July 2022

Bristol Brunel Academy Termly Newsletter



Cultural Dress Day

Students at BBA were able to share their cultural dress on Thursday 14th July. Students and staff were given stickers with 'Ask me about my culture on' to share information and stories about the cultures in our community. We had a variety of traditional Dress/Cultures represented including Ghanian, Pakistani, Somali, Malaysian, Jamaican, Bajan, Ugandan, Latin American, Bristol & Welsh, Congolese, Nigerian, Algerian, Gambian, Egyptian, Ukrainian, Bangladeshi and many more.

During the day students had pop up sessions, in their lessons learning about the culture of six different countries. They were chosen and created by the BBA Social Action group with a quiz in tutor time, and more time to learn about each other's culture.











Year 7 and 8 Camp

On 1st July and 15th July, 160 Year 8 students and 190 Year 7 students respectively drove down the M5 and descended on PGL Barton Hill Camp, Torquay. Both weeks were full of amazing activities including raft building, zip lining, abseiling, climbing, canoeing, survival skills, archery, trapeze and many more. Staff and students had a great time completing these (see Mrs Coles the daredevil below) and building relationships in a more relaxed setting.









House News

Term 6 Total	
Blackwell	2776
Patch	2576
Kielburger	2510
Stephenson	2251

Term	6	Winners
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Total for the Year	
Patch	20338
Blackwell	19495
Stephenson	16603
Kielburger	16397

HOUSE CHAMPIONS 21/22 - PATCH

House Reps & Captains

House reps in Year 8, 9 & 10 have been selected for next year.

Year 11 went through a rigorous process to become a house captain and deputy house captain with an application and interview.

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Year 7 will get the opportunity to apply to apply for house rep in Term 1.

Thanks to our house reps for being amazing ambassadors for the school this year.

Sports Day Totals for Year 7, 8 & 9

Amazing few days doing athletics and team games. Below are the standings after Year 7, 8 and 9 competed. Year 10 will get the opportunity to compete at the start of Term 1 next year...all to play for!



House News

Our Student Leaders have been working on a project to update our House names over the last couple of years. The process has been long and considered, starting in 2020 and including the following:

- Student leaders invited suggestions for new House naming systems from tutor groups.
- Student leaders coordinated a vote from all students to choose from the suggestions put forward.
- A house competition was run to find the new house logos these have each been designed by a member of the BBA community.

Our Student Leaders have been professional throughout, pitching their ideas to both our Senior Leadership Team and our Academy Council. We are delighted to announce our four new house names will be named after modern activists, chosen by the BBA community, with linked charities that house fundraising will be donated to.

Patch house will now be Amika house, named after Amika George MBE; the British activist raising awareness of period poverty.

Blackwell house will now be Malala house, named after Malala Yousafzai; the Pakistani activist and 2014 Nobel Peace Prize winner.

Kielburger house will now be Rashford house, named after Marcus Rashford MBE; the British footballer and food poverty activist.

Stephenson house will remain as Stephenson house, named after Paul Stephenson OBE; the Bristol based Black British Civil Rights activist.

House colours will remain the same, so students will keep their ties!













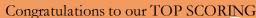
Summer Reading

Competition!



Keep reading over the holiday!

Write a book review (forms available from your English teacher) and return it in September. House points for every review PLUS entry to a prize draw!



Year 7s

Jacob C-M passed 84 quizzes Muhammad A passed 73 quizzes Lia M & Billy C passed 57 quizzes



Year 8s

Kabir S passed 86 quizzes Madinah H passed 58 quizzes Tyrese P passed 47 quizzes



WORD MILLIONAIRES! We now have 45! Check the Library display for the latest word count.

William Golding Lord of the Flies





FAMOUS BOOKS

A Christmas Carol The Maze Runner Of Mice and Men Harry Potter Fahrenheit 451 Hamlet
The Great Gatsby The Handmaids Tale Lord of the Flies
Sense and Sensibility Wuthering Heights Pride and Prejudice

June was PRIDE month



The Library is now open at break/lunchtime.. And after school for homework / quiet study. The timetable is on the library door. Also try these great sites for some online reading and audio books:

https://www.worldbookday.com/online-masterclasses/

https://manybooks.net/

Reading

When I was at school my favourite book was...

