



WEEKLY ROUND-UP

BLYTHE BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

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AFTER SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS ARE BACK!



Curriculum swimming lessons started again after 'lockdown three' on Monday 15th March for primary & secondary school students and we are delighted that afterschool lessons finally restarted this week. It is so wonderful to see how happy the children are to be back in the water. If you are interested in booking afterschool lessons, please contact Miss Moore: h.moore@bb-hs.co.uk

INAUGURAL WINNERS OF THE SBS CHALLENGE CROWNED



WELCOME

It has been great to see such good attendance at extra curricular clubs this week. The offer of activities for each year group is on FROG and we strongly encourage you to get involved with the huge range of exciting sessions being offered.

I had the pleasure of meeting two teams of Year 7 and 8 students this week who have been selected as the school's representatives in The Midland Maker Challenge. I am sure that they will enjoy the competition and fingers crossed their work with Mr Hughes in DT will be rewarded with some of the many prizes on offer.

Have a lovely weekend.

Mrs Johnson

#PRIDERESPECTKINDNESS

TOP BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING SCORES



BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING

We have seen some superb behaviour for learning scores again this week - great work, everyone. Congratulations to this week's top scorers in each year group:

Year 7 - Beatrice C, Chloe B, Gracie G,
Year 8 - Isaac A, Lara B, Aimee W
Year 9 - Gabriel H, Eli X, Annabell A
Year 10 - Eve C, Grace D, Jack S
Year 11 - Benjamin W, Alex C, Tommy H

Following the article we highlighted in a previous issue, we are proud to announce that our team won! The winning team, Fords Feeds from Blythe Bridge High School & Sixth Form, were asked how they found the challenge:

"We are proud of our achievement in winning the Staffordshire Business School Challenge, the experience was enlightening and allowed us to put our business knowledge to the test in a practical scenario" - Rhys C and Matthew P (Fords Feeds).

TILG and Staffordshire Business School were also delighted to receive comments from Mrs Pollitt, Curriculum Leader of Business:

"We are very proud of the boy's achievement in the challenge, the work that they produced was of a high standard, well done."

CREDIT TO U14S ON THEIR FIRST COUNTY CUP CRICKET OUTING



The U14 cricket team travelled to Denstone College in the first round of the county cup, to represent Blythe Bridge High School & Sixth Form in the first sporting fixture for the school in over a year. Having lost the toss and been inserted to bat, the team knew it would be a tough game against strong opposition. There was a shaky start, losing two early wickets, before Lewis W (37no) and Ben H (19no) started to rebuild patiently against a quality seam attack. Our two batsmen were able to cash in on some wayward bowling and fielding from the hosts at the end of the innings to accelerate the run rate, and post a respectable 80, which was well above the score we looked like posting at the half way point of the innings.

In defense of their score, the pace duo of Charlie L and Matt S bowled a quick and tight opening spell, taking a couple of early breakthroughs to get us back into the game. Unfortunately, the strength and depth of the hosts batting line up was too much to contain, and they ran out comfortable winners after some big hitting from their middle order.

Whilst we didn't get the desired outcome, the students were a credit to the school and it was just great to be back playing competitive sport. A big thank you to the parents/grandparents who helped with transport and allowed the fixture to go ahead without any bubbles being burst.

DIGITAL ENSEMBLES VIRTUAL SPRING FESTIVAL 2021

Entrust will be continuing digital rehearsals from 4th May 2021. These are FREE of charge to all students and adults.



You can take part whether you are a new starter or more advanced performer - just email musicservice@entrusted.co.uk with: Your Name, Instrument, Approximate Grade / Level and School.

This term, the Entrust rehearsals will culminate in a Summer Showcase at Staffordshire County Showground on 23 June 2021. We intend to pilot face to face rehearsals before this and more details will be available as the term progresses. Rehearsals and this event will continue to be free of charge for all Staffordshire schools and families.



Students in Year 12 were invited to take part in a webinar hosted by Physics Today and the American Institute of Physics: 'First Light; Switching on Stars at the Dawn of Time'. This was a fantastic opportunity to hear presentations from leading astronomers and was beneficial for students completing the BTEC applied science course in preparation for the optional unit 'Astronomy' and for A level physics students who will study 'Astrophysics & Cosmology' in Year 13.

DUKE OF EDINBURGH TEAM CAPTAIN NOMINATION FOR SIXTH FORM STUDENT

Jersey A in Year 12 has been shortlisted to become the team captain for a fundraising team for the Central England region.

The organisation are aiming to raise £1 million over the coming year, to support disadvantaged young people to be able to take part in the award.

We are currently putting together a package to be able to offer more students the opportunity to take part next year, so this was an project we were particularly keen to try to be involved with.

Before Easter all DofE managers across the country were asked to nominate ambassadors to become a team captain for their region, this will result in 8 teams across the country each being led by the winning nominated team captain. Jersey has been shortlisted from 100s of nominations in this region alone to the final 6, she has been a constant support to me and our participants this year, during a particularly tough and unusual year, she more than deserves the recognition for all her hard work.



WEEKLY TEAM MEETING A HIT



A highlight of Mrs Johnson's week is her Tuesday meeting with Joshua S, Lily F and William E, a trio of Year 7 students who are focused on promoting the school values of pride, respect and kindness. So far, they have recorded a number of virtual storytimes for local primary school children, carried out regular litter picks in and around school, set up a games club for Year 7 and helped in the school garden. Their next project includes making a FROG page to showcase their ideas and recruit other students to be part of their individual 'PRK' teams.

YEAR 12 ARE SEEING STARS WITH THE AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF PHYSICS