



Burton Borough School Monthly Newsletter

June 2019



Dear Families,

It's the summer term! I can't believe how quickly this year has flown by and we are nearly at the end of a very successful year. Our students continue to work incredibly hard and it is no surprise that through countless hours of practice and preparation, they are doing extremely well at various events. To name a few, I would like to say a huge well done to our year 7 football team who reached three finals and are the winners of the County President Plate, our U14 girls' football team who are winners of the County Cup and the Telford Cup and our Burton Borough University Brilliant Club who had their 'graduation' at Oxford University after writing 2000 word essays at undergraduate level. Several of our students even achieved firsts which is amazing!

Individual sporting mentions go to Will Armstrong-Barnes for achieving three gold medals at the Shropshire AA County Athletics Championships for 100m, 200m (with a PB) and the 4x100m relay, Sam Kerrison for achieving two gold medals for discus and 4x100m relay and two silver medals in javelin and shot (with a PB) and finally Thomas Berry who ran 400m coming second and achieving a PB of 53.1 seconds!

Congratulations also go to Katie Briscoe and Kim Winnall who achieved their bronze Duke of York iDEA award and Daniel Hilditch-Love who recently completed his first season playing in the Shropshire Chess League with 7 wins, 3 draws and only 2 defeats.

We always encourage our students to think about others who are less fortunate and the community in which we live in so I was extremely proud to hear that some of our students have worked very hard in their spare time doing charity work. Matthew Bowen has been participating on a sponsored walk with Newport First Scouts and Young Epilepsy, Ella Wood and Daisy Mander completed a sponsored half marathon ice-skate, raising £90 in aid of Children with Cancer and several of our students performed at the Newport's Got Talent event with Sparkle the Unicorn, raising £500! Students who performed included Emily Oakey, Megan Owen, Beth Wyre, Joe Chetwood, Jess Howard, Sophie Bowen-Thomas, Kinga Stachowicz, Amara, Rhianna and Georgina Otero. Sarah Edwards raised £235 for Alzheimer's! Well done for all your hard work!

As a school, our work around mental health and well-being has gained national recognition with Burton Borough School being awarded the Carnegie School of Excellent Mental Health Gold award! We are the only secondary school in the whole of the West Midlands to achieve this and only one of eleven secondary schools in the country. A huge thank you goes out to our student wellbeing mentors and Mrs Heins for leading the work. You may have seen from my Twitter feed that my article *Badly Behaved or Emotionally Strained?* Was published in SecEd magazine this month and I have been asked to deliver a talk at the TEDx Norwich event in July. We will also be working with the Local Authority in the coming months to spread the good work.

On another note, I have decided to revert back to my maiden name (Miss Carter) due to a change in personal circumstances. There isn't a new principal - it is still me!

I hope you enjoy this issue of the BBS newsletter and I look forward to writing for the final newsletter of the academic year next month. It will be a fantastic issue where we say goodbye to our year 11s who have been doing so well in their examinations.

Yours sincerely,
Krissi Carter (Principal)



Upcoming events

- 25th June 2019
KS4 Drama Performance Evening
- 28th June 2019
Year 11 Prom
- 5th July 2019
Art Exhibition
- 8th July 2019
Yr 6 Transition Evening
- 8th and 9th July 2019
Yr 6 Transition Days
- 10th July 2019
Sports Day
- 12th July 2019
Sponsored Walk
- 19th July 2019
Last day of term



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Our tennis ambassadors (above right) and three of our tennis players who competed in the Telford area qualifiers for the county finals (right).

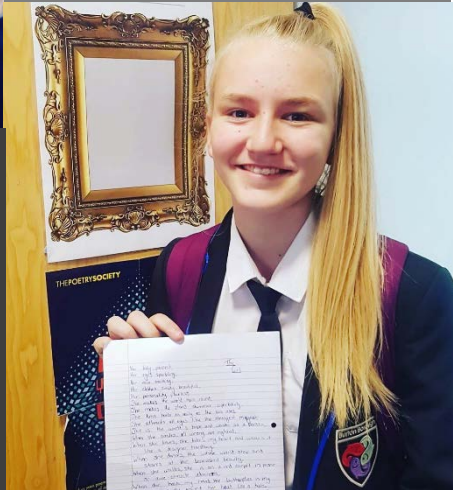


Students from our neighbouring primary schools and BBS attended a STEM workshop run by the RAF Youth Engagement team at our school. A great day was had by all!