Miss Powell-Bond

My favourite childhood book was **Kensuke's Kingdom** by **Michael Morpurgo**. When I was 9 years old I joined a new school at the start of the summer term. During much of that time I was anxious about making friends and fitting in, however I remember having such a sense of calm and belonging when we would be read to at the end of the school day. My new Year 4 teacher started reading **Kensuke's Kingdom** to us the day I joined the class, and it's been one of my favourite books ever since. When Michael, and the dog Stella, are washed overboard from their yacht we are convinced of the worst, however, the next morning he finds himself alive and on an island with a mystery benefactor. As the story unfolds, we find out more about Michael's fear of the island, his longing for his family, his indecision about what to do next and what bought Kensuke to the island in the first place... ...it's also responsible for my intense fear of jellyfish to this day!

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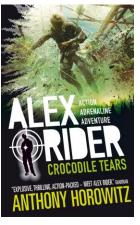
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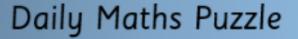








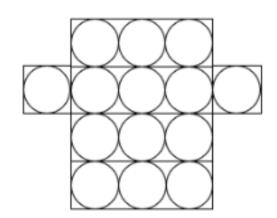
Puzzle Corner



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The radius of one circle is 2cm.

What is the volume of the cuboid?



Email your answers to louis.day@clf.uk

#dailymathspuzzle

@SarahFarrellKS2

Uniform Donations

If your child has grown out of their uniform, or no longer needs it, please can you drop this into reception to allow us to donate and support other students and families.





Food Donations

We continue to support our families in need with food hampers. If you can contribute please drop off food in reception. Many thanks.

Careers

Year 10 work experience

Throughout term 6 our year 10 students have been taking part in work experience. In total 93 students went out to a range of employers to experience the world of work first-hand. I was fortunate enough to visit and/or speak to employers, students, parents/carers throughout work experience and all the students did fantastically well. We even had a few job offers made for part time employment, as well as some potential apprenticeship opportunities.

I know that not everyone managed to secure a Placement. To try and address this we had guest speakers and presenters that spoke to students about how their subject linked with careers.

We had talks in several curriculum areas during the week, including some live workshops.

EXPERIENC

Post 16

Year 10 students going into year 11.

Over the coming months your child will receive impartial 1:1 careers advice from our own level 6 qualified Careers Advisor in school. Mr Jordan will also be sharing Open Event details that I encourage you and your child to attend.

We will work with your child to ensure that they have clear plans for September 2023 whether this be at Post 16, College, Apprenticeship or A levels. It is important that your child finds the right course, at the right level, in the best setting for them. We will invite a range of providers into the Academy during term 1 or 2, to deliver assemblies and lunch time pop ups.

If you work for a Post 16 provider and would like to get involved, please contact Mr Jordan to discuss how we can work together.

Surveys will be sent to students throughout the year to ensure we have up to date destination data.

If you have any individual questions or concerns, you can email me at craig.jordan@clf.uk. I will also be available at all year 11 parents' evenings.

Careers

Cajigo

Earlier this term some of our Year 8 students



had a live presentation from Cajigo and its partners to support the national drive to address the gender imbalance in STEM. This allowed the audience to experience a hybrid Q & A from women in the technology sector. The volunteers came from various backgrounds including, app and website development from an online card company, Aerospace, telecommunication; and the Space network.

If you would like to find out more about what Cajigo is doing, please use the QR code below.





Career pilot

To ensure that our students receive the best careers education we often use organisations to support their career journey. Some of you may already be aware of Career Pilot, this is a great impartial resource designed to support students, parents/carers, and teachers when discussing and exploring future career paths.

This resource is free for anyone to sign up to and has great information such as expected salaries, routes into the career, up to date labour market information and much more. If you wish to sign up to Career Pilot please CLICK HERE to visit the website.



National Download your Free Online Online Safety App for Parents & Carers



The Safer Schools App is easily downloaded and is a one stop shop for all safeguarding issues.

In particular, the App supports online safety and can advise parents/carers how to keep their children safe online.

We actively encourage you to download this App,

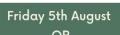


ensure you select Bristol Safer Schools. Click here for more information

FOREST EXPLORER DAYS!

FREE forest school session with LUNCH included.

Join Imayla for campfires, tree climbing, fishing & more forest fun!



