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Highlights

As we come to the end of this Unit, students have been showing off all the things they have learnt through their recent assessments. Firstly, we have been particularly impressed by the integrity shown by all year groups during this window; students have approached their assessments with honesty and a clear determination to see their classroom efforts reflected in their results. Secondly, the quality of preparation from students is definitely the best it has ever been. Whether it was in the dining hall, on the bus, or during quiet moments at home, our students have been making full use of the revision resources designed by their teachers. This culture of hard work is truly paying off!

A special mention must go to our Year 11 students, who have shown exceptional maturity during their mock exam period. The maturity with which Year 11 approached these mocks has been inspiring. Teachers are now currently busy marking and are eager to provide the detailed feedback that will help students fine-tune their performance ahead of May and June.

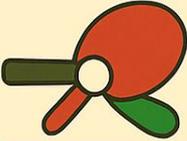
Finally, students were exceptional in the school's Winter Show. A huge thanks goes to all students who took part but also to teaching staff that supported the show to take place, in particular Mr Goodway, Miss Collings and Miss Morris. It has been so joyful to see our students take pride in their performances, and bring us all into their festive spirit!



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Blaise Advent Calendar

Throughout December our students have taken part in the Blaise advent calendar. Each day we reveal the next challenge or event! Students have been incredible and engaged so well in everything on offer.

1st Dec House Football tournament 	2nd Dec  STAMP	3rd Dec X50 extra Green Points XO	4th Dec Table tennis tournament 	5th Dec Friday Treats Pie the Teacher 
8th Dec Triple stamp week 	9th Dec Xmas card making 	10th Dec Mr Nabarros pull up challenge 	11th Dec Football table tournament 	12th Dec Friday Treats Enrichment Fayre 
15th Dec Double Stamps 	16th Dec RAP BATTLE	17th Dec Music in the main hall 	18th Dec Miss Exton singalong Xmas Carols	19th Dec Friday Treats Xmas Karaoke 

Find out more regarding upcoming events on our [website](#)

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Fun Friday

As part of the Blaise advent calendar events we hosted 'Pie the teacher'.

Multiple students had the opportunity to throw a squirry cream pie at different staff members. A brilliantly funny fun Friday event for all students to enjoy. We look forward to all of the amazing events we have planned for Unit 2!



Winners

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The Students with the most green points in the school

Year to Date		
Year Group	Student	Points Total
7	Jhamal Nelson	1331
8	Izumi Chan	1209
9	Haddy Sanyang	1710
10	Ibaad Ali	1136
11	Zachary Clark	1170
POST 16	Jessica McLintock	588



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Resource Base Update

Outside of the classroom our Resource Base classes have had a fantastic range of opportunities since our last newsletter. This has included a Post 16 Accessibility trip to Bath Christmas market. The students planned the trip using public transport, then carry out the trip with staff observing and only intervening if support is required.



We also had all of our students entering the Ten Tors Challenge on Dartmoor, having a practice session on a Saturday along with staff who gave up their time for this. The challenge takes place in May and involves an 8 mile trek over Dartmoor, carrying all equipment and navigating their way.



Finally, our Resource Base students won a host of awards within school including the best attending Tutor group and the most positive 'green' points.



Free School Meals

You can find our more information about free school meals and how to apply on our school [here](#)

Did you know? 🎁 FSM eligibility may also grant you access to other support, such as holiday clubs and activity programmes.

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Sport at Blaise across Unit 1

Where to begin with sport at Blaise across this unit. We have had an incredible season of sport across both rugby and netball. Some highlights in rugby have been, both the year 9 and 10 teams making it to the city wide finals, the year 7 rugby team winning all but one of their matches across the season, and the year 7, 9 and 10 teams winning the GLT tournament we hosted in November, with year 8s coming a close second in their age group.

Our netball teams have had just as much amazing success this unit. Our year 9 and 10 teams entered the competitive league for the first time and have won so many matches. The teams find out in January if we've made it to the finals... fingers crossed! Our year 7 and 8 teams have both gone unbeaten all season which is has been a huge achievement against some really tough opponents.

We are so proud of every single student who has come to training and participated in matches, every single student has shown incredible commitment to work hard and be kind during every sporting encounter this term. It is their hard work and dedication that ensures we as Blaise High school continue to achieve sporting success.

As we move to Unit 2 football starts for both boys and girls and if last year is anything to go by, we are in for a season of even more success!

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from the Blaise PE Department



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Academic Reviews for Year 8, 9 and 11

On **15 January 2026**, we are holding an Academic Review event for parents of students in **Year 11 and all Resource Base** students.

On **22 January 2026**, we are holding an Academic Review event for parents of students in **Year 8 and Year 9**. The aim of these is to give parents and pupils the opportunity to understand the academic performance of our students.

15 January 2026

Year 11

All Resource Base students

School closes to students at 12:30

The event runs from 13:30 to 18:00

22 January 2026

Year 8 and Year 9

School closes to students at 12:30

The event runs from 13:30 to 18:00

Those entitled to Free School Meals should take them during morning break.

Parents are welcome to come in at any time and for any duration within these times. Please feel free to talk to as many teachers as you feel suitable; this event is designed to fit the needs of you and your child. Your child is encouraged to accompany you. Children should wear school uniform.

If your child is in Year 9 this is the ideal opportunity to talk with staff about Key Stage 4 option choices. The Y9 Options Evening is on Wednesday 25 February and whilst we will be presenting information about each subject, class teachers and Heads of Department will not be present at that event. The Academic Review event is scheduled for late January to support you and your child in your decision making.

The format of the event is that you will go to staff in the order of your choice, without making appointments. Usually, the first hour of these events is the most busy so you may want to come later in the event to avoid queues. We advise arriving no later than 16.30 if you wish to speak with a range of teachers.

We look forward to welcoming you.

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Mountain Rescue and Senior Mental Health Lead Update

We would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to our entire Blaise High School community for your wonderful support throughout this first term of the academic year. Your generosity has been truly appreciated. You have been brilliant in donating outgrown uniform items and incredibly generous in supporting our Student Pantry.

This term, a key focus has been helping our students manage their school attendance and overcome any barriers to coming to school. We have worked hard, alongside our students and families, to create a collaborative culture of support. This is to highlight the benefits of daily attendance, not only for academic progress but also for personal growth and the positive mental health benefits it brings.

We have also dedicated time to focusing on managing anxiety, encouraging students to develop effective ways to handle difficult situations rather than avoiding them.

Finally, this marks my last term working at Blaise High School, and I wanted to offer an extra special thank you for your continued support over the past few years. I truly love our Blaise High School community and am incredibly grateful to have been a part of it.

Wishing you all a lovely festive break.

Joe Bransfield

Mountain Rescue Lead

Feedback

We welcome feedback at any point, please do use this [form](#) 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 bristowj@blaisehighschool.co.uk

Please find a video summary of this newsletter [here](#)

