

YATE ACADEMY NEWSLETTER

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FRIDAY 13TH FEBRUARY, 2026



 **GREENSHAW**
LEARNING TRUST

A message from our Headteacher, Mr Eddie Rakshi

It has been a truly fantastic week of celebration here at the school as we recognised the hard work and dedication of our students through our tiered rewards program. Our Bronze award winners enjoyed a classic cinema experience right here in our auditorium, while our Silver achievers shared a celebratory Domino's pizza lunch together. For those reaching the Gold standard, we took the excitement off-site for an adrenaline-fueled trip to Simwrx in Yate, where students put their skills to the test in the sports simulators. Seeing so many students reach these milestones is a testament to the positive culture we are building together.

Following on from our previous updates, we are pleased to share our latest insight video. This week, we are highlighting the start of our school day. We take great pride in how we welcome our students into the building each morning, ensuring every child starts their day feeling seen, supported, and ready to learn. Take a look [here](#).



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SPORTING NEWS

Sixth Form Sports Leaders

Last week, our Sixth Form sports leaders were a fantastic asset to the PE department. They volunteered their time to support a wide range of activities, from organizing sports equipment to running a football club and officiating a competitive fixture. Their dedication and hard work were greatly appreciated by both staff and students alike.

Sports Hall Athletics County Finals

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On Monday of last week, we took our four successful Year 7 and Year 8 teams to the Sports Hall Athletics County Finals at City Academy. Throughout the afternoon, our students consistently demonstrated our core values—cheering on their peers, celebrating each other's successes, and providing vital support during the more challenging events. It was a brilliant afternoon, and we are incredibly proud of everything they achieved.



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Girls' Rugby: The Eagle Project

Over the last two terms, our Year 7 and 8 girls have excelled in the Eagle Project, run by the Bristol Bears Community Foundation. This initiative aims to introduce more girls to the sport and connect them with local clubs.

The students' incredible enthusiasm has paved the way for a historic milestone: the formation of our first-ever girls' rugby teams. To build on this momentum, we will be launching a Touch Rugby Club after half term. Please see more details on the flyer below.



Girls' Football: Luke Wheaton Cup

Our season is in full swing with three games played and 11 more on the horizon.

- U14s: Captained by Erin F, the team secured two fantastic victories this week against Abbeywood and Chipping Sodbury.
- U16s: A tough opening game for our new squad, but the girls are already back in training and ready to bounce back.
- U12s: After consistent training, the team is geared up and eager for their first match next term.

StreetCred Dance Workshop

On Monday, we welcomed Faith from StreetCred Dance School for an energetic workshop with Years 7 and 9. Students mastered core movements and performed a choreographed routine with impressive engagement. Every participant received a flyer for a free taster session at the dance school—a great opportunity to keep dancing! See flyer below.

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CAMPS



PLAYER DEVELOPMENT CAMPS

FEBRUARY 2026

MON | FEBRUARY 16TH
8-14 GIRLS ONLY AT NORTH BRISTOL, RFC

TUE & WED | FEBRUARY 17/18TH
8-14 MIXED AT NORTH BRISTOL, RFC

BEARS FOUNDATION

BOOK NOW:
abler.io/shop/bristolbears/camps

STREETCRED DANCE SCHOOL

COME ALONG AND JOIN US!!!



We provide Street dance classes for ages 3+ in Yate/Chipping Sodbury for all abilities. We have classes on weekdays and weekends.

We offer incredible opportunities for our dancers like competitions, festivals and theatre shows.

Contact us to join!!

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New Year, New Me!

Reading Challenge

Read More, Learn More, Be More
16th January – 6th March 2026



House	Total	Students	Staff
Brunel	12843	12843	12298
Carpenter	35916	18216	17700
Park	61982	19862	42120
Beckford	72499	9519	62980
Stephenson	62072	13414	48658

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Year 11 Geography: Bristol Harbourside Fieldwork

Our Year 11 Geographers recently visited Bristol Harbourside to conduct essential GCSE fieldwork. Students evaluated the success of the area's regeneration, collecting primary data to assess its social, economic, and environmental impact.

Working with fantastic focus, the groups carried out:

- Environmental Quality Surveys to assess the local habitat.
- Traffic and Pedestrian Counts to measure urban footfall.
- Detailed Field Sketches to record land use and building quality.

Our students were a true credit to the school; members of the public even took the time to comment on their polite and respectful manners. Their mature approach to this geographical enquiry was outstanding. Well done, Year 11!



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online talk by Jane Keyworth



Supporting a Child with ADHD

Challenging the stereotypes, offering practical support and explaining more about this condition



3rd February 10-11:30am

3rd March 7-8:30pm



Book online
facefamilyadvice.co.uk
£24 or Free with a school membership code



South Glos Parent Carers (SGPC) Updates

SGPC offers support to families of children and young people (ages 0–25) with SEND, with or without a diagnosis.

Free Online Workshops (Booking Open through March 2026):

- Supporting Communication: Monday 2 March, 10am–1pm.
- Understanding Masking: Tuesday 31 March, 7pm–9pm.
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Note: Most sessions are recorded and available for 7 days to those who book in advance.

Resources & Support:

- Stay Informed: Join the [Associates Mailing List] to receive the latest resources.
- EBSA Support: Access the ‘Can’t, not Won’t’ video series regarding Emotionally Based School Avoidance.
- Drop-ins: Read the latest SGPC newsletter for details on local support sessions and community events.

Autism - Improving Communication	2 Feb 10am
Improving Family Communication	2 Feb 7pm
Supporting A Child with ADHD	3 Feb 10am
Understanding Addictive Behaviour	3 Feb 7pm
Anxiety Based School Avoidance	9 Feb 10am
Anxiety Explained	16 Feb 10am
Cannabis and Ketamine Awareness	16 Feb 7pm
What is ACT?	17 Feb 10am
Introduction to OCD	17 Feb 7pm
FREE - Reducing the Harm from Screens	19 Feb 7-8pm
Understanding the Teenage Brain	23 Feb 10am
Raising Self-Esteem	23 Feb 7pm
Decreasing Depression	24 Feb 10am
Supporting Healthy Sleep	24 Feb 7pm
Understanding Anger	9 Mar 7pm
Facing Defiance	10 Mar 7pm

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Coming up at Yate Academy

- 16th -20th February | Half Term Holiday
- Monday 23rd February | Avon Fire & Rescue Water Safety - Y10
- Wednesday 25th February | Y9 Options Evening
- Friday 6th March | Y9 Options Deadline

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