

# **WEEKLY ROUND-UP**

# **BLYTHE BRIDGE HIGH SCHOOL & SIXTH FORM**

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# WELCOME

This week, we have seen some amazing displays of our school values of pride, respect and kindness. From the 411 Hugs in a Bag put together by students in Year 7 & 8 for the UHNM Charity, Year 9 students serving refreshments to staff on the INSET day to the sporting success of our Year 7 girls' football team. Well done to you all.

As we move towards Remembrance Day, a reminder to students who are part of Army, Air or Sea Cadets that you are able to wear your uniform during our reflection time. Please see Mr Leese to confirm arrangements. Many thanks to the staff who will be delivering the assemblies next week which will allow our community to come together in remembrance.

Mrs Johnson

**#PRIDERESPECTKINDNESS** 

Our Governors' Awards are presented annually to students who have demonstrated outstanding attitude to learning as reflected in their summer reports. Mr Boumford, Chair of Governors, and Mr Christie, Vice Chair of Governors, recently presented the awards to students in Year 8-11.

# YEAR 12 WALKING FOR CANCER RESEARCH



Students in 12AD, along with their form tutor Mrs Dodgson, have set themselves the challenge of each walking 100 miles this October to raise money for cancer research. So far, over 720 miles have been walked collectively.

A huge well done to James M, Dan B, Jack L, Oliver L, Callum P, Lucy H, Maddie J, Megan W, Georgia B, Holly M and Georgia W for your fundraising efforts!



## SCHOOL IMPROVEMENTS TAKING SHAPE LAST TERM



Work has now been completed to replace the windows on the one-way corridor. This completes the final phased replacement of windows which has taken place over the past eight years. The original wooden frames had heating pipes mounted to them so it wasn't a small job, but it is already making a big difference to the warmth and lighting along this corridor. On another note, it is with great excitement that we can announce the completion of our two new Multi-use game areas (MUGAs). Staff and students alike have been watching the work over the past month desperate to start using them. They look absolutely amazing and we cannot wait to make the most of this amazing facility. We have also now secure the woodland area on our grounds. It is looking very good indeed!

# HARVEST COLLECTION SURPASSES LAST YEARS DONATIONS



Our Harvest collection surpassed the volume collected in October 2021 with 307.91kg donated to Stoke on Trent Foodbank before half term. Thank you to all students, including the sixth form who have donated items. Your generosity has been tremendous and will make a huge difference to so many local families.



# YEAR 9 STUDENTS FUNDRAISING FOR MUSIC DEPARTMENT ON INSET DAY



A group of Year 9 students set themselves a challenge of raising £400 for the music department. The money will go towards updating some of the equipment in the recording studio, including a new snare for the drum kit..

Despite it being an INSET day on Monday, the Year 9 students had a rather early start and by 9:45 over 18 cakes were in the oven leaving just enough time for them to be cooled and decorated before the students served them to staff at breaktime. Staff were so grateful and have been very generous with their donations. Well done boys!

# **POSITIVE RESULTS IN U14 NETBALL TOURNAMENT**

Last week, the Year 9 girls participated in an U14 netball tournament.

Ten teams attended, which led to group matches. We came second in our group which meant that we moved through to the semi-finals against St. Josephs. Blythe won 5-3, making this a close match. In the final we played Excel Academy, winning 4-0.

The girls showed determination and teamwork throughout and as always demonstrated kindness at the end of each match by thanking the teams for the game.

Well done, Blythe!

# LAST CALL FOR LONDON DANCE EVENT IN 2023





Get your skates on and head to the fun-tastic roller rink disco for open skate sessions and amazing dance classes throughout the day. The perfect place to let off some steam and have a laugh with your friends!

Final call for payments for Move it 2023!

Very proud that our students are on the Move it 2022 website advertising the roller rink



In the Hotseat with our older students was hosted by Miss Alford just before half term. They discussed future careers and aspirations, which included plans to become a paramedic and an interest in working behind the scenes on crime films.

Meanwhile. Mr Goodwin met with students from Year 9 & 10 to hear all about their achievements and interests. As well as sharing an interest in playing football, Mr Goodwin was very impressed with the book being read by one student - a Marvel book linked to the Avengers series! A love of reading murder mysteries was also discussed, especially when you solve the mysteries before the detective.



### **GREAT JOB YEAR 13**

Great job Year 13, We are so proud of how you have approached your mock exams this week, Some students still have exams next week, keep up the good work and you will reap the rewards.

# YEAR 11 MOCK EXAMS REMINDER

Year 11 mock exams begin on Monday 7th November. All students have now been given their timetables in preparation for their exams. Good luck to everyone involved!