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THE BLC BUGLE

The Voice of BLC fortnightly Newsletter



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Message from Interim Headteacher

I hope all members of the BLC community have had a good end of Term 3 and I hope you enjoy a well-earned rest over half term.

In school, it has been a very positive end of term with great rewards and celebration assemblies, and terrific events in secondary school for 'Anti Racism Week.' Also, this week, the first BLC international trip has taken place with a group of staff and students visiting Barcelona. A big thanks to all colleagues for all they do to give our students a great enrichment experience during their time at BLC!

Our Ofsted inspection in the first week of term now seems like a long time ago, but it was great to receive a very positive letter from Bristol Director of Education Vik Verma including the comments:

"I would like to congratulate your team especially on the strong standards identified in Early Years. The report reflects the dedication, ambition, and care that underpin the work at the primary phase and the first steps taken to improving education at the secondary phase."

It is nice to finish a successful term with such positive validation for the strong work staff at BLC are doing to improve the school for the benefit of our wonderful students.

The Bridge Value of the Week is...



**"Which
extracurricular club
will you empower
yourself to attend this
week?"**



Mr Butler
Interim Headteacher

Trip to Barcelona

On Tuesday 10th February 30 of our Year 10 and 11 students started on their adventure to Barcelona. They had a very early start leaving school at 4.30am!

They arrived safely in Barcelona and, after lunch, they visited a museum.

On Wednesday they visited another museum with fantastic views over Barcelona. This was followed by visits to the Barcelona Aquarium and an evening on the beach.

On Thursday, students enjoyed visiting the Barcelona Football Museum and sampling some tapas.

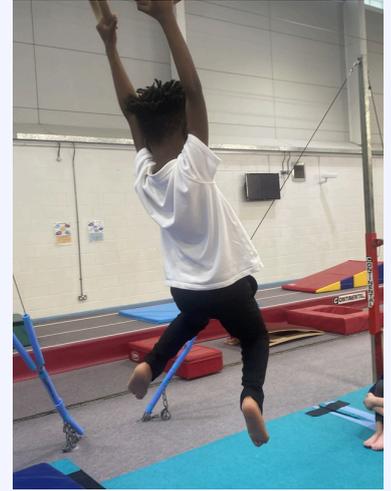


Celebrating Term 3 Attendance! 🎉

We've had an excellent few days in Primary celebrating and rewarding the children who achieved 100% attendance in Term 3. A huge thank you to our Attendance Team, who planned and organised everything so brilliantly: a big shout-out to them for making it all happen!

Our 100% attenders from Year 1 to Year 6 enjoyed a fantastic session at the gym centre, with huge fun had by all. The children were enthusiastic, energetic, and an absolute credit to the school.

... this was Year 3 having an amazing time! 📸🌟



We had a very well attended primary reading session led by Caroline for our parents in Reception this term.



Subject Discovery Fair - Year 10 & 11 students - Wednesday 18th March

YouThe link to the poster is here -

<https://email.unifrog.org/t/r-l-tkkylve-pykxlusy-o/>

Uniform Reminder

Please have a look at our updated Uniform code, click on the link below - reminder regarding false names and jewellery

[Uniform Code 2025-2026](#)

Save the date...

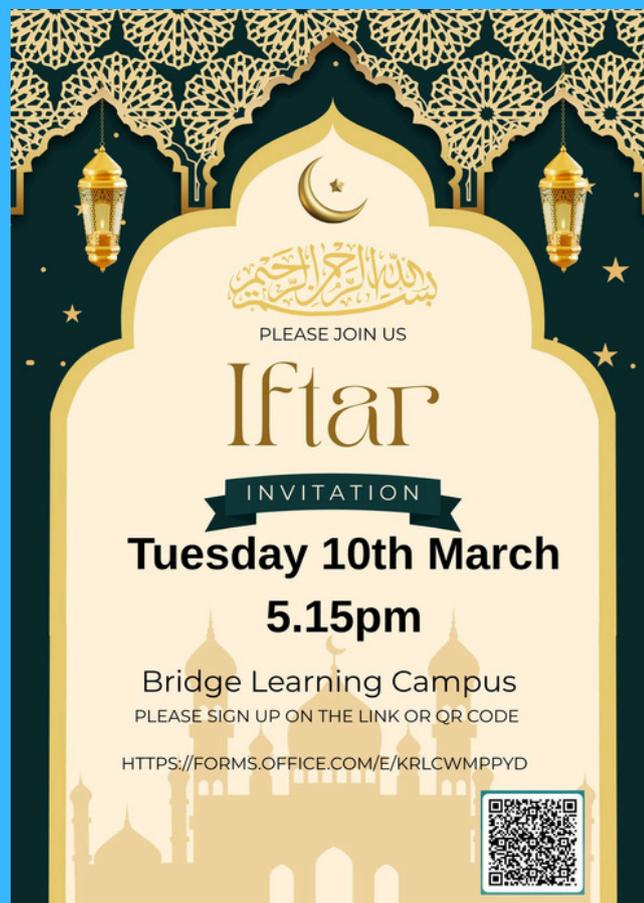
School Iftar – Tuesday 10th March 5.15pm

We are delighted to share that we will once again be hosting a school Iftar on Tuesday 10th March, following the wonderful success of last year's event.