We won the Telford and Wrekin Most Improved Attendance Award in the Secondary School category! Well done to all of our students and to Ms Elliot and Mrs PH for all your hard work!



Our Eco Committee continues to battle hard with making our school a more environmentally friendly place! This month, they created an activity for the whole school to do during form time!



KS3 Young Writers' Club is back! Here is our young writer of the month!



There was lots of cake at the Rainbow Room again! Meetings are held every Tuesday after school.



Our gymnasts are doing brilliantly in competitions! At the Schools' National Finals, Joe and Georgina won silver overall as well as becoming Grade 3 National Champions and Amara and Lillia were Grade 2 National Champion gold medallists! At the British Gymnastics National Competition, our students did brilliantly again! We now have three national champion gymnasts! What fabulous achievements! Well done!





Daniel Hilditch-Love in Year 10 recently completed his first full season playing in the Shropshire Chess League where he scored 7 wins, 3 draws and only 2 defeats from his 12 matches against seasoned cub players from around the county. His team finished only 1 point behind the Division 3 League winners Shrewsbury! During the season, he also took part in various tournaments in Nottinghamshire, Warwickshire, Crewe, Chester, Birmingham and North Wales with his enthusiasm paying off when he was rewarded with his first call up to play for Shropshire in their final match against Berkshire in May. Recently, he took part in a 3 day event at Kings School, Gloucester, where he took the prize of top Junior in his section, which was his 4th time finishing in the prize money since March this year. Daniel has already been assured a team position in the upcoming 1920 season for Shropshire. Well done Daniel!

We are extremely proud to announce that we have achieved GOLD STATUS for the Carnegie Centre of Excellence for Mental Health Schools' award! Our work around mental health is gaining national recognition and it was fantastic to have BBC Radio Shropshire with us during mental health awareness week to interview us. We were on the radio throughout the 13th and 14th May!



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Date: May 2019



Well done to our girls' football team (left) who are winners of the County Cup AND Telford Cup winners! Congratulations!

Matthew (right) has been doing a sponsored walk for Newport 1st scouts and young epilepsy. He has to walk the sum height gained as if he'd walked from Nepal to Everest base camp. 2460m in height. He's smashed it! Hope Bwdler 407m

Glyder Fach 678m

Snowdonia Summit 1050m

Caer Caradoc 345m



Alex Cochrane (above) swam for Newport Swimming Club and got 2 bronze medals in the 50m and 100m breaststroke.



Our year 7 boys' football team (above) were in the Telford Cup Final, County Final and are the County President Plate WINNERS! Congratulations and well done!

Our year 9 football team (which includes both girls and boys!) were in the Telford Cup Finals! Well done all!



Fantastic results at the Shropshire AA Championships for two BBS students (right) who competed in the under 15s. Will Armstrong-Barnes took home three gold medals in the 100m, 200m (with a personal best) and 4x100m relay. Sam Kerrison took home four medals gold in the Discus (with a personal best) & 4x100m relay and silver in the javelin & shot (with a personal best). Well done!



Boreatton Park 2019



Year 8 went to the Boreatton Park PGL trip and had a marvellous time!



Katie Briscoe and Kym Winnall in year 8, spent 5 days in the February half term studying the Duke of York iDEA award and achieved the Bronze award. They worked 9am to 3pm every day on topics including programming robots, flying drones, forensics, cyber security and many more. They have received their certificates from Buckingham Palace. What a fantastic achievement!



Ella Wood and Daisy Mander (left), both Year 9, took part in a sponsored ice skate at Telford Ice Rink on 2nd May. They skated a half marathon (130 laps of ice rink), dressed as Disney characters and raised just over £90 in aid of Children with Cancer.

This is the second year in a row they have taken part in this event. Well done!



Our Brilliant Club (above) had their graduation at Oxford University this month! Each of them wrote essays of 2000 words, with many of them achieving a first at degree level! WOW!



Our U15 Cricket team progresses to the next stage of the County Shield!



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