



**SMALL SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**

**Summer 2019**



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## Vice-Principal's Wall



I am writing to you at the end of one of the shortest half terms I can remember! It still amazes me though how much can be fitted in to such a small space of time. Y11's are currently in the midst of their final exams, whilst Y10 are preparing themselves for their first step into the world of work in the final two weeks of the summer term.

Over Easter, I was fortunate enough to accompany the PE department on their inaugural sports tour to Venice which was a fantastic experience. I think I would be safe in saying that everyone had a great time, and will have some memories that they will be talking about for years to come!

Also, just after Easter the school was invited to an awards ceremony in recognition of its excellent attendance last year, so well done to everyone for getting themselves in to school where possible. This year we are already way ahead of last year in terms of attendance which is incredible, and can only help students in the long run.

When we come back after the half term break we will be implementing some changes to what we class as our 'Constructive Culture' both within lessons and around the school in general. All students have had an assembly in our new hall going through the details of these changes and I have also written to all parents. The aim of these changes are to enhance further the positive culture we have at Burton Borough School, so that every student has the opportunity to flourish whilst in our care.

Finally, I am also pleased to announce (If you hadn't heard it on the radio already) that we have been awarded the Gold standard for our provision for Mental Health within school. We are currently one of only 11 schools nationally that have this award, and the only one in the Midlands. As I said on the radio, this is not something that happens overnight, it is recognition for something we have been working extremely hard towards for a long period of time and we are very proud to have received this prestigious accolade.

Regards

Ben Morgan  
Vice Principal

### Dates for your diary...

#### Summer Term 2019

Monday 3rd June 2019

Friday 19th July 2019

#### Autumn Term 2019

Monday 2nd and Tuesday 3rd September 2019

Wednesday 4th September 2019

Monday 28th October to Friday 1st November 2019

Monday 18th November 2019

Friday 20th December 2019

Return to school after half term

Last day of term

School closed for PD Days

First day of term

Half term

School closed for PD Day

Last day of term

# Team Aqualate: Our best always!

## Aqualate Celebration Evening

It was great to see so many families supporting our celebration evening.

## Sporting Achievements

It has been a fantastic year so far for Aqualate, we were victorious from the start; with a fantastic result in the inter-house cross country, with individual 1<sup>st</sup> places from Evan Adu-Adeji and Katie Appleby. There were top 3 places for; Millie Chandler, Phoebe Jones, Kate Greenwood, Seb Penny, Katy Ingram. Outside of school; Phoebe Jones represented BBS and came 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Shropshire Schools Cross Country.

We soon continued the inter-sport success with netball; our year 7, 9 & 10 teams came 1<sup>st</sup> in their individual tournaments, giving an overall 1<sup>st</sup> place victory. The year 10 boys had some stand out performances, securing 1<sup>st</sup> place in football & dodgeball.

We have some strong school success with the girls U14 cricket team again, winning the county finals; to go through to the regional final. The Aqualate participants were; Hannah Ash, Emily Fletcher, Charlotte Fletcher & Paris Doyle.

We have international success, with Emily Fletcher representing both England & Wales U15 girls football team, which a fantastic achievement.

## Gerry on tour

In Aqualate, we love to hear the exciting things that our students are doing. We are encouraging all students to take a photo of themselves with a picture of our mascot, Gerry the Tortoise, whenever they do something exciting. It could be they are baking a cake, climbing a mountain, performing in a concert or travelling abroad.



Students have been sending some fantastic pictures. Here are just a couple, Gerry enjoying himself in Venice and having dinner in Bangalore!



## Aqualate Arts

Aqualate kicked off the arts, with our 'Gerry the tortoise' competition, which was won by our year 11 GCSE Art student, Maia Tong. Continuing with art, Isabel Pessoa & William Arnold were successful in the 'Lions International Peace Art Competition', Isabel came 2nd out of 350 entries in the Shropshire & Staffordshire district.

## Student Team

We have appointed our head student team; which is led by Niamh Freeman-Evans & Tom Wright; assisted by Amber Denton, Vanessa McLoud, Freddie Stacey and Natasha Gallagher. They are exciting to take on their new challenges and get Aqualate students involved and engrossed into school events. As you can tell, our students encapsulate what it is meant to be to be an Aqualate student and they really do show 'Our Best Always'.



