



Burton Borough School Monthly Newsletter

January 2020

Dear Families,

Happy New Year! I hope you all had a wonderful break over the festive period and the new year is treating you well so far. December was such a joyous time with the Burton Borough Bands performing at the annual concert, solo performers performing at the end of term assembly and the brilliant Christmas Fayre that was organised by Aqualate Small School.

I would like to say a huge thank you to our year 9 families for the tremendous turn out to our Year 9 Parents'/Carers' evening and Key Stage 4 Transition evening. Both of these are incredibly important events as students choose the subjects they would like to take forward for GCSE as well as finding out more information on the subjects that they will continue to take through to GCSE. The results from the year 9 parent/carer survey was also overwhelmingly positive and I am so grateful for the huge number of you who came to speak to me at the events to say how pleased you were with your child's progress and what we are doing as a school. Results from the year 9 survey show that:

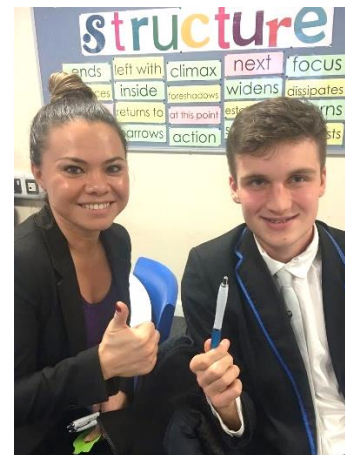
- 96% of year 9 parents/carers said their child is happy at Burton Borough School
- 98% of year 9 parents/carers said their child feels safe at Burton Borough
- 98% of year 9 parents/carers said their child makes good progress
- 96% of year 9 parents/carers said their child is taught well
- 94% of year 9 parents/carers said the school is well led
- 96% of year 9 parents/carers said their child is well looked after

Thank you very much for this and I know that where any families raised a concern, small school teams have been in contact to resolve the issues as quickly as possible.

Individual congratulations go to Bailey Kandola who did very well at the BDO World Street Dance Championship – I particularly enjoyed hearing about one of the dance routines that was based on mental health, something that we are very passionate about at Burton Borough. Well done also to Amelia Barber and Lucy Freer with their achievements in Karate and Eleanor Aver-Howdle who just passed her grade 2 clarinet exam and was nominated 'Player's Player' at Newport Girls' Football Club. Our staff have also had some notable successes with Miss Beddow being interviewed for iNews on the impacts of reading and Mrs Heins who spoke about the excellent work she does around wellbeing at the Westminster Briefing Conference in London.

I hope you enjoy this edition of the newsletter!

Yours sincerely,
Krissi Carter (Principal)



Upcoming events

4th February 2020
Year 7 Parents'/Carers' Evening

14th February 2020
School breaks for half term

24th February 2020
School return from half term

19th March 2020
Year 10 Parents'/Carers' Evening

25th March 2020
BBS Bands Easter Concert

Friday 3rd April 2020
School breaks for Easter holiday

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Bailey Kandola (left) attended the BDO World Championships in Street Dance. Her crew Amplify came away with second prize in the U14 Amateur group. Her megacrew who told a story around mental health through dance came away with first! Well done!



Some great entries for the Routes into Languages competition in association with Aston University. See the MFL dept for prizes. Keep thinking about the 'Big Think' - 'Should we all speak one language?'

We are very proud of Lucy Freer and Ameilia Barber (right) who won awards at the annual award presentation for Edgmond Village Shotokan Karate Club. Ameilia was the Junior Kumite winner and Lucy was second. Lucy was also third in the Kata all ages competition and second in the team Kumite competition. Well done!



Well done to Eleanor Aver-Howdle (above) who just passed her grade 2 clarinet exam! She is in both the Junior and Concert Bands at BBS. She was also nominated 'Player's Player' at a recent awards ceremony for Newport Girls' Football Club.



Our dance leaders (right) taught Peter and the Wolf and Fairy tales to pupils at Church Aston Infants!