Monday 15th August 10:30 - 14:30

Location: Lincombe barn Woods, Downend, BS16 2RW

Booking Essential & Spaces Limited
Contact: louisa.garvey@imayla.co.uk
or 07702511131

If you have any concerns regarding transportation for drop off/ pick up please contact.













FREE drama workshop with lunch included at Hillfields Community Hub-Suitable for 8-11 yrs.

Monday 8th August 2022 10:30 - 15:30

Location: Hillfields Community Hub, BS16 4E

Join Imayla for drama games, improvisation, story telling and more fundamental control of the story telling and the story



Booking Required:

Contact louisa.garvey@imayla.co.uk or 07702511131 for more information.

Priority given to families receiving Free School Meals







Imayla have lots of amazingSummer activities for young peoplesee pictures.





Empire Fighting Change are also offering will be running free sessions from the beginning of August every Tuesday – Friday from 10am – 12noon for Bristol young people.













At YHH you can explore a mix of FREE and paid for school holiday clubs and activities across Bristol, for children and young people aged 4-16. Bristol belongs to its children, and this is their holiday hub!

CLICK HERE for more information

School Nurse Updates





Anonymous text service, 9-5 Mon-Fri service (no weekends or out of hours)

For more information CLICK HERE

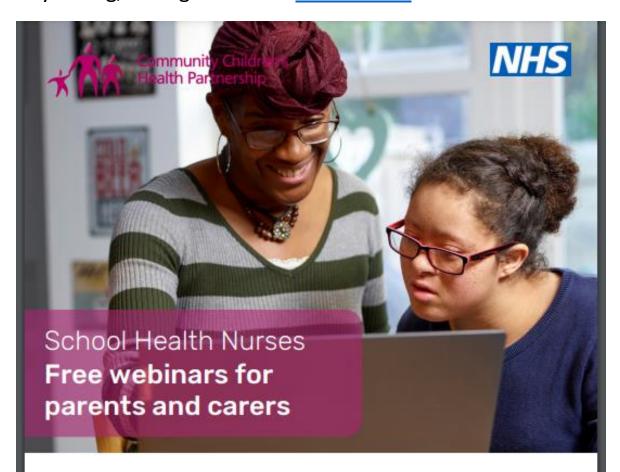


We do not usually inform your parents, teachers or anyone else if you contact the school nurse. We might inform someone if we are concerned about your safety, but we would usually speak to you first. Your messages are stored and can be seen by other heathcare staff who follow the same confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within one working day and you should got at immediate bounce-back to confidentiality rules. We aim to reply to you within now working day and you fould got an immediate bounce-back to confident me vinceived your text. Texts will not be seen outside of normal working day and you level help before you hear back from us, contact a member of school staff or your doctor. Our text number does not receive you calls or MMS pricare messages. We support messaging from U.K mobile numbers only forthird does not include messages service calls or MMS international mobile numbers and some 'number masking' mobile appli Prevent the school nurse from searding missages sort for any staff of the school nurse from searding and your substitutional force of the confidential confidence in the school nurse from searding and your substitutions STOP for our number. Person expect you so schools mobile and seagues are changed at your substituted at your substituted at your substitute for the choice includes of them policy. Messages are changed at your substitute for the schools mobile school entitle shorted to your substitute for any our number. Person expect your schools mobile and seasons are changed at your substitute.



School Nurse Updates

Webinars from July for Parents and carers - emotional health and healthy eating, eating disorders. CLICK HERE for more information.



Practical and informative online sessions from your expert team of local School Health Nurses.

Our webinars lasts between 30 and 45 minutes, with the opportunity to ask questions throughout. They're suitable for parents and carers of children and young people of all ages.



Topics include:

- Keeping your child happy and healthy
- Healthy eating and physical activity
- Supporting your child's emotional wellbeing
- Eating disorder awareness
- Dental health
- Sleep



Find out more and book your free space: cchp.nhs.uk/schoolnursewebinars

Service provided by

Autism Family Courses 2022

Teenage Life



- . Are you a parent or carer of a child with autism living within the **Bristol City Council area?**
- Is your child aged between 9 and 18 years?
- Do you want to learn ways to support your child, meet other parents and find out what services and benefits you can access?

