



Autumn Term

BBS Family Weekly Bulletin

Week beginning: 13th October 2023

Dates for your Diary: Wednesday 6th September – Friday 22nd December 2023

Event Date and Time	Event	Who is it for?	Location
Monday 13 th November 2023	PD Day	All Year Groups	
Thursday 16 th November 2023 5.00pm – 7.30pm	Year 9 Parents Evening	Year 9 Parents/Carers & Students	New Hall
Wednesday 22 nd November 2023 5.00pm – 6.30pm	Careers fair	Year 9, Year 10 & Year 11s Parents/Carers & Students	Sports Hall
Thursday 23 rd November 2023 6.00pm – 7.00pm	GCSE Presentation Evening	Year 11 Parents/Carers & Students	New Hall
Friday 24 th November 2023 6.00pm – 7.30pm	Work Experience Awards Night	Year 11 Parents/Carers & Students Invite Only (sent nearer the date)	New Hall
Wednesday 6 th December 2023 5.00pm – 7.30pm	Year 11 Parents Evening	Year 11 Parents/Carers & Students	New Hall
Wednesday 13 th December 2023 6.30pm	***Band Christmas Concert	All Families. Tickets £4 each, available from the Music Office from 20 th November onwards.	New Hall
Wednesday 20 th December 2023 6.00pm	***Christmas Panto Jack & The Beanstalk	All Families. Tickets Adults £4 each, Children Free. Available from the Music Office.	New Hall

*** All enquiries about the Concert or Panto please contact Ms Granfield at helen.granfield@taw.org.uk



News:

Year 7 Gymnastics Achievement

Bethany Williams competed, as part of a team for her Gymnastics club, at the George Finney floor and vault competition in Stoke last weekend. Bethany came out with a silver medal for her team, placing them second in the competition. Well done Bethany!!



Wellbeing Lunch Club

Next week, Miss Fowler will be running a lunchtime Wellbeing Club. The club is open to all year groups and will be run at lunchtime (from 12.55pm) on Wednesdays and Fridays in **COMMS 32**. Everyone is welcome, so if you're interested, please do come along.



The 'Big Think'

As part of 'number confidence week, BBS are launching The Big Think:

**Number confidence week
'Big Think'**

"Good numeracy is the best protection against unemployment, low wages and poor health."

Andreas Schleicher
OECD

We use maths in every aspect of our lives at work and in practical everyday activities at home and beyond. We use maths when we go shopping or plan a holiday, decide on a mortgage or decorate a room. Good numeracy is essential to us as parents helping our children learn, as patients understanding health information, as citizens making sense of statistics and economic news. Decisions in life are so often based on numerical information; to make the best choices, we need to be numerate.

BBS
Ambitious Proud Caring

Do you agree?

Due 17th November!

Guidance on writing your Big Think response: **Due 17th November!**

There is **no minimum or maximum length** for the position paper, we just stipulate that it clearly **explains your position** and **discusses the research you have done** to reach it. We would also encourage you to cite sources as would be done in an academic paper.

Most importantly though **enjoy the process!** This should be interesting and we would strongly encourage getting the whole family involved in the production of your position paper if you can.

Please **send your completed position papers** to Steff.Featherstone@taw.org.uk; we look forward to reading your responses!

Year 7s Board Game Club

These Year 7s were enjoying the board game club that runs every Friday in COMMS 34, exclusively for Year 7s. (Right)



Year 8 Kick Boxing Medal

One of our talented Year 8 students, Anakin Thomas came away with a medal after he entered a Kick Boxing Competition. Well done Anakin! (left)



Year 9 English Lesson

Year 9 English students performed a scene on Monday from 'Refugee Boy'. They experienced forum theatre to identify who was oppressed in the scene, and how change could occur to benefit them (right).



Year 9 Volunteers

Pictured left are two of our year 9 students who have been supporting the awareness of the Poppy appeal, and the Remembrance Day on the 11th November. Very proud of you both.





Year 7 '100 Club' Tutor Award

Congratulations to these fabulous Year 7s who have all been awarded the '100 Club' Tutor Award for achieving 100 reward points. Well done everyone, you are all stars!



