



# Blackfriars Bulletin

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## BACK TO SCHOOL



We were absolutely delighted with the Year 11 results this year. Our students have all achieved incredible things in their years at Blackfriars Newcastle, not only some fantastic academic results but also very important personal achievements as well. Keep a look out on our

school website for the full summary but the highlights include students with GCSEs in Maths, English, RE, History, Art and Science plus BTECs in Work Skills, Performing Arts, Creative Media, Home Cooking and the ASDAN awards. Well done Year 11

Exam success was not restricted to the Year 11s – Joe, a year 9 student, took GCSE Maths and passed with a C Grade – not bad 2 years early!!

These results are, of course, only possible with the fantastic teaching of our staff and the support of parents and carers.

### Safeguarding Contact Information

Staffordshire

First Response :  
0800 1313 126  
Outside office hours:  
0845 6042886

Stoke-on-Trent

Advice and Referral Team:  
01782 235100  
Outside office hours:  
01782 234234

Cheshire East

Referral Team :  
0300 123 5012 Option 2  
Outside office hours:

Shropshire

Referral Team:  
01743 254 259  
Initial Contact Team:  
0345 678 9021  
Outside office hours:

### Adult Safeguarding referral numbers

Staffordshire: First Response –  
0845 604 2719  
Stoke on Trent: Adult Social Care –  
0800 561 0015

Website:

[www.set-mat.co.uk](http://www.set-mat.co.uk)

### Scholar of the Week

All of our new starters who have been incredibly brave starting secondary school and trying so hard in their first week

#### A very warm welcome to:

Josh	Katie
Corey	Kane
Paige	Jim
Harry	Eleanor
Isabella	William
Madelaine	Steven
Jack	Dylan
Alex	Arwen
Oscar	Drew
Asrin	



Anthony, one of our Year 11 students, completed a National Citizen Service over the summer holidays. There was a range of activities during

the four week programme which included car washing, bag packing, visit to Keele University and a five day residential in Northumbria taking part in bush craft, zip wire, abseiling, wall climbing and 3g swing to name a few. Well done Anthony !

Thanks must go to the Shaw Trust who have donated chairs, desks, notice boards, screens and much more to transform classrooms, our meeting spaces and they have given all of our TAs a much needed break by giving them wheelie chairs which they can use to whizz around the classroom supporting our students. Thanks again Shaw Trust!

A very important part of the work that we do in school takes place in PSHE and ICT lessons and in form time. At the moment, we are undertaking a great deal of work on keeping safe, both online and in the community. Below is the link to the NSPCC 'PANTS' materials that are selectively used in class. *Included with your newsletter is the PANTS leaflet.*

<http://www.nspcc.org.uk/preventing-abuse/keeping-children-safe/underwear-rule/>



Lunch-time clubs will be starting from Monday 12<sup>th</sup> September. They include

Day	Club	Club
Monday	Improving spoken and written English for students with English as an additional language	
Tuesday	Badminton	
Wednesday	Sign and Sing	
Thursday	Railway Club	
Friday	Girls' Allowed,	Football

School uniform & school bags – all of the students looked so smart on Tuesday morning. It was great to see that some new students also had the Tesco school bags. Not only do all of the students wear their uniform with pride and can be easily identified as a student of Blackfriars, but also each purchase you make adds to the total of the money that we receive from Tesco towards school fund. You can order more uniform from

<http://www.tesco.com/direct/main-uniform/10560.school>

Free school meals – please do check if you are eligible for free school meals, not only can this help families when budgets are tight but the school also receives extra funding. You will get an instant answer if you search on:

[www.staffordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmealsapplication](http://www.staffordshire.gov.uk/freeschoolmealsapplication)

Upcoming dates:

Prospective Parents – If you are happy with how well your child has settled into Blackfriars, please tell your friends and other families who have children with special needs. Open Days are:

7th October 10 – 12 noon

12th October 1.30-3.30pm



We are delighted that Rob Millington is back with us as Senior Vice Principal and Head of College, we are delighted to have you fully back with us after leading the Coppice for 2 terms.