The Iftar is a special opportunity for our school community to come together in support, celebration and solidarity with our Muslim students, families and neighbours as we join them in breaking the fast during Ramadan, which runs this year from 17th February to 18th March.

The event will take place in the evening, and we will confirm the exact timings in the next Bugle. We look forward to welcoming families to what promises to be another warm and meaningful community gathering.

Click on the link to sign up <https://forms.office.com/e/kRLCwmppyd>



Friday 22nd May 2026 Extra Inset Day – Primary only

In order to ensure that all staff at Bridge Learning Campus can continue to provide the best education for all of our pupils, we have been given permission to hold an additional staff training day on Friday 22nd May 2026 for Primary pupils only.

This will enable the staff to focus on curriculum development and assessment to ensure we continue to provide an engaging, broad and balanced scheme of learning for all children. We acknowledge any inconvenience that this may cause for parents/carers and thank you for your understanding as we continue to ensure BLC provides an excellent education for all pupils

Student Safety Reminder: Walking Home from School

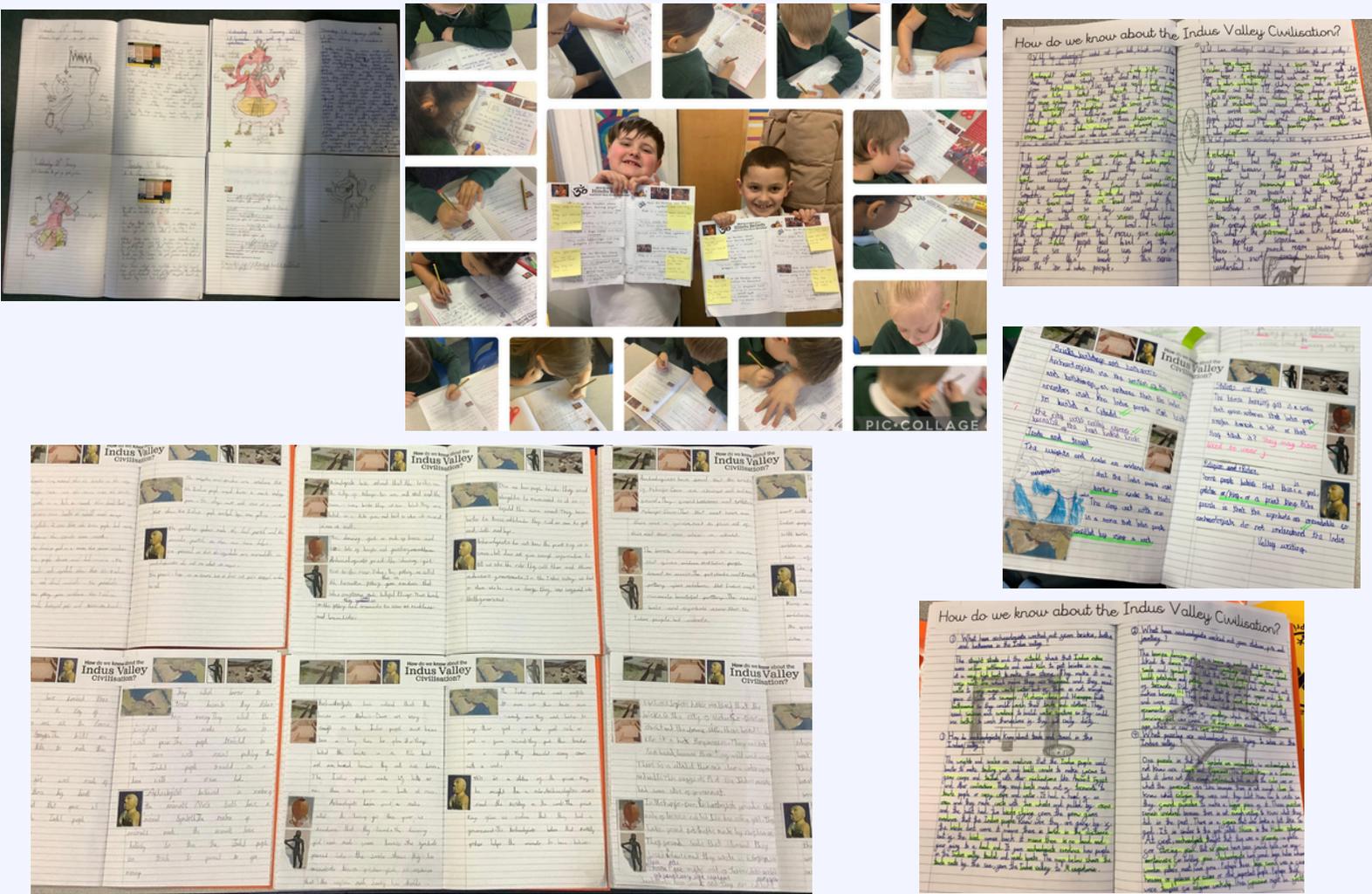
If your child walks home from school, please take a moment to talk with them about staying safe on their journey. A few simple steps can make a big difference:

