



Blanche Nevile Secondary School Newsletter

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Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Children,

Welcome to 2022!

Another year with lots more fun-filled activities.

We've had the Deaf Smart Energy visiting from RAD, Blanche Nevile's got Talent, various workshops from NDCS and many more as you can see in this newsletter.

There's lots more exciting things in the pipeline for our students next term and we are all really looking forward to it!

A huge thank you to our parents for being patient with the regular Lateral Flow Tests – I'm pleased to say that we've got through the worst now with no new cases for over a week.

Thank you to our staff for being incredibly flexible – all the while providing the best education for our students.

Have a lovely short break and we will see you all again on Monday 21st February 2022.

Brighter, warmer days are coming!

Laila Doobeh

Ms Daly & Ms Donovan write:

Visit to Natural History Museum

Years 10/11 went to the museum as part of their science project on rocks and fossils.

We looked at fossils, rocks and also went to the mammal section. The favourite part of the museum was the dinosaur exhibition and we were all fascinated by the dinosaur animatronics. They look so life like! Yasir knows the names of many dinosaurs—he pronounces them perfectly!

The building itself is amazing and it's free to visit! It really helps us understand the science of the world.



Mrs Christian writes:

Some of the secondary students have been learning about graphic design and packaging. They have been studying the Kelloggs brand and how the design has changed over time. The students took a chance and emailed Kelloggs with some questions – Niclas from Kelloggs very kindly replied! Next time you are in a supermarket, check the cereals and look at the Kelloggs packaging. Notice how the Krave package design is different to all the other Kelloggs cereal designs – can you notice what is different....?



We look forward to showing you the students' own designs in the next newsletter.

Ms Worthington writes:

Blanche Nevile's Got Talent

The BN students presented their Talent Show performances. Lots of confident performances and a good time had by the audience!



This term in **PSD**, students are practising a range of mindfulness activities at the start of each lesson so they can create a toolbox of activities that they can use to help them feel calm, de-stress and relax.

In **Cooking and PSD** this term, students are learning about the Eatwell plate and how to eat foods from a range of food groups.

Communication tip - see if you can identify the foods you're having for dinner!



Mrs Antoniewicz writes:

Year 11 and Year 9: ELC coursework

This term some students from Year 11 and year 9 have started working on their coursework for Entry Level Certificate which is about patterns. They are also revising hard for their test papers which they will be sitting in March. Good luck to everyone!

Year 7 and Year 9: This term Year 7 and Year 11 have been working with money finding totals and giving change. Please try to look at the cost of things in the shops and work out the correct totals and change. You can always use a calculator!

Year 8: Year 8 have been working hard on their GCSE topic studying Graphs , Angles and 2D shapes.

Year 10: Well done to Year 10 who have been working very hard on their ELC 3 content. They have a really deepened their understanding of the relationship between fractions, decimals and percentages. **Keep practicing on IXL !**

Mr Gathani writes:

Year 11 – Preparing for Function Skills exam

Year 10/11 students have been working hard undertaking a range of skills to operate confidently, effectively and independently in education, work and everyday life.

They will learn how to manage files and folders and understand passwords and security. They will also discover how to deal with common IT issues; including sending and receiving emails, adding attachments and organising your contacts. They will also cover how to use the internet effectively and safely.

The students will learn how to create engaging text-based documents using images, tables and other formatting features, cover how to record and analyse data, and how to present it using charts and graphs.

They will learn to use text, images, transitions and animations to present their work. Learning how to record large amounts of data and complete detailed searches for specific information.



Ms Willis writes:

Year 7 English are learning stories from different cultures.

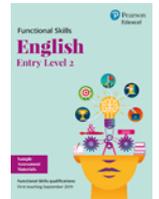
The story they are currently learning coincides with the Chinese New Year which in 2022 is celebrating the year of the Tiger. Students have been learning about India and the story about how the tiger became a domesticated cat in their country.



Year 8.9 English are studying Autobiographical Voices this term. They are currently learning about Rosa Parks and Martin Luther King and how their power of speech influenced the world.



Year 10 English have been practising their speaking and listening skills in English. All students are currently working on presentations of their choice and group discussion skills. Students will be learning the difference between formal and informal language to help prepare them for their Functional Skills exams later in the term.



Mrs Demirci writes:

This half term Year 10 GCSE R.S. students visited two different churches in Muswell Hill. It was so interesting to compare some of the features and philosophies of the different denominations, and to find out what services the churches offer the local community. These visits have helped the students to describe differences and similarities within the Christian tradition. We hope to visit more places of worship as our course goes on!



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Year 10.11 English have been learning about different types of travel and travel safety. They are currently reading two different stories to help them understand the importance of knowing road rules when travelling to places outside school.



Reminder

Please send your child into school with spare hearing aid batteries to keep in school. Thank you.



February half term	14th— 18th February 2022
Spring Term 2 begins	21st February 2022
Year 9 Options Evening	Tuesday 1st March 2022
End of Spring Term 2	Friday 1st April 2022

Important Dates

