

April 2025

City Academy students experience the magic of Shakespeare at Bristol Old Vic



Twenty-five students from Year 7 and Year 11 at City Academy recently had the unforgettable experience of attending a captivating production of *Romeo and Juliet* at the prestigious Bristol Old Vic Theatre. Everything that makes Shakespeare's romantic tragedy so well-loved was brought to life on stage. The deep-rooted family feud, the intense and forbidden passion, and the devastating violence that propels the young lovers toward their tragic fate.

This production remained true to Shakespeare's original text, preserving the poetic beauty of his language. However, it also introduced an innovative twist – rap. Infused with elements of rap, soul, and R&B, the performance seamlessly blended modern and classical storytelling. Students were treated to a dynamic mix of Elizabethan verse alongside contemporary spoken word, making Shakespeare's timeless themes even more accessible and engaging for today's young audiences.

A spokesperson for City Academy said: "This was an incredible opportunity for our students to witness Shakespeare performed in a way that resonated with them.

"The addition of rap and modern musical influences made the story feel fresh and relevant, while still honouring the beauty of Shakespeare's language.

"It was an enriching experience that deepened their appreciation for theatre and literature."

Important Dates

TERM 4

First day of term

Tues 25th Feb

Last day of term

Fri 4th April -

Student will finish at 11.50am

TERM 5

First day of term

Tues 22nd April

Last day of term

Fri 23rd May

BANK HOLS

Mon 21st April

Mon 5th May

Yr 11 Parents Eve
3rd April

Yr 7 Parents Eve
24th April (Online)

Yr 9 Parents Eve
1st May

Amazing opportunity for CAB Students - Iceland



A group of CAB students had the opportunity to travel to Iceland last month, "Unfortunately they missed the ferry back from Heimaey to the mainland one evening due to a change to the ferry's timetable that were not reflected in their itinerary. So, they had to stay on the island for the night and get a 7am ferry back to catch up with the rest of the trip. They all made the most of this & enjoyed an evening meal in the local restaurant and enjoyed a unique experience sleeping in pods at Hamar Guesthouse. The excitement is really high with students not believing us that this was not planned."

As you can see from some of their pictures, they enjoyed some spectacular views and all a amazing time in Iceland.

CAB+ visit Wake The Tiger



The students from CAB+ went to Wake the Tiger on Wednesday the 26 March. It was an amazing experience, the students had a fantastic time and behaved brilliantly.

Wake The Tiger is the UK's largest immersive art experience and the world's first amazement® park; a hyper-reality, self-guided voyage of discovery through kaleidoscopic realms of the imagination. Wake The Tiger's out-of-this-world experience is a self-guided, walk-through labyrinth of exploration which begins in an abandoned paint factory before journeying into the Dream Factory, and finally transcending to the OUTERverse.

Annual SS Great Britain Future Brunel STEM day with Year 7

We welcomed our partners from SS Great Britain into school on Monday 17th March. 50 students took on a building challenge to make the strongest helipad. They were given various materials including plant pots, lolly pop sticks and straws to create a 75cm tower and then they tested how strong they were at the end. They had a lot of fun drawing, creating and then testing their creations. This is part of a longer-term Future Brunel's programme which we are pleased to support for our students who are interested in STEM.

Congratulations

to all students on a fantastic day and well done to the winning team whose helipad held the most weight. They received goodie bags.



CAB joins forces with Empire Boxing & St Paul's Adventure playground



City Academy have partnered up with St Pauls Adventure Playground and Empire Fighting Chance who has kindly funded 6 weeks of boxing lessons for our GRT students and we can't express how happy the students were. We are aiming to take a group of girls every Tuesday and a group of boys every Wednesday for 6 weeks to do a boxing session.



Did you know that Boxing.....
Helps develop confidence
Teaches self-discipline
Encourages healthy living
Teaches values & Ethics



Parents/carers - Please be mindful when dropping off or collecting students at the start of or the end of the day. We have had a few complaints from the public about cars stopping in the middle of the road to let students out of cars. Causing a back up of traffic or disruption to the main road.

Year 8 students visit the Pinkery Centre in Minehead



Students were able to enjoy doing activities on site including our low ropes course, archery, problem solving, bush craft and grass sledging.

Year 11 College, Sixth Form and Apprenticeship Applications

It is very important for year 11 students to have applied for College, Sixth Form or an apprenticeship.

There are apprenticeship workshops running on Wednesday's to support students' applications, if anyone is interested please get in contact.

We also have specialised appointments with FutureSmart Careers Advisors for a small number of students, which would be very useful for students who need some more guidance on what to do after they leave school.

If any students need support please contact Rachel Martin at rachel.martin@clf.uk or their tutors for assistance. Please also check the careers education section on the City Academy website for helpful website links.

