



# WEEKLY ROUND-UP

**BLYTHE BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM**

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## STAYING LOCAL FOR SILVER DUKE OF EDINBURGH PRACTICE SESSION



Last weekend a group of Year 10's headed out into rural Staffordshire for their Silver Duke of Edinburgh Award practice expedition. They had a fantastic three days honing their camping, cooking and navigational skills, whilst working co-operatively to carry their shared kit. The staff were blown away by all of the students' maturity and enthusiasm, despite some very tired legs!

## YEAR 10S TAKE A 'PEAK' AT WILDLIFE PARK ANIMAL CARE

Last Thursday, some of our Year 10 students, who are interested in animal care/veterinary, visited Peak Wildlife Park in Leek with Mr Aston and Mrs Reynolds.

Our students received a tour of the park, hearing about the various pathways into the animal care sector and the keepers' experiences.

Students were also given the opportunity to attend feeding times for some of the animals and had time to explore the park- they were also lucky enough to feed the wallabies!

It was a great day out that provided students with an enrichment experience and knowledge of how they can prepare themselves for their future careers. It is safe to say that we have a number of animal enthusiasts in Year 10. Thanks to Peak Wildlife Park for a great day!



## WELCOME

Preparations are in place for the events in school to mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

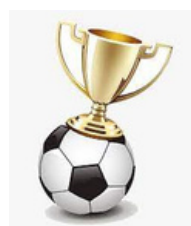
On Monday, we will launch our KS3 competition linked to the celebrations. As usual, there are achievement points for all students that participate and prizes for winners from each year group. Our springtime competition was entered by almost 300 students so let's try to have even more entrants this time.

At the start of next week, we will share more details with you about other activities taking place in school to mark this historic event.

Mrs Johnson

## #PRIDERESPECTKINDNESS

## STAFFORD TOWN FC IS THE VENUE FOR U13S COUNTY CUP FINAL



On Monday 16th of May the U13 boys and the U13 girls County Cup football final will be played at Stafford Town FC.

The U13 girls' kick off is at 5.30pm and the U13 boys' kick off is at 7pm. Spectators are welcome but there is an entry fee of £3.

Please contact [h.willott@bb-hs.co.uk](mailto:h.willott@bb-hs.co.uk) if you have any queries.

## SWIMMING NATIONALS BECKON FOR YEAR 11 STUDENT



We would like to offer the biggest congratulations to Year 11 student Mitchell L who has just been invited to compete in the 200 metres butterfly at English Nationals in August.

In February, Mitchell also won the 2022 Junior Staffordshire Championship trophies for 50 and 100 metres butterfly, and this month has won West Midlands regional age group medals (bronze for 200 metres backstroke and silver for 200 metres butterfly).

Well done Mitchell, we are all incredibly proud of you!



## NOMINATIONS FOR NEW PREFECTS START TO FLOOD IN

Our prefect nominations have been open for 3 days, and already 52 students have received their 5 nominations needed to apply, with many others very close to the target.

Well done, everyone, and keep an eye on your school emails to read the wonderful comments your teachers are making about you.

Special well done to the following students, who are taking an early lead with nominations:

Tanayeh B, Katie B and Dannie S - 10 nominations

Lucy H and Macy A-W - 9 nominations

Isobel G - 8 nominations

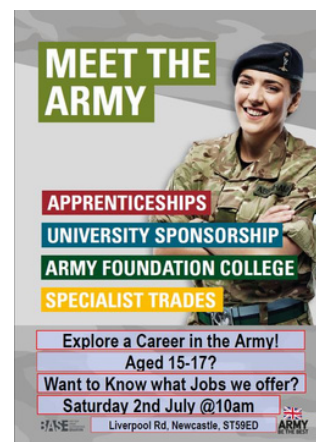
Aaliyah C-K, Cerys B, Chloe T, Daisy F, Eli X, Ellinor H-J, Lara B, Macy C, Megan G, Phoebe C and Scarlett G - 7 nominations

## ARMY CAREER ADVICE AVAILABLE TO LEAVERS

This may be of interest to our upcoming school leavers.

Stoke on Trent Army Careers office are inviting all 15-17 year olds to attend the Army foundation college introduction brief on Saturday 2nd July @10.00hrs.

Parents and guardians are of course welcome to come along!



## NORTH STAFFS MIND WORKSHOP FOR YEAR 8



95 students from Year 8 were visited by staff from North Staffs Mind this week, for a workshop on resilience and emotional well-being.

Thank you to all who participated and shared their ideas.

## YEAR 11 & YEAR 13 STUDENTS WE BELIEVE IN YOU.



On Monday 16th May, we see the start of the formal examinations. We would like to wish all of our Year 11 & 13 students the very

best of luck as they embark on their first week of examinations beginning. Students have shown grit, determination, and resilience and we could not be any prouder of their accomplishments, especially over the last two years.



Last Friday, Mrs Johnson had the pleasure of talking to Daniall from Year 10 and Phoenix from Year 9. They spoke passionately about a range of interests both in and out of school. Mrs Johnson and other members of the senior leadership have learnt so much more about our



students since In the Hot Seat started in September. The range of hobbies, interests and talents of our students is so vast, and we are incredible lucky to have such diversity in our school community.