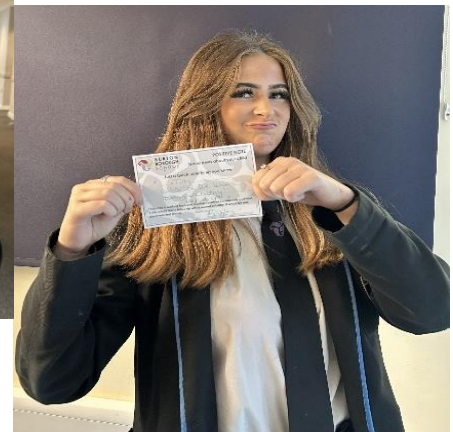
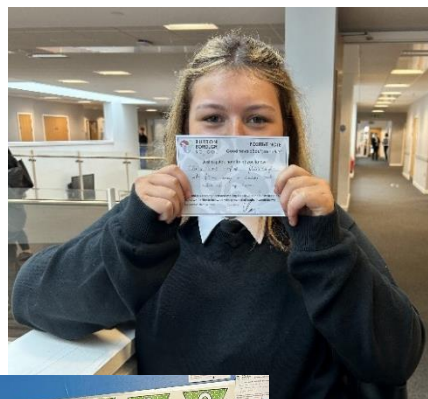
Year 11 Achievements

Well done to the winner of the Reward Points prize drawer, he received an Amazon gift card! (left) And also congratulations to all the Year 11s that have been awarded their Platinum status, including this young man on the right.



Positive Notes

The positive notes keep on coming for our Year 11s. Well done everyone!! (right)



Year 10 Achievements

Our brilliant Year 10s picking up Autumn Superstar Awards from the English department (far left and left), and positive notes (left). Well done Year 10s!


Year 10 Inter-form Tug of War

Mr Murphy's form were victorious in the Inter-Form (extremely competitive) Tug of War competition. Well Done 10EMP!




KS3 Maths Competition

November's competition for KS3 Mathematician of the Month has been launched. The closing date for entries is 28th November 2023. Good Luck to everyone who enters!!



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Mathematician of the Month
- November



KS3 COMPETITION

What can you find out about this famous Mathematician. Write a fact file, essay or design a poster.

Prizes to be awarded.

Deadline:
28th November 2023

Hand in to your Maths teacher or Mrs. Slater in Stem 35.



Law, Feminism and Society: Improving our Criminal Justice System for Victim-Survivors
Key Stage 4 Programme

Year 10 Brilliant Club Scholars Programme

This week, fourteen Year 10 Burton Borough students began their Brilliant Club Scholars Programme. They will be working with PhD researcher Charlotte Marino, of the University of Warwick, on a university-style course entitled: Law, Feminism and Society: Improving our Criminal Justice System for Victim-Survivors. They will complete 5 seminar sessions in school, multiple homework tasks and then produce a 2,000-word essay to a university standard. All this alongside their normal school curriculum! We are so excited to see how well they do and wish them all the best of luck in their endeavours.

BBS Family Survey

As an ambitious school, we are constantly striving to improve. The views of all our school community are very important to us. We are currently asking students to complete a questionnaire in school. We would also like all families to complete a survey. Please scan the QR code to take you to the survey. There are only 14 questions so should only take a few minutes of your time. The survey is open until Monday 20th November. The more responses that we get from families, the greater validity of the results, so we do encourage everyone to take part.



Safeguarding.

Accounts on social media platforms are being created across the country at an alarming rate, sometimes purely for the purpose of causing distress to students, their families and staff alike. While the authors often see their content as harmless fun, the tagging/naming of individuals and reference to the school on a public forum is upsetting for students, their parents and staff. The ease with which potentially harmful content can be created and the apparent lack of accountability of the sites concerned is a worrying issue. No doubt this is one reason why the government made it one of their key pieces of legislation for this term of Parliament, and we look forward to seeing how Ofcom will ensure that tech platforms comply with the Online Safety Act.

The Online Safety Act 2023 is a new Act of Parliament to control a wide range of online speech and media deemed to be harmful. The Act creates a new duty of care for online platforms, requiring them to take action against illegal or legal but "harmful" content from their users. Platforms failing this duty would be liable to fines of up to £18 million or 10% of their annual turnover, whichever is higher. It obliges large social media platforms not to remove, and to preserve access to, journalistic or "democratically important" content such as user comments on political parties and issues. However, in November 2022, measures that were intended to force big technology platforms to take down "legal but harmful" materials were removed from the Act. Instead, tech platforms are now obliged to introduce systems that will allow the users to better filter out the "harmful" content they do not want to see.