If your child has autism and is under 9 years do get in touch as we also run EarlyBird (for parents of pre-schoolers) and EarlyBird Plus (for parents of 5-8 year olds). Email: autismfamilycourses@bristol.gov.uk

To book on one or more of the courses on this flyer please email

teenagelife@bristol.gov.uk

- Many of these courses are online but some courses will be face to face see flyers for details
- It is easy to get a Zoom account www.zoom.com if you do not have one. All you need is an email to sign up and create your own safe password. You do not have to appear on screen if you do not wish to. Alternatively you can simply use your browse to access the Zoom link we send you.
- Please note the online courses are less interactive than face to face. However, there will be time for you to ask questions and you can also use the Chat feature to discuss topics with other parents.
- There will also be opportunity after sessions for people to email me with questions and comments, which I will do my best to respond to as soon as practicable.
- You will receive the link to access the e-Handbooks to accompany the courses you attend.
- As more courses become available you will automatically receive an email about these.

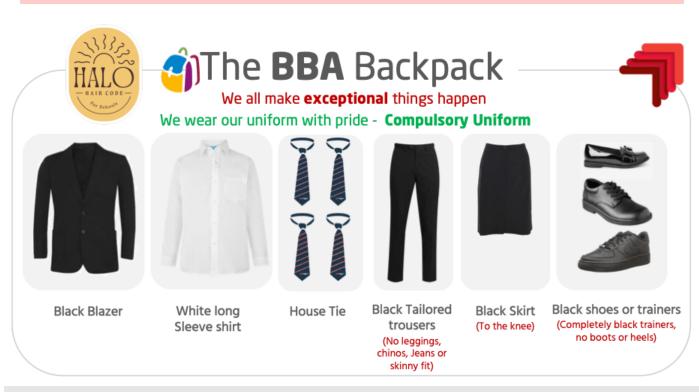
Bristol Autism Project and **FACE** (Foundation for Active Community **Engagement)** have teamed up to provide Summer Activities for young people with Autism or similar SCIN, and their siblings who live in Bristol. CLICK HERE for more information



Getting ready for September

Over the summer you will be getting everything ready for September. This will include a school bag, pencil case and uniform. Please can you refer to our uniform leaflet and website to make sure that you purchase the correct items. We look forward to welcoming your child back in September ready to learn. If you need to support or have any further questions, then please contact the year team.

CLICK HERE for more information.



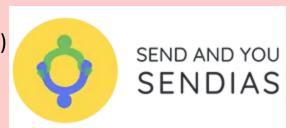
Kids eat for £1 over the Summer Holidays

Several restaurants and supermarkets are offering £1 meals for young people, including Asda and Morrisons, or free if an adult meal is bought.

Click here for more information.



Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Information, Advice and Support (SENDIAS) Service Consultation 2022



Have your say – <u>CLICK HERE</u>

Cricket

Our Year 7/8's were crowned Bristol Schools Champions for the 2022 Cricket season. We welcomed Oasis John Williams back for what was a showdown, having previously met in the group stage (OAJW winning on that occasion). However, it was BBA who came out on top with a well-earned 91-76 run victory through 10 overs.

Highlights of the game:

Batting - Isaac hit 21 off 6 balls to be retired. The shot of the day came from Sam who hit a six over cover, much to the delight of the cheering crowd.



Bowling - Kabir was 17-1 off 3 overs, Isaac 14 off 3 overs and Arham delivered a fantastic over towards the end of play to halt the late push from OAJW.

Fielding - Catch of the day from Sam and special mention to Will and Jay for excellent work fielding.

We are really delighted for this group, their commitment in turning up to afterschool club has been fantastic. We can be very proud of how they represented us; their teamwork, encouragement, and support of one another was exceptional. Special thank you to Mr O'Driscoll for officiating and Mr Busby for his continued support with our cricket clubs and excellent work with this group from the touchline. We're hoping he will sign on the dotted line again next year to help defend our title!

Enrichment

THE DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD

This term our Year 9 and Year 10 have completed their two/three, day long expeditions across the Cotswold way, as part of their Duke of Edinburgh course. This has been an incredible learning experience for them, especially those that have never hiked with an overnight rucksack or camped in a tent. The pupils had the natural elements to deal with; such as the hottest day of the year to the wettest of June overnight. They were using their map reading and navigation skills to follow routes without staff assistance.

