



# NEWSLETTER

March 2023

## CAREERS SPECIAL!

Our focus on careers means that students can start to think about how the subjects that they study at school are linked to jobs and careers later in life. There is a range of fun and engaging activities that have been happening and are coming soon to ensure that our students can make informed decisions now to influence their paths in the future.

### What's Next? Careers Fair

As part of Careers Week 2023, BPS held its annual "What's Next?" Careers Fair for all year groups. Over 20 employers and colleges attended, showing our students what their future could potentially look like.

Great feedback was given including *"it's shown me all of my future careers options."*



### National Apprenticeship Week

**Monday 6th – Friday 10th February**

Form time activities allowed students to find out about this alternative route to university which combines learning with hands-on on experience and getting paid in the process.

### Birkenhead Sixth Form College Taster Day

Year 11s went to spend a taster day at the College to see where they will be studying next year, observing A Level lessons while shadowing College students. They also had a tour of the campus and an interactive tutorial looking at careers.





# Year 11 Study Skills Day

All Year 11 took part in study skills day focusing on exam practice for this summer's GCSE exams.



History, IT, English and Statistics were amongst the subjects practiced, which was a hugely valuable experience with final exams on the horizon. Inspirational Push Talks around well-being during exam season and aiming for employability were also a big hit with the students.

## i-KNOW revision programme

Our innovative iKnow Revision Programme is now up and running for Year 11 to help them get prepared for the all-important GCSE exams in just a few short weeks.

The programme teaches students how to revise, what to revise, and that they can revise – plus they get incentives in the form of prizes each week and every term!



## Sports

All of our year groups have been taking part in the Wirral Football Cup, with Year 9s now through to the Quarter Final stage. Good luck in the next match!

Year 7 and 8 boys came runners up in the prestigious Birkenhead U13 Rugby Plate. Well done, boys!



## Student Ambassadors

Our new team of Student Ambassadors met for the very first time and created a Student Council.

Not only will our team be representing the school at events and when we have visitors, but they'll also be working together with our staff to help with new ideas and initiatives to develop the school experience.



## Clubs

We have clubs each week including sports, arts and STEM clubs. New clubs for this term include Duke of Edinburgh club every Monday 3:05-4:05pm for Year 9. Homework club is every Tuesday and Thursday in the library - every year club group is welcome.

Please visit...

[www.birkenheadparkschool.com/students/extra-curricular](http://www.birkenheadparkschool.com/students/extra-curricular) to see our full range of activities and times.

what's on at BPS ...				
Enrichment clubs to join in with in Week A lunch				
YEAR 7 & 8	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday
	Chess	Robotics	Football	Table Tennis
YEAR 10 & 11	monday	tuesday	wednesday	thursday
	Chess	Robotics	Football	Table Tennis





## Diversity

We have 24 students who can speak more than one language, with some speaking up to four! In a world where we travel further and further afield, this skill is invaluable.



## Community Champions

Both Jason and Tom volunteer at Gaultby Road Community Centre each Friday, which is a fantastic contribution to the local community and appreciated by everyone that uses the centre. Keep up the good work, Jason and Tom!



## Achievements

Stevie Johnson has received a promotion from Lance Corporal to his new rank of Corporal, which he was presented with during his recent Cadet Company trip with his Army Detachment.



## Trips

Students from Years 7,8 and 9 visited the Liverpool Empire to watch Mother Goose, starring Sir Ian McKellen and John Bishop. They all returned with rave reviews!



## World Book Day



Our teachers always make a fantastic effort to dress up as their favourite book on World Book Day, and this year was no exception.

Other activities on the day included free books and a literacy treasure hunt with prizes to be won!



## Looking forward

Visit the Careers section of our website to find out more as it is constantly being updated with new events, information and advice, as well as links to other helpful websites.



## Future Fridays

In a brand new programme, local and regional employers will be visiting the school every Friday to talk to Year 10 and 11 about their area of work, what it involves, and possible career options after school.