Year 10 Work Experience on Tuesday 8th July to Friday 11th July

A reminder for all year 10 students and parents / carers that we need to be finalising all work experience placements for this year. This means contacting employers and having our school contract completed by them and you. These contracts can be collected from the Year 10 Team and tutors. There are still some places available at:

- We the Curious
- Bristol Zoo
- Wellspring Settlement
- Bristol City Council

All details of these placements have been emailed to students from Rachel Martin, the careers coordinator.

We are aiming to have all contracts into the school by Friday 25th April. These placements will then be are health and safety and safeguarded checked to ensure they are suitable for students.

If any students need support please contact Rachel Martin at rachel.martin@clf.uk

Stantec Bristol Summer School

Principally for years 11 and 12

(but we will consider applications from years 10 and 13)



10am - 4pm Monday 11th
to Friday 15th August 2025

Join us for a Work Experience Week at Stantec where you will find out about working in the world of the built environment. We have 20 spaces available so apply soon!

Stantec is a global leader in sustainable engineering, architecture, and environmental consulting. We provide the expertise needed to create long-lasting and well designed places, and have over 30,000 staff working across a wide range of sectors.

During the week you will be working on a project on a nearby city-central site, interspersed with presentations from a variety of disciplines. You will learn about different careers within the built environment and gain essential skills, such as communication, organisation, problem-solving and how to visualise and present design and engineering work.

If you would like to join us please write in to matthew.trapnell@stantec.com letting us know the subjects you are studying, your interests and why you would like to take part.

Haven't got time for a week?

Come and join our Work Experience **Taster Day** on Wednesday 9th July 2025 where we condense all of this into a bite-size package. We have 15 spaces available for the day.

Monday

AM:

Introduction to Stantec and Outline for the week
Project Briefing and Site Visit

PM:

Town Planning

How do we decide what goes where?

Environmental Planning and GIS
What potential constraints and opportunities are there?

Graphic Design

Using branding to communicate ideas

Tuesday

AM:

Urban Design
How do we make a place?

PM:

Biodiversity and Landscape

Protecting and enhancing species and habitats

Wednesday

AM:

Transport, Air Quality and Noise
Lessening traffic and encouraging sustainable travel

PM:

Architecture

Is there more to it than form and function?

Thursday

AM:

Sustainability and Climate Change
Minimising our impact and protecting our futures

PM:

Civil Engineering and Hydrology
Innovative ways of addressing challenging issues

Friday

AM:

Talent Acquisition
How to get along in the world of work

PM:

The Wrap
Present and discuss your great ideas!

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Want to find out more?

Join our **Summer School** between Monday 11th and Friday 15th August 2025 where we spend more time learning about the world of work. We have 20 spaces available for the week.

Morning

9.30 - 10.00

Introduction to Stantec
and Outline for the day
10.00 - 10.45

Project Briefing and Site Visit

10.45 - 12.00

Snapshot presentations on:

Town Planning

How do we decide what goes where?

Environmental Planning and GIS

What potential constraints and opportunities are there?

Graphic Design

Using branding to communicate ideas

Urban Design

How do we make a place?

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Afternoon

12.00 - 1.00

Project Work

Go wild and start creating an awe-inspiring place!

1.00 - 2.00

Lunch

Bring your own or eat out

2.00 - 3.00

Project Work

Put the finishing touches on your new urban space...

3.00 - 3.30

Talent Acquisition

How to get along in the world of work

3.30 - 4.30

The Wrap

Present and discuss your great ideas!

Family Support at CAB

Introducing our Family Support Team at CAB

City Academy are excited to introduce Azmina Mitha, Hinda Noor and Raul Vasile who are part of our family support team. Please feel free to contact the team if you need any support or guidance.

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Languages spoken: Urdu, Punjabi, Hindi, Swahili, Kutchi and Gujrati

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Hinda Noor

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Languages Spoken: Somali



Hinda, Raul, Azmina

The next Parents Coffee Morning is Thursday 3rd April



ESOL classes available for CLF parents & carers of CLF pupils



Last month, 39 parents and carers of CLF pupils started beginners English courses in the Beacon Centre at City Academy Bristol. In these ESOL classes, the adult students are learning English that will help them to feel confident in their every day life, as well as supporting them in their communications with school.

School Catering

Please find our three-weekly menu on our School website

Breakfast

07.45am - 08.15am
Free breakfast is available for all students. Bagels with jam or a selection of cereal.

Breakfast items to purchase

Scrambled Egg,
 Bacon, Sausage,
 Baked beans,
 Tomatoes,
 Mushrooms, Hash
 Browns, Toast.