We encourage students, parents and staff to report such content via the social media platform concerned and to keep the BBS Safeguarding Team informed. However, all too often, the response from the social media companies is that it has not breached their community guidelines and that they will be taking no further action. This is deeply frustrating and causes further concern for all affected. However, this need not be the end of the road for those concerned by online content and such concerns should be reported to the UK Safer Internet Centre (reportharmfulcontent.com). There is a clear link to report a concern which will invite the reporter to include a link to the harmful content, the social media platform's response and any other supporting information. School can support this by making their own report to the UK Safer Internet Centre and should this fail to resolve the matter, report it further to the Professionals Online Safety Helpline.

Careers

Year 11





The Home of Homes

Parents/Carers – Is your child interested in apprenticeships?

Then why not join this webinar on **Tuesday 12th Dec 2023 at 3:30pm** to learn about all the apprenticeships available with Dunelm across the business, from Finance to Retail, Sustainability to Logistics, Buying & Merchandising to Insight & Analytics

Reserve your spot at :
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_N_zczsL1s9SSG5Bf1JDRV2gQ#/registration




Year 11



THE ASK PROGRAMME

APPRENTICESHIPS AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION



Want to know more about apprenticeships?

Then why not join this webinar on **Thursday 16th Nov 2023 at 3:30pm** to learn more about different levels of apprenticeships and how they can help your career progress?

Reserve your spot at :
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_S4muSjBtRWW10F11gEviyw#/registration

Or scan the QR Code

Years 10 & 11



Join Every First Sunday Of The Month

LIVE VIRTUAL Allied Healthcare Work Experience

Take your first steps into the world of healthcare careers in our Virtual Allied Healthcare Work Experience.

Meet this month's guest speaker, Shelley, a recruitment and experience specialist from NHS, and then other live and recorded experience sessions.

Shelley, the Career Lead for BSc Radiography at A&C University College, shares 22 years of experience in Radiography, including her progression from exploring NHS healthcare careers, to a community health care role.

After a consulting role from Oxford, she now runs work experience sessions from the safety of your home.

Witness the journey of two patients from injury to recovery over 6 months, and experience how many different healthcare professionals are involved in a patient's journey from hospital all the way through to a community health care role.

Interested in a Career in Medicine?

Then why not join this virtual Work Experience Programme on the first Sunday of every month (for 6 months). Each session costs £10 and comes with a work experience certificate that you can use to support future post 16 applications.

Reserve your spot at :
<https://alliedhealthmentor.org/nhs-healthcare-careers-virtual-work-experience/>

Years 9, 10 & 11



Deloitte. INSIGHT

EVENT

VIRTUAL

15th November 2023, 5:00- 6:30pm

Interested in a career in accounting and finance?

Then why not join this free Webinar with Deloitte, who are the biggest accounting and professional services firms in the world with over \$60 billion in revenue

Reserve your spot at :
<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/InsightIntoDeloitte>

Post 16 Options:

Students should now be starting to look for your post 16 options and making applications. To help with this we have arranged for post 16 providers to come in to talk about their offers for next year. These will take place on a Thursday morning during form time. Students should go to form and ensure they have received their registration mark, before making their way to STEM 35. Students should only attend these assemblies if they are interested in applying for that particular provider. The larger providers (e.g Stafford college, Shrewsbury college group etc will be attending whole year group assemblies in the main hall).

Coming up in the next few weeks are:

Day	Date	Provider	Presenter
Thursday	9th November	NGHS	Kate Griffin
Thursday	16th November	Madeley Academy	Tracey Jefferies
Thursday	23rd November	Access Sport	Sam Simmons
Thursday	30th November	Adams	Sonya Wilson



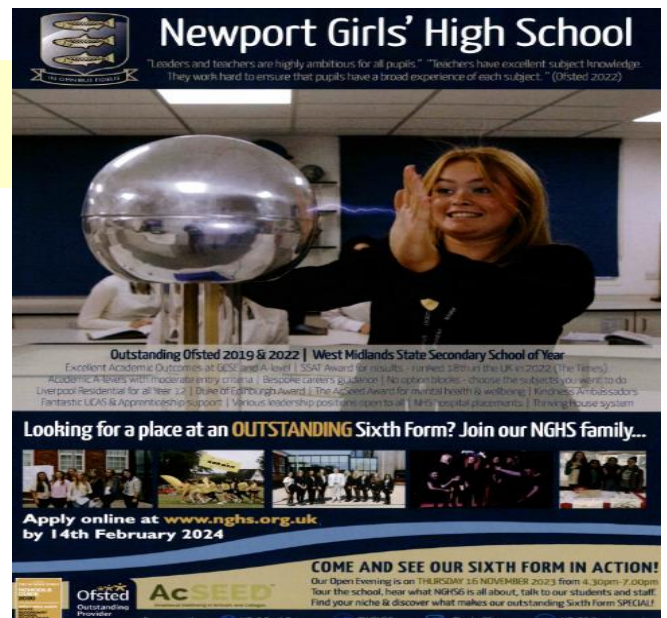
Careers Continued...

