

# **Blaise High School: Fortnightly Newsletter**

**Date**: 12/1/24

Week 1/2	2
Week # of unit	2
Week # of the year	16

**Highlights** 



At Blaise High School we are not only committed to achieving excellent educational outcomes, but also to the development of character. It is essential that our children are given these fantastic opportunities to build character and confidence on their own personal climb up their mountain to the very best universities or careers of their choosing.

Our Unit 2 enrichment programme has begun and we are proud to offer a wide range of opportunities from a range of departments at lunchtime and after school every day. This includes sports clubs, show choir, book clubs and art club. The picture above shows our first girls football training session this week, which was focused on match play and was very well attended! We are looking forward to sharing the results of our sports matches following some record breaking results in Unit 1. The full programme is available <a href="here">here</a> and we encourage every child to get involved.





The performing arts team are very excited to announce the title of our annual school performance next week. We are looking forward to seeing the great character on display from our students as they prepare to take part in their auditions.

#### **Events**

Sunday 14 January: Ten Tors navigation training in Bannau Brycheiniog

Monday 22 January: Y7 RB visit to the Bristol Buddhist Centre

## Find out more regarding upcoming events on our website

## **Fun Friday**





Friday 12 January: Basketball Shootout!
Friday 19 January: Remote control car racing

### Winners

The students with the **most** green points in the school.

Year to Date			Unit 2		
Year Group	Student	Points Total	Student	Points Total	
7	Collins B	1456	Myah E	59	
8	Pranav K	914	Megan F	59	
9	Johan V	1317	Patrik S	60	
10	Dimitar B	775	Kaci-Leigh T	43	
11	Freya H	636	Liana S	89	
Post 16	Taylor P	578	Louise T	22	





#### **Fixtures**

Details of upcoming fixtures are below: Boys Football

Date	Year	Fixture	Home or Away	Supporters able to watch
31.01.24	7	St Bedes	Away	N
31.01.24	7	Cotham	Away (at St Beds)	N
30.1.24	8	St Bedes	Home	Υ
30.01.24	8	Cotham	Home	Υ
WC 22.01.24	9	Tournament - Cotham	Away	Y
25.01.24	10	Chipping Sodbury (Cup Game)	Home	Υ

## **Resource Base Update:**

Before the Christmas holidays, as part of the year 7 Resource Base Enterprise Project, the students created businesses, wrote business plans, designed and made present tags, and created advertising to sell their product. The students worked extremely hard and raised a huge £100 for the North Bristol Food Bank, well done to everyone for their hard work!

Also, during the first term of the academic year, students from our Resource Base have been involved in seven visits linked to their curriculum, they completed preparation and training for the Ten Tors event in May, they raised a significant amount of money for Children in Need, they participated in three different work experience events, and they took part in 'Project Rugby' with the Bristol Bears. This complements the great work that happens on a daily basis in classrooms as part of the curriculum.

A focus for this term for some of our Resource Base classes, is to develop a greater sense of teamwork, a greater level of independence, and opportunities for students to operate outside of their usual comfort zone. We have started this term with students using the climbing wall for the first time. This will help to develop confidence, independence, and teamwork, as well as developing physical skills.











### **Mountain Rescue**

Welcome to Mountain Rescue, Blaise High School's dedicated pastoral hub, where we embark on a mission to guide our students through the peaks and valleys of emotional development and school engagement. Committed to nurturing mental health and well-being, we understand that a resilient mind is the key to unlocking academic success. At Mountain Rescue, our skilled team is passionate about fostering a supportive environment that encourages students to explore their full potential in education. Through targeted interventions, we navigate the challenges students face, cultivating a sense of purpose and enthusiasm for learning. In addition to our commitment to individual growth, we are proud to introduce The Student Pantry, a vital initiative extending our reach beyond the school gates. Functioning like a food bank, The Student Pantry reflects our dedication to community service, providing essential support to ensure the well-being of not only our students but the wider community.

Within Mountain Rescue, we believe in the transformative power of education, empathy, and community engagement. Together, we ascend to new heights, empowering students to conquer their academic journeys and contribute meaningfully to the world around them. Please contact Joe Bransfield via email on <a href="mailto:bransfieldj@blaisehighschool.co.uk">bransfieldj@blaisehighschool.co.uk</a> for more information, or follow us on Twitter @blaisemountain. We will include an update every newsletter from our Mountain Rescue team.

We welcome feedback at any point, please do use this <u>form</u> to offer feedback on any part of the school.

We will always meet any parent that would like to meet. If you would like to meet with a member of the senior team to discuss concerns or any feedback, please email <a href="mailto:bristowj@blaisehighschool.co.uk">bristowj@blaisehighschool.co.uk</a> Please find a video summary of this newsletter <a href="mailto:heee">here</a>