## Aqualate Charity Group

This academic year, we have already raised over £500 for the Alzheimer's Society; we have done a variety of events to fundraise and raise awareness of the charity including bake sales, badge selling, raffles and our infamous donut sale. We represent Burton Borough at the Newport Dementia Action Alliance group, in a pledge to make BBS & the Newport community more dementia friendly. We are encouraging all Aqualate families to sign up to the Dementia Friends programme by the end of the academic year.



We also had Jack Scott, who 'Braved the Shave' for Macmillian over half term.

## Weekly Reward Points

Aqualate small school often win the reward point weekly competition; we frequently go in first on a Friday lunchtime. We are hoping that we secure the reward point's trophy at the end of the year! Our top five house point earners are; Sophie Egan, Sophie Bowen-Thomas, Reece Warrillier-Grant, Ella Davies & our highest reward point earner is Nikita Lovett of A15 with 710 points!

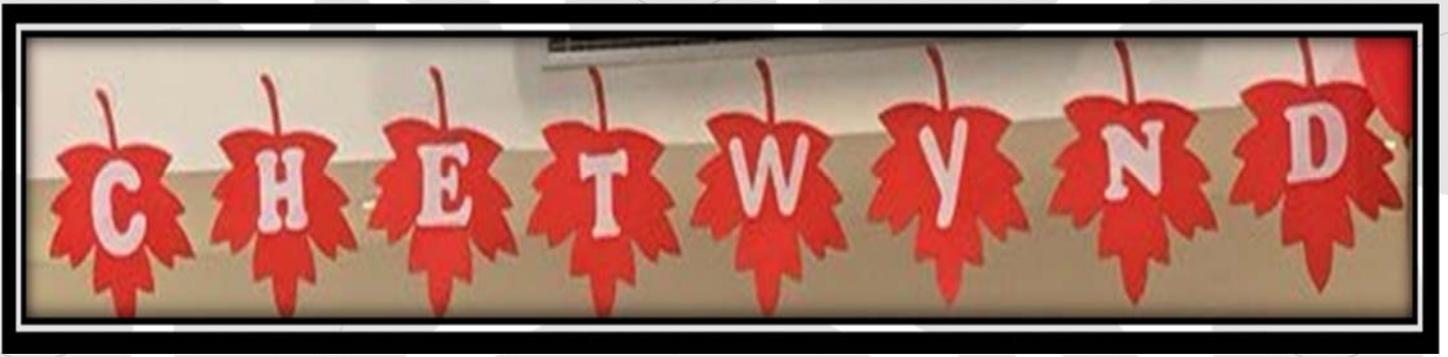


## Mr Chandlers first Hot Choc Friday

"I was delighted to attend my first Aqualate Hot Choc Friday last week. This BBS tradition is a great way for tutors to recognise and celebrate the varied achievements of our students and to end the week on a really positive note. I look forward to meeting many more Aqualate students in the weeks ahead."

## Congratulations to our Bronze and Silver Status Students





The Chetwynd newsletter provides the perfect opportunity to reflect on the last few months; and as I do I feel exceptionally proud to be the head of school. There are so many successes from Matilda Hedge achieving Gold on Floor in the West Midlands Regional Gymnastics Competition, William Armstrong-Barnes winning three Golds at the Shropshire AA championships and Katelyn Wilkie competing in the Shropshire Schools golf tournament.

Equally, I am proud of the amount of incredible opportunities our pupils are taking part in: 12 of the 19 Big Think entries were Chetwynd students with Ellie Meredith achieving 1<sup>st</sup> place and Emily Clarke in 2<sup>nd</sup>. Olivia Buckland is running a mile a day for 30 days for Cancer Research and Archie Elsdon, has been selected to train with Stoke Academy Football team every week.



### Chetwynd Celebration Evening

I would like to thank all our families for supporting the Chetwynd Celebration Evening. It was wonderful to see so many of you there to celebrate the incredible achievements of our pupils. Congratulations again to all those who received an award and a special mention to our three performers for their stunning musical performances: Pyper Marshall, Ruby Carrick and Alexander Aver-Howdle.

### Charity

Chetwynd School are continuing to raise as much money as possible for two very worthwhile charities: Combat Stress and Telford Young Carers. Our charity committee have shown remarkable commitment to fundraising, selling largely homemade badges and bracelets (big thank you to Mrs Burton). So far we have raised over a £1000! Merchandise is still available to buy in school. A big thank you to these two students for being our charity superstars!!



Principal's Limited Edition Sticker



Have you seen Mrs Raymont-Hall's limited edition stickers? These fantastic Chetwynd students have all been awarded a sticker in recognition of their hard work. Well done all of you and to anyone else who has received one.

### Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum Status

Well done to all of our students who have successfully achieved their status this half term! This shows your commitment to the small school and wider community, exemplary work ethic, attendance and behaviour. Congratulations all of you.

<b>Bronze:</b>	Christian Mukarati			
<b>Silver:</b>	Sophie Haddon	Eleanor Aver-Howdle	Matilda Hedge	
<b>Gold:</b>	Charlie Bowyer	Alex Cochrane	Tia Rose Lewis	Maddison Naylor
	Kinga Stachowicz			
<b>Platinum</b>	Jess Payne	Hermione	Sophie Leigh	Megan Gillespie
	Sophie Hodson	Hattie Mitchell	Tia McCorry	Michelle Mukarati
	Emily Paterson	Freya Llewellyn-	Simran Sunner	Tia Ward
	Millie Evans	Pyper Marshall	Freddie Bishton	Rhys Williams
	Alyssa Tellwright	Eleanor Yeats	Gaby Jackson	Sam Briggs

I want to take this opportunity to thank our Head boy, Head Girl and superb team of captains in Y11. Nathan Hester, Lottie Wright, Eliza Ensor, Hannah Davies, Beth Lane, Sarah Elashmawi and Molly Duffield have done a sterling job at supporting the small school office, running interventions, leading meetings, mentoring younger students and generally being a reliable and friendly extra pair of hands. Although your duties are now completed whilst you focus on your exams please do continue to check in with us-we are all so grateful for your hard work and commitment to Chetwynd School.

And finally, we would like to wish our Y11's a huge amount of luck as they start their GCSE's. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of you for all you have achieved during your time at Burton Borough:

'A tree with strong roots laughs at storms'.





This year has gone so quickly and we can't believe it is May already! Year 11 exams are well underway and we are so proud of our Year 11 students for how well they are coping with the pressures of their exams. Our year 10s are preparing for being the oldest students in school and looking forward to their work experience placements in July. Year 9 students have now chosen their GCSE options and some of their GCSE courses have already started. Our Year 8 students have also had their first taste of choosing their GCSEs as they have chosen their humanity subject which they will start next year. And of course we can't leave out our lovely year 7 students who have settled so well into Burton Borough School.

Our Hawkstone Celebration Evening was held in April and was a fantastic evening in which we were able to celebrate some of the wonderful achievements of our students both inside and outside of school. We certainly have a talented and caring bunch of students and I want to dedicate this newsletter to all of our students who, day in and day out, go above and beyond for themselves and others.

## Sporting Achievements



If we do not win sports day this year then the Hawkstone team will be demanding a recount! We have many talented sport people within Hawkstone and here you can see just a few of them who have been awarded their Hawkstone Feathers for fantastic achievements within the sporting realm. Among them we have the Midlands Novice Champion for Thai Boxing, a medal winner for both group and solo street dance, Silver and Gold medalists at the Schools National Gymnastics Finals and a winner of gold and silver medals at the County Athletics Championship!



Two of our Highest Flyers this term: students who have been awarded the highest number of reward points in Hawkstone.



This young man received this certificate for completing 100 hours of community service – all of this in addition to studying for his GCSEs!



We were delighted to award these seven students with their certificates for participating in Newport's Got talent this year – an event in which almost £500 was raised for VICTA – a charity helping visually impaired children. Well done all!

## Achievements Within School

Well done to all of our students who were invited to our Celebration Evening in April. Here are just a few snapshots of a wonderful evening and some very deserving students



Special mention needs to go to John in Year 11 for receiving this year's Principal's Award – John is the most wonderful student who is diligent, conscientious, and, in the words of Mrs Pickering, 'a true gentleman.'

**Look at all of these awards collected by our Head Boy and Head Girl this year!**



## Charitable Work



This fantastic Year 9 student works tirelessly for charity. A few weeks ago she helped out at an event in Longford in which she ran 16k and raised £50 for the charity VICTA. In addition to this, she is also one of our well-being mentors and was recently interviewed by Radio Shropshire about her role

HUGE thanks and congratulations go to Miss Evison and these students who you may have seen in Newport at the end of March raising money for Marie Curie. We raised over £630 which is a phenomenal achievement! Well done to all of these students – they had aching feet by the end of the day but their happy faces were a joy to see.



As the end of the school year is now in sight, we are delighted to introduce our new head Boy and Head Girl. These students both gave stunning interviews and we know that they will be excellent additions to our Hawkstone team