Year 10 Work Experience Opportunities with Healthwatch!

healthwatch
Telford and Wrekin



Mrs Kane has managed to secure two work experience placements with Healthwatch, who are an independent voice for everyone using Health and Social Care services. If you would be interested in completing your placement with this company, please come and see Mrs Kane in the business office for more information and to register your interest, before Wednesday 15th November.



Newport Girls' High School
"Leaders and teachers are highly ambitious for all pupils" "Teachers have excellent subject knowledge. They work hard to ensure that pupils have a broad experience of each subject." (Ofsted 2022)

Outstanding Ofsted 2019 & 2022 | West Midlands State Secondary School of Year
Excellent Academic Outcomes at GCSE and A-level | SSAT Award for results for west Midlands (The UK in 2022) (The Times) | PROUD PIONEERS WITH moderate entry criteria | Bespoke career guidance | No optional extras - choose the subjects you want to do | Liverpool Residential for all Year 12 | Duke of Edinburgh Award | The Access Award for mental health & wellbeing | Kindness Ambassadors | Fantastic LEAs & Apprenticeship support | Multiple leadership roles and experience | Many personal awards | Thriving 8:30am system

Looking for a place at an OUTSTANDING Sixth Form? Join our NGH5 family...

Apply online at www.nghs.org.uk by 14th February 2024

COME AND SEE OUR SIXTH FORM IN ACTION!
Our Open Evening is on THURSDAY 24th NOVEMBER 2023 from 4.30pm - 7.30pm
Tour the school, hear what NGH5 is all about, talk to our students and staff
Find your niche & discover what makes our outstanding Sixth Form SPECIAL!

Ofsted Outstanding Provider | AcSEED

Year 11

We would like to let you know about some exciting webinars, from the success at school team, coming up including an Apprenticeship Application Masterclass with BP as well as Technology & Consulting Apprenticeships with the world-leading company Accenture. Sign-up using the links below!

28th November 2023 - BP

All About BP's Apprenticeships

https://eu-west-1.protection.sophos.com?d=list-manage.com&u=aHR0cHM6Ly9zdWNjZXRzY2hvb2wudXMzLmxpc3QtbWVudlMnNvbS90cmFjaY9jbGljaz91PTJjMDM4NTMxYjI1ODc2YTJjN2M5Y2Y4YjEmaWQ9ZjBmZmY0YmNhNyZlPTIzMTg4MTdlMzY=&i=NjlyOWRhYzU3MTEzNWExZDZmZjg5ZyZk&t=dkZOTXhYS0tpRTIJWVvK4Z2Ywa3ArOTZDRnhOK2IjC0tIM1VVMOlsazVsdz0=&h=576b318dde4e4caa9577ae28f94476f5&s=AVNPUehUT0NFTkNSWVBUSVbjMByMo3HCR9_LeCNlrZfJ-n26Lu_ReGk2K1lgaoiZvCsofhZQvx1sSesSwovC0LY4RdQjFRKIZh2Sr3x_jKmxY844QsPPF4fBKyYt6DB4qA

5th December 2023 - Accenture

Careers in Consulting and Technology with Accenture

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12th December 2023 - bp

How to Ace Online Apprenticeship Assessments

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9 Jan 2024 - bp

Everything You Need to Know About Assessment Centres

https://eu-west-1.protection.sophos.com?d=list-manage.com&u=aHR0cHM6Ly9zdWNjZXRzY2hvb2wudXMzLmxpc3QtbWVudlMnNvbS90cmFjaY9jbGljaz91PTJjMDM4NTMxYjI1ODc2YTJjN2M5Y2Y4YjEmaWQ9YzZyZjE1NmQyNiZlPTIzMTg4MTdlMzY=&i=NjlyOWRhYzU3MTEzNWExZDZmZjg5ZyZk&t=WHkzL2lnOHhRTFVLVTNPN1V3QzV4L1dnOU9UaTVRejVFNksxbUF0aThhdz0=&h=576b318dde4e4caa9577ae28f94476f5&s=AVNPUehUT0NFTkNSWVBUSVbjMByMo3HCR9_LeCNlrZfJ-n26Lu_ReGk2K1lgaoiZvCsofhZQvx1sSesSwovC0LY4RdQjFRKIZh2Sr3x_jKmxY844QsPPF4fBKyYt6DB4qA

