

# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

#### BLYTHE BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM

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## STOKE CITY PROGRAMME INSPIRES OUR YEAR 7 STUDENTS



Our Year 7 students completed their recycling challenge last week with the Stoke City Inspires programme. Working in groups, students designed a bin which could be used by Stoke City FC to encourage supporters to recycle.

Each design was entered into a competition with schools from the local area. A panel of judges from Stoke City FC and the Premier League looked through the designs produced.

We were delighted to hear that two of our designs were awarded first and second place. Our winning team have been invited to a Project Development Day at Liverpool FC and will work with designers from Stoke City FC to create their bin for use at the stadium.

Amazing work Year 7! Many thanks to Ms Matthias, Mr James and the team from Stoke City Inspires for providing our students with this wonderful opportunity.

# COAST TO COAST CYCLE CHALLENGE FOR RED NOSE DAY

On Friday 18th March a team of staff will be attempting to complete a coast to coast cycling challenge.

The challenge will involve staff using our new cycle ergometers to collectively cycle 182 miles between 8am and 3.30pm.

If you would like to support the event and help raise money for Red Nose Day, donations can be made via parentpay.



# WELCOME

The sunshine, bird song and daffodils this week are certainly helping us to look ahead to Easter.

Next week the Year 9 student ambassadors will be encouraging students to enter the raffle for a chance to win the biggest chocolate egg I have ever seen! We will post photographs on our social media and put it on display in the student leadership area next week for students to see what they are bidding for. Money raised will go towards the Year 9 nominated charity and our defibrillator appeal.

You also need to look out for the sale of our PRK Easter bunnies with creme egg. Orders to be placed with Mrs Cotterill by Tuesday 5th April.

Mrs Johnson

#### **#PRIDERESPECTKINDNESS**

#### #HELPUKRAINE DONATIONS ON THEIR WAY TO POLAND



The items donated as part of our Ukrainian Appeal were collected last Wednesday. Many thanks to the students and staff who helped to load them into the van and cars. The volunteers who took the donations to a collection point in Birmingham have immediate family in Ukraine and told us it is becoming increasingly difficult to be able to contact them. Today we received a note thanking everyone for their kindness and confirming the donations were already on the trucks to Poland.



# BUDDING CLIMBERS ON YEAR 8 TEAM BUILDING WORKSHOP



A group of our Year 8 students visited Clip 'n' Climb in Stone this week, completing a team and confidence building workshop.

The students were fantastic, and the levels of resilience, courage and positivity displayed were superb.

## SMILES AND CHOCOLATE ALL ROUND FOR OUR COMPETITION WINNERS!



Almost 300 students entered out latest KS3 competition with the 33 who scored full marks getting additional achievement points. From these top scorers, we randomly selected a winner from each year group who received a prize from Mrs Johnson and Mrs Kadri.

Also a huge well done to the winners of the science apprenticeships quiz competition that was set during national apprenticeship week 2022.

Lily H, Tamsin C, Lara B and Adam P were the top scorers within their respective year groups

#### CHESS PLAYERS NEEDED!

Mr Pugh is looking for chess players to participate in a BBHS chess tournament, with the aim of finding a grandmaster and rankings for each year group.

Games to take place fortnightly during lunchtimes (week 1 Wednesday Years 7,8,11, week 2 Thursday year 9,10,12,13).

Please let Mr Pugh know by the end of the week, if you are interested in entering.







#### INSIGHT INTO UNIVERSITY LIFE WITH GUIDED TOUR OF OXFORD



Students from Years 9-12 had a fantastic experience visiting Somerville College, Oxford on Thursday. They heard about what makes a strong university application, had lunch in the hall with lecturers and students, were inspired by touring one of the many libraries and even had time to visit a museum and receive a guided tour of Oxford. Many thanks to Higher Horizons, the University of Oxford and, or course, Dr Mitchell and Mr Goodwin for providing such an amazing opportunity for our students.







In the Hotseat was hosted by Mrs Johnson and Mrs Kadri today. With our Year 9 & 10 students, they heard all about a passion for cooking and baking, as well as voluntary work at Affordable Food in Stoke. Our younger students in Year 7 & 8 discussed

hobbies including games design, drumming and enjoying spend time with family members gardening. A wide range of talents and interests to be very proud of.

# YEAR 7 & 8 GIRLS SECURE ANOTHER PLACE IN FOOTBALL FINAL

We have a third team that has secured their place in the final of the County Cup!

This week our year 7 & 8 girls football team travelled to Oldfields to play in the semi-final of the County Cup.

Both teams were well matched and the game was very close. Full time was called and we went to extra time. The teams came out fighting and both keepers made outstanding saves to keep their sides in the match.

Unfortunately for Oldfields a penalty was awarded to Blythe and the ball was safely delivered to the back of the net securing our County Cup final place. A huge congratulations to everyone, it was a real team effort and we are very proud of you all. Goal scorers were Poppy E x2 and Holly T x1