus. We are also usually eating biscuits and engaging with important topics, including answering the difficult questions.

## **ART SOCIETY**

#### WEDS LUNCHTIME

#### G10

Art club is a place to show of you creative side come and meet students similar to you who love getting creative. Each week we will take on a little project. It takes place on a Wednesday lunchtime. Come along if you like art or just want to have a go.

LAVANYA NAUTIYAL & EMMA BRZEZIKE,

## **ISLAM SOCIETY**

#### WEDS LUNCHTIMES

#### **ROOM 218**

Islamic society is in 213, every Wednesday lunch. A society where Muslims can feel comfortable to pray, learn more about the religion and prepare for upcoming Islamic events. Anyone who is also interest by Islam is welcome to come and hear more about our religion. In sessions we will discuss the importance of the celebrations we have in Islam i.e. Ramadan & Eid, prophet stories, foundations of being a good Muslim and much more. Anyone is welcome to come & educate themselves more about Islam.

#### HAFSAH ABBASH

## FEMINIST SOCIETY THURS LUNCHTIMES ROOM 142

In Feminist Society, we have weekly debates and discussions about important and current issues, with a feminist perspective, that are going on in the world at the moment or have happened in the past. We are an extremely inclusive society that is open to anyone, regardless of gender or knowledge of topic. We want to work towards providing an intersectional feminist society and welcome anyone else that would like to be involved in the running of it.

JESSIE KNIGHT

## **CHESS SOCIETY**

#### THUR LUNCHTIMES

#### **ROOM G18**

Chess Society is a chill, calm place to come and hang out, play a little chess, and meet new friends. We welcome players of every level, from professionals to absolute beginners, and have members willing to teach those who are wanting to get into chess but haven't found the time. We are hoping to do tournaments online as well as in school and some sessions based on certain openings and motifs to really boost your skill level (yet these are optional). Come along to 218 on Tuesday lunchtimes to get involved, no need to sign up anywhere and don't worry if you can't make every session, we'd love to see you.

**MR PENN** 

## **MEDICAL & FIRST AID SOCIETY**

#### **THURS LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM 102**

Welcome to all future healthcare workers who are interested in the field of health and social care. It is about learning the ideal skills of a caregiver, the application process, and the admissions tests.

LUCY ASHWORTH, AMBER WALTON, MATTHEW AHMED & KATIE HIGGS

## **TABLE TOP GAMES**

**THURS LUNCHTIMES** 

ROOM G18

A club for anyone interested in any kind of tabletop game, including board games, card games and anything in between. For both casual and competitive games. Bring your own games or play the variety of games provided.

JOEL VINER & FELIX PAYNE

## **CODING CLUB**

#### **THURS LUNCHTIMES**

#### **ROOM 101**

Do you want to show us your coding skills? Or maybe you want to learn something new? Even if you don't know anything about Computer Science, you can still join our Coding society on Thursdays in room 101 - everyone is welcome.

ECEM GUVENER

## BASKETBALL

#### **FRIDAY AFTERSCHOOL**

#### MAIN SCHOOL SPORTSHALL

Every week we encourage students to come along to our basketball club. Whether you have ever played before or are of NBA level join us in the sports hall at main school which you can access through the street, past the PE office to play.

We ask that you are respectful of the space, the staff and this is a Redcliffe Sixth Form Students ONLY activity.

ECEM GUVENER

## FOOTBALL

#### **FRIDAY AFTERSCHOOL**

#### ARENA

Every week students come and play football on main schools arena . If your professional footballer or not your more than welcome to join us you can lock your bikes up around the arena and just chill and relax after a busy week.

JEREMIAH DOM OGBONNA

# CULTURE DAY



At the sixth form every year we celebrate how diverse our sixth form community really is. This is a day full of celebration where students and teachers come into sixth form dressed up in there cultural clothing try cultural foods listen to different music and celebrate with one another. Culture day is full of learning . Each student gets to explore and develop there understanding of cultures.

Last year sixth formers joined with the main school to put on a performance to main school students this was full of dancing singing and even a fashion show.

This event happens ever year around may near to world culture day and is often spoken as the best day of sixth form. So many students enjoy the celebration and how we can all come together to support and learn about culture.



## 2023 CULTURE DAY AT THE SIXTH FORM

Even the teachers come in ready for the celebration!!







For any more information or if you would like to get in contact with the sixth form about an enrichment opportunity or work experience opportunities please contact

Email: HoskinsE@smrt.bristo.sch.uk Call: 0117 3772 100 EXT 314