All Years Notices:

Christmas Hamper Raffle – BBS India Expedition Fundraiser

In the run up to Christmas, our Y10 & 11 students raising funds for the BBS India Expedition. We will be hosting a Christmas Hamper raffle for staff, students and the community. The 'Grand Prize' will be a Christmas hamper' with various other prizes available. Students will be selling tickets for this after half term. If you would like to donate to the cause, please contact Miss Jones or leave any donations at the school reception for Miss Jones to collect. Please do so no later than 17th November. Raffle tickets will be available to purchase after this date.

Lost Property Reminder

There are still lots of coats and PE kits in the wheelie bins in the PE foyer... This is where lost property is.

Student appointments in school Time

Can we just politely remind families that if your child is due to attend an appointment outside of school e.g Hospital/GP/Orthodontist appointments etc... you must let the school know ahead of time via email or phone. We have had an increasing number of students arriving at the reception office to be collected for an appointment, but we have had no notification of the appointment. The reception staff then have to ring Heads of Year or parents to confirm, which then leads to a delay in letting the student leave. To inform us of outside appointments you can email main.bbs@taw.org.uk, call **01952 386500** and leave a message or **contact us via the BBS website**. Thank you.

Year 7 Notices:

Year 8 Notices:

Year 9 Notices:

Year 10 Notices:

Malaga 2024 – Year 10 GCSE students, can we have replies about the Malaga 2024 trip as soon as possible please – The deadline for slips is Friday 17th November.

Year 11 Notices:

Well-Being Message

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**Mental health problems
don't define who you are.
They are something you
experience. You walk in the
rain and you feel the rain,
but you are not the rain.**


MATT HAIG

Music and Drama Clubs Timetable



BBS Music and Drama Clubs / Bands



TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>Choir All years 3.05-4.15pm in MU2</p> <p>Musical Theatre</p> <p>Dance Club All years 3.05-4.05pm in MU3</p>	<p>Pantomime Rehearsal All years 3.05-4.30pm in New Hall</p> <p>Woodwind Ensemble Invite only 3.15-4.15pm In MU3</p> <p>Concert Band Invite only 4.30-5.30pm in MU3</p>	<p>Junior Band KS3 woodwind and brass players 3.30-4.30pm in MU3</p> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <p style="text-align: center;">For more information about joining any of these clubs or bands, see staff in the Music & Drama Office</p>	<p>Drama Club All years 3.05-4.15pm in MU3</p>

Extra-Curricular Timetable

These sessions are open to all students. No need to book. See your subject Teacher about which room the session will be held in.

Year	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
7	Boys football (start outside, move to inside when weather/pitch gets bad GRO/LTI)	Basketball JDA	Badminton Fixtures BBI/JDA Netball ZGO Girls Football MRO		
8	Staff CPD	Basketball JDA	Badminton Fixtures BBI/JDA Netball ZGO Girls Football MRO		
9		Basketball EMP	Badminton Fixtures BBI/JDA Girls Football MRO	Netball training MRO Netball fixtures BBI	
10		Basketball EMP	Badminton Fixtures BBI/JDA Girls Football MRO	Netball training MRO Netball fixtures BBI BBS Gym EMP	GCSE Intervention MRO/JDA/ZGO CNAT intervention RBI/EMP
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Year 10 and Year 11 Revision Timetable

BBS Revision Timetable 2023-2024					
Year 10					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
White Week	Staff CPD	MFL, DT, Food, Photography & Art	Science	RE, Child Develop.	GCSE PE, Drama
Blue Week		Maths	Geography & History	English & Music	Comp Sci & Enterprise
Year 11					
	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
White Week	Staff CPD	Maths	Geography & History	English	Comp Sci & Enterprise
Blue Week		MFL, DT, Food, Photography & Art	Science	RE, Sociology & Child Develop. & Music	GCSE PE, Drama