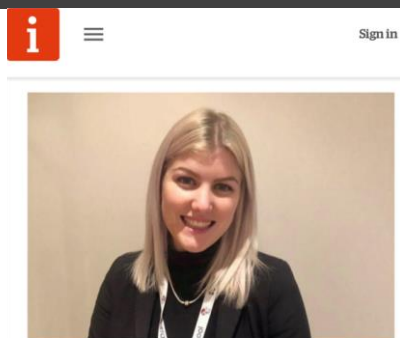
Our students (above) had a fantastic time at the indoor cricket event in Telford and Wrekin. Thanks to Cricket Shropshire for organising!



The year 9/10 rugby team played against Ercall Wood and won! What a cracking game!



Chetwynd students (above) ran a charity 'Manhunt' event



Learning mentor Blayne Beddow has seen first hand the difference that confidence in reading can make to young people (Photo: Blayne Beddow)

Miss Beddow was interviewed for iNews on the importance of reading (above).



(Above right) Mrs Heins was asked to speak at the Westminster Briefing Conference in London about the fantastic work she does on mental health and wellbeing at Burton Borough School.





Well done to all students who participated in the Rotary Life Young Chef competition (left). The winner will be competing against students from other schools in the final!



Our girls' football team (above) beat Bishop's Castle 8-0!



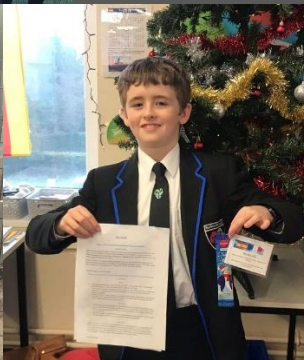
Well done to our year 7 football teams (above). Both have progressed to the Telford semi-finals!



Aqualate Small School did a fantastic job collecting food for Newport Food Bank (left).

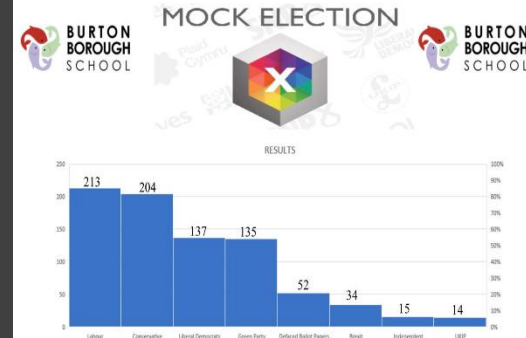


Our students had a great time at the Wolverhampton University Christmas Lecture (left)



This young man produced a fantastic position paper on Big Think Question 'Should we all speak the same language?' (left).

Students took part in the Burton Borough School Mock election on the 12th December. The results were different to what actually happened though!



We said adios to our Spanish exchange students in December (left). Of course, we had to give them a little Christmas pudding to take with them!



Our students are enjoying boxing club (left)!



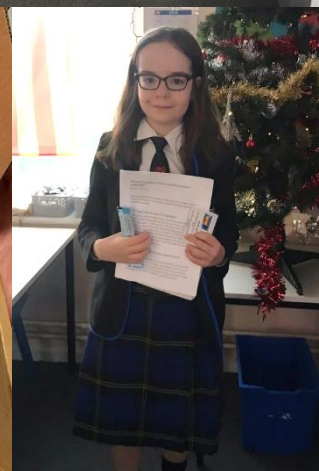
Well done to the year 9/10 indoor cricket team who qualified for the indoor cricket county finals!





A fantastic time was had by all at the Burton Borough School Christmas Concert (left). What a brilliant turn out we had! Well done to all students who performed and to our amazing performing arts team for the organisation!

Well done to Aqualate Small School for organising the Christmas Fayre and raising £380 for charity!



8yP presented their homework projects to one another in class. Over the last 6 weeks their homework has been to create a time capsule from the WW1 trenches. Some serious effort has gone into this work, well done!

Some of our fantastic Rugby Leaders received their KS4 RFU Leaders Award (below). Well done gents. Your support and time helping the younger students has been invaluable!



Our year 11 basketball team



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