- Stick to familiar, well-lit routes
- Walk with friends whenever possible
- Stay alert and avoid distractions like phones
- Head straight home unless other arrangements are made
- Do not talk to strangers

For younger students or those new to walking home independently, we recommend walking the route together a few times to help build confidence and awareness.

Your support helps us keep our school community safe and thriving. If you have any concerns or questions about your child's journey home, please don't hesitate to get in touch.

Here are some examples of our synoptic assessments for History, Geography and Religion this term (synoptic assessments test students' overall understanding of a subject Year 3 History, Year 3 Religion, Year 4 Religion, Year 5 History)



Race Equalities Week at Bridge Learning Campus!

We ended Term 3 in secondary with a brilliant celebration of Race Equality Week, where students explored themes of identity, diversity and equality through tutor time sessions and a range of lunchtime activities, including t-shirt design, henna art and a special Film Club. These sessions were hugely popular and encouraged thoughtful conversations across the school.

We rounded off the week with a vibrant Culture Day, with students and staff wearing clothing that represented their heritage or identity. It was a colourful, positive end to the term, and we're proud of how our school community continues to champion inclusion, respect and equality for all.



Term 3 Rewards Celebration Parties!

This week, in secondary, we were delighted to celebrate 240 students across Years 7–10 who have demonstrated excellent attendance, strong positive behaviour points and a consistent commitment to our Bridge Values. Letters went out to the families of students who were celebrated at these parties.

Over two afternoons, these students were invited to our celebration parties, where they enjoyed a music showcase, board games, a quiz and plenty of food—creating a really joyful atmosphere.

These reward events are part of our ongoing pledge to recognise students who show the behaviours we want to see every day, and act as positive role models for their year groups. We are incredibly proud of their achievements and look forward to continuing to celebrate students who uphold our Bridge values each day.

The next rewards events will be a cinema trip on the last week of Term 4 - we want to reward 80 students per year group!



Extracurricular clubs - Term 4

In secondary, we're excited to relaunch our extracurricular clubs offer in Term 4. A full list of clubs will be shared in the first week back.

Key information for families:

- Tutors will support students in choosing a club that interests them.
- A letter with all club details will be sent home to help conversations about getting involved
- With lighter days as we move into spring, we hope to see strong and regular attendance at after-school clubs.

We look forward to lots of students taking part and finding something they enjoy!

Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) have had a wonderful term and it has been hard to pick just a couple of examples from all the opportunities to work together, mark make, use our number skills in our play and share stories. For example, Nursery really enjoyed their visit from our Police community support officer. He showed the children some pictures of his car and the other vehicles the police use to help us. The children tried on some of his uniform and had a go at using his radio. They listened so carefully to all the things the police do to keep us safe and they know that if we see the police they are there to help us.



In Reception, students ended the term with a fabulous Stay and Play with their parents. They love sharing what they have been doing over the term and sharing learning together during these sessions. It was great to see so many people there. Do not worry if you could not make it, there will be other opportunities to visit the classes next term.



Staff Stars of the week this Week

- **Ms F Smith** for going above and beyond every day with a firm but fair approach. She She also did a fantastic job stepping up as Head of Year 7 in January!
- **Mr N Richardson** for checking in with staff and students every day to see how their day is going and if they need anything. He This is always positive and works so hard to get the best for students. He holds students to the highest standards whilst having a calm and caring approach. It is a pleasure to work with him and it has been great to see what he has bought to BLC.



Important Date or Events

Monday 23rd February - Inset Day - school closed to all students

Tuesday 24th February - First day of Term 4 - all students return at normal time.

Thursday 26th February - 3.15-6.00pm - Year 9 Options Choices and Parents Evening

Tuesday 10th March - 5.15pm - Iftar at BLC