Lunch Time

12.40pm - 13.20pm
 Saved daily - Hot
 Meals, Pasta Bowl,
 Jacket Potatoes with
 various Fillings,
 Sandwiches, Paninis,
 Filled Baguettes
 (Vegetarian options
 available)
 Hot & Cold Puddings

Free School meals

You can apply for free school meals and Pupil Premium if you get any of these benefits.

- Universal Credit if your household income is less than £7,400 a year or £616.67 a month after tax.
- Income Support
- Income-based Jobseeker's Allowance
- Income-related Employment & Support Allowance
- Child Tax Credit (as long as you're not also entitled to Working Tax Credit & have an annual gross income of no more than £16,190)
- Support under Part 6 of the Immigration & Asylum Act 1999

Visit www.gov.uk/apply

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MEAT OPTIONS				
Weeks Commencing Monday 6 th JAN, 27 th JAN				
Pasta Bolognese With Salad and Garlic Bread	Southern Fried Chicken Burger With Diced Potatoes and Coleslaw	Roast Beef & Yorkshire Pudding With Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Jerk Chicken With Rice and Peas Or Plain Rice	Battered fish With Chips and Beans
Weeks Commencing Monday 13 th JAN, 3 rd FEB				
Pepperoni Pizza With potato Wedges corn on the cob And Salad	Beef and mushroom pie served with mashed potatoes and mixed vegetables	Roast Chicken and Stuffing With Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Beef lasagne With Salad and Garlic Bread	Fish Fingers With Chips and Beans
Week Commencing Monday 20 th JAN, 10 th FEB				
Beef burger with Cajun Spiced Potato Wedges And Salad	Chicken Kiev with Roasted new potatoes And Coleslaw	Roast Turkey & Stuffing With Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Beef Enchiladas With Salsa And Tortilla Chips	Breaded Fish With Chips and Beans
VEGETARIAN OPTIONS				
Weeks Commencing Monday 6 th JAN, 27 th JAN				
Vegetable Bolognese With Salad and Garlic Bread	Southern Fried Quorn Burger With Diced Potatoes and Coleslaw	Cauliflower and Broccoli Bake With Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Chickpea Curry With Rice and Peas Or Plain Rice	Roasted Vegetable Tart With Chips and Beans
Weeks Commencing Monday 13 th JAN, 3 rd FEB				
Roasted Med Veg Pizza With Potato Wedges And Salad	Vegetable Pie served with mashed potatoes and vegetables	Vegetable Wellington With Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Vegetable lasagne With Salad and Garlic Bread	Falafel With Chips and Beans
Week Commencing Monday 20 th JAN, 10 th FEB				
Vegetable Burger with Cajun Spiced Potato Wedges and Salad	Quorn Kiev With Roasted New Potatoes And Coleslaw	Quorn And Mushroom Pie Bake With Roast Potatoes and Vegetables	Vegetable Enchiladas With Salsa And Tortilla Chips	Stuffed Pepper With Chips and Beans

ParentPay

Please ensure you have obtained your login details to access ParentPay. Our aim is to phase out the use of cash in School. ParentPay is an easy way to pay for Lunch, and for trips taking place throughout the academic year.

Please ensure your child has money on their account to enable them to purchase a school meal, or send them in with a packed lunch.

All school purchases will need to be made via Parent Pay as from 30th April 2025.

Card payments will not be accepted.

- School Trips/Activities
- Revision Exercise Books
- Uniform
- School Meals
- Yr 11 Prom Tickets
- School Productions

A Parent Pay Activation Letter will follow. If you require help setting up Parent Pay please contact our Finance office at the City Academy.

CAB is on Facebook



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Post 16 Open evenings & taster sessions



If you are interested in study with Bristol Robins here are a few dates you'll be interested in.

Post 16 Open Evenings and taster sessions

- Taster Session 2 - Wednesday 19th February 2025, 10am - 2pm
- Online Q&A 2 - Monday 31st March 2025, 6:30pm
- Taster Session 3 - Wednesday 9th April 2025, 10am - 11:30am
- Open Evening 4 - Tuesday 6th May 2025, 6:30pm
- Taster Session 4 - Wednesday 28th May 2025, 10am - 11:30am
- Online Q&A 3 - Monday 7th July 2025, 6:30pm

[Click here for more information](#)

