# Newsletter

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## Key Dates

10/06/22 - 10-11:30 - Year 8 Careers morning (further info on next page)
13/07/22 – Last day of Term 6
14/07/22 – INSET day
15/07/22 – INSET day

## What is Safeguarding?

Safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children is everybody's business.. This involves:

- protecting children from maltreatment
- preventing impairment of children's health or development
- ensuring children are growing up in circumstances consistent with the provision of safe and effective care

Safeguarding children is also about child protection. This means the variety of activities that take place to protect children who may be at risk of significant harm due to emotional, physical or sexual abuse or neglect. Safeguarding children is a multi-agency concern co-ordinated by the Keeping Bristol Safe Partnership.

If you are worried about a child and think that he or she may be the victim of (or at risk from) neglect, abuse or cruelty you can talk to a teacher, health visitor, doctor or youth worker, who will give you advice about what to do next.

## Head Teacher's Update

As we approach the final term of Neptune's first academic year, we are reminded that our fantastic school and students have come so far since September. We started our journey way back then as a staff team before being joined by our students in February and have been going from strength to strength ever since. This last few terms have proved an exciting opportunity for staff and students to get to know one another and form strong positive working relationships. We have worked and learned together and have begun to grow our school with new students joining us each term. We are excited about what the future holds for us and for our school. We will have our first KS4 students from September, and we have been working hard to ensure that their new classrooms and curriculum are ready for them. As always, I wish to thank the staff, students, parents and carers and local authorities for continuing to work with us to grow and develop the school in new and exciting ways.

## Camera, Action....

During our last week of term 5 we had a film crew in to school to film the learning taking place in school, as well as interviewing students and staff about life at Neptune. The students were fantastic and were very respectful to the crew and their equipment. The footage will be used alongside footage from our other sites across the South West as part of a promotional video for Phoenix Learning & Care.

# Activities This Month

This term our students have been out and about exploring the local area around Neptune School and found this amazing water fountain! We have also waded through streams and muddy puddles, admired some impressive algae on a pond, eaten our lunch 'al fresco' and explored the platform and switch house at Warmley Station.

**Year 8 Careers Morning at Neptune School**
**10th June, 10-11:30**

Hosted by Paul Ashford, Head of Campus, Oakwood Court College (SEN college in Yate) and Faye Chandler who leads on Duke of Edinburgh Award and Work Experience at Oakwood College Torpoint

In Science, Lagoon Class looked at Sir Issac Newton's colour experiments.

As well as lots of learning outdoors, there's been some fantastic learning indoors too!

**Safeguarding information:**

Designated Safeguarding Leads: **Rachel Lynch and Jessica Mayo-Ward – 0330 135 8202**

If you have any concerns, please do not hesitate to speak to our Designated Safeguarding Leads