



PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT

Spring Term 2024 (3)

Year 9

It's been another great term, with our year 9 students choosing their GCSE options and completing another set of assessments, we are so proud of you all. It has been so great to see such dedication as we start assessments, with knowledge organisers front and centre as revision takes place. We would also like to thank all the families that came to our Options evening, it was a pleasure to see so many of you.

Head of Year 9, Ms T Law and Ms S Minott

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Blaise High School Student Leadership Team

At the beginning of February we launched our new student leadership structure with Year 9. There are now 6 KS3 Character Representative roles to apply for every unit. Children apply by completing a short application form telling their tutor why they should be considered for the position. Tutors have now selected the very best of these applications to be our very first KS3 Character Representatives, a fantastic achievement!

These students will represent the school every day by upkeeping the highest standards of behaviour, attendance and academic achievement. They will work with our KS4 student leaders and act as a voice for their tutor group whilst also supporting House events.

A huge congratulations to:

Evan T
Andre C
Will C
Elena GS
Laila S
Ewa B J



House competitions this term...

Our Blaise high School Science Project was a HUGE success. So many entrants from all year groups but there could only be one winner!

1st Place: Ella H, 2nd Place: Sarah P and 3rd Place: Alistair I

Winning House: Elbrus!



Our next House competition is our Blaise High School Times Tables Knock Out Challenge!

1st: Kilimanjaro 198 891, 2nd: Elbrus 197 580, 3rd: Everest 197 062

Key dates

Rewards Week: 22nd - 28th March

Assemblies for Year 9 – every Wednesday

2nd January:
Re-induction

8th January:
Routines and Expectations

15th January:
Striving to be the Best

Bristol Youth Vote

22nd January:
Work Hard. Be Kind.

STEPS

29th January:
Developing Character Student Leadership

5th February:
Being curious about your future

19th February:
Re-induction

26th February:
Assessment preparation

4th March:
Do the right thing, even when no-one is watching

11th March
Assessment rankings - your next steps

18th March:
Character Reflection

25th March
End of unit rewards and celebrations



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Year 9 PSHE in Unit 2

Big ideas	Lessons:	Curriculum summary
Identity and Differences	1. My Goals and SMART Targets	Students will learn about how to make SMART targets for themselves in regards to their long term goals. They will learn about the importance of resilience in regards to mental health and how the media and social media can have an impact on our mental health. Students will learn about substance misuse and the laws regarding substance misuse as well as where to get help and what a support plan may involve. Students will learn about how people can be groomed and exploited with a focus around child criminal exploitation, knife crime and radicalisation. Students will also learn about female genital mutilation, breast ironing and honour based abuse. Students will explore what it is to be a good citizen who contributes to society and about first aid which means they can contribute to society in emergency situations.
Developing Me	2. Mental Health and Self Esteem	
Wellbeing	3. The Law and Substance Misuse	
	4. Grooming and Exploitation	
	5. FGM, Breast Ironing and Honor Based Abuse	
	6. First Aid	

If you would like to discuss the subject matter or wish to withdraw your child from any of the PSHE lessons listed above, please contact Head of Year 9 at lawt@blaisehighschool.co.uk or minotts@blaisehighschool.co.uk

Year 9 Reward Winners

Virtues Award Winners:

Fabio NC

Leila S

Josephine M

Sparx Stars:

Siyaam R

Kyle J

Reid H

Highest Golden Tickets:

Zachary C

Emilio P

Logan C T

10 Day Attendance

Streak:

Summer W

Susan K

Hadeel H

Most Green Points:

Ismail M

Alexis L

Ewa B J

Player of the Match:

Zaara R

Our U14 girls came up against St Bedes for their last fixture in the league. This game had a lot of pressure riding on it as if Blaise won, it would mean we were through to the quarter finals. As it was an away fixture, we were lucky enough to be playing on St Bedes' new 4G pitch and the sun was shining. Our girls were a little slow to start but once they found their feet, we were able to play some extremely good football. A penalty was awarded due to the referee not being able to see if the ball went over the backline in their goal and Eley took full advantage of this opportunity, making it 1-0 to Blaise. Not long after, St Bedes managed to take advantage of some gaps in our defence to make it 1-1.



After some brilliant play from the girls up front, Blaise soon took the lead and made the score 2-1. With the end in sight, this new fighting attitude continued with final score being 4-2. This was such a good game for all of the girls that played and even better still, we are now through to the quarter finals!

For a video summary of this Character Newsletter please click [here](#).

You can find out more about Character Education at Blaise High School on our website [here](#).

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