Extra Curricular Activity Timetable

Club	When	Day	Time	When	Who
Netball Club	Afterschool	Monday	3pm-4pm	SH	All
Dungeons & Dragons	Afterschool	Monday	3-4pm	Discovery	All
GCSE PE Catch Up	Afterschool	Monday	3pm-4pm	TBC	11
Health and Social Care Catch up	Afterschool	Tuesday	3pm - 4pm	CE116	11
Invitation Football Club	Afterschool	Tuesday	3:00-4:00	Astro	10
Annie Production	Afterschool	Tuesday	3pm-5pm	A011	All
Mural Club	Afterschool	Tuesday	3:10pm-4:10pm	H112	7,8,9
History Homework Help	Lunchtime	Tuesday	12:40pm-1:20pm	H01	10,11
Maths Homework Club	Afterschool	Tuesday	3pm-4pm	CE010	All
Fitness	Afterschool	Wednesday	3pm-4pm	Gym	All
Kingball	Afterschool	Wednesday	3pm-4pm	SH	All
Boys Football	Afterschool	Wednesday	3pm-4pm	Astro	All
Ballet	Afterschool	Wednesday	3pm-4pm	E09	All
Chess Club	Afterschool	Wednesday	3pm-4pm	R05	All
Music Tech Club	Lunchtime	Wednesday	12:40pm-1:20pm	Music	All
Band Club	Lunchtime	Wednesday	12:40pm-1:20pm	Music	All
Guitar Club	Breaktime	Wednesday	12:40pm-1:20pm	Music	All
Wellbeing Wednesday	Lunchtime	Wednesday	12:40pm-1:20pm	R114	All
BCFC Girls Football	Afterschool	Thursday	3pm-4pm	Astro	All
DofE Club	Afterschool	Thursday	3pm-4pm	City Café	DofE Students
Young Carers	Lunchtime	Thursday	12:40pm-1:20pm	E110	All
History Revision Club	Afterschool	Thursday	3pm-4pm	H01	10,11
STEM Discovery Club	Afterschool	Thursday	3pm-4pm	R09	All
True Colours	Lunchtime	Friday	12:40-13:20	E119	All
Y11 Football	Afterschool	Friday	3pm - 4pm	Astro	11
Girls Only Jujitsu	Afterschool	Friday	3pm-4pm	SH	All
Music Club	Lunchtime	Friday	12:40-1:20	Music	All

Please find above all the Extra Curricular activities available here at
The City Academy



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Our Trust & Academy operate a zero-tolerance stance regarding sexual harassment

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harassment or discrimination in the workplace.

We would like to make all parents and carers
aware that a new mandatory duty to prevent
sexual harassment in the workplace became
effective on the 26 October 2024.

Numerous high-profile cases and campaigns have
highlighted the need for enhanced protection against
sexual harassment at work – and has now been reformed

resulting in a new Worker Protection (Amendment of
Equality Act 2010) Act 2023.



The Trust and our Academy have reflected on this important legislation and are now
taking further positive, preventative action in this area to respond. This includes:



Staff training



Staff voice
exercises



Reviewing our HR
policy & procedures



Reflecting on any
learning across
the Trust

If we are made aware of any concern, we will always treat these concerns with great
importance and act in accordance with our internal procedures. It is our ambition
that all of our academies provide a safe, happy and enjoyable space for our
colleagues, pupils and visitors.

If you do have a concern of this nature then we have a complaints policy and
procedure which you can access via our website.



Support for Inter-Parental Communication



- Do you have a child or children aged between 8 and 14?
- Do you find it hard to get on with your partner or your ex?
- Do you argue or shout at each other?
- Or have you stopped talking to each other because it's too difficult?

**FREE support
available
for one or
both parents**

If so, then this SIPCo project could help.

Support is available for either one or both parents. The help on offer will either be relationship therapy (delivered by the couple therapy charity Tavistock Relationships) or a local practitioner will help you access online resources which can be used at your own pace. If English is not your first language, translators can be provided.

Please contact Gina Pazienza:



relationshipsmatter@bristol.gov.uk



07721 635376



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Your Holiday Hub is funded by the Department for Education's Holiday Activity and Food (HAF) Programme, designed to provide holiday activities and nutritious food to school age children and young people in receipt of benefits related free school meals (FSM) during the school holidays. In Bristol, we have over 18,000 children and young people in receipt of FSM that are eligible to attend the sessions which can be booked online from 11 November.

Enjoy a fun-filled winter with Your Holiday Hub Children and young people in Bristol who receive benefits-related free school meals, can join in with lots of fun activity sessions taking place during the winter school holidays (23 December to 6 January). Your Holiday Hub sessions are fully funded and include a healthy meal as part of the day. Activities range from sports to crafts, and from drama to baking plus so much more. It's a really great way for children to stay active, meet friends, have fun and learn new things. To search all the sessions and book online, please visit www.yourholidayhubbristol.co.uk. If you have any questions, please contact haf@bristol.gov.uk



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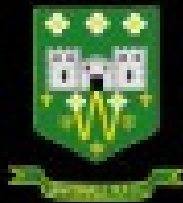


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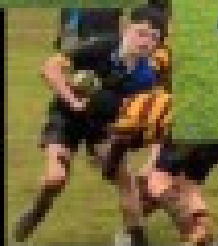


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