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Dear Parents and Carers,

Happy Friday everyone! It's been a busy week at Blaise and we have lots of things to share in our newsletter this week

A further 68 students hit the hit that "Hundred Hero" milestone with over 100 green points, that's now 32% of the school. We have now given a total of 73,721 green points, with over 5,000 more being given this week!

Our top achievers this week are:

Year 7	Year 8	Year 9
Ruby H (15)	Abdulrahman A (15)	Layla D (15)
Year 10	Year 11	Resource Base
Scarlett R (13)	Ruby L (18)	Sahand O (12)

We are really excited about our first prize buying week, where students will be able to turn their green points into prizes. Prizes include highlighters, branded water bottles, gym bags and pens. Students may also wish to save their points for larger prizes which will be available during the Easter and Summer Term. Larger prizes include footballs, table tennis sets and our very own mini Blaise Bear; which I'm sure will be very popular. Students will be given their Class Charts pupil app login details in TTCP on Monday and will have until Wednesday to order their prizes!

On Tuesday, we proudly competed in a GLT wide Rugby festival hosted in the Forest of Dean at Five Acres High School. Every single student wore the shirt and represented the school with pride. Given that these boys have had barely 2 hours on the rugby field so far this term and with 9 out of 13 never playing a formal game before, or even held a rugby ball, they were great ambassadors for Blaise. All games were played in the right spirit, whether we won or lost. Highlights of the day included a fantastic win again over Gloucester Academy by 6 -0. Even though I am celebrating all involved, notable performances included Samuel D (who scored a large number of tries), Regan M and Joseph S. For brilliant photos of the team in action check out our Instagram page [@blaisehighsch](https://www.instagram.com/blaisehighsch)

### **News from the PE Department**

At Blaise High School, we value physical education and all the values of physical literacy that it can develop. These lifelong skills of motivation, confidence, knowledge and understanding are as vital for our students once they leave school as the physical skills and fitness levels that they improve in their lessons. This is why we expect all students to bring their PE to every PE lesson. This includes when they are feeling under the weather or are injured. This is so that they are ready to engage in the learning in their PE lesson. All students will have a role in their PE lesson as either a performer, coach, official or sports analyst. In order for them to complete these roles effectively students need to be in their PE kit.

Secondly, due to changing weather conditions we want to make sure that all students are warm during the lessons and are able to change back into dry uniforms after the lesson. We understand that there have been difficulties with suppliers for our Blaise kit, however students are expected to bring any black bottoms, dark jumper and green tops if they haven't been able to purchase the branded kit. Trainers are also a part of their PE kit and need to be brought to every lesson. We have purchased some spare PE kits to lend out to students for items that they have forgotten, these will be washed and replaced so that there is clean kit every lesson. If a student is offered a replacement item to wear and they refuse they will attend supervised learning as this will be treated as defiance. If you are having any financial issues with purchasing a PE kit, please contact [info@blaisehighschool.co.uk](mailto:info@blaisehighschool.co.uk) so we can support you with this. We are excited about our PE lessons and value your support in promoting the value of physical health and wellbeing with your child.

### **News from the Performing Arts Department**

The festive season is fast approaching, which means that the Performing Arts department is in full swing! Miss Harper, Mrs Evans and Miss Stone have been busy rehearsing with a number of students across all year groups, to prepare for not one but two Christmas performances. On Wednesday 15th December, Year 7 will be invited to attend a carol service at St. Mary's church. This is a wonderful celebration of both Christmas and music at Blaise High School. The service will feature performances from every year group, readings from our newly appointed student leadership team and some sing-along carols. The event will be a truly festive affair.

In the evening, the Performing Arts department will also be displaying their Christmas Performing Arts Evening. This is a lovely event where you can appreciate the hard work from our BTEC Performing Arts students and from our extracurricular activities that we offer after school. To ensure we can host the event in a Covid secure way, we are requesting that any parents, carers or family that would like to attend, please complete the permission slip or google form ahead of attending, so we can ensure that the correct safety measures are in place and we can allow for social distancing. Unfortunately, we will not be able to permit anyone to watch the event if they have not completed this and space in the audience will be limited so we will be allocating places on a first come first serve basis. With this in mind please complete the form as soon as possible. The link to the form is here: <https://forms.gle/DXZA7qa8Z6o6CMQHA> and payment for tickets will need to be made in cash only upon entry.

Finally, following our Parent Survey in Term 1 and Parent Forum in Term 2, we really want to focus on the effectiveness of communication at Blaise High School. In particular, the experiences that you have had with different areas of the school and whether requests are dealt with in a timely manner. Please could you complete the survey linked here to share your feedback - <https://forms.gle/BuGuSV8WN7t8FPcf9>

I wish you all a fantastic weekend.

Yours faithfully,



**Ms K Brown**  
**Headteacher**