



Blanche Nevile Secondary School Newsletter

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Christmas Edition 2022



Mrs Antoniewicz writes:



Maths Department

This half term the Maths Department focussed on estimation as well as memorising times tables! Lots of house points were given to students who stood up in assembly to recite their times tables off by heart.

Last week we had an estimation quiz which was a huge success and I am pleased to report that students had closer estimates than staff!! Lots of house points were given for the closest estimates and the students thoroughly enjoyed the quiz whilst learning their measure and how to estimate.

As usual, please keep encouraging your child to say/sign their times tables and keep practicing their maths skills on our fantastic IXL website <https://www.ixl.com>.

Blanche Nevile Winter Sale



Our Winter Sale has made £200 so far for our School!

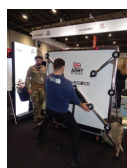
Thank you to everyone who helped in so many ways, and Ms Willis in particular who helped with all the sorting and pricing and also serving on the day with me.

Also a big thank you to Ms Antoniewicz for providing some lovely things from the Arsenal in the Community team. Thank you!
Ms Daly

Ms Daly writes:

Years 10 and 11 visit to Skills London 2022

On Friday 25th November students went to EXCEL centre in East London to a careers fair. The exhibition covered colleges, universities, employment opportunities, company apprenticeships and help young people realise their opportunities and potential in the future. There were 122 schools there from all over London.



At the British Army stand we met a soldier who used BSL to a good standard.

Ceyan and Etido did some cake icing in a hospitality tent.

All the stands were both interesting and entertaining.



Most of our students tried the reaction game which involved tapping lights as fast as you can. Mr Er went twice and his second score was as good as the army personnel!

Dear Parents, Carers, Staff and Students,

As we come to the end of my first term at Blanche Nevile, I hope, like me, you are all looking forward to some very well deserved rest and relaxation as well as all the fun the festive season brings.

I am looking forward to having my grown up children back home for Christmas Day and spoiling them rotten for a few days.

I would like to thank you all for the overwhelming support for all the charity work this term. Your efforts and participation in all the events have been so appreciated and the money raised for Friends of Blanche Nevile will be used making great memories for our pupils and families in the future.

I truly believe that we are a really positive community stretching out all over London and I could not be more proud to lead our fabulous school.

The staff and I would like to wish you a very Merry Christmas and the best possible start to 2023.

We look forward to welcoming the children back to school on Wednesday 4th January, for another action packed and fun filled year whatever it may bring!



Have the best possible holiday everyone!

Martyn Rawlinson, Headteacher



Ms Daly writes:

Trip to William Morris Gallery



On Thursday 1st December some Year 8 students went to visit the William Morris Gallery in Walthamstow.



The visit supported work in both Art and Textiles.

We visited all the different rooms and learnt about his life, his interest in medieval history, and his famous designs. He was influenced by nature and patterns used in Turkish tiles.

The students will need to complete the written work in school as this project will be accredited by AQA Unit Award.

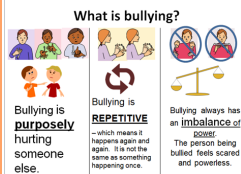
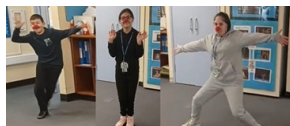
Well done all of you!



Ms Worthington writes:

PSD

Drama students have been busy preparing for the Talent show on Friday 16th December. They are looking forward to sharing their new clowning skills!



In PSD students have been learning about the difference between bullying and conflict/arguments with friends.



In Cooking, students have enjoyed making some winter warmer specials from around the world such as British apple crumble, Spanish Empanada and Turkish Lahmacun.

Mr Gathani writes:

ITC

It is the most exciting time of the year for our pupils!

The pupils are excited to make their own Christmas cards for their friends or loved ones.

They will be using 'Publisher' software to make their own Christmas cards—their choices of pictures, colours and the message on the cards.

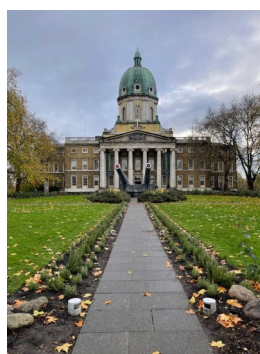
Our pupils have benefitted from learning how to use Publisher software, which will enable them to gain the skills, knowledge and techniques required to produce documents such as newsletters, and brochures combining text and images.



Mrs Demirci writes:

Humanities

At the end of November students in Years 9, 10 and 11 took part in a Humanities trip to the Imperial War Museum. We met the education team at the museum and visited the Holocaust exhibition. It was a very moving experience. Students were fantastic at sharing what they had learned with the educators there and they came away with a deeper understanding of the historical



Ms Willis writes:

English



7.8.9 - This half term, students have been learning about the Great Fire of London. Students visited the Museum of London on the 14th of November. There were lots of activities to do and things to see from 1666 that survived the fire.



Year 8b - This half term students have been learning about Elizabethan life, the Globe Theatre and some of the language from Shakespeare's play Romeo and Juliet. Students were given the opportunity to visit the Globe Theatre on the 18th of November for a tour and workshop. Students will finish their Unit Award Certificate – A Biography – William Shakespeare at the end of this term.

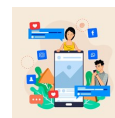


Year 10 - This half term students have been learning about Travel and Tourism and the importance of needing it for countries to make money. Students looked at London as an important city to live in as part of their topic work and on the 9th of December all students were given the opportunity to go on a bus and boat tour of London.



Year 11a - This half term students have explored the life of work and investigated five different jobs. Students have discussed skills needed for different types of jobs and they have also role played. Students will complete a Unit Award Certificate by the end of this term.

This half term students have been discussing the impact of social media and exploring different types of social media that exist. Students have written emails and articles to outline the issues associated with social media and young children.



Mrs Christian & Ms Daly write:

Art, Design and Textiles



The year 11 students are very busy finishing their qualification coursework. Students have created fantastic designs and artwork using textiles, painting, drawing, ceramics, printing and graphic design.

Well done everyone! We wish you all GOOD LUCK for your qualification.



We will look forward to the Year 11 Art and Design Exhibition, during June 2023, when the students will exhibit their work.



Reminder

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



Important Dates



Break up for Christmas holidays	Friday 16th December 12.30pm
INSET day School closed to students	Tuesday 3rd January 2023
Students return to school	Wednesday 4th January 2023
Spring Term 1 finishes	Friday 10th February
Spring Term 2 starts	Monday 20th February