They have made all the DofE staff very proud, just like the rest of BBA. Now they have done this expedition they are trained up enough to complete the final assessment expedition in Cheddar this September. Well done to all that took part and we can't wait to see how you get on in the next one.





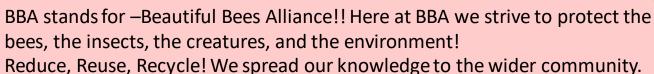
BBA Cheerleading

The BBA cheerleading team have been working hard every Friday after school to have their routine ready for the end of year celebrations. They were to perform their stunts, throws and tumbles in front of the whole school for sports day. This is a proud moment for BBA as over Covid we lost our squad and have had to build from the ground up. Well done BBA cheerleaders can wait to see more of your performances.

Enrichment

BBA ECO CLUB

Eco Code:



World Ocean Day

Eco Club worked incredibly hard to prepare for World Ocean Day on Wednesday 8th June. We collaborated to ensure that the day was full of activities, and fun for the students to get involved with.

For example, we organised a raffle to raise money for a local charity. We raised £180 for the Marine Conservation Society,



who raise awareness about improving the health of our oceans. Prizes included reusable deodorant, compost bins, reusable water bottles and vegan healthy snacks. This proved very popular with pupils and teachers who bought tickets to support this fantastic cause.

In addition, we prepared various slides for periods 1-6 so that pupils across the school would know more about the problems that plastic creates in the oceans by the end of the school day. This included learning Ocean clean up missions, such as 'Jenny', which is helping to remove vast amounts of plastic from the oceans. There was a quiz in tutor time which helped pupils test their knowledge and understanding following the information that they learned throughout the day.

Feedback from students and staff was extremely positive and we look forward to working to raise awareness about World Ocean Day again in 2023.

Green Flag Award

We have almost finished our application for the green flag award and we will be submitting it soon. We hope to achieve this award for this academic year and look forward to making changes and raising more awareness next academic year!

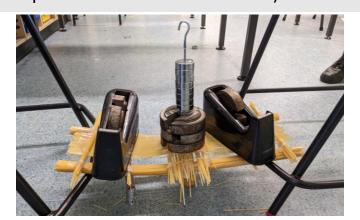
Enrichment

BBA ECO CLUB Continued --->Biodiversity

The Academy's eco club has been working on many improvements to make the Academy a better place for the environment; one of which is Biodiversity. This subject covers multiple topics. The three main ones that the school needs to boost are Marine, Waste and Biodiversity. Biodiversity is all the different organisms that you find in one area – the variety of animals, plants, fungi, and even micro-organisms like bacteria that fill our glorious planet. We can recover our area by helping our biodiversity e.g. rewilding our gardens/outdoor spaces to uplift our habitat and animals.

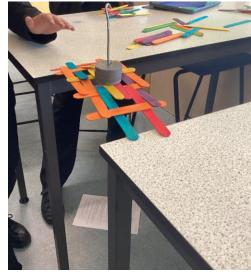
BBA STEAM Club

We started by looking at Leonardo Da Vinci's design that requires no fastenings and supports itself, under its own weight. Following this, Mrs Bush inspired the students to create their own designs out of spaghetti and hot glue. Mr Campbell set a benchmark with a bridge that could support 10 times its own mass. The Year 7 team exceeded this with a bridge that supported 13.5 times its own mass. Amazingly, with a few design upgrades, the Year 8 team managed to surpass this and achieved 35 times its own mass. This was thanks to a lightweight design (as well as a crafty interpretation of the limitations!).



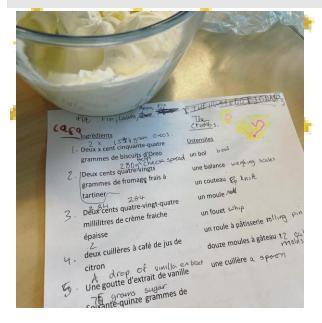






Wall of Wow!

Language Club have been doing some fantastic work this term. They made some tasty treats after translating recipes from French and Spanish, learnt Mandarin, painted pebbles ahead of European Day of Languages; and decorated Día de los Muertos masks. ¡Increíble!









We make exceptional things happen every day

Wall of Wow!

Year 9 Technology groups cooking up an Italian feast with Mrs Soper.







